



# Statistics for Journalism

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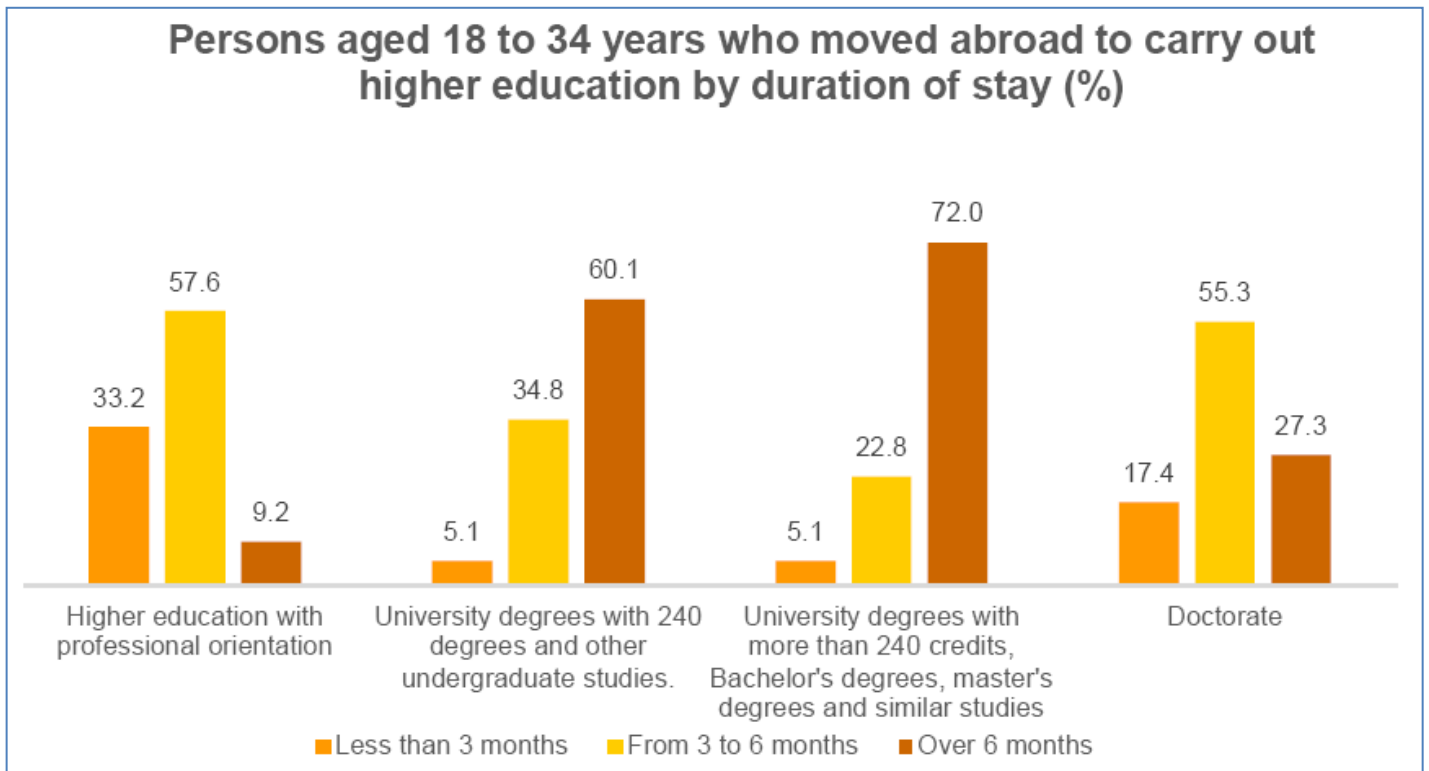
Date: June 25<sup>th</sup> 2015

## Exercise 1

Mark your answers to the multiple choice questions in the table below (5 points):

	QUESTION 1.A	QUESTION 1.B	QUESTION 1.C	QUESTION 1.D	QUESTION 1.E
(a)					
(b)					
(c)					

In 2014, the Spanish Statistical Agency (INE) conducted a survey about the international mobility of students (EMIDE). The following graphics appear in the press release associated with this survey.



