

## Comparing RR to OR: (Sec. 2.3.4)

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$$\begin{aligned} OR &= \frac{\pi_1 / (1 - \pi_1)}{\pi_2 / (1 - \pi_2)} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Odds of } Y=1 \text{ for } X=1 \\ \text{Odds of } Y=1 \text{ for } X=2 \end{array} \right. \\ &= \left( \frac{\pi_1}{\pi_2} \right) \left( \frac{1 - \pi_2}{1 - \pi_1} \right) \\ &= RR \times \left( \frac{1 - \pi_2}{1 - \pi_1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

When does  $OR \approx RR \rightarrow \pi_i \approx .5$

→ Both  $\pi_1, \pi_2$  very small

Sampling options -  $X \quad \begin{array}{c|cc} & 1 & 2 \\ \hline \frac{1}{2} & & \end{array} \quad Y$

- ① Both row totals & col. totals random  
(unknown prior to data collection)  
(e.g. multinomial or Poisson Sampling)  
→ cross-sectional or cross-classification design.
  - Values of  $X \rightarrow Y$  unknown prior to data.
  - ⇒ Both RR and OR estimable.