

32. A catch of five fish of a certain species yielded the following ounces of protein per pound of fish: 3.1, 3.5, 3.2, 2.8, and 3.4. What is a 90% confidence interval estimate for ounces of protein per pound of this species of fish?
- (A) 3.2 ± 0.202
 (B) 3.2 ± 0.247
 (C) 3.2 ± 0.261
 (D) 4.0 ± 0.202
 (E) 4.0 ± 0.247

Answer Key

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| 1. C | 7. D | 13. C | 19. B | 25. C | 31. C |
| 2. D | 8. B | 14. D | 20. D | 26. E | 32. C |
| 3. A | 9. D | 15. E | 21. A | 27. E | |
| 4. D | 10. C | 16. E | 22. B | 28. B | |
| 5. E | 11. E | 17. E | 23. C | 29. E | |
| 6. A | 12. B | 18. A | 24. A | 30. D | |

Answers Explained

1. (C) The critical z -scores will go from ± 1.96 to ± 2.576 , resulting in an increase in the interval size: $\frac{2.576}{1.96} = 1.31$ or an increase of 31%.
2. (D) Increasing the sample size by a multiple of d divides the interval estimate by \sqrt{d} .
3. (A) The margin of error varies directly with the critical z -value and directly with the standard deviation of the sample, but inversely with the square root of the sample size.
4. (D) Although the sample proportion is between 77% and 87% (more specifically, it is 82%), this is not the meaning of $\pm 5\%$. Although the percentage of the entire population is likely to be between 77% and 87%, this is not known for certain.
5. (E) There is no guarantee that 13.4 is anywhere near the interval, so none of the statements are true.
6. (A) The margin of error has to do with measuring chance variation but has nothing to do with faulty survey design. As long as n is large, s is a reasonable estimate of σ ; however, again this is not measured by the margin of error. (With t -scores, there is a correction for using s as an estimate of σ .)
7. (D) $\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{(.39)(.61)}{500}}$ and the critical z -scores for 90% confidence are ± 1.645 .
8. (B) $\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{(.75)(.25)}{1000}} = .0137$
 $.75 \pm 1.96(.0137) = .75 \pm .027$ or $(.723, .777)$

9. (D) $\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{(.17)(.83)}{1703}} = .0091$

$z(.0091) = .02 \quad z = 2.20, \quad .9861 - .0139 = 97.2\%$

10. (C) $1.645\left(\frac{.5}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \leq .04, \sqrt{n} \geq 20.563, n \geq 422.8$, so choose $n = 423$.

11. (E) $\frac{19}{20} = 95\%$; $1.96\left(\frac{.5}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \leq .03, \sqrt{n} \geq 32.67, n \geq 1067.1$, and so the pollsters should have obtained a sample size of at least 1068. (They actually interviewed 1148 people.)

12. (B) $\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{0.35}{\sqrt{49}}$ and with $df = 49 - 1 = 48$, the critical t -scores are ± 1.677 .

13. (C) Using t -scores: $28.5 \pm 2.045\left(\frac{1.2}{\sqrt{30}}\right) = 28.5 \pm 0.45$.

14. (D) $\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{1.52}{\sqrt{64}} = 0.19, \frac{0.38}{0.19} = 2$, and $.4772 + .4772 = .9544 \approx 95\%$.

15. (E) Using t -scores:

$335\left[9540 \pm 2.756\left(\frac{1205}{\sqrt{30}}\right)\right] = 335(9540 \pm 606.3) = \$3,196,000 \pm \$203,000$.

16. (E) $1.96\left(\frac{1.1}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \leq 0.2, \sqrt{n} \geq 10.78$, and $n \geq 116.2$; choose $n = 117$.

17. (E) To divide the interval estimate by d without affecting the confidence level, multiply the sample size by a multiple of d^2 . In this case, $4(50) = 200$.

18. (A)

$$\begin{aligned} n_1 &= 361 & n_2 &= 86 \\ \hat{p}_1 &= \frac{210}{361} = .582 & \hat{p}_2 &= \frac{34}{86} = .395 \\ \sigma_d &= \sqrt{\frac{(.582)(.418)}{361} + \frac{(.395)(.605)}{86}} = .0588 \\ & & & (.582 - .395) \pm 1.96(.0588) = .187 \pm .115 \end{aligned}$$

19. (B)

$$\begin{aligned} n_1 &= 300 & n_2 &= 400 \\ \hat{p}_1 &= .65 & \hat{p}_2 &= .48 \\ \sigma_d &= \sqrt{\frac{(.65)(.35)}{300} + \frac{(.48)(.52)}{400}} = .0372 \\ & & & (.65 - .48) \pm 2.576(.0372) = .17 \pm .096 \end{aligned}$$

20. (D) $1.645\left(\frac{.5\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \leq .03, \sqrt{n} \geq 38.77$, and $n \geq 1503.3$; the researcher should choose a sample size of at least 1504.

21. (A) $\sigma_d = \sqrt{\frac{(19.1)^2}{347} + \frac{(19.9)^2}{561}}$ and with $df = \min(347 - 1, 561 - 1)$, critical t -scores are ± 1.97 .

22. (B) $\sigma_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2} = \sqrt{\frac{(6.3)^2}{274} + \frac{(6.3)^2}{90}} = 0.765$

$$(33.0 - 28.6) \pm 1.645(0.765) = 4.4 \pm 1.26$$

23. (C) $\sigma_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2} = \sqrt{\frac{(4.5)^2}{n} + \frac{(4.5)^2}{n}} = \frac{6.364}{\sqrt{n}}$

$$1.645\left(\frac{6.364}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \leq 1, \sqrt{n} \geq 10.47, n \geq 109.6; \text{ choose } n = 110.$$

24. (A) The sample mean is at the center of the confidence interval; the lower confidence level corresponds to the narrower interval.

25. (C) Narrower intervals result from smaller standard deviations and from larger sample sizes.

26. (E) Only III is true. The 90% refers to the method; 90% of all intervals obtained by this method will capture μ . Nothing is sure about any particular set of 100 intervals. For any particular interval, the probability that it captures μ is either 1 or 0 depending on whether μ is or isn't in it.

27. (E) In determining confidence intervals, one uses sample statistics to estimate population parameters. If the data are actually the whole population, making an estimate has no meaning.

28. (B) $\frac{1.88(.5)\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{n}} \leq .07$ gives $\sqrt{n} \geq 18.99$ and $n \geq 360.7$.

29. (E) With $df = 15 - 1 = 14$ and .05 in each tail, the critical t -value is 1.761.

30. (D) $\bar{x} = 4.048$, $s = 2.765$, $df = 20$, and

$$4.048 \pm 1.725\left(\frac{2.765}{\sqrt{21}}\right) = 4.048 \pm 1.041.$$

31. (C) The confidence interval estimate of the set of nine differences is

$$11.61 \pm 2.306\left(\frac{4.891}{\sqrt{9}}\right) = 11.61 \pm 3.76.$$

32. (C) $df = 4$, and $3.2 \pm 2.132\left(\frac{0.274}{\sqrt{5}}\right) = 3.2 \pm 0.261$.