

Basic biostatistics with SPSS

Looking beyond numbers

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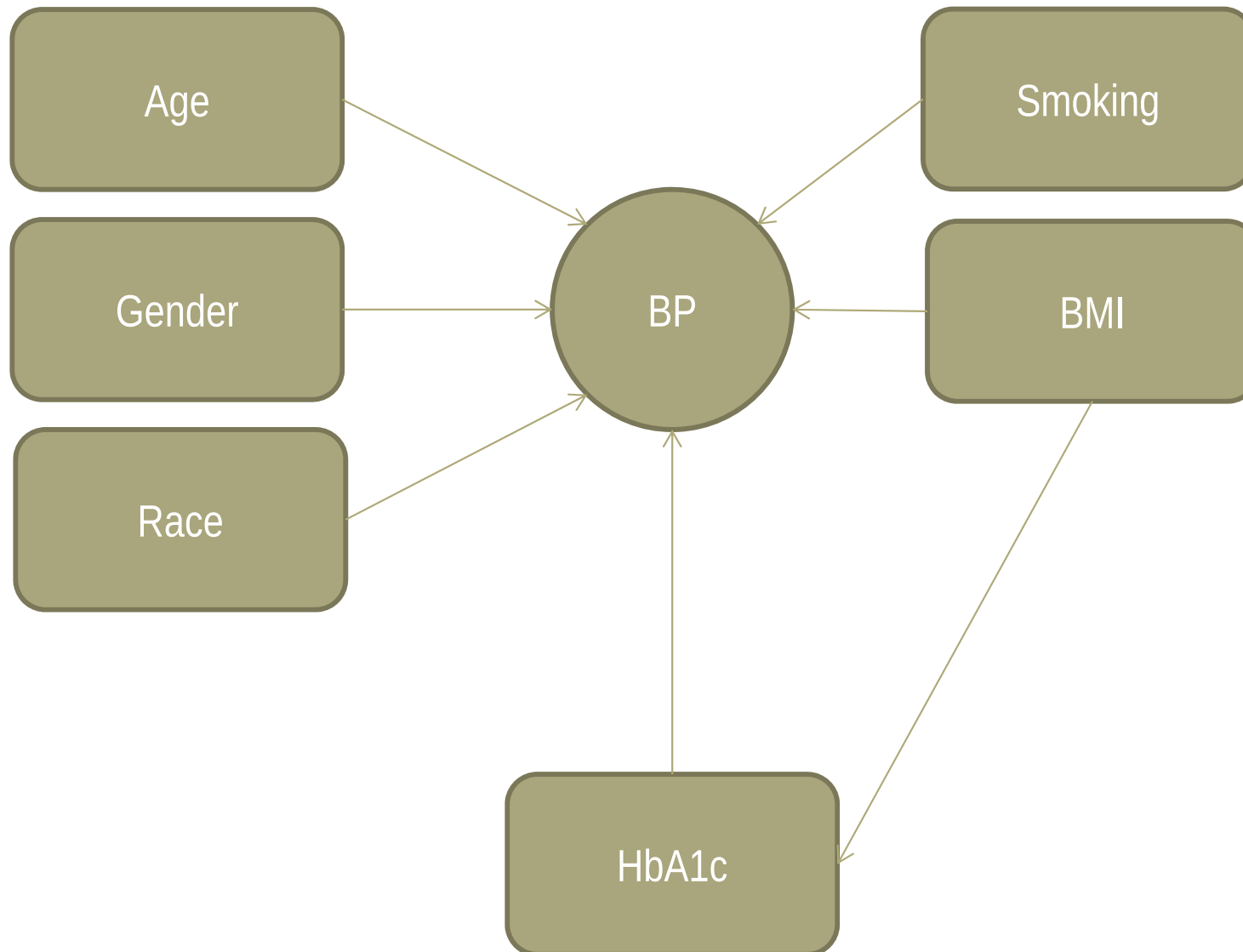
Preliminary

- Use bp2.sav
- Hypothetical data consists of

<i>Variable</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Label</i>	<i>Measurement Level</i>
id	1	<none>	Scale
age	2	Age (years)	Scale
gender	3	Gender	Nominal
race	4	Race	Nominal
wt	5	Weight (kg)	Scale
ht	6	Height (cm)	Scale
smoking	7	Smoking status	Nominal
sbp	8	SBP	Scale
dbp	9	DBP	Scale
hba1c	10	HbA1c (%)	Scale



Conceptual framework



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DESCRIBE DATA & CHECK DISTRIBUTION



Describe numerical data (*age*)

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The screenshot illustrates the steps to describe numerical data in SPSS. The main window shows a dataset with columns 'id' and 'ht'. The 'Analyze' menu is open, and 'Explore...' is selected. The 'Explore' dialog box is open, showing 'Age (years) [age]' in the Dependent List. The 'Explore: Plots' sub-dialog box is also open, showing options for Boxplots, Descriptive, and Normality plots.

Boxplots

- ☒ Factor levels together
- ☐ Dependents together
- ☐ None

Descriptive

- ☒ Stem-and-leaf
- ☒ Histogram

☒ Normality plots with tests

Spread vs Level with Levene Test

- ☐ None
- ☐ Power estimation
- ☐ Transformed Power: Natural log
- ☐ Untransformed

Continue Cancel Help

Explore

Dependent List

- Age (years) [age]

Factor List

Label Cases by:

Display

- ☒ Both
- ☐ Statistics
- ☐ Plots

OK Paste Reset Cancel Help

Case Processing Summary

	Cases					
	Valid		Missing		Total	
	N	Percent	N	Percent	N	Percent
Age (years)	450	100.0%	0	0.0%	450	100.0%

Check for missing values

Descriptives

			Statistic	Std. Error
Age (years)	Mean		36.57	.534
	95% Confidence Interval for Mean	Lower Bound	35.52	
		Upper Bound	37.62	
	5% Trimmed Mean		36.33	
	Median		36.00	
	Variance		128.352	
	Std. Deviation		11.329	
	Minimum		18	
	Maximum		75	
	Range		57	
	Interquartile Range		19	
	Skewness		.281	.115
	Kurtosis		-.636	.230

*Check for Normality
(mean=median, skewness ± 2 ,
kurtosis ± 2).*

*Decide to describe using
mean (SD) or median (IQR).*

Tests of Normality

	Kolmogorov-Smirnov ^a			Shapiro-Wilk		
	Statistic	df	Sig.	Statistic	df	Sig.
Age (years)	.078	450	.000	.968	450	.000

