Social Statistics

Week Three, Class One

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```
library(tidyverse)
library(palmerpenguins)
penguins |>
mutate(
bill_ratio = bill_depth_mm / bill_length_mm,
bill_area = bill_depth_mm * bill_length_mm
)
```

Assignment 1 General Thoughts

- Include your qmd file if you email me with questions
- Remember to add your name and date to the header
- Render as you go so it's easier to identify where problems are
- Load packages when you load your data. And when loading tidyverse, do not include echoes, warnings, and messages
- Review in-class notebooks before starting

1. What are the mean and median of **agekdbrn**?

```
1 summary(assignment1$agekdbrn)
Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max.
12.0 20.0 24.0 24.7 29.0 57.0
```

This also works...

[1] 24.70305

```
1 median(assignment1$agekdbrn)
[1] 24

1 mean(assignment1$agekdbrn)
```

2. Find the 33rd and 67th percentiles:

```
1 quantile(assignment1$agekdbrn, c(.33, .67))
33% 67%
21 27
```

3. What is the mode of **agekdbrn** for respondents who completed 12 or fewer years of education?

```
table(assignment1$agekdbrn
          [assignment1$educ<=12])
2
12
    13
                              19
                                  20
                                      21
                                           22
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                                                       25
                                                            26
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                                                                                 31
                                              256 203 216
                                                                        62 115
                        372 389 391 395 247
                                                           134
               152 235
                                                                    94
                                                                                 41
```

Want to sort?

```
1 sort(
2    table(assignment1$agekdbrn
3      [assignment1$educ<=12]), # add comma here
4    decreasing = TRUE # to sort from highest to lowest
5    )</pre>
```

```
21
    20
            18
                            25
                                24
                                    16
                                                            32
                23
                    22
                        17
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395 391 389 372 256 247 235 216 203 152 134 119 115
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            15
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    18
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                    11
                        10
                             8
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 26
                                                     2
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```

4. What proportion of respondents completed exactly 16 years of education?

```
1 prop.table(table(assignment1$educ))

8 9 10 11 12 13 14
0.01782136 0.02203944 0.03163556 0.04291891 0.28060740 0.07740167 0.13592745
15 16 17 18 19 20
0.04871876 0.17958452 0.03975535 0.06200569 0.02214489 0.03943900
```

Want to round?

```
1 round(prop.table(table(assignment1$educ)),3) # 3 for 3 decimal places
8     9     10     11     12     13     14     15     16     17     18     19     20
0.018 0.022 0.032 0.043 0.281 0.077 0.136 0.049 0.180 0.040 0.062 0.022 0.039
```

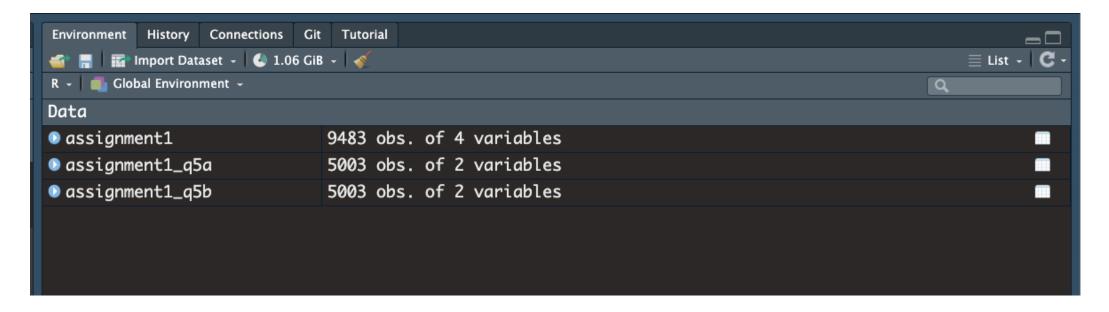
5. Use tidyverse functions to create a new data frame with only the agekdbrn and educ variables, and that is limited to respondents who have 14 or more years of education.

```
1 library(tidyverse) # load the package if necessary
```

A Couple Options...

```
1 # Option 1
2
3 assignment1_q5a <- select(assignment1, agekdbrn, educ) # DF name but no $
4 assignment1_q5a <- filter(assignment1_q5a, educ>=14) # use new DF name

1 # Option 2
2
3 assignment1_q5b <- assignment1 |> # With pipe, need DF name in first line
4 select(agekdbrn, educ) |> # But omit DF name from subsequent lines
5 filter(educ>=14)
```



