

Test Your Knowledge- Estimation

**SHORT ANSWER. Write the word or phrase that best completes each statement or answers the question.**

**Use the given degree of confidence and sample data to construct a confidence interval for the population proportion  $p$ .**

- 1) A survey of 865 voters in one state reveals that 408 favor approval of an issue before the legislature. Construct the 95% confidence interval for the true proportion of all voters in the state who favor approval. 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) A survey of 300 union members in New York State reveals that 112 favor the Republican candidate for governor. Construct the 98% confidence interval for the true population proportion of all New York State union members who favor the Republican candidate. 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) When 297 college students are randomly selected and surveyed, it is found that 126 own a car. Find a 99% confidence interval for the true proportion of all college students who own a car. 3) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) Of 86 adults selected randomly from one town, 68 have health insurance. Find a 90% confidence interval for the true proportion of all adults in the town who have health insurance. 4) \_\_\_\_\_

**Use the confidence level and sample data to find a confidence interval for estimating the population  $\mu$ .**

- 5) A random sample of 78 light bulbs had a mean life of  $\bar{x} = 409$  hours with a standard deviation of  $\sigma = 37$  hours. Construct a 90 percent confidence interval for the mean life,  $\mu$ , of all light bulbs of this type. 5) \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) A laboratory tested 75 chicken eggs and found that the mean amount of cholesterol was 185 milligrams with  $s = 13.9$  milligrams. Construct a 95 percent confidence interval for the true mean cholesterol content,  $\mu$ , of all such eggs. 6) \_\_\_\_\_
- 7) 43 packages are randomly selected from packages received by a parcel service. The sample has a mean weight of 12.5 pounds and a standard deviation of 3.6 pounds. What is the 95 percent confidence interval for the true mean weight,  $\mu$ , of all packages received by the parcel service? 7) \_\_\_\_\_
- 8) A group of 65 randomly selected students have a mean score of 31.8 with a standard deviation of 5.4 on a placement test. What is the 90 percent confidence interval for the mean score,  $\mu$ , of all students taking the test? 8) \_\_\_\_\_

**Use the margin of error, confidence level, and standard deviation  $\sigma$  to find the minimum sample size required to estimate an unknown population mean  $\mu$ .**

- 9) Margin of error: \$124, confidence level: 95%,  $\sigma = \$599$  9) \_\_\_\_\_
- 10) Margin of error: \$128, confidence level: 99%,  $\sigma = \$564$  10) \_\_\_\_\_

**Find the minimum sample size you should use to assure that your estimate of  $\hat{p}$  will be within the required margin of error around the population  $p$ .**

- 11) Margin of error: 0.07; confidence level: 90%; from a prior study,  $\hat{p}$  is estimated by 0.17. 11) \_\_\_\_\_
- 12) Margin of error: 0.009; confidence level: 99%; from a prior study,  $\hat{p}$  is estimated by 0.161 12) \_\_\_\_\_

**Use the given degree of confidence and sample data to construct a confidence interval for the population mean  $\mu$ . Assume that the population has a normal distribution.**

- 13) Thirty randomly selected students took the calculus final. If the sample mean was 77 and the standard deviation was 6.7, construct a 99 percent confidence interval for the mean score of all students. 13) \_\_\_\_\_
- 14) A sociologist develops a test to measure attitudes about public transportation, and 27 randomly selected subjects are given the test. Their mean score is 76.2 and their standard deviation is 21.4. Construct the 95% confidence interval for the mean score of all such subjects. 14) \_\_\_\_\_
- 15) A savings and loan association needs information concerning the checking account balances of its local customers. A random sample of 14 accounts was checked and yielded a mean balance of \$664.14 and a standard deviation of \$297.29. Find a 98% confidence interval for the true mean checking account balance for local customers. 15) \_\_\_\_\_
- 16) The principal randomly selected six students to take an aptitude test. Their scores were: 76.4 71.0 75.6 72.6 81.9 82.6 16) \_\_\_\_\_  
Determine a 90 percent confidence interval for the mean score for all students.
- 17) The amounts (in ounces) of juice in eight randomly selected juice bottles are: 15.0 15.5 15.0 15.0 15.3 15.3 15.6 15.0 17) \_\_\_\_\_  
Construct a 98 percent confidence interval for the mean amount of juice in all such bottles.
- 18) The football coach randomly selected ten players and timed how long each player took to perform a certain drill. The times (in minutes) were: 5.8 6.5 12.7 12.9 8.7 5.4 12.5 14.1 9.9 8.3 18) \_\_\_\_\_  
Determine a 95 percent confidence interval for the mean time for all players.

**Use the given degree of confidence and sample data to find a confidence interval for the population standard deviation  $\sigma$ . Assume that the population has a normal distribution.**

- 19) The mean replacement time for a random sample of 20 washing machines is 10.2 years and the standard deviation is 2.6 years. Construct a 99% confidence interval for the standard deviation,  $\sigma$ , of the replacement times of all washing machines of this type. 19) \_\_\_\_\_
- 20) A sociologist develops a test to measure attitudes about public transportation, and 27 randomly selected subjects are given the test. Their mean score is 76.2 and their standard deviation is 21.4. Construct the 95% confidence interval for the standard deviation,  $\sigma$ , of the scores of all subjects. 20) \_\_\_\_\_
- 21) The football coach randomly selected ten players and timed how long each player took to perform a certain drill. The times (in minutes) were: 13 11 10 10 12 5 7 13 6 11 21) \_\_\_\_\_  
Find a 95 percent confidence interval for the population standard deviation  $\sigma$ .

22) The amounts (in ounces) of juice in eight randomly selected juice bottles are:

15.5 15.2 15.7 15.0

15.3 15.9 15.4 15.3

Find a 98 percent confidence interval for the population standard deviation  $\sigma$ .

22) \_\_\_\_\_

## Answer Key

Testname: TYK ESTIMATION

- 1)  $0.438 < p < 0.505$
- 2)  $0.308 < p < 0.438$
- 3)  $0.350 < p < 0.498$
- 4)  $0.719 < p < 0.863$
- 5)  $402 < \mu < 416$
- 6)  $182 < \mu < 188$
- 7)  $11.4 < \mu < 13.6$
- 8)  $30.7 < \mu < 32.9$
- 9) 90
- 10) 129
- 11) 78
- 12) 11,058
- 13)  $73.63 < \mu < 80.37$
- 14)  $67.7 < \mu < 84.7$
- 15)  $\$453.59 < \mu < \$874.69$
- 16)  $72.78 < \mu < 80.58$
- 17)  $15.00 < \mu < 15.43$
- 18)  $7.39 < \mu < 11.97$
- 19)  $1.8 \text{ yr} < \sigma < 4.3 \text{ yr}$
- 20)  $16.9 < \sigma < 29.3$
- 21) (2.0, 5.2)
- 22) (0.18, 0.68)