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Outline – Data Quality Control & Analysis



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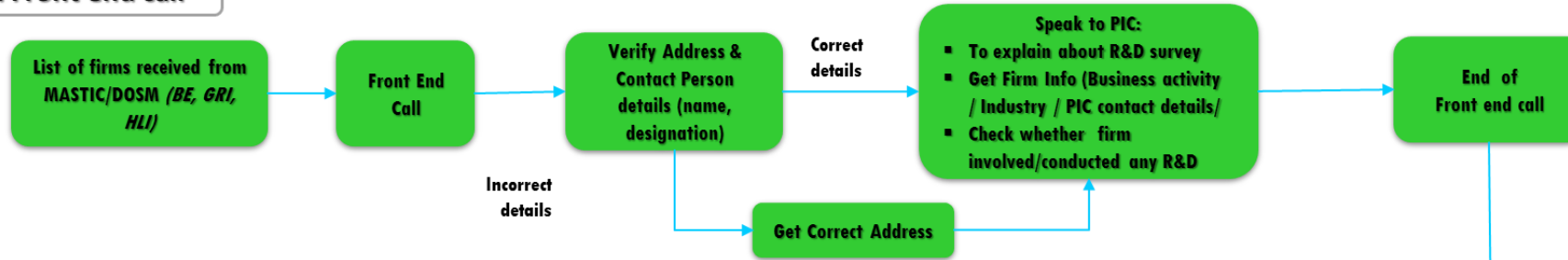


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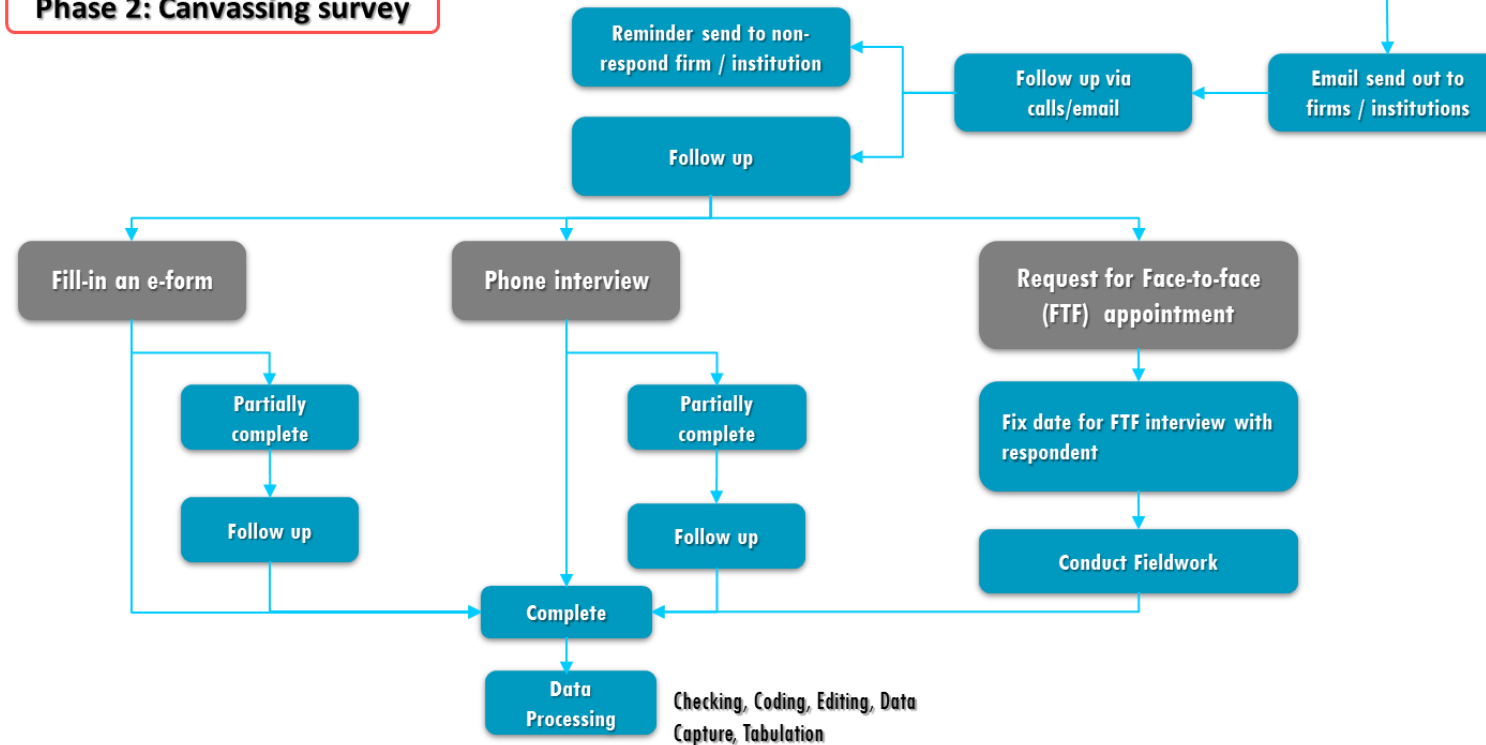
Overall Survey Flow for BE

