

## 2-PROPORTION Z-TEST

*This test is used to compare proportions from 2 independent samples.*

In a study done in Michigan, it was determined 38 (out of 62) poor children who attended pre-school needed social services later in life compared to 49 (out of 61) poor children who did not attend preschool.

**Does this study provide significant evidence that preschool reduces the need for social services later in life?**

**P) IDENTIFY POPULATION PARAMETERS:**

**H) STATE HYPOTHESES:**

**A) VERIFY CONDITIONS REQUIRED FOR TEST:**

a) Random

b) Normal Sampling Distributions

$$n_1 \hat{p}_1 =$$

$$n_2 \hat{p}_2 =$$

$$n_1(1 - \hat{p}_1) =$$

$$n_2(1 - \hat{p}_2) =$$

c) Independent

$$N_1 > 10n_1$$

$$N_2 > 10n_2$$

**T) PERFORM TEST USING**

a) **TABLE A:**

Calculate z-statistic and check Table:

$$\hat{p} = \frac{\text{total number of successes in both samples}}{\text{total number of observations in both samples}} =$$

$$z = \frac{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2}{\sqrt{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})\left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}\right)}} =$$

P-value = \_\_\_\_\_

b) **CALCULATOR:**

S) **STATE CONCLUSION:**

## CONFIDENCE INTERVAL:

Construct a 95% confidence interval for the difference in proportions of people needing social services after attending preschool:

P) See above

A) See above

I) **Construct Interval**

a) **Using Formula**

$$CI = (\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) \pm z * \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1(1 - \hat{p}_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2(1 - \hat{p}_2)}{n_2}}$$

b) **Using Calculator**

S) **State Conclusion** (Use *less* or *more*)