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- What is a sampling distribution?
- How can information about sampling distributions be used to determine desired information related to population parameters?

### **Research Process**

- Idea for study Question posed
- Information collected
  - Data
    - Experiment
    - Survey
- Information organized/analyzed
- Conclusions drawn based on analysis of data

### Data

- Sample use to make inferences about population
  - Sample mean use to draw conclusions about population mean
    - Dependent upon sample
      - Changes based on values in sample

## Data

- Use data to make inferences regarding the population
  - Problems:

Samples - not the population
Change sample then change
Data
Statistics
Conclusions - variable

### Inference

- A logical process of drawing conclusions from a collection of data and relationships between data and potential conclusions
- Assumption based on an observation
- A determination arrived at by reasoning; using facts to arrive at a broader conclusion
- The reasoning involved in drawing a conclusion or making a logical judgment on the basis of circumstantial evidence and prior conclusions rather than on the basis of direct observation
- The act or process of deriving a conclusion based solely on what one already knows

### **Inferential Statistics**

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 Based on probability statements and information about the related distribution(s)

### Sampling Distribution for the Mean

- General idea for determining sampling distribution for mean  $\overline{X}$ :
  - Obtain sample of size n
  - Compute sample mean  $\overline{X}$
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### Sampling Distribution for the Mean

 Amounts of money which five people have – HW

### **Caution about Sample Mean**

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- Dependent upon the sample used
- If use a different sample then may get a different sample mean

### To make Probability Statements for Sample Statistics ...

 Need to know about the distribution of the sample mean

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 Need to know about the distribution of the sample proportion

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**Reminder:** In real life, we may not necessarily have access to the subjects/units in the population. However, the variable of interest for this population does have a mean and a standard deviation.

### **Recall:** Sampling Distribution for $\overline{X}$

- To determine sampling distribution for mean  $\overline{X}$ :
  - For samples of size n
  - Compute sample mean X for each sample
  - Assuming that sampling from finite population, repeat until all possible simple random samples of size n have been obtained

http://lib.stat.cmu.edu/DASL/Datafiles/nursinghomedat.html

#### Datafile Name:

Nursing Home Data **Datafile Subjects:** Health, Consumer, Medical, Economics

Story Names:

Story Names.

Nursing Home Data

#### Reference:

These data are part of the data analyzed in Howard L. Smith, Niell F. Piland, and Nancy Fisher, "A Comparison of Financial Performance, Organizational Character- istics, and Management Strategy Among Rural and Urban Nursing Facilities, Journal of Rural Health, Winter 1992, pp 27-40.

#### Authorization:

free use

#### Description:

The data were collected by the Department of Health and Social Services of the State of New Mexico and cover 52 of the 60 licensed nursing facilities in New Mexico in 1988.

#### Number of cases:

52

#### Variable Names:

- 1. BED = number of beds in home
- 2. MCDAYS = annual medical in-patient days (hundreds)
- 3. TDAYS = annual total patient days (hundreds)
- 4. PCREV = annual total patient care revenue (\$hundreds)
- 5. NSAL = annual nursing salaries (\$hundreds)
- 6. FEXP = annual facilities expenditures (\$hundreds)
- 7. RURAL = rural (1) and non-rural (0) homes

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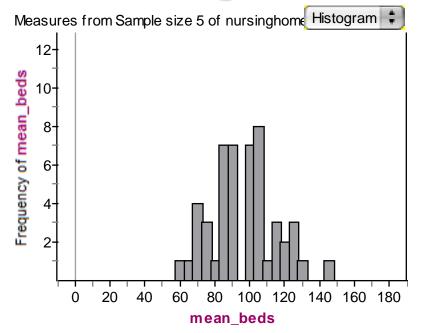
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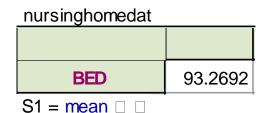
 Keeping in mind that there are C(52, 5) = 2,598,960 possible samples of size 5, consider the following graphs for the distribution for the number of sample means stated and the corresponding average for this distribution of sample means.

