

AP Statistics

Chapter 9: Testing a Claim: Significance Tests

Day 4

HW: Lesson Practice Worksheet

Perform the Test (p-value) for Proportions

- The **p-value** is the probability that our result would happen if the null hypothesis were true.
- The test can be performed by hand or by using the calculator.

○ By hand:
$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0(1-p_0)}{n}}}$$

- Calculator: 1-PropZTest

$\hat{p} = \frac{47}{500} = .094$ One Potato, Two Potato

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$H_0: p = .08$ (The prop. of potatoes that have blemishes is 8%)
 $H_a: p > .08$ (The prop. of potatoes that have blemishes is more than 8%)

- ① As stated, this is an SRS.
- ② $500 \leq \frac{1}{10}N \rightarrow 5000$ we can assume that they get at least 5000 potatoes.
- ③ $500(.094) \geq 10 \rightarrow 47 \geq 10$ There are at least 10 successes and $500(.906) \geq 10 \rightarrow 453 \geq 10$ failures.

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$\hat{p} = .094$ $x = 47$ $n = 500$ $z = 1.154$
p-value: .124

Using my calculator, I performed a 1-proportion Z Test.

Since the p-value is .124 and is greater than the significance level of $\alpha = .10$, we fail to reject H_0 . There is not sufficient evidence to conclude that the proportion of potatoes with blemishes is more than 8%.