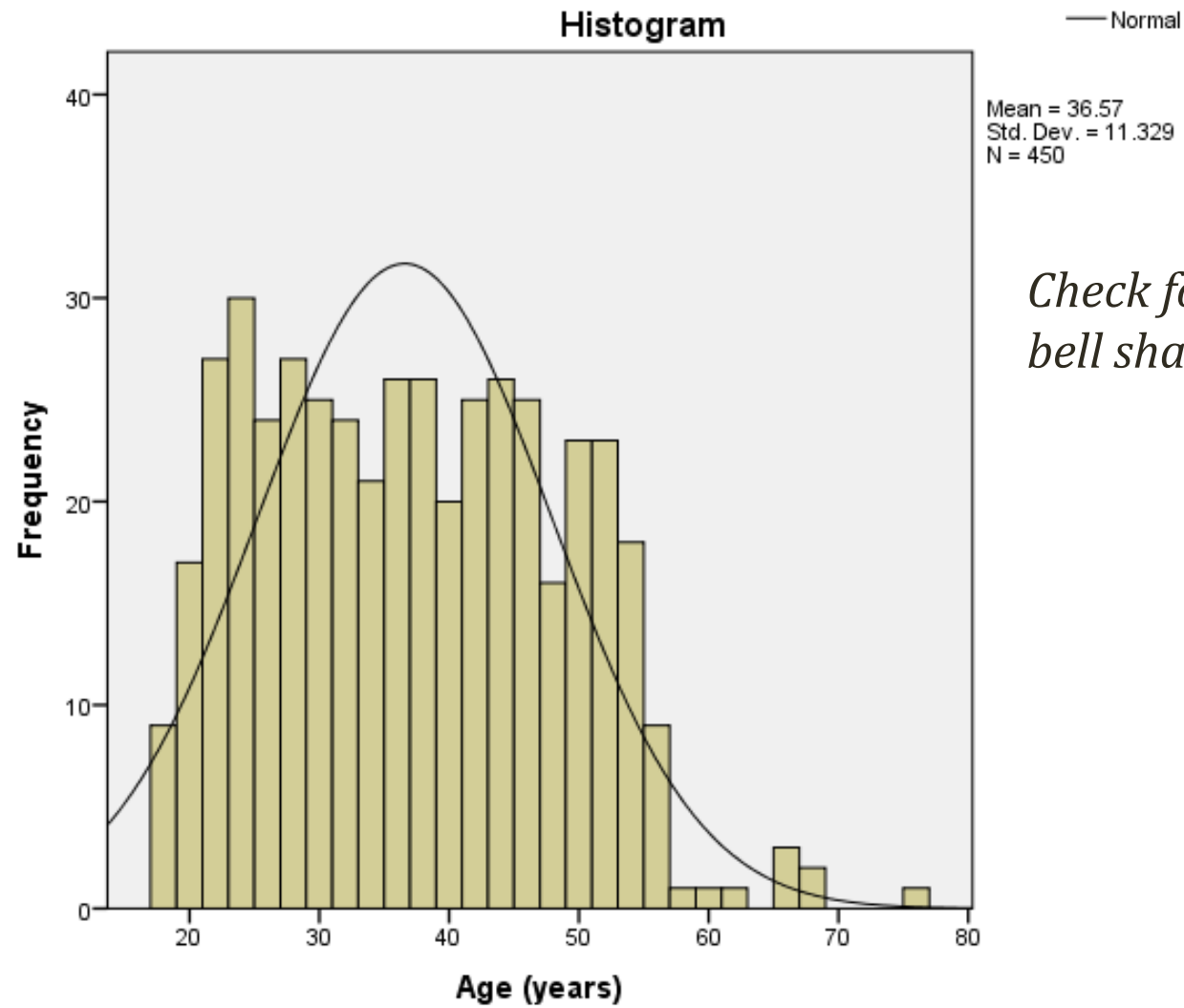
a. Lilliefors Significance Correction

Test Normality. If $P < 0.05$,
the distribution is not
Normal.*

** Careful when interpreting Normality test*

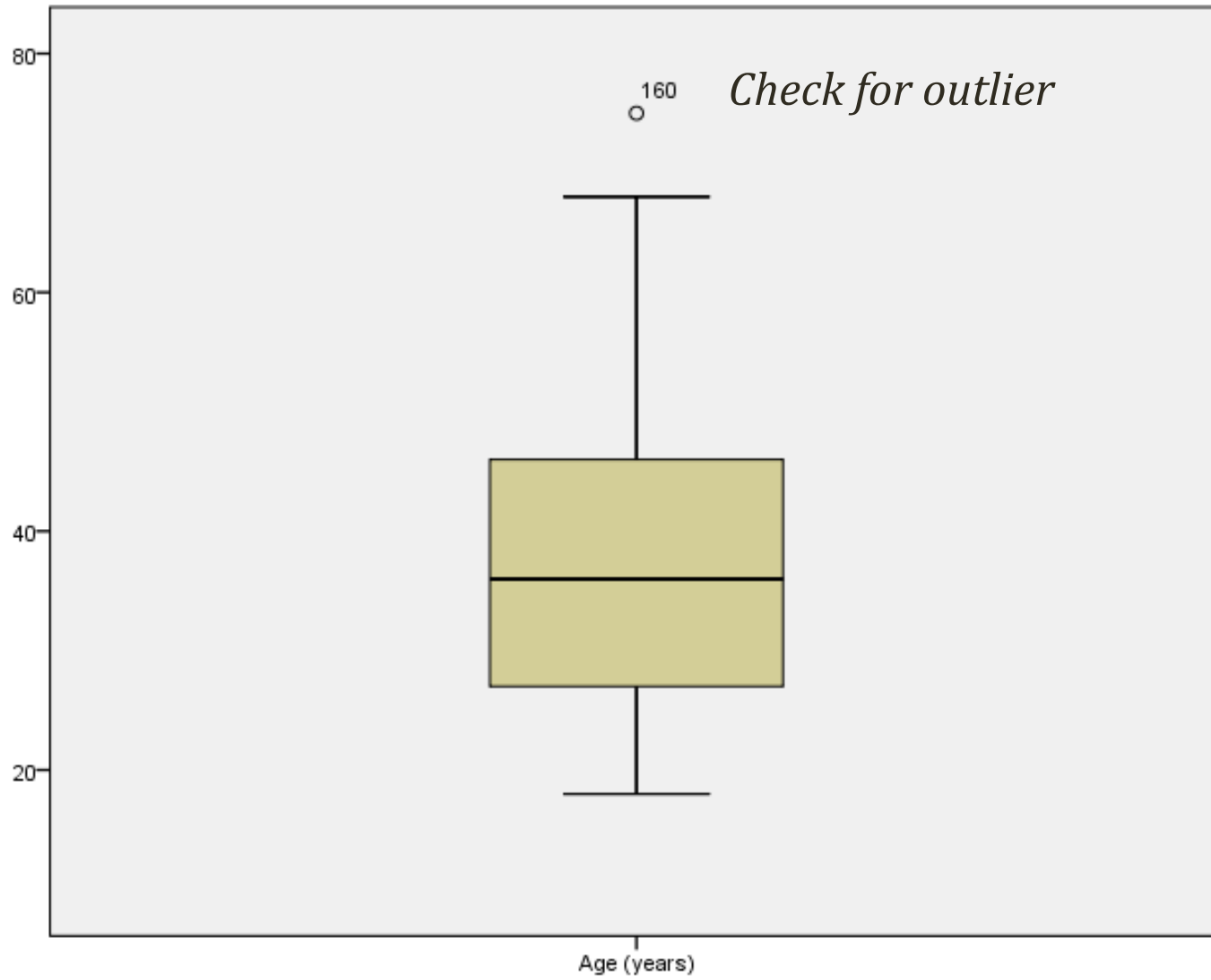


Age (years)