Phase 1: Front end call



Survey methodology

Phase 2: Canvassing survey





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QC STEPS

1

Check Section 1: Company Profile - whether organisation engage in R&D or not

NO – Check whether Section 1 is complete

YES – conducted and funded

YES (only funded)

2

Check questions with total of 100%:
Field of Research, Socio-economic Objective, Types of R&D
Activities and Location of R&D

3

Check Section 3: R&D Personnel - the estimated Total Full-time
Equivalent (FTE) \leq Total of Headcount provided

If Total FTE is lesser than total of headcount, double check whether
total FTE represent the total headcount or average FTE / person

4

Check on the Total Salary & Emoluments (TYSE) for all Internal and
External R&D personnel

- TYSE for Internal R&D must equal with Total Labour cost under Current expenditure in Section 4: R&D Expenditure & Source of Funds
- When there's data provided under 'Other Recurrent Cost' (Section 4) – there must be External R&D personnel information (Headcount, Estimated FTE)

5

Check on the total R&D Expenditure = Total Source of Funds

6

Check Section 5: R&D Outsourced

7

After QC completed, data is imported to clean database for
analysis

Check whether organisation engage in R&D

SECTION 1: ORGANISATION PROFILE

1. Main activity of the organisation
Please choose only ONE industry (from dropdown list) that best describes your business

Industry:
Human Health and Social Work Activities (Q)

Description:
Provide advocacy, education and support to public and patient in cancer related issues

2. Ownership structure
Please report the ownership of the organisation based on the paid-up capital for 2016.

	Percentage (%)
a) Held directly by Malaysian If 100% Malaysian, please respond to the following:	<input type="text"/>
Bumiputera	<input type="text"/>
Non-Bumiputera	<input type="text"/>
b) Held directly by Non-Malaysian Foreign (e.g. US, Japan, Britain, France, Germany, etc). Please specify:	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	
Total	0.0

3. Please specify the total number of full-time employees in 2016

6. Did your organisation engage in any R&D activity in 2016?
Include:

a) Subcontractors working on R&D projects carried out by your organization

b) R&D projects funded by your organisation, but totally carried out by other organisations, or a subsidiary of this organisation

No, (end of survey, thank you)

Yes, conducted and funded R&D activities (please complete the entire survey, thank you)

Yes, **only funded** R&D activity (please complete the survey but **skip Section 3**, thank you)

Check all Questions with a total of 100%. E.g: FOR, SEO, R&D Activities and Location of R&D

Please choose your R&D activities based on the Socio-economic Objective (SEO)
(The sum of all expenditure breakdown must be 100%)

Expenditure (%)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Defense and Security
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sustainable Economic Development
<input type="checkbox"/>	Society
<input type="checkbox"/>	Environment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Advancement of Knowledge
<input type="checkbox"/>	Advanced Experimental and Applied Science
<input type="text" value="100"/>	TOTAL (Total must equal to 100%)

Which of the following types of R&D activities were carried out?
Please allocate to each type the relevant percentage of R&D expenditure reported in 2016.
(The sum of the expenditure breakdown must be 100%)

Expenditure (%)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Basic Research Pursue a planned search for knowledge with either a broad underpinning reference, or no reference to a likely application
<input type="text" value="100.0"/>	Applied Research (a) New work undertaken to acquire knowledge for a specific practical aim (b) Work to determine possible uses of basic research (c) Work to determine new ways of achieving a predetermined objective
<input type="checkbox"/>	Experimental Research Systematic work undertaken using existing knowledge for the purpose of creating new or improved materials, products, processes, and/or services.
<input type="text" value="100.0"/>	TOTAL (Total must equal to 100%)

9. Location of R&D Projects in Percentage of Activities (%)
Please indicate the location (by state) of the reported R&D project. If the project was conducted in more than one location, please indicate the breakdown (by percentage of research activities (not in terms of expenditure)) carried out in the various locations.

