



Frequency tables

Introduction

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What is a frequency table?

A frequency table shows how frequently – in other words, how often – something occurs. Frequency tables are useful when you collect data – for example from a questionnaire. You can:

- present results in a table
- use the table to draw a chart or graph.

How do we construct a frequency table?

Here is a very simple example of a frequency table. It shows the results of a survey into how many trainees own different types of game consuls.

Type of game consul	Number of trainees
Playstation	7
Dreamcast	1
N64	3
Gameboy	8
PC games	6
None	5
Total	30

Data from a frequency table is often illustrated on a histogram.

