

## Solutions to short-answer questions

1 a Employees of the company

$$\text{b } p = \frac{\text{number of females in the company}}{\text{number of people in company}} = 0.35$$

$$\text{c } \hat{p} = \frac{\text{number of females in the sample}}{\text{number of people in the sample}} = 0.4$$

2 No, this sample (people already interested in yoga) is not representative of the population

3 No, people who choose to live in houses with gardens may not be representative of the population

4 a People with Type II diabetes

b Population is too large and dispersed to use for such an experiment.

c Unknown

$$\text{d } \bar{x} = 1.5$$

5 a All of the employees of the company

b  $p$  = number of people in the company who are tertiary qualified divided by the number of people in the company = 0.2

c  $\hat{p}$  number of people in the sample who are tertiary qualified divided by the number of people in the sample = 0.22

6 a  $p$  = number of people in the team who are female divided by the number of people in the team =  $\frac{3}{5}$

b The values of  $\hat{P}$  are  $\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c } \Pr(\hat{P} = \frac{1}{3}) &= \Pr(X = 1) \\ &= \frac{\binom{3}{1} \binom{2}{2}}{\binom{5}{3}} \\ &= \frac{3}{10} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\hat{P} = \frac{2}{3}) &= \Pr(X = 2) \\ &= \frac{\binom{3}{2} \binom{2}{1}}{\binom{5}{3}} \\ &= \frac{6}{10} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\hat{P} = 1) &= \Pr(X = 3) \\ &= \frac{\binom{3}{3} \binom{2}{0}}{\binom{5}{3}} \\ &= \frac{1}{10} \end{aligned}$$

$\hat{p}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	1
$\Pr(\hat{P} = \hat{p})$	$\frac{3}{10}$	$\frac{6}{10}$	$\frac{1}{10}$

$$d \quad \Pr(\hat{P} > 0.5) = \frac{6}{10} + \frac{1}{10} = \frac{7}{10}$$

$$e \quad \Pr(0 < \hat{P} < 0.5) = \frac{3}{10}, \Pr(\hat{P} < 0.5 | \hat{P} > 0) = \frac{3}{10}$$

7 a Values of  $\hat{P}$  are 0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1

b Binomial with  $n = 4, p = 0.5$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\hat{P} = 0) &= \Pr(X = 0) \\ &= \binom{4}{0} (0.5)^0 (0.5)^4 \\ &= 0.0625 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\hat{P} = 0.25) &= \Pr(X = 1) \\ &= \binom{4}{1} (0.5)^1 (0.5)^3 \\ &= 0.25 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\hat{P} = 0.5) &= \Pr(X = 2) \\ &= \binom{4}{2} (0.5)^2 (0.5)^2 \\ &= 0.375 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\hat{P} = 0.75) &= \Pr(X = 3) \\ &= \binom{4}{3} (0.5)^3 (0.5)^1 \\ &= 0.25 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\hat{P} = 1) &= \Pr(X = 4) \\ &= \binom{4}{4} (0.5)^4 (0.5)^0 \\ &= 0.0625 \end{aligned}$$

$\hat{p}$	0	0.25	0.5	0.75	1
$\Pr(\hat{P} = \hat{p})$	0.0625	0.25	0.375	0.25	0.0625

$$c \quad \Pr(\hat{P} < 0.5) = 0.3125$$

$$\begin{aligned} d \quad \Pr(\hat{P} < 0.5 | \hat{P} < 0.8) &= \frac{\Pr(\hat{P} < 0.5)}{\Pr(\hat{P} < 0.8)} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

8 a i There are three dots which represent sample proportions of 0.7 or more from the 100 samples simulated. Thus we can estimate  $\Pr(\hat{P} \geq 0.7) = 0.03$

ii There are four dots which represent a sample proportion of 0.38 or less from the 100 samples simulated. Thus we can estimate  $\Pr(\hat{P} \leq 0.38) = 0.04$

$$b \quad i \quad \hat{p} = \frac{\text{number of people in the sample who will vote for Bill Bloggs}}{\text{number of people in the sample}} = 0.42$$

ii From the plot there are 8 samples where the sample proportion is 0.42 or less, from the 100 simulations. Thus we can estimate that  $\Pr(\hat{P} \leq 0.42) = 0.08$

### Solutions to multiple-choice questions

1 B Since this ratio is determined from a sample it is a sample statistic.

2 C Since this percentage is determined from complete census it is a population parameter

3 A In reality we rarely know the value of a population parameter, whereas we can determine the value of a sample statistic. So generally, we are using the sample statistic to estimate the value of a population parameter.