Johor	<input type="checkbox"/>	Perak	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sarawak	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kedah	<input type="checkbox"/>	Perlis	<input type="checkbox"/>	WP Kuala Lumpur	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kelantan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pulau Pinang	<input type="checkbox"/>	WP Labuan	<input type="checkbox"/>
Melaka	<input type="checkbox"/>	Selangor	<input type="text" value="100.0"/>	WP Putrajaya	<input type="checkbox"/>
Negeri Sembilan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Terengganu	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other countries (Please specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pahang	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sabah	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total					<input type="text" value="100.0"/>

Make sure the total is 100%

Check the estimated Total FTE : must be SAME or lesser than total of headcount provided

(i) Internal R&D Personnel - persons who are involved in R&D and under the organisation's payroll

Researchers are professionals engaged in the conceptualisation or creation of new knowledge, products, processes, methods and systems, and in the management of the projects concerned. Postgraduate students at the PhD level engaged in R&D should be considered as researchers.

Researchers Highest Qualifications	Headcount				Total Headcount	Estimated Total FTE	Total Yearly Salary & Emoluments (RM)
	Malaysian		Non-Malaysian				
	Male	Female	Male	Female			
Doctoral	17	3	0	0	20	5.00	
Master	23	12	0	0	35		
Bachelor	35	20	0	0	55		928679.00
Others					0		

If Total FTE is lesser than total of headcount, double check whether total FTE represent the total headcount or average FTE

There's a possibility of Error : Estimated FTE does not represent the total headcount

Re-check with PIC when the estimated TFTE is blank or '0' while there's figure for total HC

Check on the Total salary & Emoluments for all Internal and External R&D personnel

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Others					0		

	Headcount		Total Headcount	Estimated Total FTE	Total Yearly Salary & Emoluments (RM)
	Male	Female			
Technicians & equivalent staff	54	10	64		212406.00
Other supporting staff	16	41	57		278599

Total Yearly Salary & Emoluments (TYSE) for Internal R&D personnel must tally with Labour cost under Current expenditure

$$1 + 2 = 3$$

7. Please provide a breakdown of the total R&D expenditure for 2016:

Current Expenditure

i. Labour Cost

Sum of the basic annual salary and other emoluments (such as EPF contributions, medical benefits, performance bonuses, special allowances, housing and car loans of each personnel involved directly in R&D)

Amount spent (RM)

35481395.49

Check on the Total salary & Emoluments for all Internal and External R&D personnel

(ii) External R&D Personnel (or contributors) - independent (self-employed) or dependent (employee) workers fully integrated into a statistical unit's R&D projects without formally being persons employed by the unit.

UNPAID Graduate Research Students Highest Qualifications	Headcount		Total Headcount	Estimated Total FTE
	Male	Female		
Doctoral	0	0	0	
Master (by Research Mode)	0	0	0	
Others (please specify):			0	

A

Current Expenditure

Amount spent (RM)

i. Labour Cost

Sum of the basic annual salary and other emoluments (such as EPF contributions, medical benefits, performance bonuses, special allowances, housing and car loans of each personnel involved directly in R&D)

35481395.49

ii. Operating Costs

Such as consumables, repairs, maintenance, purchasing of materials, prototypes, subscription to reference databases and commissioned work

54187664.36

iii. Other Recurrent Cost

Payment for the salary and wages for graduate research assistants (GRA) who are either studying MSc (by research mode) or PhD programs (can be obtained from VOTE11000) + total cost of other external R&D personnel.

10000.00

B

When there's data provided under 'Other Recurrent Cost', B

there must be External R&D personnel information (Headcount, Estimated FTE) in A

Check on the total R&D expenditure - must equal with total source of funds

Current Expenditure		Amount spent (RM)
i. Labour Cost	Sum of the basic annual salary and other emoluments (such as EPF contributions, medical benefits, performance bonuses, special allowances, housing and car loans of each personnel involved directly in R&D)	35481395.49
ii. Operating Costs	Such as consumables, repairs, maintenance, purchasing of materials, prototypes, subscription to reference databases and commissioned work	64187664.36
iii. Other Recurrent Cost	Payment for the salary and wages for graduate research assistants (GRA) who are either studying MSc (by research mode) or PhD programs (can be obtained from VOTE11000) + total cost of other external R&D personnel.	0.00
Capital Expenditure		Amount spent (RM)
i. Land, building & other structures	Note: If the land and buildings purchased are also used for production, please include only the portion used for R&D.	0.00
ii. Vehicles, plants, software, machinery & equipment	If the assets purchased are also used for production, please include only the portion used for R&D.	20380697.14
Sub-total		20380697.14
A TOTAL		120049756.99

