

Frequency Worksheet (Answer Key)

KEY TERMS

- **Frequency:** *the number of times a value of the data occurs*
- **Relative frequency:** *the ratio (fraction or proportion) of the number of times a value of the data occurs in the set of all outcomes to the total number of outcomes*
 - To find the relative frequencies, divide each frequency by the total number in the sample. Relative frequencies can be written as fractions, percents, or decimals.
- **Cumulative relative frequency:** *the accumulation of the previous relative frequencies*
 - To find the cumulative relative frequencies, add all the previous relative frequencies to the relative frequency for the current row.

Illowsky, B., & Dean, S. (2018). Introductory statistics.

EXERCISE 1: Mokauea loko i'a (fishpond) is in need of restoration to eventually be able to raise fish for consumption. A major factor in the pond's restoration is its temperature. The table below contains a sample of data on the pond's bottom temperature (rounded to the nearest tenth) from April 2020. Help us understand how the pond's temperature fluctuates by completing the table below. Round to the nearest thousandth.

Bottom Temperature (°C)	Frequency	Relative Frequency	Cumulative Relative Frequency
22.1	10	$10 \div 1600 \approx 0.006$	0.006
23.2	64	$64 \div 1600 = 0.040$	$0.006 + 0.040 = 0.046$
23.9	123	$123 \div 1600 \approx 0.077$	$0.046 + 0.077 = 0.123$
24.5	204	$204 \div 1600 \approx 0.128$	$0.123 + 0.128 = 0.251$
25.7	218	$218 \div 1600 \approx 0.136$	$0.251 + 0.136 = 0.387$
26.3	228	$228 \div 1600 \approx 0.143$	$0.387 + 0.143 = 0.530$
26.9	204	$204 \div 1600 \approx 0.128$	$0.530 + 0.128 = 0.658$
27.1	199	$199 \div 1600 \approx 0.124$	$0.658 + 0.124 = 0.782$
27.4	212	$212 \div 1600 \approx 0.133$	$0.782 + 0.133 = 0.915$
29.6	138	$138 \div 1600 \approx 0.086$	$0.915 + 0.086 \approx 1.00$
Total = 1600		Total ≈ 1.000	

*The above data is real data collected from research at Mokauea loko i'a.
Additional Mokauea loko i'a data can be explored here: <http://groqdata.soest.hawaii.edu/>*

EXERCISE 2: Another major factor in the pond's restoration is its salinity. Salinity is measured in the unit of *PSU* stands for *Practical Salinity Unit* which is a unit based on the properties of seawater conductivity. The table below contains a sample of data on the pond's salinity (rounded to the nearest tenth) from March 2020. Help us understand how the pond's salinity fluctuates by completing the table below. Round to the nearest thousandth.

Salinity (PSU*)	Frequency	Relative Frequency	Cumulative Relative Frequency
27.8	418	$418 \div 9767 \approx 0.043$	0.043
28.2	1423	$1423 \div 9767 \approx 0.146$	$0.043 + 0.146 = 0.189$
28.9	769	$769 \div 9767 \approx 0.079$	$0.189 + 0.079 = 0.268$
29.4	476	$476 \div 9767 \approx 0.049$	$0.268 + 0.049 = 0.317$
29.8	1373	$1373 \div 9767 \approx 0.141$	$0.317 + 0.141 = 0.458$
30.1	1233	$1233 \div 9767 \approx 0.126$	$0.458 + 0.126 = 0.584$
30.5	1447	$1447 \div 9767 \approx 0.148$	$0.584 + 0.148 = 0.732$
30.6	1871	$1871 \div 9767 \approx 0.192$	$0.732 + 0.192 = 0.924$
31.3	498	$498 \div 9767 \approx 0.051$	$0.924 + 0.051 = 0.975$
31.4	259	$259 \div 9767 \approx 0.027$	$0.975 + 0.027 \approx 1.000$
Total = 9767		Total ≈ 1.000	