6. What are the mean and median of **agekdbrn** for respondents in this new data frame?

```
1 summary(assignment1_q5b$agekdbrn)
Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max.
12.00 22.00 26.00 26.65 30.00 57.00
```

7. How long did the assignment take?

```
Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. 0.670 1.500 2.000 2.038 2.750 3.000
```

Center, Spread, Shape

- Range gives us the minimum and the maximum values
- Mean and median give us the center of the distribution
- Mode gives us the most frequent value
- Also want information about the spread of distributions
 - → Variance
 - → Standard Deviation
 - → Skewness

Spread

- Variance = how we measure spread but it has no common scale
- Standard Deviation = measure of how far observations tend to be from the mean
- Standard Deviation is the square root of the variance

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2}{n}}$$

How do we find the variance and standard deviation in R?

Loading Files

We'll use the gss_week3.csv file on Canvas. Download this file, save it, and load it as notebook_03_01.Rmd.

Describing Spread

Start with a summary of the agekdbrn variable

```
1 summary(gss_week3$agekdbrn)

Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max.
9.00 20.00 23.00 24.27 28.00 57.00
```

For variance, use var():

```
1 var(gss_week3$agekdbrn)
[1] 34.52177
```

For standard deviation, use sd():

```
[1] 5.875523
```

Describing Spread

1 var(gss week3\$agekdbrn) # Variance

[1] 34.52177

We can show that the standard deviation is the square root of the variance:

```
1 sqrt(var(gss_week3$agekdbrn)) # Square Root of Variance
[1] 5.875523

1 sd(gss_week3$agekdbrn) # Standard Deviation
[1] 5.875523

1 sd(gss_week3$agekdbrn) ^ 2 # Standard Deviation Squared
[1] 34.52177
```

Describing Spread

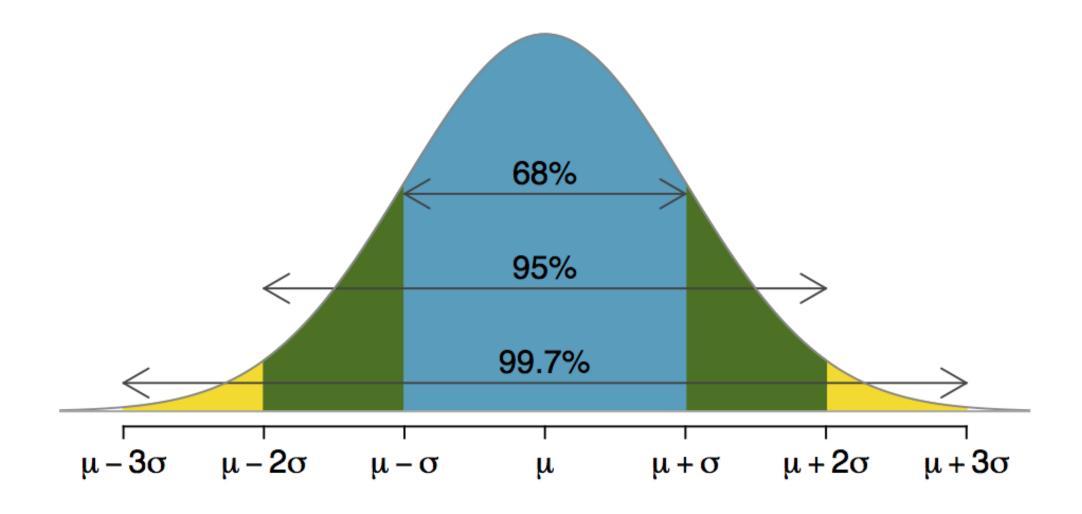
Would you expect more or less variation in the distribution of completed years of education (the **educ** variable)?

