Application exercise 5.1: Inference for a single proportion

Submit your responses on Sakai, under the appropriate assignment. Only one submission per team is required. One team will be randomly selected and their responses will be discussed.

How many digits of π do Americans have memorized?

A Survey Monkey Audience poll asked 941 respondents to type the digits of π from memory. The distribution of results is as follows:

LEVEL OF	PERCENTAGE
PRECISION	OF RESPONDENTS
3.1	73
3.14	64
3.141	33
3.1415	26
3.14159	19
3.141592	12
3.1415926	10
3.14159265	7
3.141592653	5

Survey Monkey says that their Audience surveys are benchmarked to ensure the polling pool is representative of the U.S. population.

Source: http://fivethirtyeight.com/datalab/how-many-digits-of-pi-you-have-to-have-memorized-to-be-special/

Don't forget to check the conditions when completing the following tasks.

- 1. You are asked to write a newspaper article about the percentage of people who have memorized digits of π beyond the second decimal (third decimal or more). You, obviously, shouldn't just report the point estimate from the survey, but instead also provide a margin of error around it. Report the findings in one sentence at the 95% confidence level.
- 2. Evaluate whether these data provide convincing evidence that less than 50% of people have memorized digits of π beyond the second decimal.