

Session 4 Notes

Questions Directed to: Rebecca Rosen

- What do you mean by “mood”?
 - Clinical depression is assessed within the last two weeks. When a respondent comes in they may be depressed (as opposed to just feeling a little down).
- Did you look at the four levels of depression?
 - Yes, but the data did not make a whole lot of sense.
- Was there any relationship between ethnicity and perceiving a question as sensitive?
 - The questions were chosen from other studies looking for questions deemed sensitive. Later when looking at the data there were no differences between ethnicities.
- For sensitive questions does recall come into play?
 - There may be a primacy effect. For people that are depressed they may over-report in CASI.
- You measured depression after the questionnaire, was there any reason?
 - Yes, didn't want to affect the respondent before the questionnaire. Maybe in the future we might want to measure on two separate days.
- Levels of Depression?
 - The general population has about 16% of people depressed. It is higher for college students.

Questions Directed to: Mari Toomse

- What data are you using reports of income or tax data?
 - Show taxed data, not reported data.

Questions Directed to: Nejc Berzelac

- What proportion of the participants went online?
 - Minority of participants went to web in second wave. The first wave was the only web option.
- Is the object of the survey related to the mode?
 - This was the worst possible survey for the web.
- Was there an option to print out the surveys and then mail them in?
 - No, there was not.

A General Question Posed:

- Can we integrate what we know about non-sampling error into confidence intervals?
 - Not yet. There is no theorem like Neymanns for non-sampling error.