

Measures of Variability

Lecture 4

I. Objectives

At the end of this series of lectures you should be able to:

- A. Define terms.
- B. Diagram relative differences in central tendency and variability.
- C. Calculate the range, sum of squares, variance, and standard deviation.
- D. Calculate the diversity of a sample of nominal observations.

II. Key Concepts and Terms

Biased

Coefficient of variation

Diversity

Evenness

f_i

H'

J'

K

Random

Range

Richness

SS

s

s^2

Standard Deviation

Variability

Variance

σ^2

σ