

Type I + Type II Errors

	H_0 True	H_a True
reject H_0	Type I	Correct
Accept H_0	Correct	Type II

1. $H_0: p \geq 24\%$ $H_a: p < 24\%$ p = proportion of new customers who will return to buy their next car

Type I - You believe that less than 24% of new customers will return but actually 24% or more do.

- You may work harder, hustle more

Type II - You think 24% or more of your customers will return + less do.

- You may overstock

2. $H_0: p \leq 21\%$ $H_a: p > 21\%$ p = prop of U.S. Adults w/ rudimentary literacy skills

Type I - You believe more than 21% of adults in U.S. have rudimentary reading skill. when in fact ^{21% or} less than 21% do.

- New but unnecessary reading programs may be implemented

Type II error - You believe only 21% or less adults have rudimentary reading skills but more do.

- Needed reading programs may not be implemented

Notes

3. $H_0: \sigma \geq 23 \text{ min}$ $H_a: \sigma < 23 \text{ min}$ $\sigma =$ st. dev for the length of time to play a chess game.

Type I error - You think the spread for time to play a game of chess is ^{less than} 23 minutes but it is really more.

worry
You may schedule games too close together

Type II error - you think the spread for time to play a game of chess is 23 minutes or longer but it really takes less time.

Wasted time, waiting between games.

4. $H_0: p \geq 0.020$ $H_a: p < 0.020$ $p =$ % of emergency room visits by college undergrads for alcohol related problem

Type I error: You believe less than 2% of emergency room visits by college students are for alcohol-related health problems but really more than 2% are.

worry
- medical staff may not check for alcohol / may not have proper medical staff to treat it

4. Type II error - You believe more than 2% of emergency room visits are for college students with alcohol-related health problems. But it's really less than 2%.

- More alcohol awareness classes may be offered than actually needed.

Staff are more prepared for alcohol-related health problems than necessary.

5. $H_0: p \geq .88$ $H_a: p < .88$ $p =$ proportion of college students who own a computer

Type I error - Think less than 88% of students own a computer when really 88% or more own one.

- A teacher might not assign a computer assignment.

- Or may be "school buys extra computers

Type II error - You think 88% or more students own a computer when really less than 88% own one.

wrong Teacher may give an assignment that not all students can do ^{computer}

6. $H_0: \sigma \leq 5 \text{ months}$ $H_a: \sigma > 5 \text{ months}$
 $\sigma = \text{st. dev. for the life of wristwatch batteries for this manufacture.}$

Type I: You think the st. dev. (spread) of the battery life is more ^{than 5 months} when it really is less than 5 months.

- You may not buy the batteries because you think there is too much variability in how long it lasts.

- or company may look for a new way to make batteries more consistent.

Type II error: You think the st. dev./spread of battery life is less than 5 months but it actually more.

worse
Company may not implement needed change to make batteries more consistent.

customer buys inconsistent batteries + is not happy.