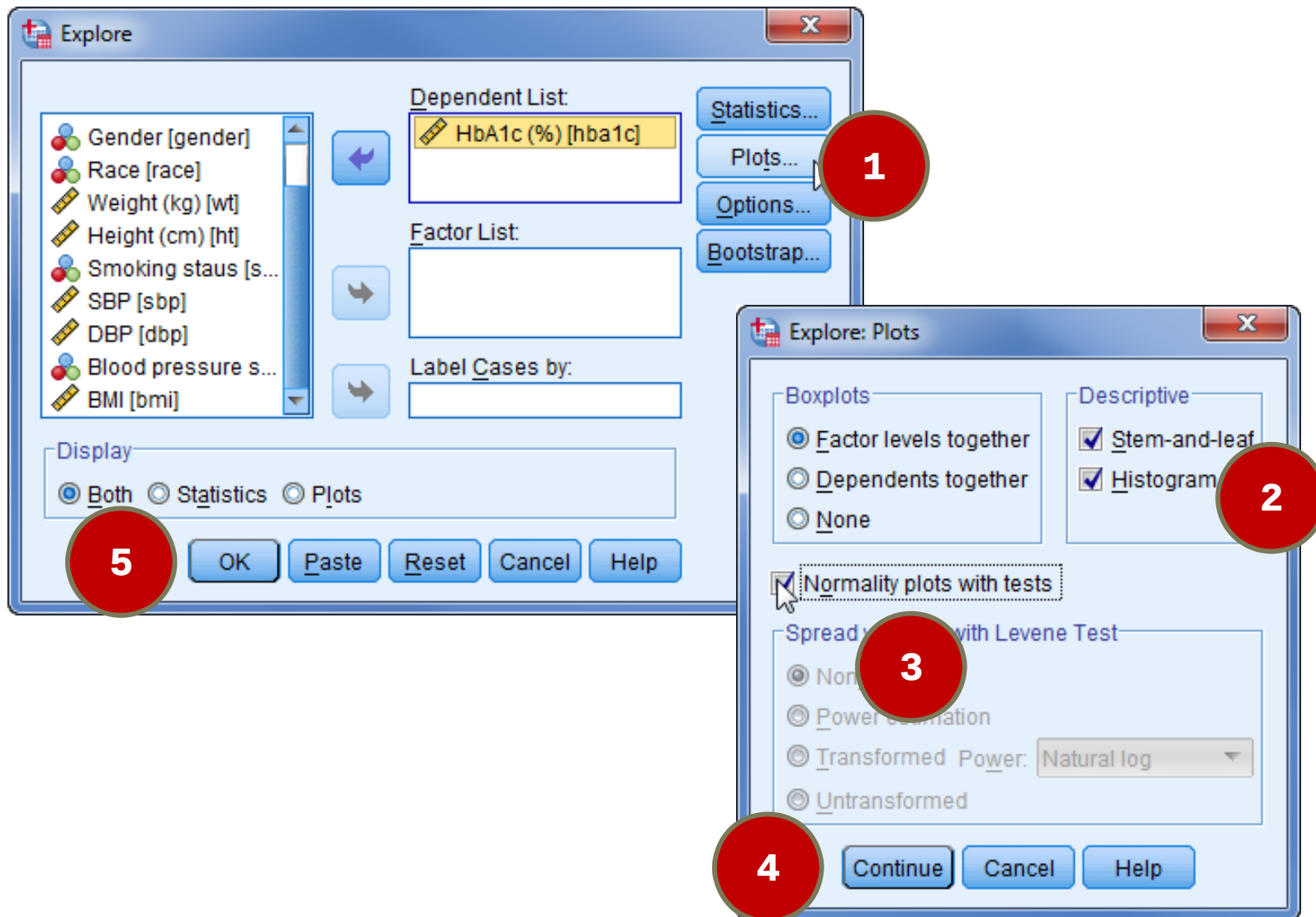


*Check for symmetrical
bell shape curve*





Describe numerical data (*HbA1c*)



Case Processing Summary

	Cases					
	Valid		Missing		Total	
	N	Percent	N	Percent	N	Percent
HbA1c (%)	450	100.0%	0	0.0%	450	100.0%

Descriptives

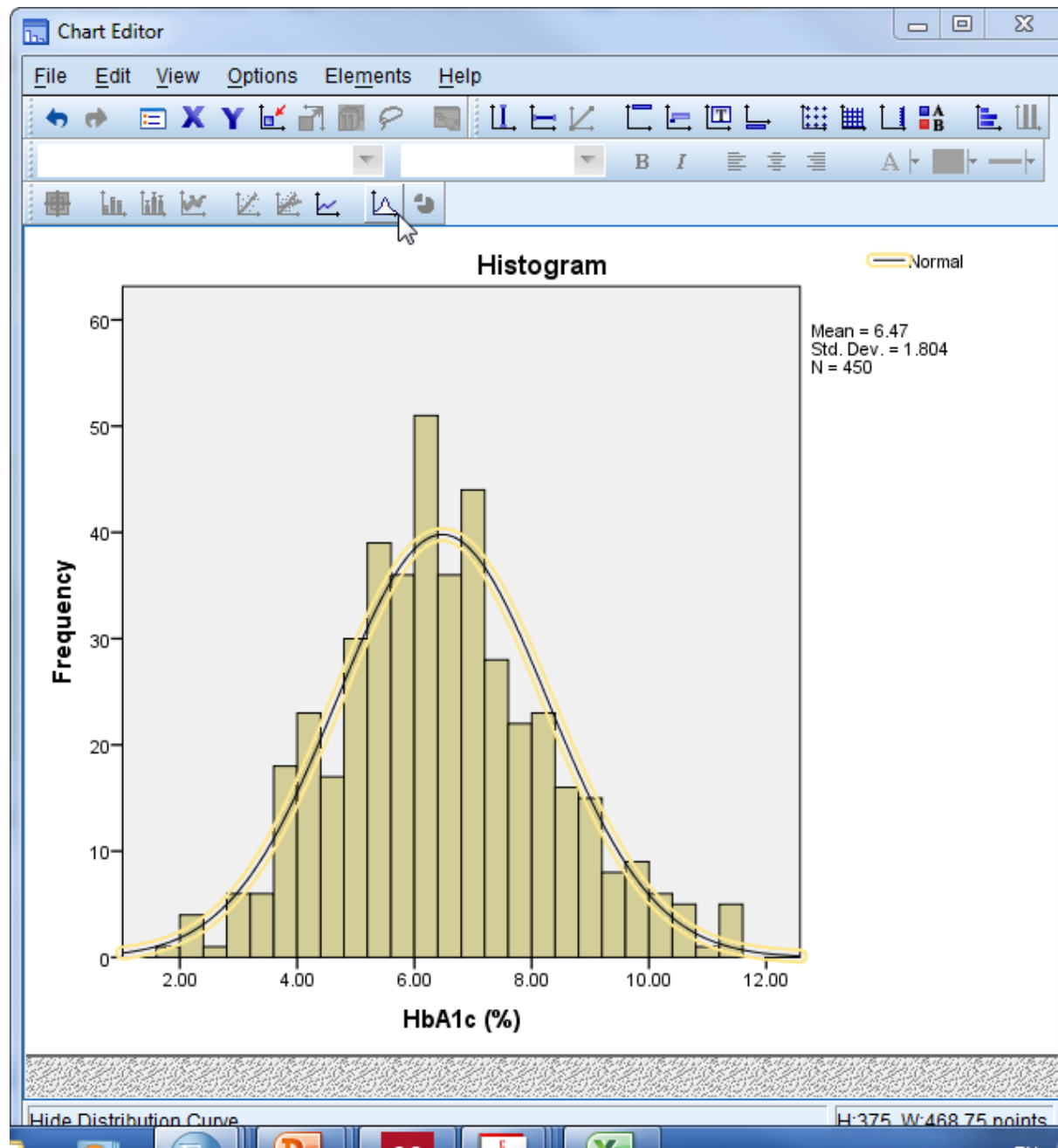
			Statistic	Std. Error
HbA1c (%)	Mean		6.4745	.08505
	95% Confidence Interval for Mean	Lower Bound	6.3073	
		Upper Bound	6.6416	
	5% Trimmed Mean		6.4395	
	Median		6.3511	
	Variance		3.255	
	Std. Deviation		1.80425	
	Minimum		1.91	
	Maximum		11.58	
	Range		9.66	
	Interquartile Range		2.26	
	Skewness		.280	.115
	Kurtosis		.009	.230

Tests of Normality

	Kolmogorov-Smirnov ^a			Shapiro-Wilk		
	Statistic	df	Sig.	Statistic	df	Sig.
HbA1c (%)	.049	450	.011	.992	450	.021

a. Lilliefors Significance Correction





Describe categorical data (*gender*)

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	id	
1	4	
2	8	
3	13	
4	18	
5	19	
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8	24	
9	26	
10	27	
11	29	
12	31	
13	32	
14	34	
15	38	
16	39	
17	46	
18	48	
19	50	
20	54	
21	55	

Malay 57
Malay 50
Malay 92

44 Male

Statistics...
Charts...
Format...
Bootstrap...

