Unit 03 - Measures of Center/Variation/Position

Content Area: Math

Course(s): Prob/Stat A
Time Period: Semester 1
Length: 6 weeks
Status: Published

Unit Introduction

Standards

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.A.4	Use the mean and standard deviation of a data set to fit it to a normal distribution and to estimate population percentages. Recognize that there are data sets for which such a procedure is not appropriate. Use calculators, spreadsheets, and tables to estimate areas under the normal curve.
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.

Essential Questions

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- Section 3.5: Exploratory Data Analysis (Pgs. 152-160)

Skills

- Compare center and spread both within a group and between groups
- Describe center, shape, spread, clusters, gaps, outliers and other unusual features.
- Discuss shape, outliers, center, and spread of distributions
- Measure center using mean and median
- Measure position using quartiles, percentiles, and standardized (z) scores
- Measure spread using range, interquartile range, and standard deviation