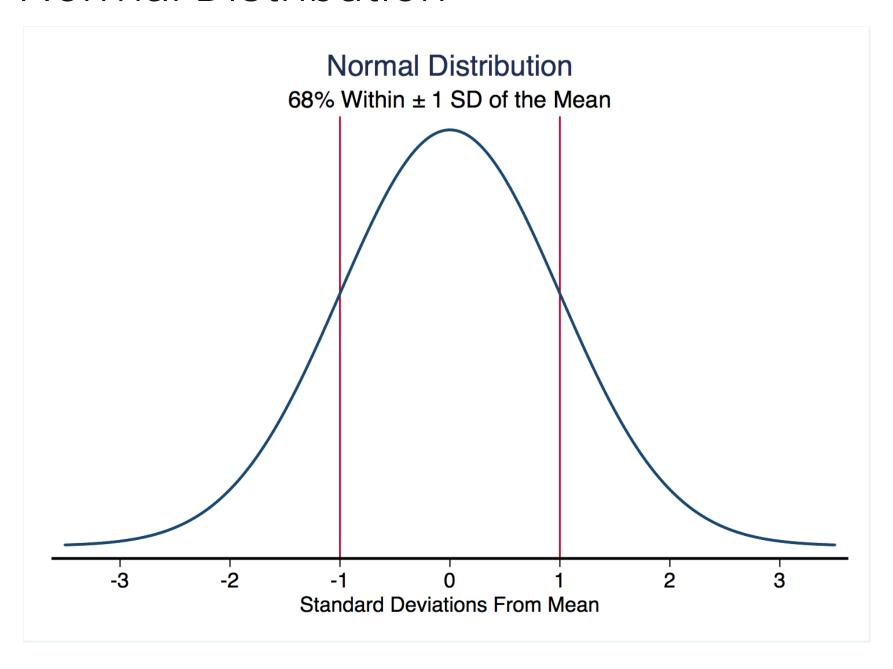
```
1 var(gss_week3$educ)
[1] 9.563199

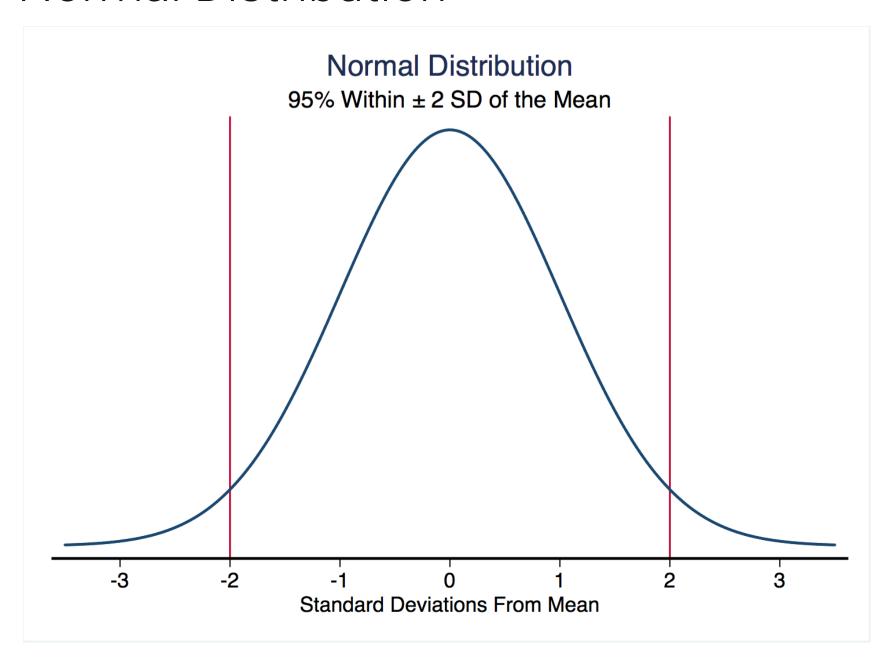
1 sd(gss_week3$educ)
[1] 3.092442
```

