

STATISTICS

(Statistics is the branch of Mathematics dealing with the collection, organization, and interpretation of numerical data)

1. In statistics, a **central tendency** (or, more commonly, a **measure of central tendency**) is a central value or a typical value for a probability distribution. It is occasionally called an average or just the **center** of the distribution. The most common measures of central tendency are
 - a. The arithmetic mean or mean
 - b. The median and
 - c. The mode.

2. *Class mark (or) mid – value* =
$$\frac{\text{Lower class limit} + \text{Upper class limit}}{2}$$

3. Mean of grouped data:

The mean (or average) of observations is the sum of the values of all the observations divided by the total number of observations.

It can be found by three methods:

I. THE DIRECT METHOD

$$\bar{x} = \frac{f_1x_1 + f_2x_2 + \dots + f_nx_n}{f_1 + f_2 + \dots + f_n} = \frac{\sum f_i x_i}{\sum f_i}$$

Where,

\bar{x} = mean,

Σ = Sum operation,

f_i = frequency of the observations of a data,

x_i = Midvalue of the observations of a data,

$f_i x_i$ = Product of midvalue of the observations and their corresponding frequencies of a data,

i = varies from 1 to n

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II. THE ASSUMED MEAN METHOD

$$\bar{x} = a + \frac{\sum f_i d_i}{\sum f_i}$$

Where,

\bar{x} = mean,

Σ = Sum operation,

f_i = frequency of the observations of a data,

d_i = deviations = (midvalues – assumed mean)
= $(x_i - a)$,

$f_i x_i$ = Product of midvalue of the observations and their corresponding frequencies

i = varies from 1 to n

III. THE STEP DEVIATION METHOD

$$\bar{x} = a + \left(\frac{\sum f_i u_i}{\sum f_i} \right) \times h$$

Where,

\bar{x} = mean,

Σ = sum operation,

a = assumed mean,

f_i = frequency of the observations of a data,

h = class size,

u_i = ratio of deviations and a common number = $\frac{x_i - a}{h} = \frac{d_i}{h}$,

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4. Mode of grouped data:

A mode is that value among the observations which occurs most often, that is, the value of the observation having the maximum frequency.

A class with the maximum frequency, called the **modal class** and the mode is a value inside the modal class.

$$l + \left(\frac{f_1 - f_0}{2f_1 - f_0 - f_2} \right) \times h$$

Where,

l = lower limit of the modal class,

f_1 = frequency of the modal class,

f_0 = frequency of the class, preceding the modal class,

f_2 = frequency of the class succeeding the modal class,

h = class size (assuming all class sizes to be equal)

5. The cumulative frequency of a class is the frequency obtained by adding the frequencies of all the classes preceding the given class.

6. Median of grouped data:

A median is a value that is positioned exactly in the middle of the set of observations arranged in an ascending or descending order. Hence, it separates the higher half of a data from the lower half.

A class whose cumulative frequency is greater than (and nearest to) $\frac{n}{2}$, i.e., half of the total frequency of a data, is called the **median class** and the median is a value inside the median class.

$$l + \left(\frac{\frac{n}{2} - cf}{f} \right) \times h$$

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Where,

l = lower limit of the modal class,

$n = \sum f_i$ = Total frequency,

cf = Cumulative frequency of class preceding the median class,

f = Frequency of the median class,

h = class size (assuming all class sizes to be equal)

7. Cumulative frequency distribution can be represented graphically as a cumulative frequency curve (an ogive) of a less than type and of the more than type.
8. The median of a grouped data can be obtained graphically as the x -coordinate of the point of intersection of the two ogives ('Less than' & 'More than') for a data.