Definitions

Element: The entity on which data are collected	Population: A collection of all the elements of interest
Sample: A subset of the population	Sampled population: The population from which the sample is collected

Frame: a list of elements that the sample will be collected from

Sampling from an Infinite Population

Populations generated by an ongoing process are referred to as Infinite Populations: parts being manufactured, transactions occurring at a bank, calls at a technical help desk, customers entering a store	Each element selected must come from the population of interest, Each element is selected independently.

Sampling Distribution of $\bar{x}$

Expected value of $\bar{x}$: $E(\bar{x}) = u$	Standard Deviation of $\bar{x}$:
Finite Population: $\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \sqrt{N-n/(N-1)}\ (\sigma/\sqrt{n})$	Infinite Population: $\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \sigma/\sqrt{n}$
Z-value at the upper endpoint of interval=-largest value-u/$\sigma_{\bar{x}}$	Area under the curve to the left of the upper endpoint=largest value-u/$\sigma_{\bar{x}}$ on the z table
Z-value at the lower endpoint of the interval=-smallest value-u/$\sigma_{\bar{x}}$	Area under the curve to the left of the lower endpoint=smallest value-u/$\sigma_{\bar{x}}$ on the z table
Probability=area under curve to left of upper endpoint-area under curve to left of lower endpoint	When selecting a different sample number, expected value remains the same. When the sample size is increased the standard error is decreased.

Sampling from a Finite Population

Finite Populations are often defined by lists: Organization Member Roster, Credit Card Account Numbers, Inventory Product Numbers	A simple random sample of size n from a finite population of size N: a sample selected such that each possible sample of size n has the same probability of being selected

Point Estimation

Point Estimation is a form of statistical inference.	We use the data from the sample to compute a value of a sample statistic that serves as an estimate of a population parameter.
$\bar{x}$ is the point estimator of the population mean	s is the point estimator of the population standard deviation
$\bar{p}$ is the point estimator of the population proportion	$\bar{x}=(\sum xi\ )/n$
$s=\sqrt{\sum(xi-\square\square)}$^2/n-1	$\bar{p}$=x/n

Sampling Distribution of $\bar{p}$

Expected value of $\square\square=E(\bar{p})=p$	Standard Deviation of $\bar{p}$;
Finite Population: $\sigma_{\bar{p}} = \sqrt{N-n/(N-1)}(\ \sqrt{p(1-p/n)}$	Infinite Population: $\sigma_{\bar{p}} = \sqrt{p(1-p/n}$
Z-value at the upper endpoint of the interval=-largest value-p/ $\sigma_{\bar{p}}$	Area under the curve to the left of the upper endpoint equals z value of largest value-p/ $\sigma_{\bar{p}}$
Z-value at the lower endpoint of the interval=-smallest value-p/ $\sigma_{\bar{p}}$	Area under the curve to the left of the lower endpoint=z=value of mallest value-p/ $\sigma_{\bar{p}}$

Probability=area under curve to left of upper endpoint-area under curve to left of lower endpoin