Chapter 1 : Statistics for Business: Decision Making and Analysis, 3rd Edition

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In addition to introductory statistics for business students, Dr. Anderson has taught graduate-level courses in regression analysis, multivariate analysis and management science. He also has taught statistical courses at the Department of Labor in Washington, D.C. Dr. Anderson has received numerous honors for excellence in teaching and service.

Statistics for Business and Economics: They will face tough decisions in times of extreme uncertainty. Instead of spending all of their hours delving into the intricacies of theoretical mathematics or "number crunching," this generation of business managers will need a solid foundation that will enable them to go to the Internet, pull down relevant information, enter that information into their computers, and know how to interpret the results quickly and accurately. If they are given the statistical tools to make decisions despite uncertainty, they will make sound decisions. So my job here is to develop their statistical reasoning and intuition via the technology that they will use in class and beyond. Consider this, a business and economics statistics book built from page one around skills, software, and the Internet. Henry Ford simply improved the way something was already being done. In the same way, I hope that this book will contribute to the next revolution in the way that Business Statistics is taught--and more importantly, used--by the next generation of graduates. This is the 21st century--a world of computers and the Internet. According to the Computer Industry Almanac, in late , Americans used million computers, which came to computers per 1, people. By , Americans are expected to use million computers! The absolute numbers were equally impressive in Europe, but computer-per-capita growth rates were even higher in China, India, Russia, and other parts of the world. No wonder that million people worldwide regularly used the Internet in late , a number that is expected to reach million by ! I have designed this book to give students skills built around computer software and the Internet and have actually made computers the integral tool used to teach the concepts rather than merely providing an occasional screen image of what students should have gotten if they used computer programs. These examples illustrate vividly how the careful collection, effective presentation, and proper analysis of numerical information enable decision makers to draw important inferences. This teaching-by-doing approach provides students with a fine appreciation of the power and applicability of statistical methods. Because the sheer volume of important statistical techniques is mind-boggling, and space and time are limited, the text avoids deriving formulas and presenting extended mathematical proofs. The applications approach seeks to teach sound statistical reasoning in a more limited sense: Students learn which techniques can be used under which circumstances and how the results--properly interpreted--can help them make sound decisions. Look at chapter 7, for example. Students learn by doing. Look at Application 7. This surprising information helps students interpret National Income data more judiciously as they apply decision-making tools to sterile formulas. Students will refer to this chapter throughout the course and beyond. This helps students understand the nature of the procedures involved. It also helps them appreciate how lucky they are that computers now take care of the grinding, tedious paper-and-pencil calculations of old. Early in the text, Chapter 3, Finding Existing Data: From Print to the Internet, introduces students to an exciting new way of gathering data. They learn to find masses of data on the World Wide Web, along with ways to import data into software programs. The chapter introduces major U. S government web sites, well over foreign government sites, the websites of all companies on the Year Fortune list, and many other interesting data sources. Students will refer to Chapter 3 throughout the course and beyond. Second, realizing that, ultimately, the text needs its own organization, I have structured the text in a logical progression that I think students will find easy to follow. Part I features a preview of the text and a discussion of its associated software program. But we all have limited time, and no one should look upon this text as a novel that must be read in order, from the first page of Chapter 1 to the last page of Chapter Depending on the type of course you have in mind, you can focus your attention on some chapters, while ignoring others. You can change the order in which you assign chapters. You can ignore many sections and subsections within chapters and some of these sections are even designated as optional. Students can consult skipped material later in different contexts. Instructors, in short, have great flexibility in designing course outlines of their own that are well suited to their personal preferences and, above all, to the needs of their

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