Note: The means are provided without being rounded.

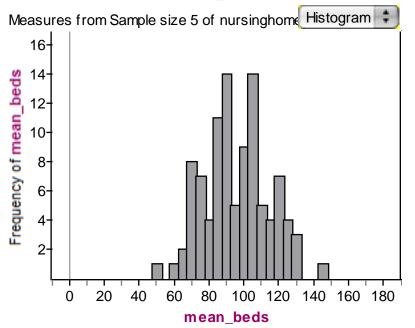
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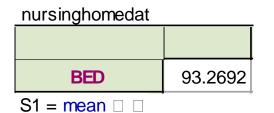
mean_beds	96.664
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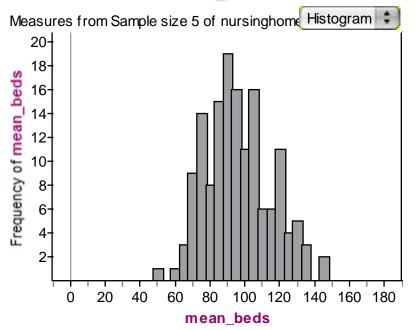
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mean_beds	95.798
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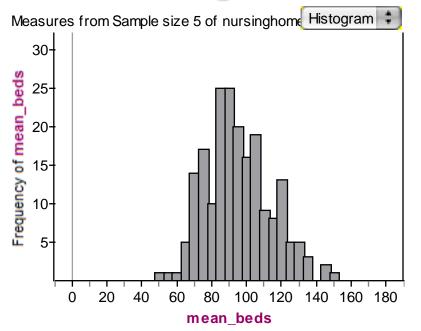
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mean_beds	96.164
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nursinghomedat	
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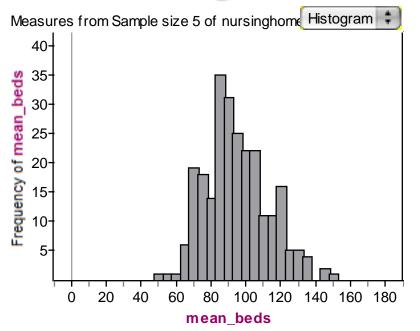
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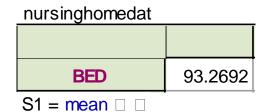
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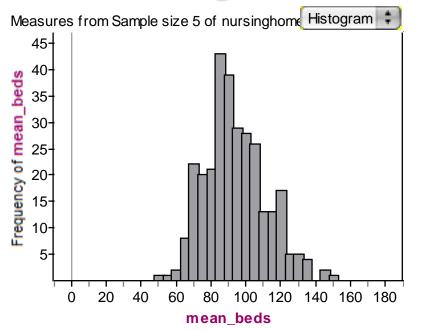
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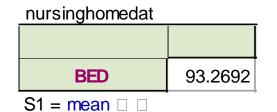
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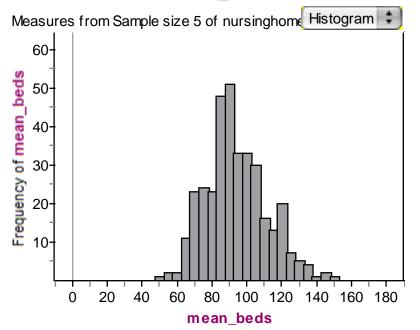
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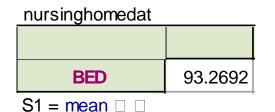
mean_beds	93.7127
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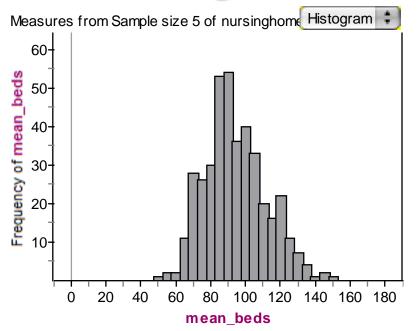
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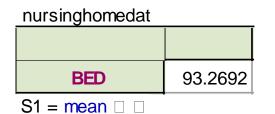
mean_beds	93.672
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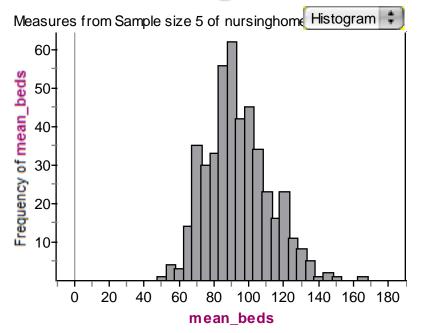
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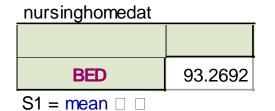
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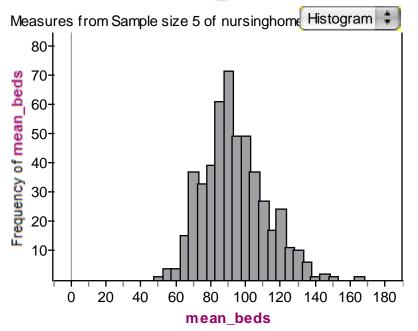
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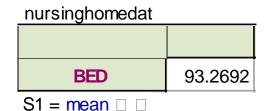
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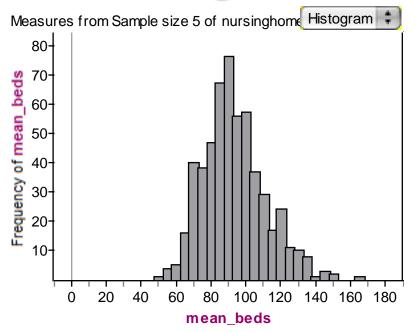
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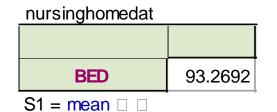
