

Minnesota Population Center

Training and Development

NAPP Online Data Analysis

Exercise 1

OBJECTIVE: Gain an understanding of how the NAPP dataset is structured and how it can be leveraged to explore your research interests. This exercise will use the NAPP dataset to explore a variety of household characteristics in early 19th century Norway.

Research Questions

What are the patterns of household characteristics in 19th century Norway?

Objectives

- Select datasets and variables of interest
- Analyze the data using sample code
- Validate data analysis work using answer key

IPUMS-USA Variables

- LABFORCE: Labor force participation
- DIFFEYE: Seeing difficulty
- KITCHEN: Whether or not the household has a kitchen
- MARST: Marriage status

SDA Code to Review

Field	Purpose
Row	Represents the primary variable of interest
Column	Divides the analysis of the variable of interest into categories
Control	Creates a separate chart for each category of the control
Selection Filter	Allows you to select cases; ex: year(2000-*) -> all years 2000-onward

Review Answer Key (page 4)

Common Mistakes to Avoid

1 Choosing numerical instead of categorical variables for the Frequencies/Cross Tabulation Program. For these, use the Comparison of Means Program instead.

Getting Started

Step 1

Select a Sample

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Step 2

Research Variables of Interest

- Go to <http://www.nappdata.org/napp/sda.shtml>, and select the Norway 1801 100% sample
- Use your account and password to log in
- The default analysis is frequency/cross-tabulation

- Either browse variables under the Household and Person variables categories, or Search on the main IPUMS-USA site for variables
- When you browse for a variable, click on it, and it will appear in the Selected box. To send the variable to your input section, click the appropriate box (Row, etc)
- Row and Column are the variables of interest that you will perform the cross-tabulation on
- Filters select only specified cases
- A Control creates multiple tables for row and column variables, separated by a third categorical variable. For example, if you include the variable SEX as a control, you will get two frequency tables
- The Weight default is person weight (perwt), which extrapolates the sample to represent the entire population. However, the 1801 sample for Norway is a 100 percent sample, so using the weight is unnecessary.

Part I – Basic Frequencies

Section 1

Analyze the Data

A) What is the rate of labor force participation among men and women in Norway 1801? _____

Row: labforce

Column: sex

B) What percent of single family households had at least one unmarried daughter? _____ unmarried son? _____

Row: unmardau unmarson

Column: nfams

C) Go to the main website and find the code for the occupation Medical Doctor and Physician in the variable OCCHISCO. _____

D) How many medical doctors were in Norway in 1801? _____

Row: occhisco

Filter: occhisco(06110)

Part II – Comparison of Means

E) What is the average size of the primary family? _____

F) Which county has the highest average family size? _____

Dependent: prmfamsz

Row: countyno

ANSWERS: Part I – Basic Frequencies

Section 1

Analyze the Data

A) What is the rate of labor force participation among men and women in Norway 1801? Men: 45.4% Women: 7.3%

Row: labforce

Column: sex

B) What percent of single family households had at least one unmarried daughter? 27.1% (100-72.9) son? 27.3% (100-72.7)

Row: unmardau unmarson

Column: nfams

C) Go to the main website and find the code for the occupation Medical Doctor and Physician in the variable OCCHISCO. 06110

D) How many medical doctors were in Norway in 1801? 24

Row: occhisco

Filter: occhisco(06110)

Part II – Comparison of Means

E) What is the average size of the primary family? 5.13

F) Which county has the highest average family size? Norde Berg

Dependent: prmfamsz

Row: countyno