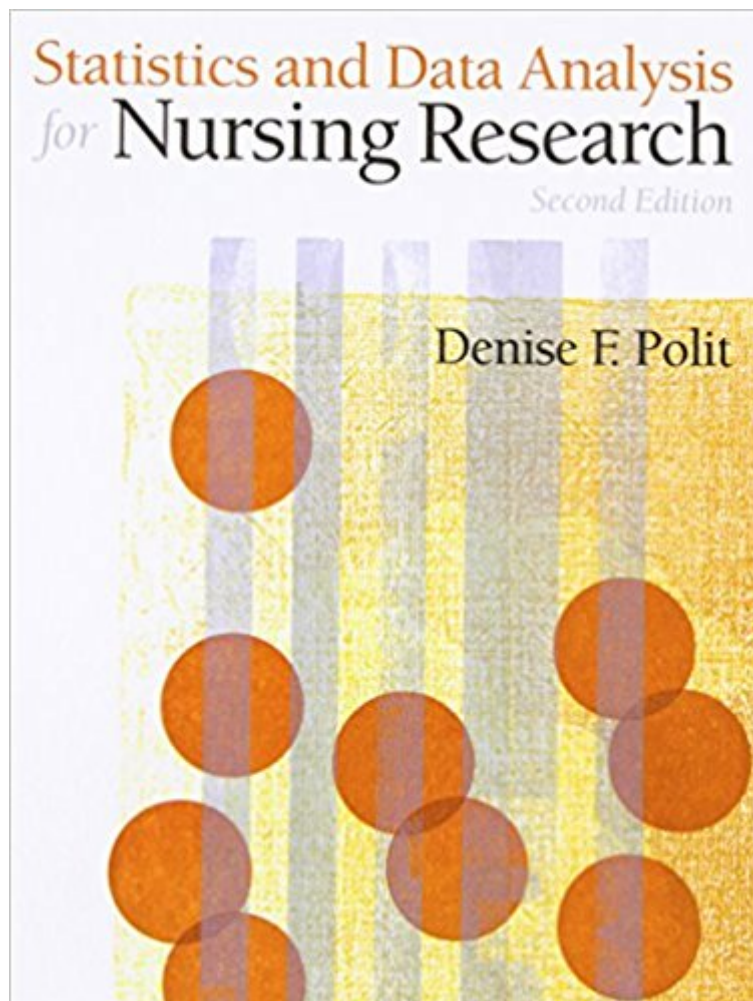




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# Statistics And Data Analysis For Nursing Research (2nd Edition)



## Synopsis

The second edition of *Statistics and Data Analysis for Nursing Research* uses a conversational style to teach students how to use statistical methods and procedures to analyze research findings. Readers are guided through the complete analysis process from performing a statistical analysis to the rationale behind doing so. Special focus is given to quantitative methods. Other features include management of data, how to "clean" data, and how to work around missing data. New to this edition are updated research examples utilizing examples from an international mix of studies published by nurse researchers in 2006-2009.

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*Statistics and Data Analysis for Nursing Research 2e* Denise F. Polit, PdD Users praised the accessibility, clarity, and user-friendliness of the first edition of *Statistics and Data Analysis for Nursing Research*. Now, the push for evidence-based practice (EBP) in nursing and health care makes this new edition timely. The style and practical emphasis of the first edition have been retained, but important innovations have also been introduced, making it even easier to embark on a professional pathway that includes statistical analysis. As in the first edition, the content includes descriptive statistics, bivariate inferential statistics, and many widely-used multivariate statistics. It assumes virtually no prior knowledge of statistics.

**NEW TO THIS EDITION**

- Emphasis on evidence-based practice
- SPSS Version 16.0 was used to generate output for the book
- Missing Values are demystified
- Factor Analysis content is expanded

Power Analysis methods are explained Additional Resources: Online Applications Manual for Statistics and Data Analysis for Nursing Research 2e Online resource for Application Exercises with three complete data sets, compatible with SPSS, as well as additional resources. [www.pearsonhighered.com/polit](http://www.pearsonhighered.com/polit) [Pearson Education]

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I needed two additional textbooks to help me understand the concepts in this book. Advanced and Multivariate Statistics by Mertler was much easier to understand.

This was a required textbook for a graduate level nursing statistics course. The text's chapters are organized and provide a comprehensive overview of the different statistical tests. All provided examples are pulled directly from nursing research and are understandable. I found the end of chapter exercises to be helpful but unfortunately, explanations or rationale to the answers were not provided in the explanation. While this textbook contributed to my understanding of course content I didn't find it to be a particularly good "reference book" and I don't imagine I'll refer to it again now that the course is over.

Many of us are afraid of statistics as a field that is obscure; with a jargon that not only we cannot understand but it is seemingly boring and good only for sleepless nights. I was very surprised with this book; Polit not only made statistics understandable, but she uses plenty of examples to drive home the point. Even if your course does not require this specific book, get it anyway: it will make a world of difference.

This is one of the most user-friendly statistics books I have ever purchased. The information and concepts are easy to understand with multiple examples. The specific subject in each chapter is

highlighted for easy locating. There are additional tables in the back that can be used to solve problems. I highly recommend this book.

It comes with three data sets for practicing SPSS and completing B sets of exercises in each chapter. Exercises are tailored to enhance understanding how to interpret the statistical tests and results.

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I'm a Computer Science major, so this course was a little off for me. Although I had already taken several statistics courses, I did learn a few things. Decent enough book for an interested medical student I suppose, though I did find some ties with CS as well.

This book was good but even the professor said he wished the author put more details into the chapters to explain the info more.

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