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Frequency Table

Gender



		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Female	240	53.3	53.3	53.3
	Male	210	46.7	46.7	100.0
	Total	450	100.0	100.0	



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COMPARE TWO MEANS



Age vs. BP

1 Analyze Direct Marketing Graphs Utilities Add-ons Window Help

2 Compare Means

3 Independent-Samples T Test...

4 Test Variable(s):

5 Age (years) [age]

6 Grouping Variable:

7 bp(1 0)

8 Define Groups

9 Use specified values

Group 1: 1

Group 2: 0

Continue

OK Paste Reset Cancel Help

Options... Bootstrap...

Define Groups...

id Gender [gender] Race [race] Weight (kg) [wt] Height (cm) [ht] Smoking staus [sm...] SBP [sbp] DBP [dbp] HbA1c (%) [hba1c] BMI [bmi]

Malay	57	147
Malay	67	148
Malay	72	156
Malay	67	147

ROC Curve...

Multiple Imputation

Complex Samples

Quality Control

Missing Value Analysis...

Multiple Response

Survival

Forecasting

Nonparametric Tests

Scale

Dimension Reduction

Classify

Neural Networks

Loglinear

Regression

Correlate

Generalized Linear Models

General Linear Model

Descriptive Statistics

Reports



Group Statistics

Blood pressure status		N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
Age (years)	High	179	36.76	11.491	.859
	Normal	271	36.45	11.241	.683

Independent Samples Test

		Levene's Test for Equality of Variances		t-test for Equality of Means						
		F	Sig.	t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)	Mean Difference	Std. Error Difference	95% Confidence Interval of the Difference	
									Lower	Upper
Age (years)	Equal variances assumed	.004	.950	.283	448	.777	.310	1.092	-1.837	2.456
	Equal variances not assumed			.282	375.276	.778	.310	1.097	-1.848	2.467

Is there age difference between hypertensive and normal subjects?

36.8 (11.5) years vs. 36.4 (11.2) years ($t=0.283$, $df=448$, $P=0.777$).

Choose $P=0.777$ instead of $P=0.778$ if P for Levene's test > 0.05 (meaning equal variances assumed)



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COMPARE MORE THAN TWO MEANS

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Race vs. BMI

The screenshot illustrates the steps to perform a One-Way ANOVA in SPSS. The main menu bar shows 'Analyze' (1), 'Direct Marketing', 'Graphs', 'Utilities', 'Add-ons', 'Window', and 'Help'. The 'Analyze' menu is open, showing 'Compare Means' (2) and 'One-Way ANOVA...' (3). The 'One-Way ANOVA' dialog box shows 'BMI [bmi]' as the dependent variable (4) and 'Race [race]' as the factor (5). The 'Options...' button (6) is highlighted. The 'One-Way ANOVA: Options' sub-dialog box shows 'Descriptive' (7) and 'Homogeneity of variance tests' checked. The 'Continue' button (8) is highlighted. The 'OK' button (9) is highlighted in the main dialog box.

Age (years) [age]	Gender [gender]	Weight (kg) [wt]	Height (cm) [ht]	Smoking status [s...]	SBP [sbp]	DBP [dbp]	HbA1c (%) [hba1c]	Blood pressure s...
Malay	Male	57						
Malay	Male	67						
Malay	Male	72						
Malay	Female	67						



Descriptives

BMI

	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error	95% Confidence Interval for Mean		Minimum	Maximum
					Lower Bound	Upper Bound		
Malay	234	26.2103	5.91398	.38661	25.4486	26.9720	18.90	66.10
Chinese	182	27.3701	6.69782	.49648	26.3904	28.3497	18.49	62.53
Indian	32	27.1894	7.19586	1.27206	24.5950	29.7838	19.56	48.90
Total	448	26.7514	6.34901	.29996	26.1619	27.3409	18.49	66.10

Test of Homogeneity of Variances

BMI

Levene Statistic	df1	df2	Sig.
2.333	2	445	.098

Is there differences of mean BMI between Malay, Chinese or Indian? 26.2 vs. 27.3 vs. 27.2?

ANOVA

BMI

	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Between Groups	144.315	2	72.158	1.796	.167
Within Groups	17874.221	445	40.167		
Total	18018.536	447			

$F(2; 445) = 1.796, P = 0.167$ i.e. $P > 0.05$.