Source of Funds		RM
A. Organisation-owned fund(s)	Internal funds from your organisation. For Government Agencies & Research organisations: As the government is the original source of funds, and have given at least half of the funds to be devoted to R&D, the government should be credited as a source of funds. This includes capital and operating expenditures, including yearly labour costs for research personnel involved in R&D.	0.00
B. Business Enterprises	i. Public (e.g. GLC)	101222675.05
	ii. Private (e.g. Astro, Maxis, Air Asia)	0
Sub-total		101222675.05
C. Government	i. Federal Government R&D funds	0.00
	ii. State or local government funds	0.00
	iii. Other government funds	2701820.00
Sub-total		2701820.00
D. Other funds - including government incentives (Please specify)	i. <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	ii. <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	iii. <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Sub-total		0.00
E. Foreign funds (Please specify)	i. <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Sub-total		0.00
B TOTAL		103924495.05

A

not equal X

B

Check on the section 5: R&D Outsourced

SECTION 5: R&D OUTSOURCED

10. In 2016, did your organisation fund any R&D that was carried out at other organisations or outsourced R&D projects to other organisations/individuals?

Include: funding to a subsidiary of your organisation

Don't include: subcontractors working on R&D projects carried out by your organisation

Yes, Please proceed to Q11

No, Please proceed to Q15

11. Please tick (✓) the reason(s) for outsourcing the R&D project(s)

Lack of skilled R&D personnel with requisite knowledge

Lack of facilities and equipment to conduct R&D activities

Others (Please specify):

If "Yes", it was compulsory to answer Question 11-13



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Four Main Steps in Data Analysis





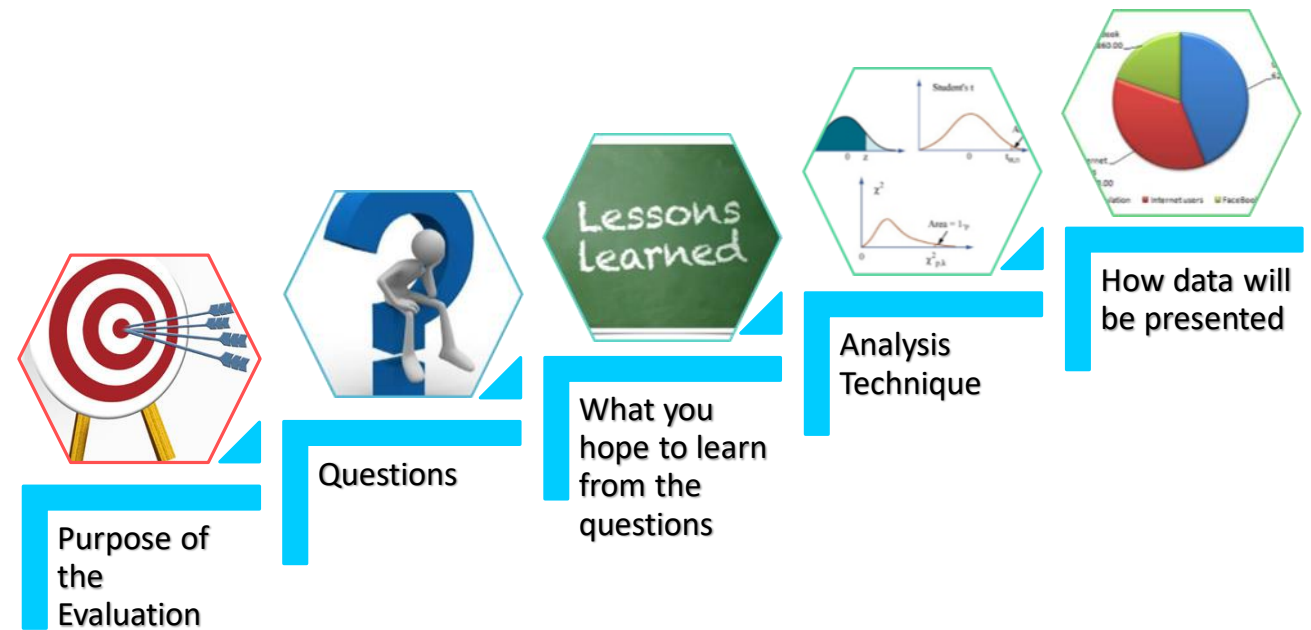
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Developing a Data Analysis Plan

What is a Data Analysis Plan?

