

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \hat{p} = \frac{856}{1228} \doteq 0.6971$$

Critical value  $z^*$  for 99% = 2.58  
 $\therefore$  An approximate 99% confidence interval for

$p$  = proportion of medical malpractice lawsuits that are dropped or dismissed

is

$$\hat{p} \pm z^* \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$$

$$= 0.6971 \pm (2.58) \sqrt{\frac{(0.6971)(1-0.6971)}{1228}}$$

$$= 0.6971 \pm 0.0338$$

$$\doteq 0.697 \pm 0.034$$

\textcircled{2} Let  $p$  = proportion of cell phone users who develop cancer of the brain or nervous system.

$$\hat{p} = \frac{135}{420,095} \doteq 0.0003214$$

$$z^* = 1.96$$

$\therefore$  95% confidence interval for  $p$  is

An approximate  $\hat{p} \pm z^* \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$

$$= 0.0003214 \pm (1.96) \sqrt{\frac{(0.0003214)(1-0.0003214)}{420,095}}$$

$$= 0.0003214 \pm 0.0000542$$

$$= 0.0321 \pm 0.0054\%$$

(3)

$$n = 190$$

$$\bar{x} = 2700 \text{ g}$$

$$s = 645 \text{ g}$$

$$z^* = 1.96$$

$\mu$  = mean birthweight of infants born to mothers who used cocaine.

An approximate  
 $\therefore \sqrt{95\%}$  confidence interval for  $\mu$  is

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} \pm z^* \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} &= 2700 \pm (1.96) \frac{645}{\sqrt{190}} \\ &= 2700 \pm 91.7 \\ &= 2700 \pm 92 \text{ g}.\end{aligned}$$

(4)

$$n = 150$$

$$z^* = 1.64$$

Confidence interval :  $\leftarrow$   $\rightarrow$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & 5.8 & 6.7 \\ \nearrow & & \uparrow \\ \bar{x} - z^* \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} & & \bar{x} + z^* \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \end{array}$$

$$\therefore 2z^* \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} = 6.7 - 5.8$$

$$s = \frac{(6.7 - 5.8) \sqrt{n}}{2 z^*} = \frac{(6.7 - 5.8) \sqrt{150}}{(2)(1.64)}$$

$$= 3.36$$

$$\doteq 3.4 \text{ years.}$$

⑤  $p$  = proportion of crimes which are drug offences.

$$H_0: p = 0.287$$

$$H_a: p > 0.287$$

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$\hat{p} = \frac{31,969}{109,857} \doteq 0.291.$$

$\hat{p}$  normal, mean  $\mu = p = 0.287$ , standard

$$\text{deviation } \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.287(1-0.287)}{109,857}} \doteq 0.00136$$

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{0.291 - 0.287}{0.00136} \doteq 2.9$$

$$P(Z \geq 2.9) = \frac{100 - 99.81}{100} = 0.0019$$

Since  $0.0019 < \alpha$ , we reject  $H_0$  in favour of  $H_a$ :  
there is reason to believe that more than 28.7%  
of crimes were for drug offences.

⑥  $p$  = proportion of crashes within 5 miles of home.

$$H_0: p = 0.5$$

$$H_a: p > 0.5$$

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

$$\hat{p} = \frac{5720}{11000} = 0.52 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{normal, mean } \mu = 0.5, \text{ standard} \\ \text{deviation } \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{(0.5)(1-0.5)}{11000}} \doteq 0.0048 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{0.52 - 0.5}{0.0048} \doteq 4.2 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Off the scale!} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$P(Z \geq 4.2) \doteq 0 \quad (\text{certainly } \underline{\text{much}} \text{ less than } \alpha = 0.01).$$

$\therefore$  We reject  $H_0$  in favour of  $H_a$ : there is strong  
evidence to conclude that more than 50% of car  
crashes occur within 5 miles of home.

⑦  $P$  = proportion of households using email.

$$H_0 : P = 0.15$$

$$H_a : P > 0.15$$

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$\hat{P} = \frac{149}{880} = 0.169 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Approx. normal, mean } \mu = 0.15, \\ \text{standard deviation} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{(0.15)(1-0.15)}{880}} = 0.0120$$

$$Z = \frac{\hat{P} - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{0.169 - 0.15}{0.0120} = 1.6$$

$$P(Z \geq 1.6) = \frac{100 - 94.52}{100} = 0.0548$$

Since  $P = 0.0548 > \alpha$  we do not have enough evidence to reject  $H_0$ .

⑧  $P$  = proportion of adults who never drink.

$$H_0 : P = \frac{1}{3} = 0.333$$

$$H_a : P < 0.333$$

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$\hat{P} = \frac{312}{976} = 0.320 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Approx. normal, } \mu = 0.333, \\ \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{(0.333)(1-0.333)}{976}} = 0.015 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$Z = \frac{\hat{P} - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{0.320 - 0.333}{0.015} = -0.9$$

$$P(Z \leq -0.9) = \frac{18.41}{100} = 0.18$$

Since  $P = 0.18 > \alpha$  (much greater!) there is no reason to believe that less than  $\frac{1}{3}$  of adults never drink.

⑨  $p$  = proportion of Clarinex users experiencing fatigue

$$H_0: p = 0.012$$

$$H_a: p > 0.012$$

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

$$\hat{p} = 0.021 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Approx normal, } \mu = 0.012, \\ \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{0.012(1-0.012)}{1655}} = 0.0027 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{0.021 - 0.012}{0.0027} \doteq 3.3$$

$$P(Z \geq 3.3) = \frac{100-99.95}{100} = 0.0005$$

Since  $P = 0.0005 < \alpha$  we reject  $H_0$  in favour of  $H_a$ : there is strong evidence to conclude that the percentage of Clarinex users who experience fatigue is greater than 1.2%.

⑩  $\mu$  = mean weight change of those on diet

$$H_0: \mu = 0$$

$$H_a: \mu < 0$$

$$\sigma = 4.8 \text{ lbs.}$$

$$\bar{x} = -2.1 \text{ lbs.}$$

$$n = 40$$

$$z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{-2.1 - 0}{4.8} \doteq -2.8$$

$$P(Z \leq -2.8) = \frac{100-99.74}{100} = 0.0026$$

Since  $P = 0.0026$  is much less than  $\alpha = 0.05$ , there is sufficient reason to believe that the mean weight change of those on the diet is less than zero.

⑪  $M$  = mean perceived length of a minute for general population

$$H_0: \mu = 60$$

$$H_a: \mu < 60$$

$$n = 40$$

$$\bar{x} = 58.3 \text{ seconds}$$

$$\sigma = 9.5 \text{ seconds}$$

$\bar{x}$  approx. normal, mean 60,  
standard deviation  $\frac{9.5}{\sqrt{40}} \doteq 1.5$

$$z = \frac{58.3 - 60}{1.5} = -1.1$$

$$P(z \leq -1.1) = \frac{13.57}{100} \doteq 0.14$$

Though no level of significance was given,  $P = 0.14$  is not small enough to warrant rejecting  $H_0$  at any reasonable  $\alpha$ . That is, the evidence is not sufficient to conclude that, for the general population, the mean perceived length of a minute is less than 60 seconds.