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COMPARE PROPORTIONS

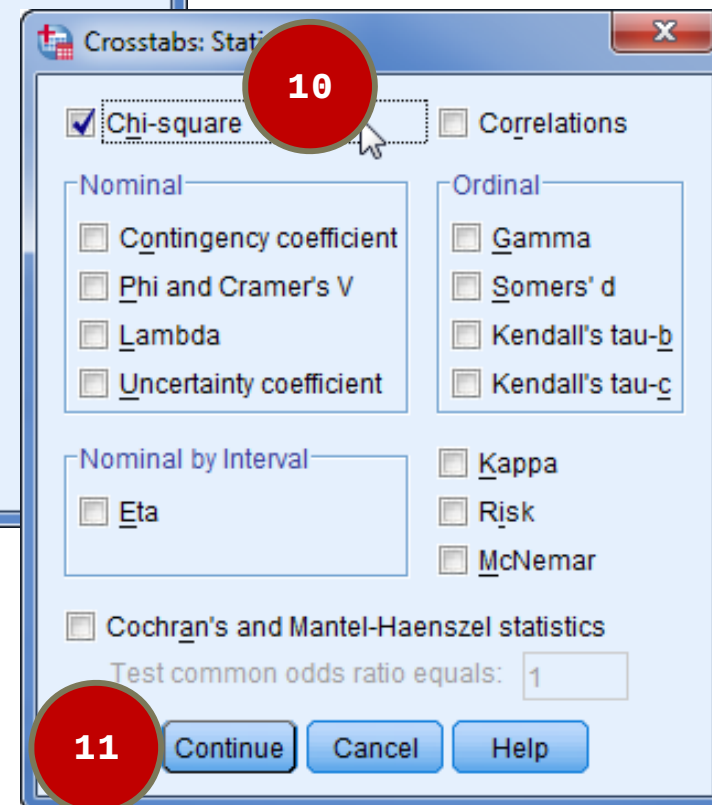
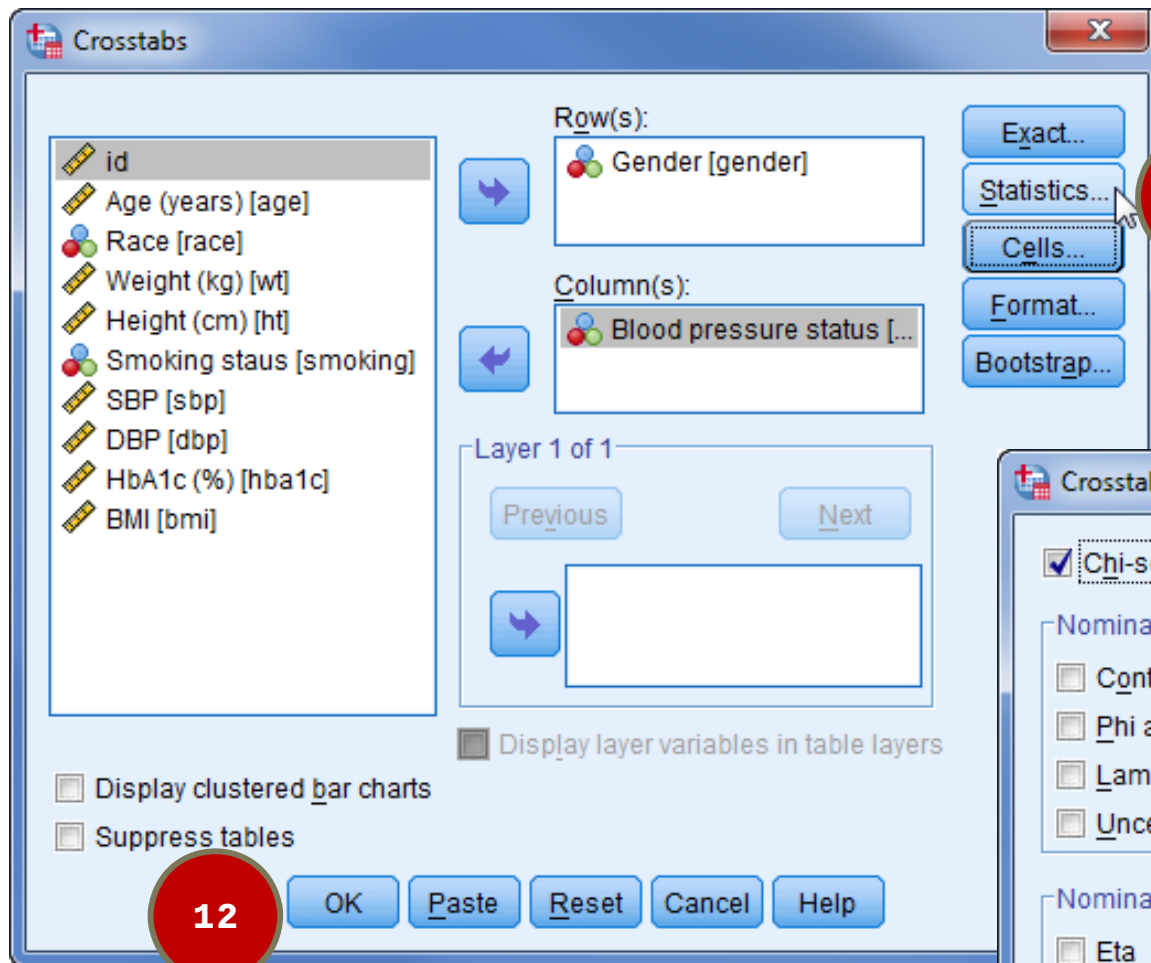


Gender vs. BP

The image shows the SPSS software interface with the following steps highlighted:

- Analyze** menu is selected.
- Descriptive Statistics** sub-menu is selected.
- Crosstabs...** option is selected from the sub-menu.
- The **Crosstabs** dialog box is open, showing **id** in the Row(s) list and **Blood pressure status [...]** in the Column(s) list.
- The **Statistics** button is clicked.
- The **Cell Display** dialog box is open, showing **Observed** and **Expected** counts, and **Row** percentages.
- The **Continue** button is clicked.
- The **OK** button is clicked.





Gender * Blood pressure status

Crosstab					
			Blood pressure status		Total
			Normal	High	
Gender	Female	Count	145	95	240
		% within Gender	60.4%	39.6%	100.0%
	Male	Count	126	84	210
		% within Gender	60.0%	40.0%	100.0%
Total		Count	271	179	450
		% within Gender	60.2%	39.8%	100.0%

Who has higher prevalence of high blood pressure? Male or female? 40% vs. 39.6%.

Chi-Square Tests

	Value	df	Asymp. Sig. (2-sided)	Exact Sig. (2-sided)	Exact Sig. (1-sided)
Pearson Chi-Square	.008 ^a	1	.928	1.000	.502
Continuity Correction ^b	.000	1	1.000		
Likelihood Ratio	.008	1	.928		
Fisher's Exact Test					
Linear-by-Linear Association	.008	1	.928		
N of Valid Cases	450				

a. 0 cells (0.0%) have expected count less than 5. The minimum expected count is 83.53.

b. Computed only for a 2x2 table

$\chi^2=0.928, df=1, P=0.928$ i.e. $P > 0.05$.

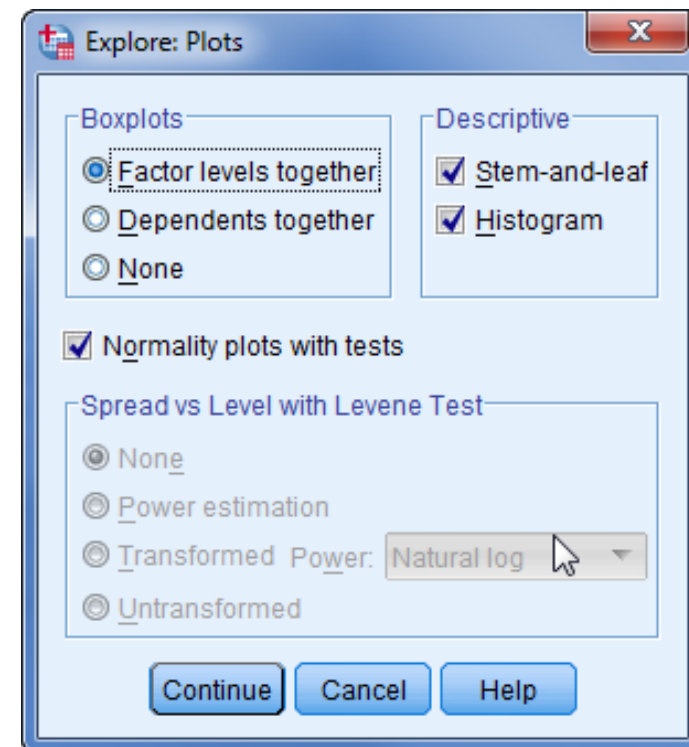
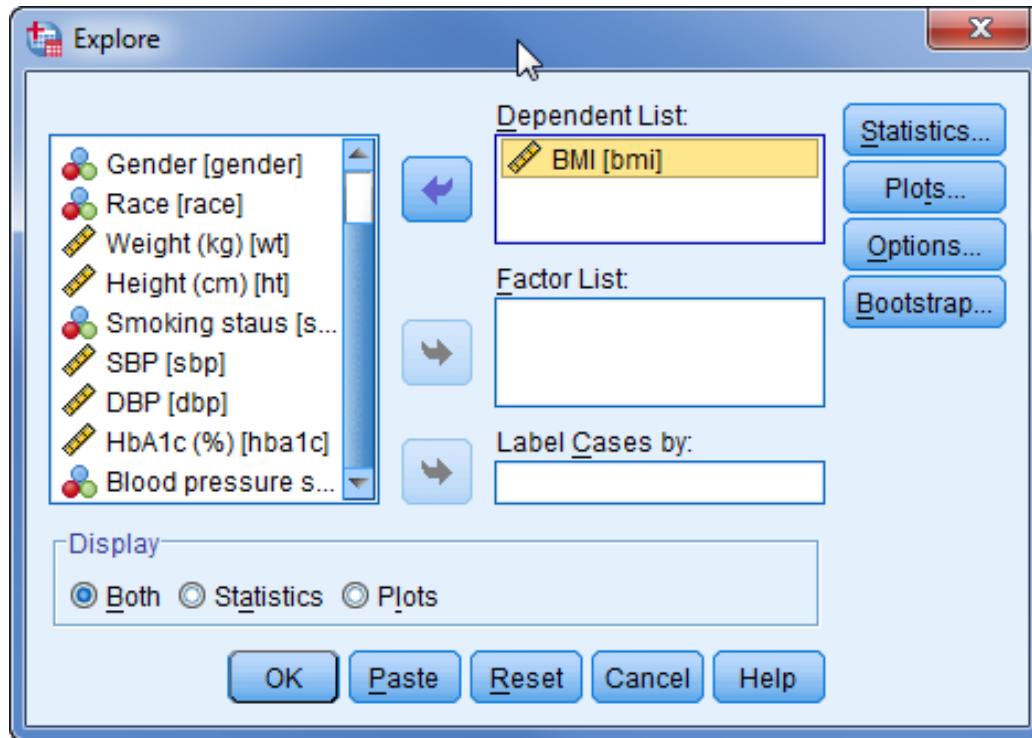


