

Glossary

1. Confidence Interval

It is an interval of values bounded by confidence limits within which the true value of a population parameter is stated to lie with a specified probability.

2. Estimation

It refers to the process by which one makes inferences about a population, based on information obtained from a sample.

3. Interval

A set of numbers consisting of all the numbers between a pair of given numbers along with either, both, or none of the endpoints.

4. Intuitive

Using or based on what one feels to be true even without conscious reasoning.

5. Mean

The average value of a set of numbers.

6. Nutrient

A source of nourishment, especially a nourishing ingredient in a food.

7. Outlier

A point in a sample widely separated from the main cluster of points in the sample.

8. Population

The set of individuals, items, or data from which a statistical sample is taken.

9. Sample

A set of elements drawn from and analyzed to estimate the characteristics of a population.

10. Skew

Not symmetrical about the mean.

11. Standard Deviation

A statistic used as a measure of the dispersion or variation in a distribution, equal to the square root of the arithmetic mean of the squares of the deviations from the arithmetic mean.

12. Summation

The act or process of adding.

13. Unimodal

Having a single mode.

14. Variability

The quality, state, or degree of being variable or changeable.

15. Variance

The square of the standard deviation.