

Answers to additional health exercises

Chapter 16 Non-parametric statistics

Chi square

Use a chi-square test for independence to compare the proportion of males and females (*gender*) that indicate that they have a sleep problem (*problem*).

gender * problem with sleep? Crosstabulation

| | | | problem with sleep? | | Total |
|--------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|
| | | | yes | no | |
| gender | female | Count | 67 | 81 | 148 |
| | | % within gender | 45.3% | 54.7% | 100.0% |
| | | % within problem with sleep? | 57.3% | 53.3% | 55.0% |
| | | % of Total | 24.9% | 30.1% | 55.0% |
| | male | Count | 50 | 71 | 121 |
| | | % within gender | 41.3% | 58.7% | 100.0% |
| | | % within problem with sleep? | 42.7% | 46.7% | 45.0% |
| | | % of Total | 18.6% | 26.4% | 45.0% |
| Total | Count | 117 | 152 | 269 | |
| | % within gender | 43.5% | 56.5% | 100.0% | |
| | % within problem with sleep? | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | |
| | % of Total | 43.5% | 56.5% | 100.0% | |

Chi-Square Tests

| | Value | df | Asymp. Sig. (2-sided) | Exact Sig. (2-sided) | Exact Sig. (1-sided) |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|----|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Pearson Chi-Square | .422 ^b | 1 | .516 | .538 | .300 |
| Continuity Correction ^a | .277 | 1 | .599 | | |
| Likelihood Ratio | .423 | 1 | .516 | | |
| Fisher's Exact Test | | | | | |
| Linear-by-Linear Association | .421 | 1 | .517 | | |
| N of Valid Cases | 269 | | | | |

a. Computed only for a 2x2 table

b. 0 cells (.0%) have expected count less than 5. The minimum expected count is 52.63.

Inspection of the cross tabulation table indicates that 45.3% of females and 41.3% of males reported having a problem with their sleep. The Chi square test (using the Continuity Correction for 2X2 tables) indicates that this difference is not statistically significant ($p=.599$).

Mann Whitney U Test

Use the Mann Whitney U test to compare the mean sleepiness ratings (Sleepiness and Associated Sensations Scale total score : *totSAS*) for males and females (*gender*). Compare the results of this test with the parametric equivalent (t-test for independent samples, Chapter 16).

| Ranks | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|-----|-----------|--------------|
| | gender | N | Mean Rank | Sum of Ranks |
| sleepy & assoc sensations scale | female | 144 | 138.71 | 19974.00 |
| | male | 107 | 108.90 | 11652.00 |
| | Total | 251 | | |

| Test Statistics ^a | |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | sleepy & assoc sensations scale |
| Mann-Whitney U | 5874.000 |
| Wilcoxon W | 11652.000 |
| Z | -3.219 |
| Asymp. Sig. (2-tailed) | .001 |

a. Grouping Variable: gender

The results reported in the above table indicate that there is a statistically significant difference in mean sleepiness ratings for males and females ($Z=-3.22$, $p=.001$). Inspection of the mean ranks for the two groups indicate that females reported higher scores (mean rank=138.71), than males (mean rank=108.9).

This result is consistent with the results of the parametric alternative test (t-test for independent samples) conducted in the additional exercise in Chapter 16.

Kruskal-Wallis Test

Conduct a Kruskal-Wallis Test to compare the mean sleepiness ratings (Sleepiness and Associated Sensations Scale total score : *totSAS*) for the three age groups defined by the variable *agegp3* (≤ 37 , 38-50, 51+).

Ranks

| | agegp3 | N | Mean Rank |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----|-----------|
| sleepy & assoc sensations scale | ≤ 37 | 79 | 123.52 |
| | 38 - 50 | 79 | 114.62 |
| | 51+ | 72 | 107.67 |
| | Total | 230 | |

Test Statistics ^{a,b}

| | |
|-------------|------------------------------------|
| | sleepy & assoc sensations scale |
| Chi-Square | 2.162 |
| df | 2 |
| Asymp. Sig. | .339 |

a. Kruskal Wallis Test

b. Grouping Variable: agegp3

The results of the Kruskal-Wallis Test indicate that there is no significant difference ($p=.339$) in sleepiness scores across the three age groups.