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1. A study was conducted to determine whether the proportion of inmates living with depression differed depending on whether the inmate was serving a life sentence or not. The contingency table below summarizes the data that was collected on 649 randomly selected inmates of prisons in Northwest Amhara, Ethiopia.

|  | Depression | No Depression | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Life sentence | 72 | 66 | 138 |
| Not a life sentence | 212 | 299 | 511 |
| Total | 284 | 365 | 649 |

Source: Beyen et al. 2017. More than eight in every nineteen inmates were living with depression at prisons of Northwest Amhara Regional State, Ethiopia, a cross sectional study design. BMC Psychiatry; 17:31.
a. Estimate the difference in the proportion living with depression between those serving a life sentence and those not serving a life sentence. ( 1 pt )
$\hat{\pi}_{\text {Depression } \mid \text { Life sentence }}-\hat{\pi}_{\text {Depression } \mid \text { Not a life sentence }}=$
b. Find the margin of error associated with this difference in proportions. ( 1 pt )
c. Find the lower and upper endpoints of the confidence interval for the difference in proportions. (1 pt)

Lower endpoint $=$ $\qquad$

Upper endpoint = $\qquad$
d. Based on this confidence interval alone (i.e., you do not need to find a p-value), does the study provide evidence that the proportion living with depression differs significantly between those serving a life sentence and those not serving a life sentence? Explain your reasoning. (2 pts)
2. A study was conducted to investigate the relationship between obesity and cardiovascular disease (CVD). The data are summarized in the table below.

|  | CVD | No CVD | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Obese | 46 | 254 | 300 |
| Not Obese | 60 | 640 | 700 |
| Total | 106 | 894 | 1,000 |

a. Enter the data into JMP and find a p-value to test whether the proportion with CVD differs significantly between the obese and not obese groups. Write a conclusion in the context of the problem. (2 pts)
p-value: $\qquad$
Conclusion:
b. Find the risk of CVD for the obese subjects. You must show your work. (1 pt)
c. Find the risk of CVD for the subjects who were not obese. You must show your work. (1 pt)
d. Find and interpret the relative risk ratio. You must show your work. ( 1.5 pts )
e. Find the odds of CVD for the obese subjects. You must show your work. (1 pt)
f. Find the odds of CVD for the subjects who were not obese. You must show your work. (1 pt)
g. Find and interpret the odds ratio. You must show your work (1.5 pts)
3. Note that the relationship between obesity and cardiovascular disease (CVD) in Problem 2 did not adjust for any confounding variables. For example, consider age as a potential confounding variable. Obesity tends to be associated with older age, and older age is also a risk factor for CVD. To account for this, the researchers decided to investigate the relationship between obesity and CVD after controlling for age. They stratified the analysis by creating two age groups: Age < 50 and Age 50+. The data for each group can then be analyzed separately.

| Age < 50 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CVD | No CVD | Total |
| Obese | 10 | 90 | 100 |
| Not Obese | 35 | 465 | 500 |
| Total | 45 | 555 | 600 |


| Age 50+ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CVD | No CVD | Total |
| Obese | 36 | 164 | 200 |
| Not Obese | 25 | 175 | 200 |
| Total | 61 | 339 | 400 |

a. For the younger subjects (Age < 50), find the risk of CVD for both the obese and not obese subjects, and then find the relative risk ratio. You must show your work. ( 2 pts )
b. For the older subjects (Age 50+), find the risk of CVD for both the obese and not obese subjects, and then find the risk ratio. You must show your work. (2 pts)
c. After controlling for age, is there a significant association between obesity and cardiovascular disease (CVD)? Explain your reasoning (note that you should refer to either a confidence interval or a p-value to determine whether the association is significant). (2 pts)