- The process of data analysis, is the process of turning data into meaningful information.
- Although there are no hard and fast rules for how to analyse statistical data, ensuring that you have a methodical and systematic approach is vital to ensuring your analysis is accurate.
- Poor quality analysis can lead you to draw incorrect and inappropriate conclusions.



STEP 1

Develop a Data Analysis Plan

Step 1
Develop a Data
Analysis Plan

- Draw up an analysis plan early to ensure analysis is both efficient and meaningful
- Identify the issues or questions you require information about, specify objectives, and formulate expectations
- To ensure the analysis conducted is appropriate for addressing the underlying objective, it is vital that you understand the issue you are investigating
- It is also necessary to understand the interrelationships that exist between relevant social, economic and/ or environmental factors relating to the issue
- You can then formulate a set of questions which you're seeking answers and specify your objectives for analysing the data.



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STEP 2

Develop Appropriate Analytical Technique

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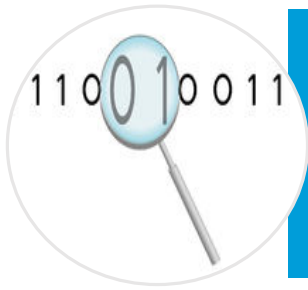
- Determining which analytical techniques are appropriate for investigating the data is necessary before any analysis takes place.
- The different analytical tools and techniques available range from simple (e.g. measures of spread) to quite complex (e.g. modelling).
- Keep in mind that some analytical techniques are not always appropriate for all sets of data.
- It is important to ensure that appropriate techniques are used in order to avoid misinterpretation or misleading results.

STEP 2

Develop Appropriate Analytical Technique

Step 2
Determine Appropriate
Analytical Technique

- The appropriate methods of data analysis are determined by your data types and variables of interest, the actual distribution of the variables, and the number of cases.
- Different analyses of the same dataset may reflect or represent different aspects of the underlying data structure.
- The different analytical techniques can be broadly broken down into summary statistical measures and graphical analysis, however these are often used in combination.



Before you embark on data analysis, you need to know how your data looks like



Variables

A variable is any characteristics, number, or quantity that can be measured or counted. A variable may also be called a data item.

Age, gender, expenditure, source of funds, worker nationality, main business activity and state are examples of variables. It is called a variable because the value may vary between data units in a population, and may change in value over time.

Variable Type

Numerical?

Numeric variables have values that describe a measurable quantity as a number, like 'how many' or 'how much'. Therefore numeric variables are quantitative variables. The data collected for a numeric variable are quantitative data.

Categorical?

Categorical variables have values that describe a 'quality' or 'characteristic' of a data unit, like 'what type' or 'which category'. Categorical variables fall into mutually exclusive (in one category or in another) and exhaustive (include all possible options) categories. Therefore, categorical variables are qualitative variables and tend to be represented by a non-numeric value.

Codes

Coding means the transformation of data into a form understandable by computer software. The classification of information is an important step in preparation of data for computer processing with statistical software.

A Code is a List of Categories:

- Divides up content in a systematic, meaningful way
 - Gender=Male vs. Female
 - Fruit=Apples, Oranges, Pears, Bananas, Other
- May assign numbers to the categories
 - Such numbers do not have NUMERIC meaning
 - They simply refer to the different categories
- Coding means assigning content to categories
 - A data field with coded categories is a “variable”
 - Provides a systematic basis for analysis

Keep a Codebook



When performing coding, it is important to keep track of what we code, and how we code it. This is usually kept in a codebook, which documents what each variable means.

MALE=1
FEMALE=2

It's a guide for locating variables and interpreting codes in the data file during analysis.

Decide on the types of Analysis Strategy

Step 2
Determine Appropriate
Analytical Technique

Exploratory

- This type of data analysis often occurs when a program is new, and it is unclear what to expect from the data.

Descriptive

- The most common type of data analysis, this approach will summarise your findings and describe the sample.
- With descriptive statistics you are simply describing what is or what the data shows.

Inferential

- With inferential statistics, you are trying to reach conclusions that extend beyond the immediate data alone.
- These powerful techniques may be able demonstrate if a change has occurred as a result of your program

What do we look for in Exploratory Analysis?