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NON-PARAMETRICS



Describe BMI



Case Processing Summary

	Cases					
	Valid		Missing		Total	
	N	Percent	N	Percent	N	Percent
BMI	448	99.6%	2	0.4%	450	100.0%

Descriptives

			Statistic	Std. Error
BMI	Mean		26.7514	.29996
	95% Confidence Interval for Mean	Lower Bound	26.1619	
		Upper Bound	27.3409	
	5% Trimmed Mean		26.1638	
	Median		25.0194	
	Variance		40.310	
	Std. Deviation		6.34901	
	Minimum		18.49	
	Maximum		66.10	
	Range		47.60	
	Interquartile Range		6.20	
	Skewness		1.896	.115
	Kurtosis		5.746	.230

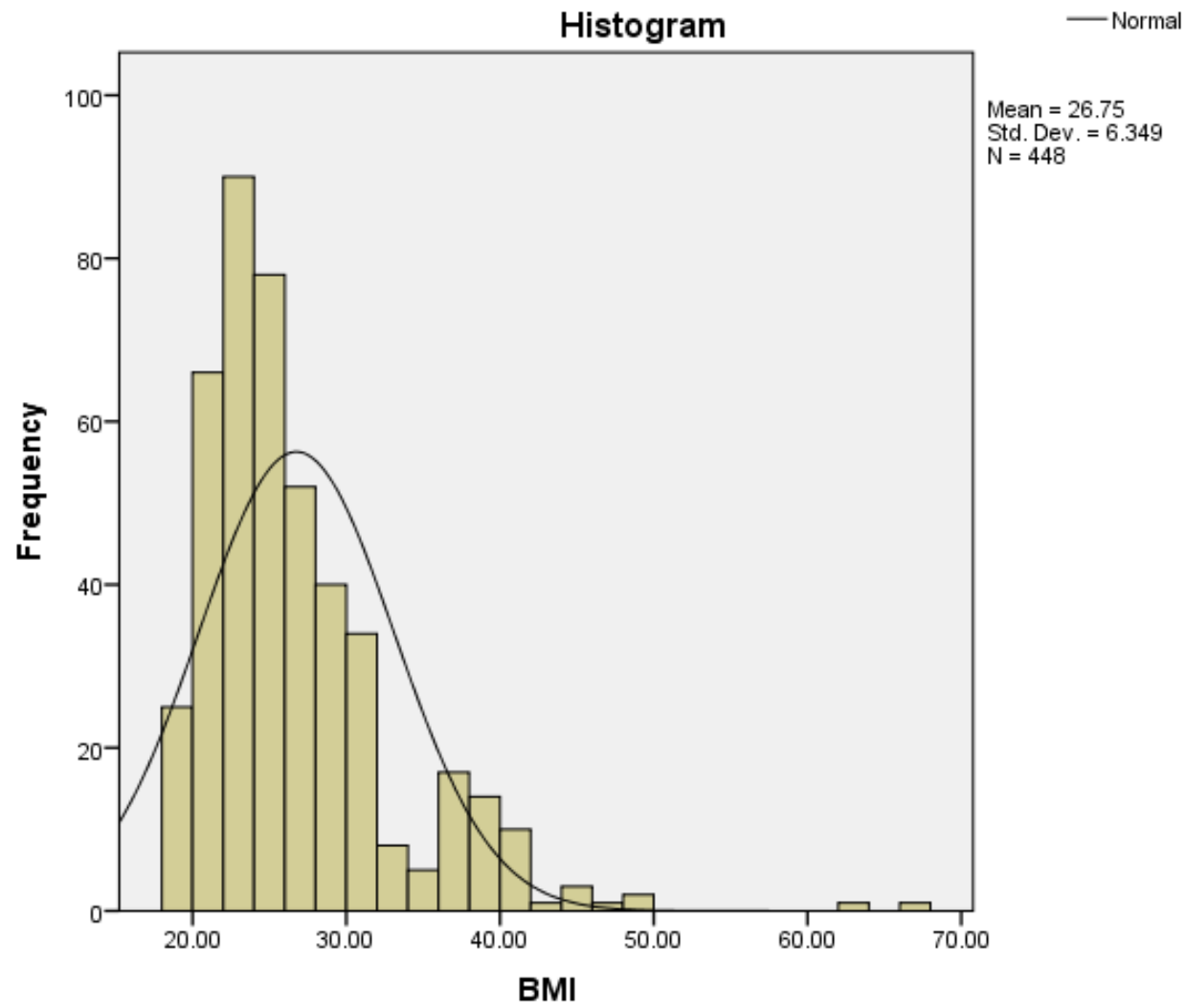
BMI is not Normally distributed.

