

Statistics Assignment Week 2 Evaluation Proposal

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~~Supportive Services for Veteran Families~~

Introduction Question #4

Today's best selling special is represented by the mode. The mode for today was the Chicken Little special. Twenty-five Chicken Little's were sold at a cost of \$3.50 each for a total of \$87.50. By quantity, the second most popular specials were the Huge Burger and the Coney Dog, both selling twenty for a total of \$59 and \$39.80, respectively. While fewer were sold, the Porker Burger special accounted for the third highest sales revenue with nineteen sold at \$2.95, for a total of \$56.05. The average of today's sales, or the mean, was \$50.50.

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~~Veterans Administration made it a priority to address homelessness among veterans and setting the goal of eliminating homelessness with this group by the year 2015 (2016). Veterans are a population who are more likely to experience homelessness as a result of experiencing traumatic brain injuries and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) (Fact Sheet: Veteran Homelessness, 2015). In addition, homelessness among veterans is more common with those individuals who are of lower socioeconomic status or are diagnosed with a mental illness or physical disability (Fact Sheet: Veteran Homelessness, 2015). It is also predicted that this population will increase as the number of veterans over the age of 55 will rise in the next 10 to 15 years (Fact Sheet: Veteran Homelessness, 2015).~~

~~The Veterans Administration has instituted several national programs to assist homeless veterans access housing. The Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF), a federal program, was introduced in 2012 with the goal to prevent veteran homelessness and to provide community based programs with the resources to support veteran families who are at risk of becoming homeless or recently have become homeless (O'Toole & Pape, 2015). It was estimated~~

that there were nearly 50,000 homeless veterans on a point-in-time count night of 2014 (U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs, 2016); this statistic shows a 33 percent decline from homeless veterans accounted for in 2010 (U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs, 2016). We will conduct an outcome evaluation of the Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) program by conducting interviews with professionals delivering this service (case managers and program directors), reviewing a total of 25 cases of participants in the SSVF program, and conducting 30 surveys of veterans familiar with housing instability and the experience of being at risk of homelessness. The evaluation of the SSVF program is crucial to the social work practice because we need to understand if this is an effective strategy to prevent and reduce the number of veteran families experiencing housing instability.

Literature Review

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