Step 2
Determine Appropriate
Analytical Technique

Control Totals

How many cases or records are there in the database?

Distribution of the data

What is the shape of the data?

Missing Value

How much missing data is there and how should it be handled?

Consistencies between variables

Do the data need cleaning for consistency?

Outliers

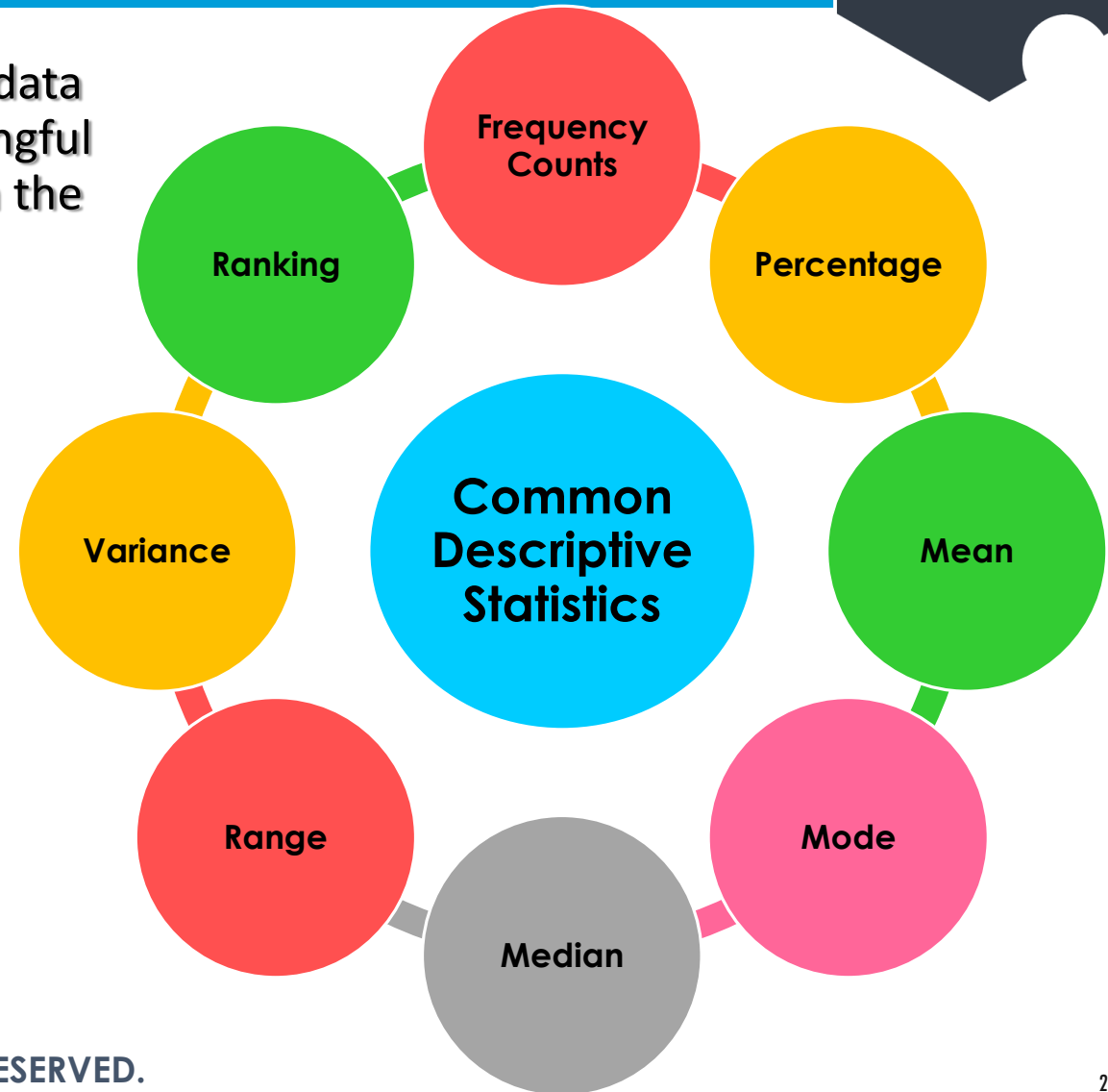
Should they be included or excluded in the analysis?

Descriptive Data Analysis

Step 2
Determine Appropriate Analytical Technique

- Descriptive statistics is the term given to the analysis of data that helps describe, show or summarize data in a meaningful way such that, for example, patterns might emerge from the data.

