

# Unit 03: Descriptive Statistics

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## Standards Alignment

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### New Jersey Student Learning Standards

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MA.S-ID	Interpreting Categorical and Quantitative Data
MA.S-ID.A	Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable
MA.S-ID.A.1	Represent data with plots on the real number line (dot plots, histograms, and box plots).
MA.S-ID.A.2	Use statistics appropriate to the shape of the data distribution to compare center (median, mean) and spread (interquartile range, standard deviation) of two or more different data sets.
MA.S-ID.A.3	Interpret differences in shape, center, and spread in the context of the data sets, accounting for possible effects of extreme data points (outliers).
MA.S-ID.B	Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables
MA.S-ID.B.5	Summarize categorical data for two categories in two-way frequency tables. Interpret relative frequencies in the context of the data (including joint, marginal, and conditional relative frequencies). Recognize possible associations and trends in the data.
MA.S-ID.B.6	Represent data on two quantitative variables on a scatter plot, and describe how the variables are related.
MA.S-ID.B.6a	Fit a function to the data (including with the use of technology); use functions fitted to data to solve problems in the context of the data.
MA.S-ID.B.6b	Informally assess the fit of a function by plotting and analyzing residuals, including with the use of technology.
MA.S-ID.B.6c	Fit a linear function for a scatter plot that suggests a linear association.
MA.S-ID.C	Interpret linear models
MA.S-ID.C.7	Interpret the slope (rate of change) and the intercept (constant term) of a linear model in the context of the data.
MA.S-ID.C.8	Compute (using technology) and interpret the correlation coefficient of a linear fit.
MA.S-ID.C.9	Distinguish between correlation and causation.

### Integration of Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills

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CRP.K-12.CRP1	Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee.
CRP.K-12.CRP2	Apply appropriate academic and technical skills.
CRP.K-12.CRP3	Attend to personal health and financial well-being.
CRP.K-12.CRP4	Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason.

CRP.K-12.CRP5	Consider the environmental, social and economic impacts of decisions.
CRP.K-12.CRP6	Demonstrate creativity and innovation.
CRP.K-12.CRP7	Employ valid and reliable research strategies.
CRP.K-12.CRP8	Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
CRP.K-12.CRP9	Model integrity, ethical leadership and effective management.
CRP.K-12.CRP10	Plan education and career paths aligned to personal goals.
CRP.K-12.CRP11	Use technology to enhance productivity.
CRP.K-12.CRP12	Work productively in teams while using cultural global competence.

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## **Technology / Integration of Computer Science and Design Thinking**

TECH.8.1.12	Educational Technology: All students will use digital tools to access, manage, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to solve problems individually and collaborate and to create and communicate knowledge.
TECH.8.1.12.A	Technology Operations and Concepts: Students demonstrate a sound understanding of technology concepts, systems and operations.
TECH.8.1.12.A.4	Construct a spreadsheet workbook with multiple worksheets, rename tabs to reflect the data on the worksheet, and use mathematical or logical functions, charts and data from all worksheets to convey the results.

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## **Interdisciplinary Connections: NJSL for ELA, Social Studies, Science and/or Math Section**

### **Capacities of the Literate Individual Students Who are College and Career Ready in Reading, Writing, Speaking, Listening, & Language**

They demonstrate independence.

They build strong content knowledge.

They comprehend as well as critique.

They use technology and digital media strategically and capably.

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## **Integration of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion; Climate Change; Informational and Media Literacy**

see Crosswalks

## **21st Century Life and Careers**

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### **Stage I: Desired Results**

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#### **Transfer/Overview/Rationale**

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##### Unit Rationale

The purpose of this unit...

Students, now having a deeper understanding of linear and exponential functions, will now be able to apply this knowledge to practical statistical applications. Students will be able to examine data, determine if it appears to be linear or exponential in nature, create a model representation, and then subsequently predict future outcomes. The ability to analyze data will give students a practical foundation in logical reasoning.

#### **Meaning**

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#### **Essential Questions**

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Can we predict the future by using statistics?

