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### Introduction to Statistics in Social Research

•**Definition**: Statistical analysis in social research refers to the application of statistical tools to analyze and interpret data related to social phenomena.

•**Purpose**: Helps in drawing meaningful conclusions and making informed decisions.

## Importance of Statistics in Social Research

•Organizes Complex Data: Helps manage large datasets.

•**Provides Objectivity**: Ensures the findings are reliable and accurate.

•Supports Decision Making: Facilitates policy-making and planning in social sciences.

### **Data Presentation**

Welcome to this presentation on the essential role of statistics in social research. research. We'll explore the fundamental aspects of statistics, delve into data data collection and presentation, and ultimately understand how statistics statistics empower us to make informed decisions in the realm of social studies. studies.



# Scope of Statistics in Social Research

•Data Collection & Analysis: Statistics is used in surveys, experiments, and observational studies.

•Hypothesis Testing: Evaluates relationships between social variables.

•Forecasting: Predicts social trends and behaviors.

## Characteristics of Statistics in Social Research

•Quantitative & Qualitative: Deals with both types of data.

•**Descriptive & Inferential**: Summarizes data and makes generalizations.

•Dynamic: Evolves with new methods and tools.

# Uses of Statistics in Social Research

- Understanding Social Trends: Identifies patterns in behavior, health, education, etc.
- **Policy Making**: Guides public policy and social interventions.
- Evaluation of Programs: Assesses the impact of social programs.

# Coding in Social Research

- **Definition**: The process of assigning numerical or categorical codes to data for easier analysis.
- Importance: Facilitates data entry, reduces errors, and enables statistical processing.

# Types of Coding

•Numeric Coding: Assigning numbers to represent categories (e.g., 1 = Male, 2 = Female).

•Alphabetic Coding: Using letters to represent categories

### • Classification of Data

- **Definition**: Organizing data into categories based on shared characteristics.
- **Objective**: Simplifies the data and makes it easier to analyze.

# Types of Classification

- •Geographical Classification: Organizing data based on locations.
- •Chronological Classification: Data organized over time (e.g., years).
- •Qualitative Classification: Based on non-numeric attributes (e.g., occupation).

# Tabulation of Data

•**Definition**: Presenting data in a table format to highlight key features.

•Objectives: Organizes large datasets and facilitates comparison.

- Needs for Tabulation
- Simplifies Complex Data: Makes data more understandable.
- Facilitates Analysis: Easier to calculate frequencies, averages, etc.
- Effective Presentation: Allows clear presentation of key findings.

# Types of Tables

- Simple Table: Displays data in basic rows and columns.
- **Complex Table**: More advanced tables, with multiple sub-categories or variables.
- Frequency Distribution of Class Intervals
- **Definition**: Grouping data into ranges (or intervals) and counting the number of data points within each range.
- Example: Calculating frequency for age groups (e.g., 20-30, 31-40).

# **Calculating Frequency for Class Intervals**

### • Step-by-Step Process:

- Create class intervals.
- Count how many data points fall into each class.
- Record the frequency for each class.
- Diagrammatic Presentation of Data
- **Definition**: Using diagrams (e.g., bars, lines) to represent data visually.
- Importance: Helps in better understanding and comparison of data.

# Types of Diagrams

- Bar Charts: Used to represent discrete data.
- Pie Diagrams: Used for showing proportions.
- Histograms: Used for frequency distributions.

### **Understanding Statistics in Social Research**

#### Meaning

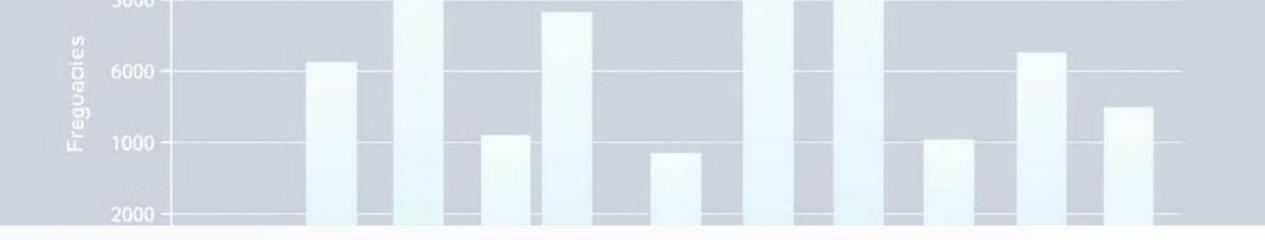
Statistics involves the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and and presentation of data. It helps us make make sense of the world around us by uncovering patterns, relationships, and and trends.

#### Scope

Statistics finds application in diverse social social research areas, such as demographics, healthcare, education, economics, and public policy. It allows us to us to understand social phenomena and and make informed decisions.

#### **Characteristics**

Statistics is characterized by its focus on numerical data, objective analysis, and the ability to generalize findings from samples to larger populations.



### **Frequency Distribution: Unveiling Data Patterns**

#### Meaning

A frequency distribution summarizes how how often different values occur in a dataset. dataset.

#### **Objectives**

Provides a clear overview of data patterns, patterns, helps identify trends, and facilitates facilitates comparisons between groups.

#### Types

Includes simple frequency distributions (for (for discrete data), grouped frequency distributions (for continuous data), and cumulative frequency distributions.

## Bar Charts

- **Definition**: A graph that uses bars to compare quantities across different categories.
- Advantages: Simple to interpret, good for categorical data.
- Example: Comparing income levels across different regions.

# Pie Diagrams

- **Definition**: A circular graph divided into slices to show proportional data.
- Advantages: Excellent for showing parts of a whole.
- **Example**: Showing market share of different brands.

## Histogram

- **Definition**: A bar chart used for continuous data, where each bar represents a range of values.
- Usage: Displays frequency distribution of quantitative data.

# Summary

- Recap of Key Concepts: Statistics' Role in Social Research
- Importance of Data Organization (Coding, Classification, Tabulation)
- Significance of Diagrams & Graphs in Data Presentation