

# The **apastats** package\*

Formats statistics in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X according to the rules of the APA, 6th  
Edition

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## Abstract

This document describes and tests the **apastats** package [2018/02/13]. This package can be used in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X to format statistical output according to the rules of the American Psychological Association. This package can be customised in several ways.

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# 1 Introduction

The APA provides specific guidelines on how to report statistical output is reported in manuscripts that are submitted to its journals. The APA specifications are outlined in the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association*, the latest version of which is the 6th edition []. The APA manual outlines how authors should write their manuscript: writing style, displaying results, citing previous work, and so on. Candidate authors should study this and adhere to this. The CTAN repository offers several resources for authors who are required to format their work according to APA specifications. The `apa6` class by Brian Beitzel implements the APA style requirements (double spacing, title page, running head, placement of tables and figures at the end of the manuscript, etc.). The `apacite` package implements the APA requirement relating to the way in which citations and reference list should be formatted. These tools are aides and minimise the likelihood of formatting errors. Another important part of the APA manual is how to display results. This is described over 43 pages in the current edition (pp. 125–167). These specifications are not handled by `apa6`, but by the `apastats` package. `apastats` does not require the `apa6` class, nor is it exclusively designed for psychologists. This package is designed for any data scientist who wishes to format their statistical output in a consistent and conventional style.

## 1.1 Purpose of `apastats`

The main objective of `apastats` is to format statistical reports in accordance with the APA manual. However, as with many other APA-themed packages and classes, `apastats` offers several customisable options. The decision of whether to include an optional feature is based on: (1) whether I (NM) feel it’s sufficiently beneficial to the user and / or straightforward to implement; and (2) whether I’ve come across the need for a particular customisable option (either personally or via recommendations). With this in mind, please contact me if you can suggest any improvements to the package.

# 2 Installation and package loading

As with most L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X packages, `apastats` is distributed as a `.dtx` file. As well as `apastats.dtx`, there is a `README` file, which provides a brief overview as well as installation instructions, and a user manual in the file `apastats.pdf` (which you are currently reading). Installation instructions are provided in `apastats.ins`. Note that `apastats.dtx` is the only essential file, because all other files can be generated by running the `.dtx` file. But it is customary and convenient to include all files.

**`apastats.sty`** The L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X statistics package. This must be placed in a directory

where TeX can find it.

The `apastats.sty` file is loaded by putting `\usepackage[<options>]{apacite}` anywhere between your `\documentclass` and `\begin{document}` commands, or by putting `\RequirePackage[<options>]{apacite}` in your own personal LaTeX package (e.g., `mystuff.sty`), ensuring your personal package is loaded by your document.

### 3 Package options

### 4 The statistics commands

This section describes the commands that can be used to print

#### 4.1 The “classic” `apastats` statistics commands

`\anova` The `\anova` command produces text statistics. There are four arguments: between-group degrees of freedom  $\{\langle arg1 \rangle\}$ , within-groups degrees of freedom  $\{\langle arg2 \rangle\}$ ,  $F$ -statistic  $\{\langle arg3 \rangle\}$ , and  $p$ -value  $\{\langle arg4 \rangle\}$ . The command:  
`\anova{1, 27, 8.8896, 0.1147}`  
gives `anova1, 27, 8.8896, 0.1147`. Note that the macro removes leading zeros and trims values to two decimal places, where appropriate. `\anova*` gives the  $p$ -value rounds the  $p$  value (see section X). The `\ttest` command produces text statistics. There are three arguments: degrees of freedom  $\{\langle arg1 \rangle\}$ ,  $F$ -statistic  $\{\langle arg2 \rangle\}$ , and  $p$ -value  $\{\langle arg3 \rangle\}$ . The command:

### 5 The effect size commands

`\etasq` This package offers APA formatting for common effect sizes. The default is to  
`\petasq` print effect sizes to two decimal places. The `\petasq{.074}` command results  
`\getasq` in `petasq.074`.  
`\cramersc` By default, effect sizes round to two decimal places. For all effect size commands,  
`\omegasq` using the star (\*) will disable rounding. For example `\petasq*{.074}` produces  
`\cohenf`  
`\cohend`  
`\cohenrho`

```

1 \<{*package>

\statsformat We define a formatting macro, \statsformat, to specify what format should be
used to present statistical output. At present, there are three options: apa
(default; 1), exact (2), and psychscience (see section X; 3).

2 \newcommand{\statsformat}{1}
3
4 \DeclareOption{exact}{\renewcommand{\statsformat}{2}}
5 \DeclareOption{psychscience}{\renewcommand{\statsformat}{3}}
6 \DeclareOption*{\PackageWarning{apastats}{Unknown '\CurrentOption'}}
7
8 \ProcessOptions\relax

\trimleadingzero Removes the leading zero from a value whose abs. value is < 1. The APA
guidelines states:

    Do not use a zero before a decimal fraction when the statistic cannot
    be greater than 1 (e.g., correlations, proportions, and levels of
    statistical significance). (pp. 113, cite manual).

9 \RequirePackage{lineno, booktabs, amsmath, siunitx, ifthen}
10
11 \ExplSyntaxOn
12
13 \NewDocumentCommand\trimleadingzero{m}{
14 \fp_compare:nTF { 0 < \fp_abs:n {#1} < 1 }
15   {\_trimleadingzero:n {#1}}
16   {#1}
17 }
18
19 \cs_new_protected:Npn \_trimleadingzero:n #1 {
20 \seq_set_split:Nnn \l_ae_integer_decimal_parts_seq {.} {#1}
21 \fp_compare:nF {#1>0}
22   { - }
23   .\seq_item:Nn \l_ae_integer_decimal_parts_seq {2}
24 }
25 \ExplSyntaxOff

\twodp Rounds values to two decimal places.

26 \ExplSyntaxOn
27 \NewDocumentCommand{\twodp}{m}{%
28   \num[output-decimal-marker = {.},
29   round-mode = places,
30   round-precision = 2,
31   group-digits = false]{#1}
32 }
33 \ExplSyntaxOff

```

`\anova` Formats according to ANOVA strings into statistical output. The first argument (s) asks whether the user has used the optional star argument (\*), `\anova*`.

```

34
35 \ExplSyntaxOn
36 \NewDocumentCommand \anova{sm}
37 {\IfBooleanTF{#1}
38   {\anova_s:www #2 \q_stop}
39   {\anova:www #2 \q_stop}
40 }

```

Execute the following if `\anova*` is requested by user: Execute the following if `\statsformat` equals 'apa' (default):

```

41 \ifthenelse{\equal{\statsformat}{1}} % 1 = apa
42
43 %When star is present, do this (exact p-val):
44 {\cs_new_protected:Npn \anova_s:www #1 , #2 , #3 , #4 \q_stop
45   {\ensuremath {F(#1, #2) = \twodp{#3}}, \ \ensuremath{p = \twodp{#4}}}}
46
47 %When star is present, do this (round p-val):
48 \cs_new_protected:Npn \anova:www #1, #2, #3, #4 \q_stop
49 {\group_begin:
50   \fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.001}
51     {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {.001}}
52     {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.01}
53       {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {.01}}
54       {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.05}
55         {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {.05}}
56         {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {1.0}}
57       }
58     }
59
60   \fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.001}
61     {\ensuremath {F(#1, #2) = \twodp{#3}}, \ \ensuremath{p < {.001}}}
62     {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.01}
63       {\ensuremath {F(#1, #2) = \twodp{#3}}, \ \ensuremath{p < {.01}}}
64       {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.05}
65         {\ensuremath {F(#1, #2) = \twodp{#3}}, \ \ensuremath{p < {.05}}}
66         {\ensuremath {F(#1, #2) = \twodp{#3}}, \ \ensuremath{p > {.05}}}
67       }
68     }
69   \group_end:
70 }

```

Execute the following if `\statsformat` equals 'exact':

```

71 {\ifthenelse{\equal{\statsformat}{2}}
72   {\cs_new_protected:Npn \anova_s:www #1, #2, #3, #4 \q_stop
73     {\ensuremath {F(#1, #2) = \twodp{#3}}, \ \ensuremath{p = \twodp{#4}}}}
74