Is it possible to live in a world without data?

#### **Enduring Understanding/Indicators of Understanding**

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- The way that data is collected, organized and displayed influences interpretation.
- A linear model can be used to describe the relationship between two variables and make conclusions/predictions based on that model.

## Acquisition (Student Learning Objectives)

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### Knowledge

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Knowledge

Students will know...

- How to summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable.
- How to summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables.

### Skills

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Skills

Student will be skilled at ...

- Distinguishing between situations that can be modeled with linear functions and with exponential functions. Discuss terms such as rate of change, growth, or decay. (sections 7-6 - 7-7)
- Constructing linear and exponential functions given different parameters. (sections 7-6 - 7-7)
- Recognizing that the output values of an exponential function will eventually exceed the output quantities expressed by a linear or quadratic function. (7-6 - 7-7)
- Representing data with plots on the real number line (dot plots, histograms, and box plots). (section 5-7)
- Using appropriate statistics to compare center (median, mode and mean) and spread (interquartile range and standard deviation) of two or more different data sets. (section 12-3)
- Interpreting differences in shape, center, and spread in the context of the data sets, accounting for possible effects of extreme data points (outliers). (section 12-3)
- Summarizing categorical data for two categories in two-way frequency tables. (section 12-2)

- Recognizing possible associations and trends in the data.(section 5-7)
- Representing data on two quantitative variables on a scatter plot, and describing how the variables are related. (section 5-7)
- Determining whether a linear model, an exponential model, or no model is a suitable fit for the data.
- Interpreting the rate of change and the constant term of a linear model in the context of the data.
- Computing (using technology) and interpreting the correlation coefficient ( $r$ ) of a linear fit.
- Distinguishing between correlation and causation. (bellringers)
- Making sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
- Reasoning abstractly and quantitatively.
- Constructing viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.
- Modeling with mathematics.
- Using appropriate tools strategically.
- Attending to precision.
- Looking for and making use of structure.
- Looking for and expressing regularity in repeated reasoning.

## **Stage 3: Learning Plan**

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### **Resource and Mentor Texts**

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#### Resources and Mentor Texts

- Textbook (Algebra I Common Core Pearson)
- Teacher created materials
- -powerpoint games
- centers (review stations)
- worksheets
- scavenger hunts
- organizers
- Problems from the web

### **Formative Assessment Strategies**

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#### Formative Assessment Strategies

Discussion

Quizzes

Student Engagement sheet

Exit Tickets

Homework/Classwork

## **Learning Activities/Unit of Study**

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### Learning Activities/Unit of Study

- Do Now--problem of the day related to previous learned skills or bellringers problems
- Review/Check Homework - (group check, partner check, whiteboard check)- Lecture
- Lecture
- Work together to understand and practice the skill - partner work/larger group work to read lesson, and practice skills through "On Your Own" problems incorporated throughout each lesson
- Stations - (Small group instruction, skills practice - scavenger hunts, online games, board work)
- Board/White Board Work - (solve problems/practice skills at board, or at seat with individual white boards)
- Kahoot to reinforce skills
- Review and practice skills using a variety of materials - (text, workbook, chromebook, games, activities, discussion)
- Thumbs up/down/sideways - quick formative assessment to gauge students level of understanding
- Scavenger hunts--self-checking, out of seats activity
- Jeopardy style review games

-Relay races--each student does one part of a problem, hands it to the next student to check then completes the next part, etc.

- Socrative--non-multiple choice technology option where students can either “race” or work at the teacher-pace

- Partner/Group investigation where students must create a formula, method, or strategy to solve a problem.

- Students “as teachers” where they present a method or formula they discovered through investigation

- Pear Deck--an interactive online powerpoint where students enter answers, watch videos, and record notes from the information shown on their own device as well as projected.

- Videos by Shmoop to introduce or reinforce concepts in an engaging and comical way

- Math created songs to help reinforce concepts

- Online games on chromebooks

## **Modifications and/or Accommodations**

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### **Suggested Modifications (ELL, Sp. Ed, Gifted, At-risk of Failure)**

#### **English Language Learners**

Native language support: The teacher provides auditory or written content to students in their native language.