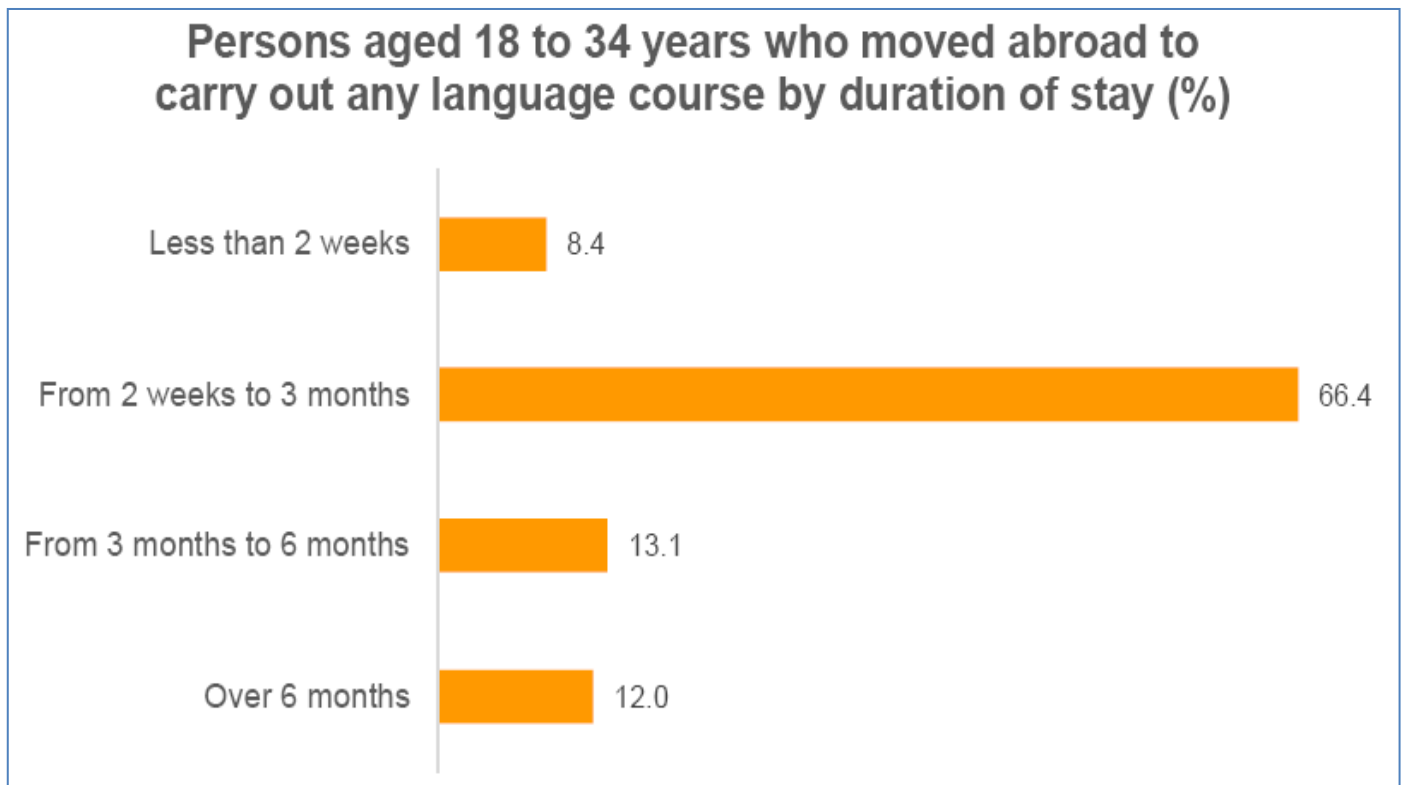
Mark which of the following responses is correct:

**Question 1.A)** Among people aged 18 to 34 who have moved abroad to carry out Doctorate studies, the length of the modal class of stay is:

- (a) Less than 3 months
- (b) From 3 to 6 months
- (c) More than 6 months

**Question 1.B)** Among people aged 18 to 34 who have traveled abroad for Doctorate studies, the median class of stay is:

- (a) Less than 3 months
- (b) From 3 to 6 months
- (c) More than 6 months



**Question 1.C)** The average stay for language courses is approximately equal to:

- (a) 1,75 months
- (b) 2,85 months
- (c) 3,88 months

Note: To answer this question, you can assume that 1 week is equal to 0.25 months and that the midpoint of the class "Over six months" is 9 months.

**Question 1.D)** Among people aged 18 to 34 who have traveled abroad to take language courses, the percentage of stays of less than 3 months is roughly equal to:

- (a) 25,1%
- (b) 66,5%
- (c) None of above

**Question 1.E)** The variable linked to the question: Have you moved abroad to study languages? is:

- (a) Quantitative and ordinal.
- (b) Qualitative and nominal.
- (c) Quantitative and discrete.