Tests of Normality

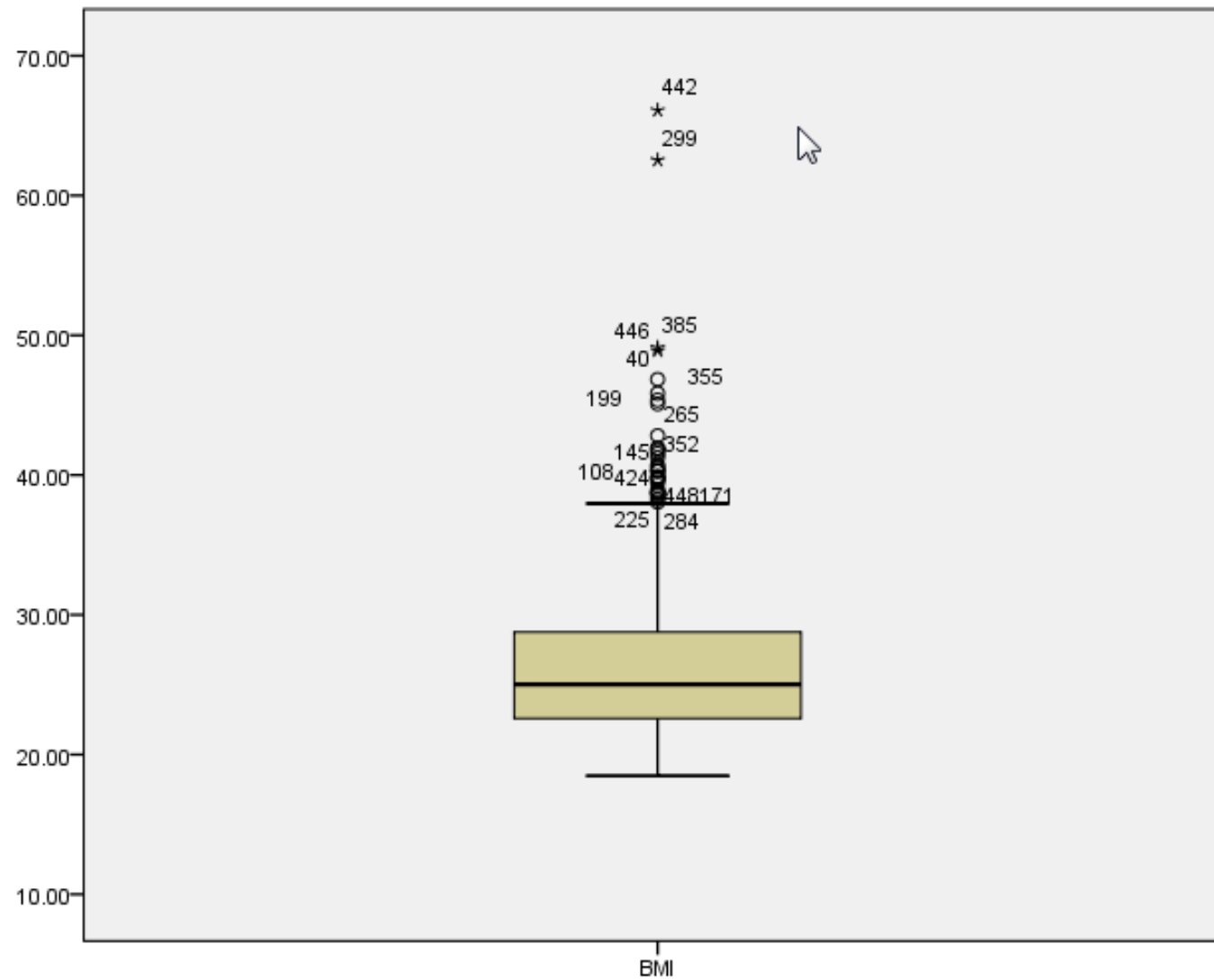
	Kolmogorov-Smirnov ^a			Shapiro-Wilk		
	Statistic	df	Sig.	Statistic	df	Sig.
BMI	.137	448	.000	.844	448	.000

a. Lilliefors Significance Correction





Observed Value



Gender vs. BMI

1. Analyze

2. Nonparametric Tests

3. Legacy Dialogs

4. 2 Independent Samples...

5. Test Variable List: BMI [bmi]

6. Grouping Variable: gender(? ?)

7. Define Groups...

8. Group 1: 1, Group 2: 0

9. Continue

10. OK

	race	wt
140	Malay	56
146	Malay	55
147	Malay	56
149	Malay	50
150	Malay	86
151	Malay	65
153	Malay	55
157	Malay	69
162	Malay	51
163	Malay	52
16	Malay	61
17	Malay	61
172	Malay	73
173	Malay	70
174	Malay	70
178	Malay	46
180	Malay	50
181	Malay	50
184	Malay	50
186	Female	22
187	Female	48
188	Female	47
189	Female	21
191	Malay	50



Mann-Whitney Test

Ranks

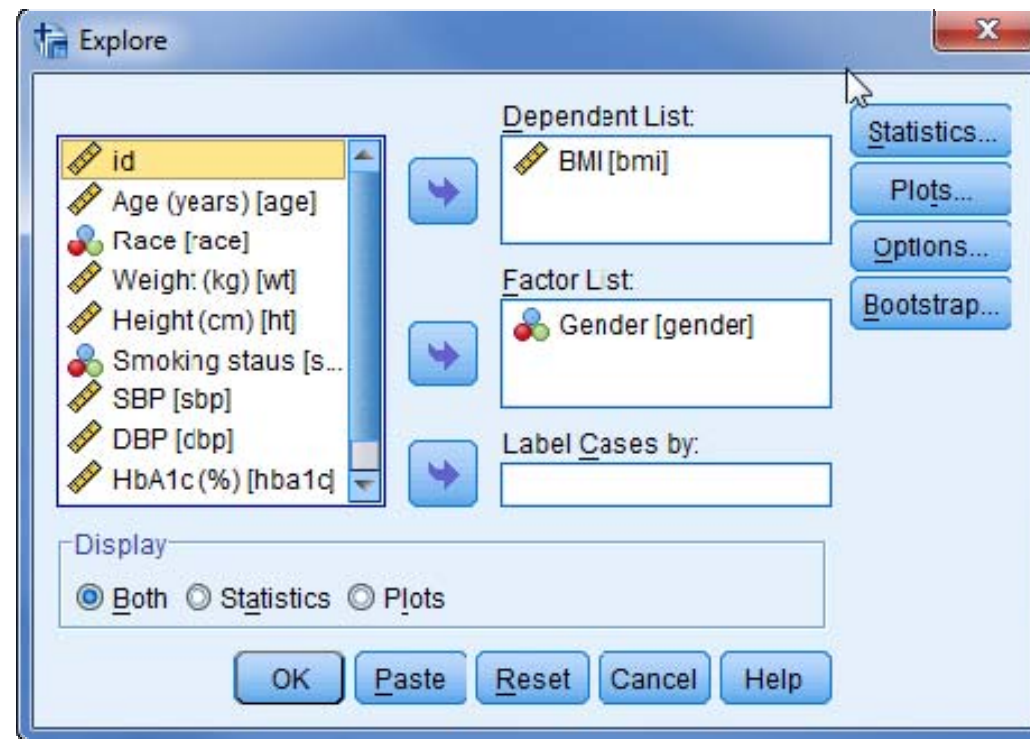
	Gender	N	Mean Rank	Sum of Ranks
BMI	Female	238	168.59	40124.00
	Male	210	287.87	60452.00
	Total	448		

*Mann-Whitnet tests between 'rank'.
Don't have to cite the mean 'rank'. They
have no meaning in the actual context.
Instead describe their medians.*

Test Statistics^a

	BMI
Mann-Whitney U	11683.000
Wilcoxon W	40124.000
Z	-9.731
Asymp. Sig. (2-tailed)	.000

a. Grouping Variable: Gender



Descriptives

Gender			Statistic	Std. Error
BMI	Female	Mean	24.0304	.22031
		95% Confidence Interval for Mean	Lower Bound 23.5963 Upper Bound 24.4644	
		5% Trimmed Mean	23.8684	
		Median	23.3391	
		Variance	11.552	
		Std. Deviation	3.39877	
		Minimum	18.49	
		Maximum	32.82	
		Range	14.33	
		Interquartile Range	4.75	
		Skewness	.684	.158
		Kurtosis	-.314	.314
	Male	Mean	29.8352	.51236
		95% Confidence Interval for Mean	Lower Bound 28.8252 Upper Bound 30.8453	
		5% Trimmed Mean	29.2599	
		Median	27.5397	
		Variance	55.127	
		Std. Deviation	7.42476	
		Minimum	19.92	
		Maximum	66.10	
		Range	46.18	
		Interquartile Range	11.02	
		Skewness	1.463	.168
		Kurtosis	3.319	.334

23.3 (IQR=4.8) vs. 27.5
(IQR=11.0) kg/m², Z (Mann-Whitney)=9.731, P<0.001



Analyze Direct Marketing Graphs Utilities Add-ons Window Help

Tests for Several Independent Samples

Test Variable List:

BMI [bmi]

Grouping Variable:

race(??)

