

Notes

1. Look at the data for weights of apples and onions. What do you notice? Write two observations.

organic apple weight (grams)			onion weights (grams)		
n=11			n = 11		
127			20		
130			139		
133			152		
133			153		
133			158		
137			169		
137			170		
140			177		
142			216		
144			221		
144			263		
Find each:					
2. Mean			Mean		
3. Median			Median		
4. Mode			Mode		
5. Range			Range		
6. Population Variance			Population Variance		
7. Population Standard Deviation			Population Standard Deviation		

Link to [Answer key](#) version of spreadsheet. Handwritten [version](#).

8. Comment on the differences between the centers of the two data sets.

9. Do you see a difference in the variation in the two data sets?

The **range** of a set of data is the distance (difference) between the maximum and minimum values.

10. Find the range of each data set.

The **standard deviation** of a set of data is another way to measure the variation of the data values from the mean.

- standard deviation is always positive
- if all data values are the same, the standard deviation would be zero. This is the smallest possible value of the standard deviation. if there is a lot of variation the standard deviation will be larger.
- the units of the standard deviation are the same as the units of the original data (in this case, grams)
- if a set of data has outliers, this will increase the value of the standard deviation

Finding the standard deviation of a set of data:

- Find the mean of the data values
- Find the deviation of each value from the mean (subtract the mean from each data value)
- Square each deviation
- Add the squared deviations
- n is the number of data values.
 - If the data set is the whole population, then divide the total from the previous step by n .
 - If the data set is a sample from the population, then divide the total from the previous step by $n-1$.
- This value is the **variance**.
- Take the square root of the variance to get the standard deviation.

How to find standard deviation in a spreadsheet (by hand way and using =stdev.p command)

Quartiles & Box Plots will be covered in Math 243, Statistics. You do not need to study these topics for this class.