

6-1 Measures of Central Tendency

average middle most
Mean - Median - Mode

Objectives:

- I can find the mean, median, mode, and range of a data set

The average on the test was an 84 - mean

The average test score puts you in the middle of the class - median

The average American student starts college at 18 - mode

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Mean: add up all #'s and divide by how many there are.

Median: When data is in order the middle number.

Mode: number used most

Range: difference between highest and lowest #'s.

Find the mean, median, mode, and range, for the amount of twitter users in millions in the United States. The data represents the number of users per quarter each year.

2016	2017	2018
Q1: 65	Q1: 69	Q1: 69
Q2: 66	Q2: 68	Q2: 68
Q3: 67	Q3: 69	Q3: 67
Q4: 67	Q4: 68	

mean: 66.2

med: 66.5

mode: 67

range: 2

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Find the mean, median, mode, and range of the amount of iPhones that are purchased each year in millions worldwide:

2009: 20.7	2012: 125	2015: 231.2
2010: 39.9	2013: 150.3	2016: 211.8
2011: 72.3	2014: 169.2	2017: 216.7

Test scores from a class: ~~70, 70, 75, 75, 90, 70, 80, 85, 65, 95, 70, 85, 90, 70, 20~~
~~20, 65, 70, 70, 70, 70, 70, 75, 75, 80, 85, 85, 90, 90,~~
 75

Mean: 74

Median: 75

Mode: 70

Range: 75

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Find the mean, median, mode, and range of the top 10 paying jobs in the United States in 2018.

Physician: \$195,842	Software Development: \$108,879
Pharmacy Manager: \$146,412	Physician Assistant: \$108,761
Pharmacist: \$127,120	Software Engineer: \$107,479
Enterprise Architect: \$115,944	Nurse Practitioner: \$106,962
Corporate Counsel: \$115,580	Software Architect: \$105,329

Why do we have all of these measures?

Example: On a cul-de-sac, you have 5 houses built for:

⁴\$250,000, ¹\$180,000, ³\$220,000, ²\$200,000, ⁵\$1,200,000

Find the median and the mean? Which one is a better measure?

mean: \$410,000

median: \$220,000

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