- 1 Together with simple graphics analysis, they form the basis of virtually every quantitative analysis of data.
- 2 Descriptive Statistics are used to present quantitative descriptions in a manageable form. Each descriptive statistic reduces lots of data into a simpler summary.
- 3 Descriptive statistics provide a powerful summary that may enable comparisons across people or other units.



Inferential Statistics Analysis

Step 2
Determine Appropriate Analytical Technique

- Techniques that allow us to study samples and then make generalizations about the population.
- Inferential statistics are a very crucial part of scientific research in that these techniques are used to test hypotheses

Uses for Inferential Statistics

Statistics for determining differences between experimental and control groups in experimental research

Statistics used in descriptive research when comparisons are made between different groups

These statistics enable the researcher to evaluate the effects of an independent variable on a dependent variable



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STEP 3 Perform Analysis

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- Things to consider before performing analysis
- Decide on what you want to report

How many people
answered
a, b, c, d?

The average number
or score?

How people
compared?

How many time
periods compared?

Need to derive new
variables?

Use descriptive
statistics and/or
inferential statistics?

Reporting your Analysis

Step 3
Perform Analysis

Keep it simple

Aim for a
systematic effort

Keep your
audience in
mind

Pay attention to
the usability of
your evaluation
report



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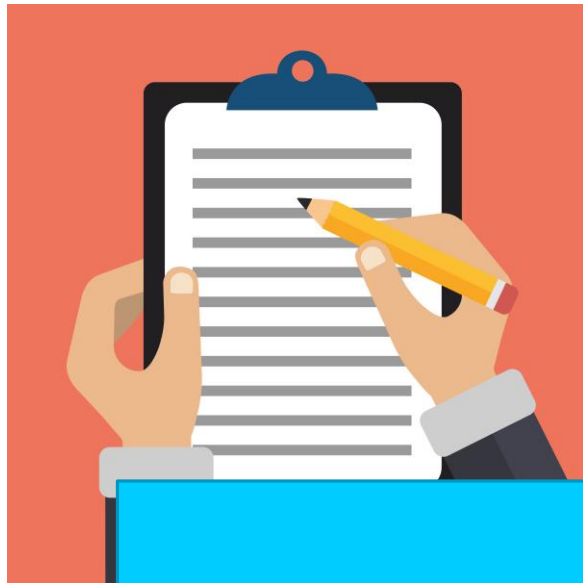
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STEP 4

Communicating your Statistical Findings

Step 4 Communicating your Statistical Findings

- Being able to turn data into information or communicate statistical information accurately is vital for effective decision-making.



Writing about data



Using tables, graphs and maps to
communicate statistical findings

Writing about data

Step 4

Communicating
your Statistical
Findings

Writing about statistics provides an opportunity to present your analysis in a way that tells a story about the data.

In effect, statistical writing can bring data to life, making it real, relevant and meaningful to the audience.

When communicating statistical information it is important to ensure that the information presented is clear, concise and accurate.

It is also important to provide contextual information and to draw out the main relationships, causations and trends in the data.

Using tables, graphs and maps to communicate statistical findings

Step 4

Communicating
your Statistical
Findings

Story by evidence

- Whether writing a report or making a presentation, the story should be told by your evidence. A simple table, graph or map can explain a great deal, and so this type of direct evidence should be used where appropriate.

Effective tables, graphs or maps

- While representing statistical information in tables, graphs or maps can be highly effective, it is important to ensure that the information is not presented in a manner that can mislead the reader.

