## Preface

Elementary Statistics: A Step by Step Approach was written to help students in the beginning statistics course whose mathematical background is limited to basic algebra. The book follows a nontheoretical approach without formal proofs, explaining concepts intuitively and supporting them with abundant examples. The applications span a broad range of topics certain to appeal to the interests of students of diverse backgrounds and include problems in business, sports, health, architecture, education, entertainment, political science, psychology, history, criminal justice, the environment, transportation, physical sciences, demographics, eating habits, and travel and leisure.

## About This Book

While a number of important changes have been made to the sixth edition, the learning system remains untouched and provides students with a useful framework in which to
learn and apply concepts. Some of the retained features include the following:

- Over 1800 exercises are located at the end of major sections within each chapter.
- Hypothesis-Testing Summaries are found at the end of Chapter $9\left(z, t, \chi^{2}\right.$, and $F$ tests for testing means, proportions, and variances), Chapter 12 (correlation, chi-square, and ANOVA), and Chapter 13 (nonparametric tests) to show students the different types of hypotheses and the types of tests to use.
- A Data Bank listing various attributes (educational level, cholesterol level, gender, etc.) for 100 people and 13 additional data sets using real data are included and referenced in various exercises and projects throughout the book, including the projects presented in Data Projects sections.
- A reference card containing the formulas and the $z, t, \chi^{2}$, and PPMC tables is included with this textbook.
- End-of-chapter Summaries, Important Terms, and Important Formulas give students a concise summary of the chapter topics and provide a good source for quiz or test preparation.
- Review Exercises are found at the end of each chapter.
- Special sections called Data Analysis require students to work with a data set to perform various statistical tests or procedures and then summarize the results. The data are included in the Data Bank in Appendix D and can be downloaded from the book's website at www.mhhe.com/bluman
- Chapter Quizzes, found at the end of each chapter, include multiple-choice, true/false, and completion questions along with exercises to test students' knowledge and comprehension of chapter content.
- The Appendices provide students with an essential algebra review, an outline for report writing, Bayes' theorem, extensive reference tables, a glossary, and answers to all quiz questions, all odd-numbered exercises, selected even-numbered exercises, and an alternate method for using the standard normal distribution.

Changes in the Sixth Edition

This edition of Elementary Statistics is updated and improved for students and instructors in the following ways:

- Over 300 new exercises have been added, most using real data, and many questions now incorporate thought-provoking questions requiring students to interpret their results.
- The text is updated throughout with current data and statistics including 44 new Unusual Stats and Interesting Facts; 7 new Speaking of Statistics; 5 new Critical Thinking Challenges; $\mathbf{2}$ new Statistics Today openers; $\mathbf{8}$ new worked examples; 14 new Data Analysis Exercises; and 5 new Data Sets.
- A new feature, Applying the Concepts, is added to each section and gives students an opportunity to think about the concepts and to apply them to hypothetical examples and scenarios similar to those found in newspapers, magazines, and news programs.
- The text layout and color palette have been redesigned to increase the readability and ease of use by students and instructors.

Based on user suggestions and reviewer comments on the fifth edition, the following improvements were made:

Chapter 1 Another example of interval-level data has been added. The explanation of random sampling was expanded so students would not have to refer to Chapter 14.
Chapter 2 The explanation of class, frequency, relative frequency, and open-ended frequency distributions was expanded. An explanation was given on how to analyze frequency distributions.
Chapter 3 A greater explanation was given of the mode, including bimodal and multimodal data sets. Also added were the range rule of thumb and an exercise on finding the median for grouped data.
Chapter 4 More detailed explanation was added on the use of the words and and or in classical probability. A tree diagram was included to help determine the sample space for Exercise 4-40.
Chapter 5 Coverage of discrete variables was expanded.
Chapter 6 An explanation was included on how the area under a continuous curve relates to a probability by using a uniform distribution. More information on the distribution of sample means was given.
Chapter 7 A brief explanation of the sampling distribution of a sample proportion was added.
Chapter 8 The explanation on using the $P$-value is now boxed.
Chapter 10 The concepts of independent and dependent variables and simple and multiple relationships were expanded. The topic of the relationship of the scatter plot to the strength of the correlation coefficient was moved from Section 10-4 to Section 10-3.

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Over 300 examples with detailed solutions serve as models to help students solve problems on their own. Examples are solved by using a step-by-step explanation, and illustrations provide a clear display of results for students.


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Chapter 8 Hypothesis Testing


Numerous examples and exercises use real data. The icon shown here indicates that the data set for the exercise is available in a variety of file formats on the text's Online Learning Center and CD-ROM.

Numerous Procedure Tables summarize processes for students' quick reference. All use the step-by-step method.


The Speaking of Statistics sections invite students to think about poll results and other statistics-related news stories in another connection between statistics and the real world.

Historical Notes, Unusual Stats, and Interesting Facts, located in the margins, make statistics come alive for the reader.

