

2014 Q1

(a) on campus: $\frac{17+7}{33} = \boxed{.7273}$

(b) off campus: $\frac{25+12}{67} = \boxed{.5522}$

(b) comparing between residential status for each number of activities:

	on campus	off campus	(difference)
no activities	$\frac{9}{33} = .27$	$\frac{30}{67} = .45$.45 - .27 = .18
one activity	$\frac{17}{33} = .52$	$\frac{25}{67} = .37$.37 - .52 = -.15
2+ activities	$\frac{7}{33} = .21$	$\frac{12}{67} = .18$.18 - .21 = -.03

For those participating in 2+ activities, the proportions are similar for both residential statuses (3% difference), but for no activities off campus is substantially higher (18% difference) and for 1 activity on campus is substantially higher (15% difference). With differences this large we conclude participation in extracurricular activities is not independent of residential status (there is an association).

(c) Hypotheses are given, with a p-value = .23:

with $\alpha=.05$, p-value = .23 is high so we fail to reject H_0 . We do not have sufficient statistical evidence to conclude that there is an association between participation in extracurricular activities and residential status.

*Note: are (b) and (c) contradictory?

No: part b is analyzing the sample there is a measurable difference in the sample, and according to our loose "rule of thumb" if any category difference is 15%, or higher it is probably true that there is an association.

But the inference test which generates a p-value is the formal, more correct way to determine things about the population. There were fairly large differences in this sample, but (considering the sample size) these differences aren't large enough to assume an association for the entire population.