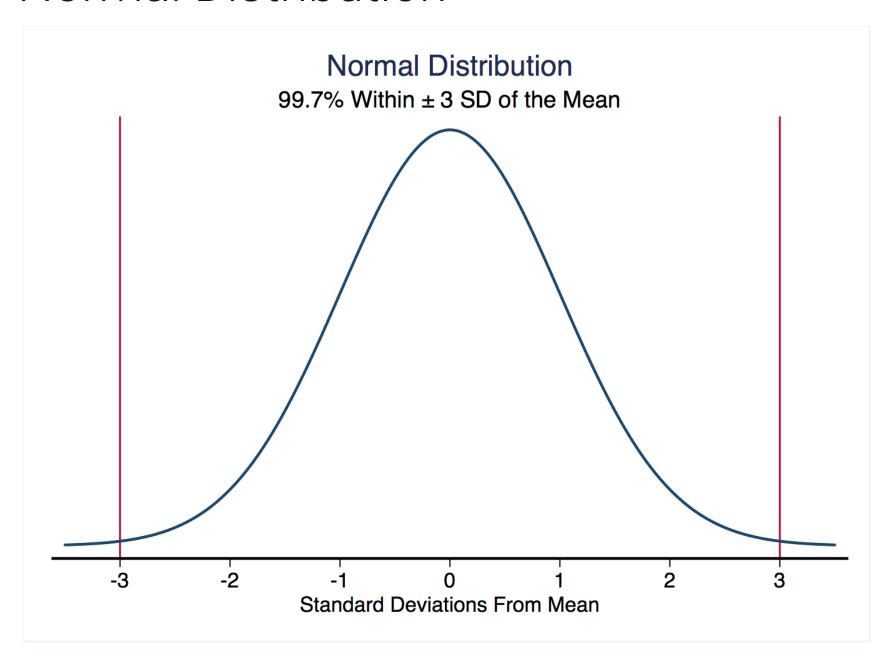
Describing The Shape of the Spread

For now, keep in mind that the shape we like the most is a normal distribution (or bell curve)





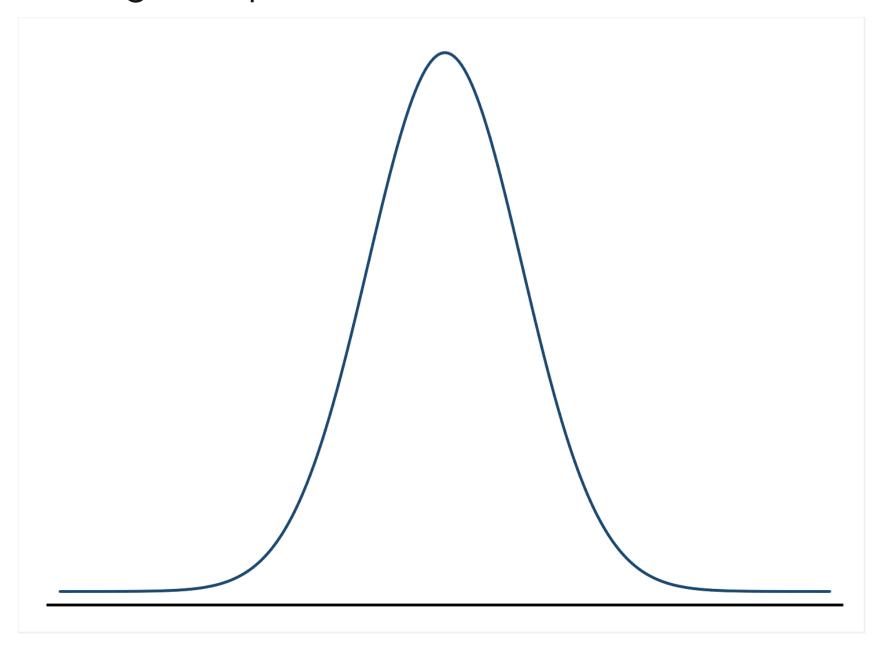




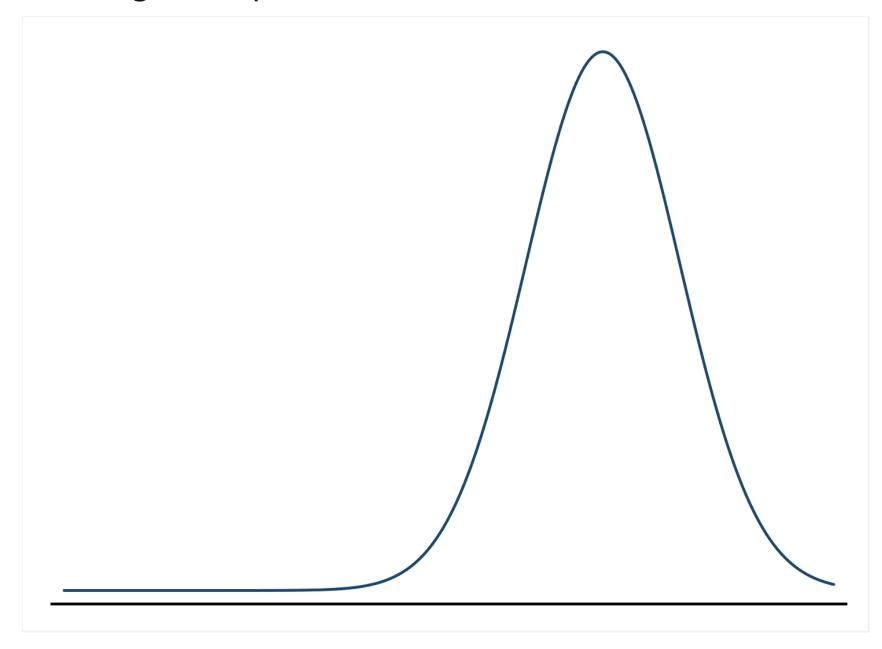
Describing The Shape of the Spread

- Since values are often not normally distributed, the measure of skewness tells us where the "long tail" extends
- Right skewed distributions extend to higher distributions
- Left skewed distributions extend to lower distributions