Link to message

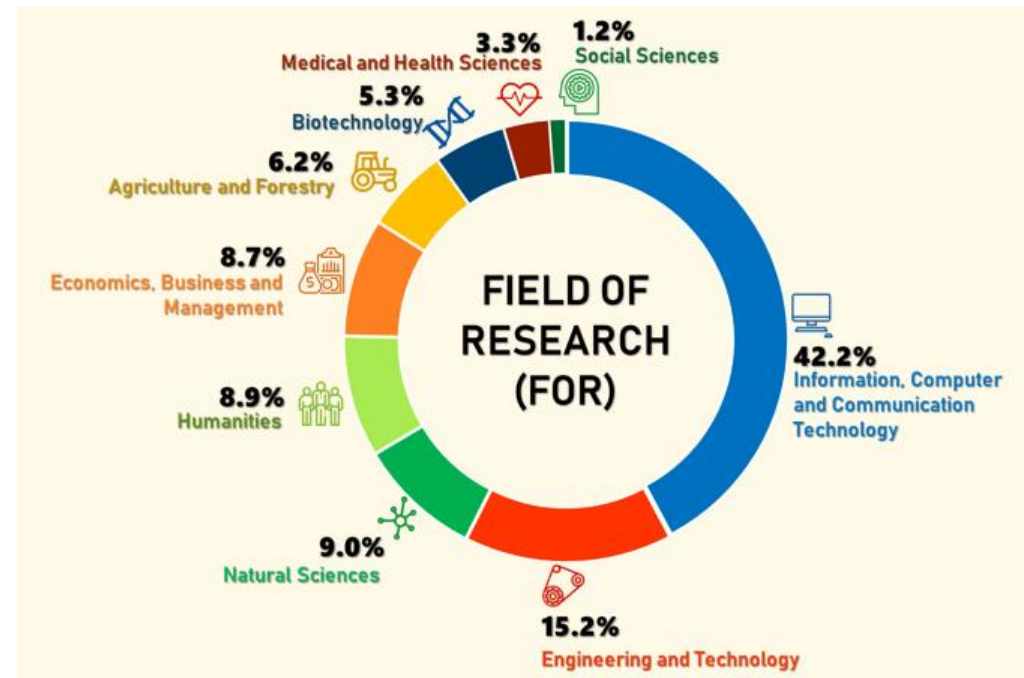
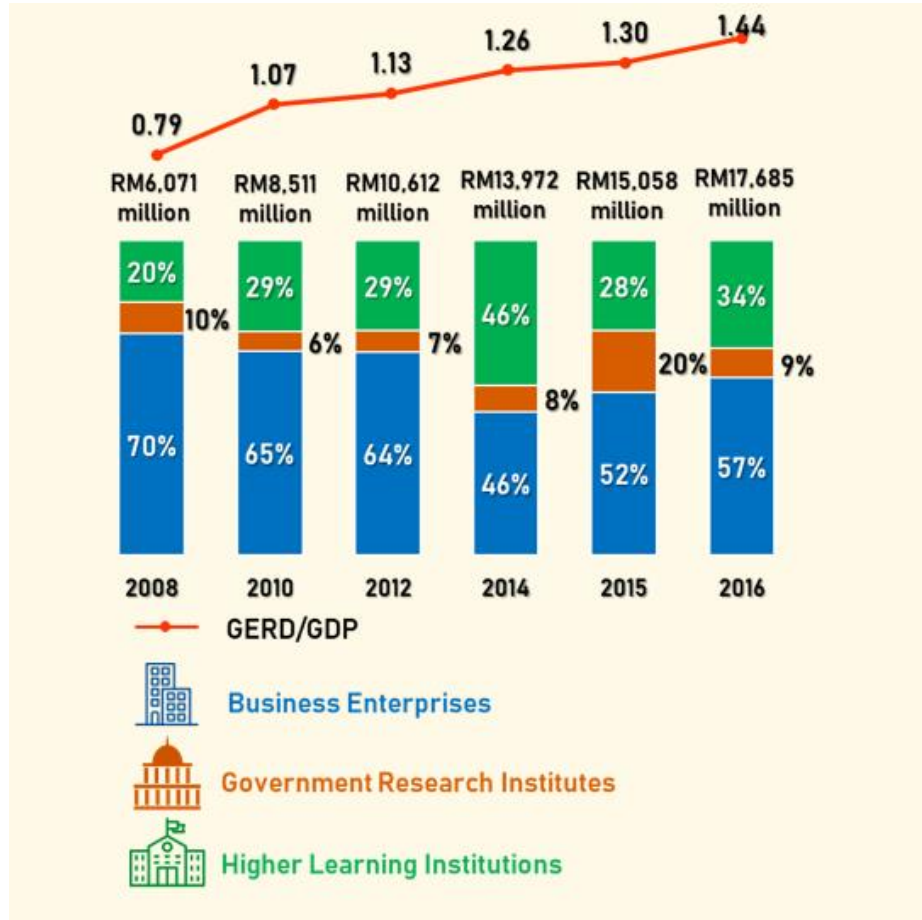
- The key to presenting effective tables, graphs or maps is to ensure they are easy to understand and clearly linked to the message.

Provide all the necessary info

- Ensure that all the necessary information required to understand what the data is showing is provided, as the table, graph or map should be able to stand alone.

Examples

Step 4 Communicating your Statistical Findings



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