```

```

75 \cs_new_protected:Npn \anova:www #1, #2, #3, #4 \q_stop
76 {\group_begin:
77 \fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.001}
78 {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {.001}}
79 {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.01}
80 {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {.01}}
81 {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.05}
82 {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {.05}}
83 {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {1.0}}
84 }
85 }
86
87 \fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.001}
88 {\ensuremath {F(#1, #2) = \twodp{#3}}, \ \ensuremath {p < {.001}}}
89 {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.999}
90 {\ensuremath {F(#1, #2) = \twodp{#3}}, \ \ensuremath {p = \trimleadingzero{#4}}}
91 {\ensuremath {F(#1, #2) = \twodp{#3}}, \ \ensuremath {p > .999}}
92 }
93 \group_end:
94 }}
95 }
96
97 {\cs_new_protected:Npn \anova_s:www #1, #2, #3, #4 \q_stop
98 {\ensuremath {F(#1, #2) = \twodp{#3}}}, \ \ensuremath {p = \trimleadingzero{#4}}}
99
100 \cs_new_protected:Npn \anova:www #1, #2, #3, #4 \q_stop
101 {\group_begin:
102 \fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.001}
103 {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {.001}}
104 {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.01}
105 {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {.01}}
106 {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.05}
107 {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {.05}}
108 {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {1.0}}
109 }
110 }
111
112 \fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.001}
113 {\ensuremath {F(#1, #2) = \twodp{#3}}, \ \ensuremath {p < {.001}}}
114 {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#4} < {.250}
115 {\ensuremath {F(#1, #2) = \twodp{#3}}, \ \ensuremath {p = \trimleadingzero{#4}}}
116 {\ensuremath {F(#1, #2) = \twodp{#3}}, \ \ensuremath {p > {.250}}}
117 }
118 \group_end:
119 }}
120
121 \ExplSyntaxOff

```

\ttest

```

122 \ExplSyntaxOn
123 \NewDocumentCommand \ttest{sm}{
124   \IfBooleanTF{#1}
125   {\ttest_s:www #2 \q_stop}
126   {\ttest:www #2 \q_stop }
127 }
128
129 \cs_new_protected:Npn \ttest_s:www #1, #2, #3 \q_stop
130 {\ensuremath {t(#1) = \twodp{#2}}, \ \ensuremath {p = \twodp{#3}}}
131
132 \cs_new_protected:Npn \ttest:www #1, #2, #3 \q_stop
133 {\group_begin:
134   \fp_compare:nNnTF {#3} < {.001}
135   {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {.001}}
136   {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#3} < {.01}
137    {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {.01}}
138    {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#3} < {.05}
139     {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {.05}}
140     {\fp_set:Nn \l_tmpa_fp {1.0}}
141    }
142   }
143
144   \fp_compare:nNnTF {#3} < {.001}
145   {\ensuremath {t(\twodp{#1}) = \twodp{#2}}, \ \ensuremath {p < {.001}}}
146   {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#3} < {.01}
147    {\ensuremath {t(\twodp{#1}) = \twodp{#2}}, \ \ensuremath {p < {.01}}}
148    {\fp_compare:nNnTF {#3} < {.05}
149     {\ensuremath {t(\twodp{#1}) = \twodp{#2}}, \ \ensuremath {p < {.05}}}
150     {\ensuremath {t(\twodp{#1}) = \twodp{#2}}, \ \ensuremath {p > {.05}}}
151    }
152   }
153 \group_end:
154 }
155 \ExplSyntaxOff

```

`\etasq` Formats according to APA guidelines.

```

156 \ExplSyntaxOn
157 \NewDocumentCommand \etasq {sm}
158 {\IfBooleanTF{#1}
159 {\ensuremath {\eta^{2} = #2}}
160 {\ensuremath {\eta^{2} = \twodp{#2}}}
161 }
162 \ExplSyntaxOff

```

`\petasq` Formats according to APA guidelines.

```

163 \ExplSyntaxOn
164 \NewDocumentCommand \petasq {sm}
165 {

```

```

166 \IfBooleanTF{#1}
167 { \ensuremath {\eta\sb{p}^{\{2\}} = \{2\}}
168 { \ensuremath {\eta\sb{p}^{\{2\}} = \twodp{\{2\}}}
169 }
170 \ExplSyntaxOff

```

`\getasq` Formats according to APA guidelines.

```

171 \ExplSyntaxOn
172 \NewDocumentCommand \getasq {sm}
173 {
174 \IfBooleanTF{#1}
175 { \ensuremath {\eta\sb{g}^{\{2\}} = \{2\}}
176 { \ensuremath {\eta\sb{g}^{\{2\}} = \twodp{\{2\}}}
177 }
178 \ExplSyntaxOff

```

`\bayes` Formats according to APA guidelines.

```

179 \newcommand{\bayesten}[1]{\text{BF}_{10} = \{#1\}}
180 \newcommand{\bayesone}[1]{\text{BF}_{01} = \{#1\}}

```

`\chisq` Formats according to APA guidelines.

```

181 \newcommand{\chisq}[4]{\chi^2(\{#1\}, N = \{#2\}) = \{#3\}, p = \{#4\}}
182 \end{package}

```