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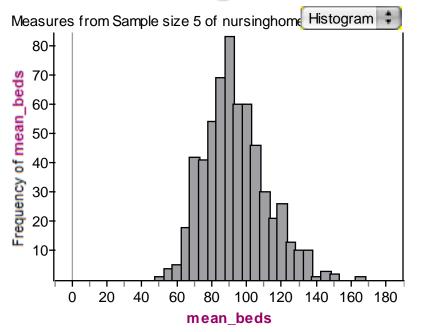
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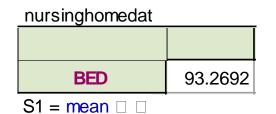
mean_beds	93.1735
S1 = mean □ □	



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- $\sigma_x = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$  is referred to as the standard error of the mean.

Sampling Distribution from Population that is Approximately Normal

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Population with mean μ and standard deviation σ	Distribution of sample means	Mean of sample means	Standard deviation of sample means
Not normal with n < 30	Not normal	$\mu_{\overline{x}} = \mu$	$\sigma_{\overline{x}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$
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## Sample Proportion

 Consider a sample of size n obtained from a population for which each element/individual either has or does not have a particular characteristic. The sample proportion, denoted p, is given by D=X

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Having the sample size no more than 5% of the population size (that is, n ≤ 0.05N) is necessary so that the result obtained from one individual is independent of the result obtained from the rest of the individuals.

- For a simple random sample of size n for which the sample size is less than 5% of the population size, that is, n ≤ 0.05N,
  - the sampling distribution of p̂ is approximately normal provided np(1 - p)≥10.

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• It is important to note that the mean of the sampling distribution for  $\hat{\rho}$  is  $\mu_{\hat{r}} = \rho$  and the standard deviation of the sampling distribution of  $\hat{\rho}$  is

$$\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$$

if  $np(1 - p) \ge 10 \text{ or } np(1 - p) \ge 10$