4 B The sampling distribution describes how the values of the sampling distribution vary from sample to sample.

5 B Since sample statistics are estimates of population parameters.

$$\begin{aligned} 6 \quad E \quad \Pr(\hat{P} \geq 0.7 | \hat{P} > 0.2) &= \frac{\Pr(\hat{P} \geq 0.7)}{\Pr(\hat{P} > 0.2)} \\ &= \frac{(0.048 + 0.005)}{(0.572)} \\ &= \frac{0.053}{0.572} \\ &= 0.092657 \dots \end{aligned}$$

7 A There are 4 vegetarians and 6 non-vegetarians. If the proportion of vegetarians with plastic plates is  $\hat{P}$ , then:  $\hat{P}$  takes values  $0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, 1$

If  $\hat{P} = \frac{3}{4}$  then three of the 4 vegetarians got a plastic plate, and 4 of the 6 non-vegetarians got a plastic plate, that is:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\hat{P} = 1) &= \frac{\binom{4}{4} \binom{6}{0}}{\binom{10}{4}} \\ &= 0.1143 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\hat{P} = \frac{3}{4}) &= \frac{\binom{4}{3} \binom{6}{1}}{\binom{10}{4}} \\ &= 0.0048 \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\Pr(\hat{P} > 0.5) = 0.1191$

8 D There are 12 gold fish and 8 black fish. If the proportion of gold fish in the sample of five is  $\hat{p}$ , then  $\hat{P}$  takes values 0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.

If  $\hat{P} = 0.8$ , then 4 of the 5 fish are gold, that is:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\hat{P} = 0.8) &= \frac{\binom{12}{4} \binom{8}{1}}{\binom{20}{5}} \\ &= 0.2554 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\hat{P} = 1) &= \frac{\binom{12}{5} \binom{8}{0}}{\binom{20}{5}} \\ &= 0.0511 \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\Pr(\hat{P} > 0.8) = 0.3065$

9 E  $X$  = number of students who study Chinese in the sample of size 20.

$X$  has a binomial distribution,  $n = 20, p = 0.2$

$\hat{P}$  = proportion of students who speak Chinese in the sample of size 20.  $\hat{P}$  takes values 0, 0.05, 0.1, 0.15, 0.20, 0.951

$$\Pr(\hat{P} < 0.1) = \Pr(\hat{P} = 0) + \Pr(\hat{P} = 0.05)$$

We have

$$\Pr(\hat{P} = 0) = \Pr(X = 0) = 0.0015$$

$$\Pr(\hat{P} = 0.05) = \Pr(X = 1) = 0.0576$$

$$\therefore \Pr(\hat{P} < 0.10) = 0.0691$$

**10 B**  $X$  = number of heads in the sample of size 10.

$X$  has a binomial distribution,  $n = 10, p = 0.5$

$\hat{P}$  = proportion of heads in the sample of size 10.

$\hat{P}$  takes values 0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3 . . .

$$\Pr(\hat{P} < 0.2 \text{ or } \hat{P} > 0.8) = \Pr(\hat{P} < 0.2) + \Pr(\hat{P} > 0.8)$$

$$\Pr(\hat{P} < 0.2) = \Pr(X < 2) = 0.01074$$

$$\Pr(\hat{P} > 0.8) = \Pr(X > 8) = 0.01074$$

$$\Pr(\hat{P} < 0.2 \text{ or } \hat{P} > 0.8) = 0.02148 \approx 2\%$$

**11 C** The exact sampling distribution is hypergeometric, but when the sample size is small compared to the population size, the binomial distribution gives a good approximation.

**12 E** Thus increasing the sample size will result in a decrease in the variability of the sample estimates, as we have seen from the sampling distributions.

### Solutions to extended-response questions

**1 a**

$p$	$a$	$b$
0.1	0.03	0.17
0.2	0.11	0.29
0.3	0.19	0.41
0.4	0.29	0.51
0.5	0.38	0.62
0.6	0.49	0.71

**b i**  $\hat{p} = 0.34$

**ii**  $p = 0.3$  or  $p = 0.4$

**2 a iii** mean  $\approx 50$ , s.d.  $\approx 1.12$

**b iii** mean  $\approx 50$ , s.d.  $\approx 0.71$

**c iii** mean  $\approx 50$ , s.d.  $\approx 0.50$