On the other hand, suppose the researcher claims that the mean weight of the adul animals is not 42 pounds. The claim would be the alternative hypothesis $H_{1}: \mu \neq 42$ Furthermore, suppose that the null hypothesis is not rejected. The conclusion, then
would be that there is not enough evidence to support the claim that the mean weight of the adult animals is not 42 pounds. See Figure 8-17(b).
Again, remember that nothing is being proved true or false. The statistician is only stating that there is or is not enough evidence to say that a claim is probably true or false As noted previou, hed

## $P$-Vaiue Method for Hypothesis Testing

Statisticians usually test hypotheses at the common $\alpha$ levels of 0.05 or 0.01 and some times at 0.10. Recall that the choice of the level depends on the seriousness of the type I error. Besides listing an $\alpha$ value, many computer statistical packages give
$P$-value for hypothesis tests.

The $\boldsymbol{P}$-value (or probability value) is the probability of getting a sample statistic (such as the mean) or a more extreme sample statistic in the direction of the alternative hypothesis
when the null hypothesis is true.

In other words, the $P$-value is the actual area under the standard normal distribution curve (or other curve, depending on what statistical test is being used) representing the probability of a particular sample statistic or a more extreme sample statistic occurring if the null hypothesis is true.
he is $\bar{X}=52$. If the compute ${ }^{2}$ probability of getting a sample mean of 52 or greater is 0.0356 if the true population mean is 50 (for the given sample size and standard deviation). The relationship between the $P$-value and the $\alpha$ value can be explained in this manner. For $P=0.0356$,
the null hypothesis would be rejected at $\alpha=0.05$ but not at $\alpha=0.01$. See Figure $8-18$, When the hypothesis test is two-tailed, the area in one tail must be doubled. For wo-tailed test, if $\alpha$ is 0.05 and the area in one tail is 0.0356 , the $P$-value will be $2(0.0356)=0.0712$. That is, the null hypothesis should not be rejected at $\alpha=0.05$, since 0.0712 is greater than 0.05 . In summary, then, if the $P$-value is less than $\alpha$, reject the null hypothesis. If the $P$-value is greater than $\alpha$, do not reject the null hypothesis.
The $P$-values for the $z$ test can be found by using Table E in Appendix C. First find the area under the standard normal distribution curve corresponding to the $z$ test value, To get the $P$-value for a two-tailed test, double this area after subtracting. This procedur is shown in step 3 of Examples 8-6 and 8-7

Critical Thinking sections at the end of each chapter challenge students to apply what they have learned to new situations. The problems presented are designed to deepen conceptual understanding and/or to extend topical coverage.


At the end of appropriate sections, Technology Step by Step boxes show students how to use MINITAB, the TI-83 Plus and TI-84 Plus graphing calculators, and Excel to solve the types of problems covered in the section. Instructions are presented in numbered steps, usually in the context of examples-including examples from the main part of the section. Numerous computer or calculator screens are displayed, showing intermediate steps as well as the final answer.


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Data Projects
Use MINITAB, the TI-83Plus, the TI-84Plus, or a computer
program of your choice to complete these exercises.
    1. Select several variables, such as the number of points
    football team scored in each game of a specific season,
    the number of passes completed, or the number of yards
    gained. Using confidence intervals for the mean,
    determine the 90, 95, and 99% confidence intervals.
    (Use z or t, whichever is relevant.) Decide which you
    a summary of your findings by answering the following
    questions.
    a. What was the purpose of the study?
    b. What was the population?
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> What were the results obtained by using confidence intervals? Did you use $z$ or $t$ ? Why?
> 2. Using the same data or different data, construct a confidence interval for a proportion. For example, you might want to find the proportion of passes completed by the
quarterback or the proportion of passes that were interquarterback or the proportion of passes that were inter-
cepted. Write a short paragraph summarizing the results. You may use the following websites to obtain raw data: Visit the data sets at the book's website found at http://www.mhhe.com/math/stat/bluman Click on the 6 the edition. http://ib.stat.cmu.edu/DASL http://www.statcan.ca

Data Projects further challenge students' understanding and application of the material presented in the chapter. Many of these require the student to gather, analyze, and report on real data. These projects, which appear at the end
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A new feature called Applying the Concepts has been added to the Sixth Edition. These exercises are found at the end of each section, and their purpose is to reinforce the concepts explained in the section. They give the student an opportunity to think about the concepts and apply them to hypothetical examples similar to real-life ones found in newspapers, magazines, and professional journals. Most contain open-ended questions-questions that require interpretation and may have more than one correct answer. These exercises can also be used as classroom discussion topics for instructors who like to use this type of teaching technique. The majority of these exercises were written and class-tested by Dr. James A. Condor and were previously published in Critical Thinking Workbook. The rest were written by the author.

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## Index of Applications

Elementary Statistics: A Step by Step Approach contains a large number of applications-in the text's Examples, Exercises, and Critical Thinking Challenges-to illuminate students' understanding of how statistical concepts are practiced and incorporated into many diverse personal, professional, and academic fields. You will find these applications on the pages listed.

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