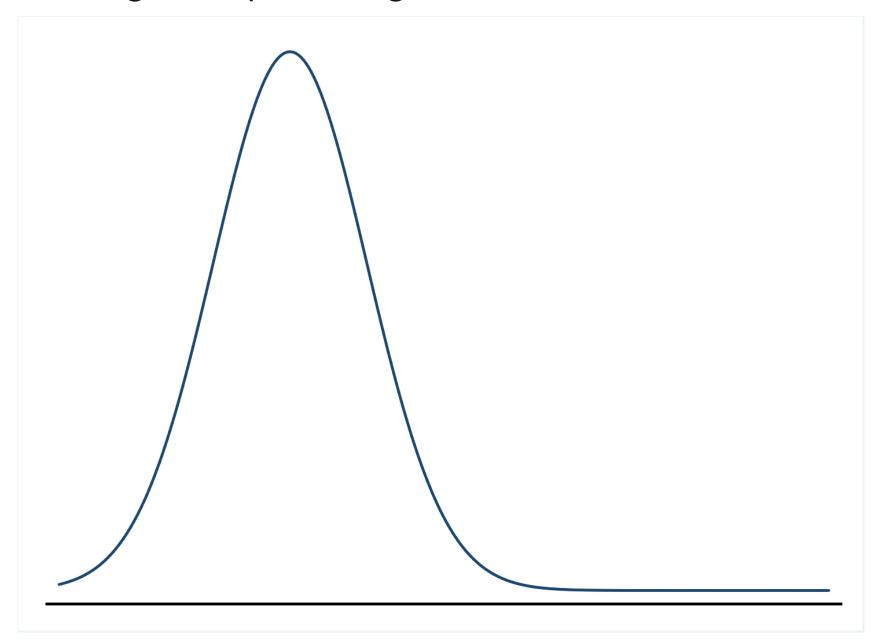
Describing Shape - Normal Distribution



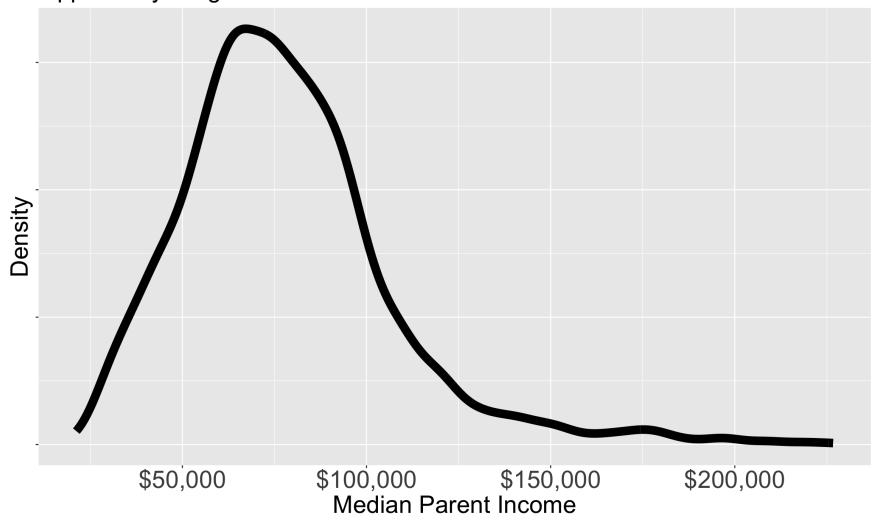
Describing Shape - Left Skew



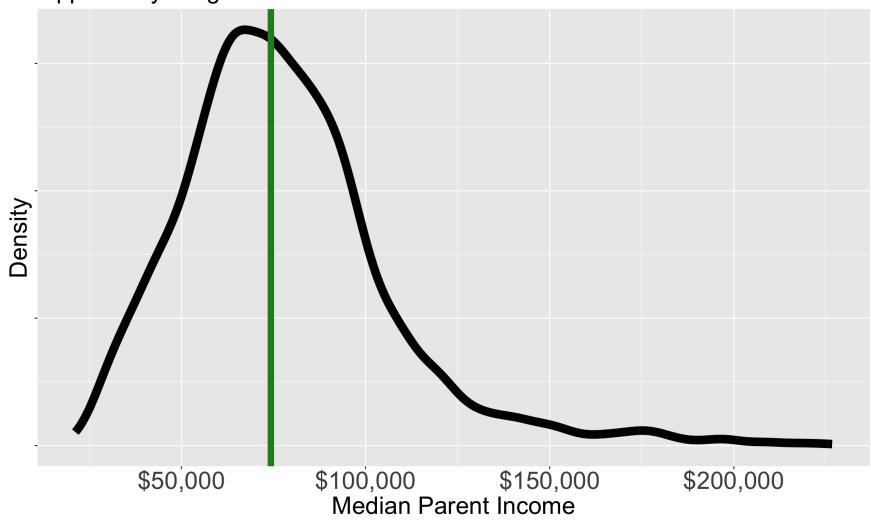
Describing Shape - Right Skew