Define Range

Test Type

☒ Kruskal-Wallis H ☐ Median

☐ Jonckheere-Terpstra

OK Paste Reset Cancel Help

Several Independent Samp...

Range for Grouping Variable

Minimum: 0

Maximum: 2

Continue Cancel Help

		BMI	
		Count	Median
Race	Malay	234	24.53
	Chinese	184	25.91
	Indian	32	23.87

Kruskal-Wallis Test

Ranks

Race		N	Mean Rank
BMI	Malay	234	214.29
	Chinese	182	238.32
	Indian	32	220.58
	Total	448	

Test Statistics^{a,b}

	BMI
Chi-Square	3.557
df	2
Asymp. Sig.	.169

a. Kruskal Wallis Test

b. Grouping Variable: Race



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CORRELATION



Scatter plot *(Age vs. HbA1c)*

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age		race	wt		
32	Female	Malay	56		
36	Female	Malay	55		
38	Female	Malay	56		
27	Female	Malay	50		
44	Male	Malay	86		
31	Male	Malay	65		
23	Female	Malay	55		
			69		
			51		
			52		
			61		
			54	149	No

Scatter/Dot

Simple Scatter

Matrix Scatter

Simple Dot

Overlay Scatter

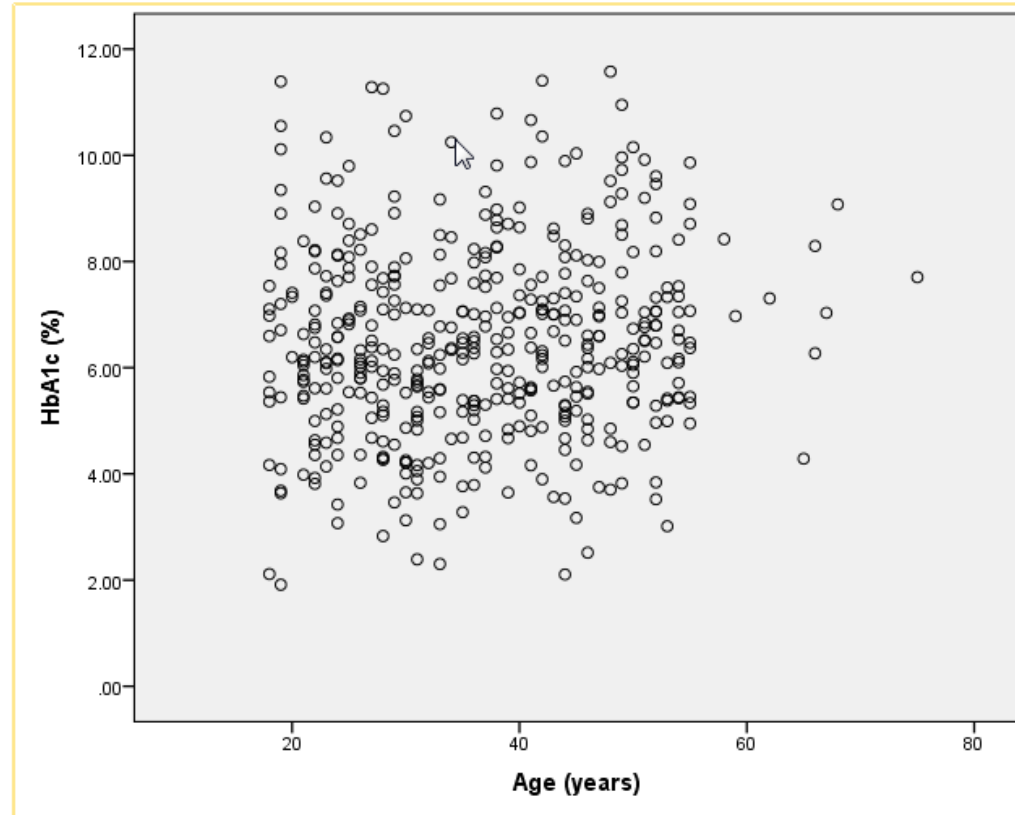
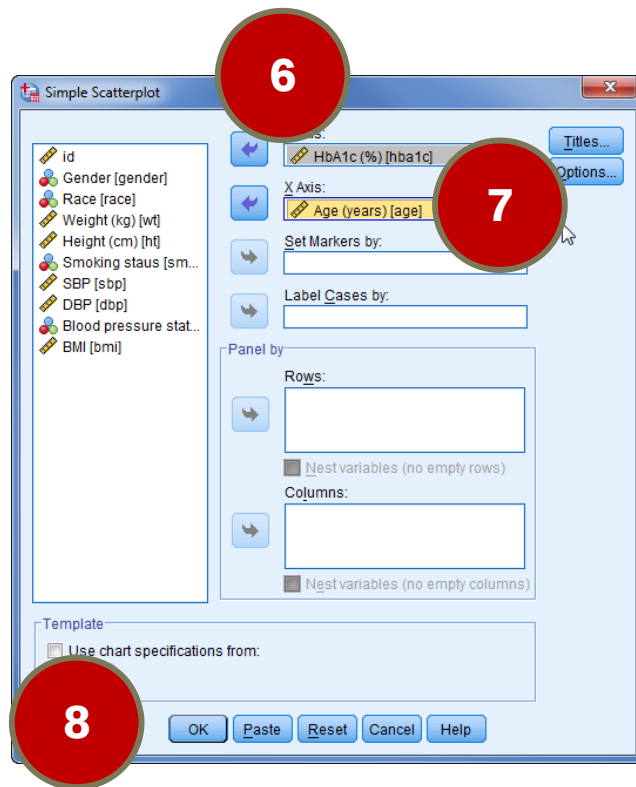
3-D Scatter

Define

Cancel

Help





Describe the relationship of two numerical variables.

Dependent variable in Y-axis, explanatory (exposure) in x-axis.



Age vs. HbA1c

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Analyze Direct Marketing Graphs Utilities Add-ons Window

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Reports
Descriptive Statistics
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Missing Value Analysis...
Multiple Imputation
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ROC Curve...

	race	wt
140	Malay	56
146	Malay	55
147	Malay	56
150	Malay	50
186	Malay	86

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12 Bivariate...
12.5 Partial...
8 Distances...

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Bivariate Correlations

Variables:

id
Gender [gender]
Race [race]
Weight (kg) [wt]
Height (cm) [ht]
Smoking status [s...]
SBP [sbp]
DBP [dbp]
Blood pressure s...

Age (years) [age]
HbA1c (%) [hba1c]

Options...
Bootstrap...

Correlation Coefficients

☒ Pearson ☐ Kendall's tau-b ☐ Spearman

Test of Significance

☒ Two-tailed ☐ One-tailed

☒ Flag significant correlations

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Correlations				
		Age (years)	HbA1c (%)	BMI
Age (years)	Pearson Correlation	1	.096*	-.016
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.043	.734
	N	450	450	448
HbA1c (%)	Pearson Correlation	.096*	1	.314**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.043		.000
	N	450	450	448
BMI	Pearson Correlation	-.016	.314**	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.734	.000	
	N	448	448	448

*. Correlation is significant at the 0.05 level (2-tailed).

**. Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

There is a weak correlation between age & HbA1c ($r=0.96$, $P=0.43$).

< 0.3 = Weak

0.3-0.7 = Moderate

> 0.7 = Strong

