

CONSTRUCT and **INTERPRET** a **confidence interval** for a **population mean**.

DETERMINE the **sample size** required to **obtain a specified confidence interval** for a **population mean** with a **specified margin of error**.

We're about to collect data for 60 seconds

Population
All AP students

Sample

Everyone in our class will be the sample

A convenience sample (m)

Need scratch paper.

When I say go ...

write down as many of the 50
U.S. states as you can in 60 seconds

Lesson 8.3: Day 2: How many states can you name?



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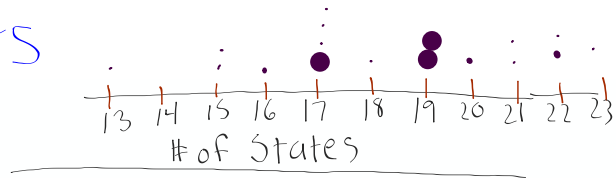
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Quantitative → means
Categorical → proportions

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$$n = 17 \quad \bar{x} = 18.35 \quad s_x = 2.85$$



- Construct a 95% confidence interval to estimate the mean # of states a senior can name.

STATE: State the parameter you want to estimate and the confidence level.

Parameter: _____ Confidence level: _____

PLAN: Identify the appropriate inference method and check conditions.

Name of procedure:

Check the 3 conditions:

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Name of procedure: One Sample t interval for μ

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③ Normal

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① Random - Assumed

③ Normal

② 10^6 \uparrow $n < \frac{1}{10}$ (all AP students)

~~$n \geq 30$ CLT~~ •

OR
Sample shows no strong skew or outliers.

When Assessing Normality

It's not enough just to view a graph on your calculator.

You must make a quick sketch of the graph for full credit.

DO: If the conditions are met, perform the calculations.

General Formula for any confidence interval:

Specific Formula for this confidence interval:

Plug numbers into the formula:

Answer:

CONCLUDE: Interpret your interval in the context of the problem.

Interpret:

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General Formula for any confidence interval: $\text{Point Est} \pm \text{Margin of Error}$

Specific Formula for this confidence interval: $\bar{x} \pm t^* \cdot \frac{s_x}{\sqrt{n}}$

$$t^* = 2.120$$

$$df = 17 - 1 = 16$$



Plug numbers into the formula:

$$18.35 \pm 2.120 \cdot \frac{2.85}{\sqrt{17}}$$

$$\text{Answer: } 18.35 \pm 1.47$$

$$(16.88, 19.82)$$

CONCLUDE: Interpret your interval in the context of the problem.

Interpret: We are 95% confident that the interval from 16.88 to 19.82 captures the true mean of the #states written in 60 sec. by an AP student.

Construct confidence intervals for a population proportion with a TI-83 or a TI-84.

good for

a) multiple choice questions

b) checking work on Free Response



One Sample t interval for μ
 ↑ mean

$\bar{x} =$

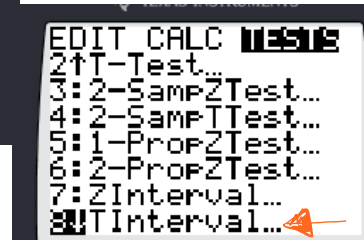
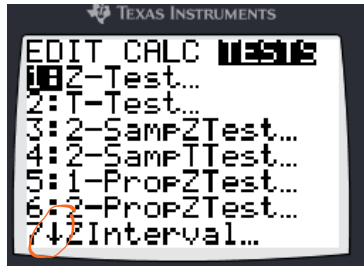
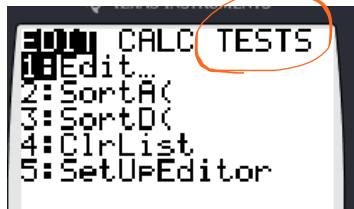
$S_x =$

$n =$

95% Conf. level

One Sample t interval for μ
 ↑ mean

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CHOOSING THE SAMPLE SIZE

A wise user of statistics never plans data collection without thinking about the analysis at the same time. You can arrange to have both high confidence and a small margin of error by taking enough observations.

The formula for the margin of error (ME) in the confidence interval for μ is

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There are two problems:

1. We don't know the sample standard deviation s_x because we haven't produced the data yet.
2. The critical value t^* depends on the sample size n that we choose.

Therefore, come up with a reasonable estimate for the population standard deviation σ from a similar study that was done in the past or from a small-scale pilot study.

By pretending that σ is known, we can use the margin of error in the one-sample z interval for μ :

$$ME = z^* \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

Sample Size for Desired Margin of Error when Estimating μ

To determine the sample size n that will yield a $C\%$ confidence interval for a population mean with a specified margin of error ME :

- Get a reasonable value for the population standard deviation s from an earlier or pilot study.
- Find the critical value z^* from a standard Normal curve for confidence level C .
- Set the expression for the margin of error to be less than or equal to ME and solve for n :

$$z^* \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq ME$$

Important: **Sample Size**

for
sample
mean

Margin
of Error $t^* \cdot \frac{S_x}{\sqrt{n}}$

but use z^* in place
of t^* if it's unknown

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$$n = 71.31 \quad \text{round up}$$

72 students

**CAUTION:**

Although we assumed a value for the population standard deviation σ to calculate the required sample size, you should not assume a value for σ when calculating **a confidence interval** for μ .

Ch. 8 Formula
Study Sheet

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	8.2	8.3
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Symbol for statistic	\hat{p}	\bar{x}
Symbol for parameter	p	μ
Name of the procedure	one sample z interval for p	one sample t interval for μ
RANDOM condition	"SRS" random sample	"SRS" random sample
10% Condition	$n < \frac{1}{10}$ population	$n < \frac{1}{10}$ of popul.

$n < \sqrt{N}$

NORMAL condition		
Formula for standard error		
<i>z* or t*?</i>		
Formula for margin of error		
General formula for confidence interval		
Specific formula for confidence interval		

<p>NORMAL condition</p> <p>SEAA</p>	<p>Large Counts</p> <p>$n\hat{p} \geq 10$</p> <p>$n(1-\hat{p}) \geq 10$</p>	<p>a) Pop is approx normal</p> <p>b) $n \geq 30$ CLT</p> <p>c) sample has no strong skewness or outliers</p>
Formula for standard error	$SE_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$	$SE_{\bar{x}} = \frac{S_x}{\sqrt{n}}$
<i>z* or t*?</i>	z^*	t^* use $df = n - 1$
Formula for margin of error	$z^* \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$	$t^* \cdot \frac{S_x}{\sqrt{n}}$
General formula for confidence interval	Point Est \pm Marg. of Err	Point Est \pm Marg. of Error
Specific formula for confidence interval	$\hat{p} \pm z^* \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$	$\bar{x} \pm t^* \cdot \frac{S_x}{\sqrt{n}}$

Calculator \rightarrow Prop Z Int T Interval

Four Step Process

STATE: State the parameter you want to estimate and the confidence level.

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DO: If the conditions are met, perform the calculations.

Include: General Formula + Specific Formula + Plug numbers into the formula + answer

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Time to check you on the full process

on estimating the mean of a population using confidence intervals

1. Work in pairs with partners assigned (by the alphabet)
2. Try NOT to use the Ch.8 Study Sheet but use it only if needed.
3. I will be assigning pairs to write portions of the solutions on the board.
4. Use the TI-Interval APP only to check answers.

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and study pp. 534-540