**Exercise 2.** Suppose the weekly cost of an English course in Australia follows a normal distribution with mean 325 AUD (Australian dollars) and standard deviation 100 AUD.

a) If we choose an English course (in Australia) at random, what is the probability that the cost is less than 360 AUD?

b) If we choose an English course (in Australia) at random, what is the probability that it costs more than 450 AUD?

c) If we select English courses (in Australia) at random until we find a course that costs less than 360 AUD, what is the probability that we have to select more than two courses?

Note: According to [www.españaaustralia.es/estudiar-australia/coste-de-cursos-de-ingles](http://www.españaaustralia.es/estudiar-australia/coste-de-cursos-de-ingles) a course in schools attached to universities costs between 360 and 450 AUD.

**Exercise 3.** The following chart is taken from the online edition of *el País* on May 7<sup>th</sup> 2015:

## **PP in lead as Podemos loses ground in latest voting intention poll**

**CIS survey shows Socialists narrowing the gap with conservatives and Ciudadanos gaining**

[Anabel Díez](#) Madrid [7 MAY 2015 - 17:17 CEST](#)

If general elections were held in Spain right now, the ruling Popular Party (PP) would win them again with 25.6% of the vote, a new poll shows. The difference is that the Socialists (PSOE) would be close on the conservatives' heels, with a gap of just 1.3% between them.

An April voting intention survey (2500 interviews) conducted by the Center for Sociological Studies (CIS) shows a very different political scenario from the one that prevailed at the last elections three-and-a-half years ago, when the PP obtained an absolute majority and the PSOE was dealt a major blow over its handling of the economic crisis.

a) Obtain a 95% confidence interval for the percentage of votes that PP would receive in general elections if they were called around the time of the survey.

b) Perform the following hypothesis test  $\begin{cases} H_0: p = 0,25 \\ H_1: p > 0,25 \end{cases}$ , assuming that  $p$  denotes the proportion of votes that PP would receive. Based on the results of the hypothesis test, select one of the following headlines:

The Popular Party (PP) would receive more than 25% of votes.

The Popular Party (PP) would not exceed the percentage limit of 25% of votes.

# ANNEXES

Argumentos de función

DISTR.NORM.ESTAND

**Z** -1,25 = -1,25

= 0,105649774

Devuelve la distribución normal estándar acumulativa. Tiene una media de cero y una desviación estándar de uno.

**Z** es el valor cuya distribución desea obtener.

Resultado de la fórmula = 0,105649774

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Argumentos de función

DISTR.NORM.ESTAND

**Z** -0,35 = -0,35

= 0,363169349

Devuelve la distribución normal estándar acumulativa. Tiene una media de cero y una desviación estándar de uno.

**Z** es el valor cuya distribución desea obtener.

Resultado de la fórmula = 0,363169349

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Argumentos de función

DISTR.NORM.ESTAND

**Z** 0,35 = 0,35

= 0,636830651

Devuelve la distribución normal estándar acumulativa. Tiene una media de cero y una desviación estándar de uno.

**Z** es el valor cuya distribución desea obtener.

Resultado de la fórmula = 0,636830651

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Argumentos de función

DISTR.NORM.ESTAND

**Z** 1,25 = 1,25

= 0,894350226

Devuelve la distribución normal estándar acumulativa. Tiene una media de cero y una desviación estándar de uno.

**Z** es el valor cuya distribución desea obtener.

Resultado de la fórmula = 0,894350226

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Argumentos de función

DISTR.NORM.ESTAND.INV

Probabilidad 0,9 = 0,9

= 1,281551566

Devuelve el inverso de la distribución normal estándar acumulativa. Tiene una media de cero y una desviación estándar de uno.

**Probabilidad** es una probabilidad asociada a la distribución normal, un número entre 0 y 1 inclusive.

Resultado de la fórmula = 1,281551566

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Argumentos de función

DISTR.NORM.ESTAND.INV

Probabilidad 0,95 = 0,95

= 1,644853627

Devuelve el inverso de la distribución normal estándar acumulativa. Tiene una media de cero y una desviación estándar de uno.

**Probabilidad** es una probabilidad asociada a la distribución normal, un número entre 0 y 1 inclusive.

Resultado de la fórmula = 1,644853627

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Argumentos de función

DISTR.NORM.ESTAND.INV

Probabilidad 0,975 = 0,975

= 1,959963985

Devuelve el inverso de la distribución normal estándar acumulativa. Tiene una media de cero y una desviación estándar de uno.

**Probabilidad** es una probabilidad asociada a la distribución normal, un número entre 0 y 1 inclusive.

Resultado de la fórmula = 1,959963985

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