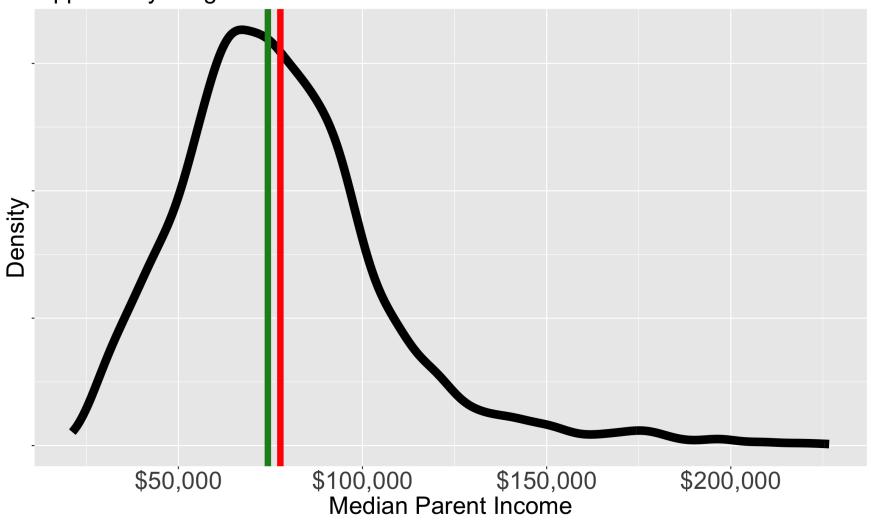
Income Is Often Right Skewed



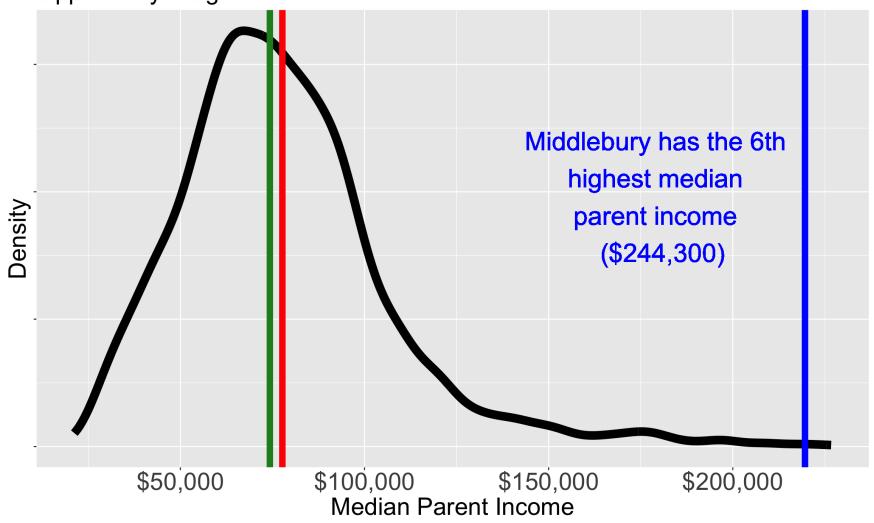
Median Not Centered



Mean Pulls To Tail



And Pulls To Highest Values



Transforming Skewed Distributions