Adjusted Speech: The teacher changes speech patterns to increase student comprehension. This could include facing the students, paraphrasing, clearly indicating the most important ideas, and speaking more slowly.

**Visuals:** The teacher uses graphics, pictures, visuals, and manipulatives. This helps ELL students better understand and comprehend the subjects at hand.

**Front-Loading Vocabulary:** The teacher front loads vocabulary. This means providing students with a list of important vocabulary words they will need to know for a book, lesson, etc. prior to the lesson being taught. Including pictures to go with the vocabulary words is also very beneficial for the students.

## **Special Education Students**

**Chunking:** The teacher presents information in a way that makes it easy for students to understand and remember. Chunking is based on the presumption that our working memory is easily overloaded by excessive detail. The best way to deliver information is to organize it into meaningful units. Because students with special needs get overloaded easily, chunking is an effective strategy to use with them.

**Checking for Understanding:** It is important to constantly check for understanding, especially for students who have accommodations. Teachers want to make sure students understand the concepts being covered in a way that makes sense to them.

**Extra time:** The teacher provides students with special needs extra time to complete work or answer questions. It is important to give students enough time to process their thoughts.

**Oral Reading:** The teacher will read work orally to students. Class work such as tests and literature circles may need to be read aloud to the student.

**Timers:** The teacher will use timers as an instructional tool. The use of timers is beneficial for students who have trouble completing tasks. Timers can be helpful so the student is aware of how much time they have to complete an assignment.

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## **Gifted & Talented Strategies**

Extensions/Enrichments: Teachers will provide gifted and talented students with extension/enrichment projects. Students will be challenged to further their understanding, to apply acquired knowledge, and/or to produce something in reference to acquired knowledge.

Modify/Change Activities: Teachers will monitor and modify activities to accommodate those students who need to be challenged further. Additional reading, problem-solving, writing, or project work is necessary for those students who are ready to move on at a rate more accelerated than their peers. In this way, G & T students are provided the same opportunity for support as special needs students.

## Students at Risk of School Failure

Directions or Instructions: Make sure directions and/or instructions are given in limited numbers. Give directions/instructions verbally and in simple written format. Ask students to repeat the instructions or directions to ensure understanding occurs. Check back with the student to ensure he/she hasn't forgotten.

Peer Support: Peers can help build confidence in other students by assisting in peer learning. Many teachers use the 'ask 3 before me' approach. This is fine, however, a student at risk may have to have a specific student or two to ask. Set this up for the student so he/she knows who to ask for clarification before going to you.

Alternate or Modified Assignments: Always ask yourself, "How can I modify this assignment to ensure the students at risk are able to complete it?" Sometimes you'll simplify the task, reduce the length of the assignment or allow for a different mode of delivery. For instance, many students may hand something in, the at-risk student may jot notes and give you the information verbally. Or, it just may be that you will need to assign an alternate assignment.

Increase One to One Time: When other students are working, always touch base with your students at risk and find out if they're on track or needing some additional support. A few minutes here and there will go a long way to intervene as the need presents itself.

Contracts: It helps to have a working contract between you and your students at risk. This helps prioritize the tasks that need to be done and ensure completion happens. Each day write down what needs to be completed, as the tasks are done, provide a checkmark or happy face. The goal of using contracts is to eventually have the student come to you for completion sign-offs.

Hands On: As much as possible, think in concrete terms and provide hands-on tasks. This means a child doing math may require a calculator or counters. The child may need to tape record comprehension activities instead of writing them. A child may have to listen to a story being read instead of reading it him/herself.

Tests/Assessments: Tests can be done orally if need be. Break tests down in smaller increments by having a portion of the test in the morning, another portion after lunch and the final part the next day.

Seating: Seat students near a helping peer or with quick access to the teacher. Those with hearing or sight issues need to be close to the instruction which often means near the front.

