

Sample survey methods.

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SAMPLING METHODS FOR INTERNET-BASED SURVEYS

This section describes specific online survey approaches and the sampling methods that are applicable to such. We concentrate on differentiating whether particular sampling methods and their associated surveys allow for generalization of survey results to populations of inference or not, providing examples of some surveys that were done appropriately and well, and others that were less so. Examples that fall into the latter category should not be taken as a condemnation of a particular survey or sampling method, but rather as illustrations of inappropriate application, execution, analysis, etc. Cooper (2000: 405-406) perhaps said it best,

Any critique of a particular Web survey approach must be done in the context of its intended purpose and the claims it makes. Glorifying or condemning an entire approach to survey data collection should not be done on the basis of a single implementation, nor should all Web surveys be treated as equal.

Furthermore, as we previously discussed, simply because a particular method does not allow for generalizing beyond the sample does not imply that the methods and resulting data are not useful in other research contexts.

Similar to Cooper (2000), Table 14.2 lists the most common probability and non-probability sampling methods, and indicates which online survey mode or modes may be used with each method. For example, it is possible to conduct both web and e-mail surveys using a list-based sampling frame methodology. Conversely, while it is feasible to conduct an entertainment poll by e-mail, virtually all such polls are conducted via web surveys.

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Example All employees of the company are listed in alphabetical order. The strata cover 20 different primary schools.

Random sampling method

Pollsters generally divide them into two types: those that are based on probability sampling methods and those based on non-probability sampling techniques. When this is the case, there is no way to know, using administrative data alone, what a family earns in the months between eligibility determination and redetermination.

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Such sampling methods are based on human choice rather than random selection. The NCVS example also illustrates some features that are relevant for NAOMS: 1 data available from a system of self-reports are not necessarily adequate in characterizing the complete picture on crime; 2 when two systems produce different estimates for certain categories of crimes, it does not necessarily invalidate the utility of either; the differences can provide insight into how to improve measurement and how to determine the most useful concepts or definitions being examined; and 3 confidentiality 8 National Research Council, Surveying Crime, Panel for the Evaluation of Crime Surveys, Bettye K.

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