

Stat 171 - Worksheet for Section 6.3

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1. In a survey of 2462 U.S. teachers, 123 said that “all or almost all” of the information they find using search engines online is accurate or trustworthy.
 - (a) Identify x and n .
 - (b) Use x and n to find $\hat{p} = \frac{x}{n}$.

2. Use the data in Problem 1 to construct a 90% confidence interval for the population proportion of U.S. teachers who say that ”all or almost all” of the information they find using search engines online is accurate or trustworthy.
 - (a) Find $\hat{p} = \frac{x}{n}$ and $\hat{q} = 1 - \hat{p}$.
 - (b) Verify that the sampling distribution of \hat{p} can be approximated by a normal distribution.
 - (c) Find z_c from table 4 and $E = z_c \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}\hat{q}}{n}}$.
 - (d) Use \hat{p} and E to find the left and right endpoints of the confidence interval.
 - (e) Interpret the results.

3. The table below is from a survey of 498 U.S. adults. Construct a 99% confidence interval for the population proportion of U.S. adults who think that people over 65 are the more dangerous drivers.

Teenagers	71%
People over 65	25%
No opinion	4%

Who are the most dangerous drivers

4. A researcher is estimating the population proportion of U.S. adults ages 18 to 24 who have had an HIV test. The estimate must be accurate within 2% of the population proportion with 90% confidence. Find the minimum sample size needed when (1) no preliminary estimate is available and (2) a previous survey found 31% of U.S. adults ages 18 to 24 had an HIV test.
- Identify \hat{p} , \hat{q} , z_c , and E . If \hat{p} is unknown, use 0.5.
 - Use \hat{p} , \hat{q} , z_c to find the minimum sample size $n = \hat{p}\hat{q} \left(\frac{z_c}{E}\right)^2$.
 - Interpret the results.