Lesson 8 Statistics!: Statistical Tests

Goals for Today

 Today we're going to be talking about simple statistical tests, such as tests between proportions and t-tests.

Readings for Today

Required

- OpenIntro Statistics, All of Chapters 5 and 6, 7.1 + 7.3
 - Note: yes, this looks like a lot of reading but when you remeber that you do not have
 to do the exercises, this cuts down substantially on the actual page count. Focus
 specifically on understanding concepts (such as "what is a point estimate" and "what is
 a hypothesis test") versus trying to worry about memorizing any formulae.
 - Other note: you can skip the sections about the Central Limit Theorem unless you'd like to have a deeper technical understanding of some of the stuff we're going t obe doing.

Optional

- If you're a little uncomfortable with math (and that's okay!), some of these YouTube videos could help as refreshers:
 - Khan Academy Point Estimates and Margins of Error
 - Khan Academy Hypothesis Testing
 - Khan Academy p-values and Significance Testing

Important Links and Files

- The file we worked on in class is available here
- You'll need the Metal Bands dataset! It's available here