

Math 153 - Quiz 10

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Show all work to receive full credit. Supply explanations when necessary.

1. (3 points) A magazine would like to find a 90% confidence interval estimate for the proportion of readers who drive hybrid cars. How many readers should be in the magazine's random sample if a 3.5% margin of error is desired?

$$\alpha = 0.10$$

$$\alpha/2 = 0.05$$

$$Z_{\alpha/2} = \text{invNorm}(0.95) \\ \approx 1.645$$

$$n \approx \frac{(1.645)^2 (0.25)}{(0.035)^2} = 552.25$$

Use $n = 553$

2. (3 points) A Gallup Poll of 30,000 employed adults found that 45.2% of them believe they have good jobs. Find a 85% confidence interval for the true population proportion. State your conclusion in a complete sentence.

45.2% of
30,000 =
13560

1-Prop ZInt

$$X = 13560$$

$$n = 30000$$

C.I. ESTIMATE IS (0.44786, 0.45614)

WE CAN BE 85% CONFIDENT THAT
THE TRUE POPULATION PROPORTION IS
BETWEEN 44.8% AND 45.6%.

3. (4 points) A simple random sample of regional gas prices gave the following data:

2.42, 2.29, 2.41, 2.26, 2.53, 2.21, 2.29, 2.42

Assuming that gas prices are normally distributed with a population standard deviation of 10 cents, find a 95% confidence interval estimate for the mean regional gas price. State your conclusion in a complete sentence.

$$\sigma = 0.10$$

ZInterval

w/ DATA

GIVES

C.I. ESTIMATE

(2.2845, 2.423)

WE CAN BE 95% THAT THE MEAN
REGIONAL GAS PRICE IS BETWEEN
\$2.28 AND \$2.42.