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ABSTRACT

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The popularity of the first name "Jonah" has caused quite a stir in the great sea of statistical inquiry. In this study, we embark on an aquatic journey to analyze the correlation between the rise and fall of "Jonahs" and the number of nursing instructors and teachers in the landlocked state of Idaho. Our research team utilized data from the US Social Security Administration and the Bureau of Labor Statistics to unravel this fishy connection. We must say, diving into this topic has certainly been a whale of a time! The results revealed a striking correlation coefficient of 0.8959117 and a p-value that washes ashore at less than 0.01 for the years 2003 to 2018. It seems that the name "Jonah" is not merely a maritime myth but may indeed be riding a tidal wave of influence on the world of healthcare education in Idaho. As we sail on to new research horizons, we are left pondering whether other names may hold similar aquatic power over occupational trends. We invite fellow researchers to join us on this nautically-named journey into the briny depths of statistical discovery.

Keywords:

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I. Introduction

INTRODUCTION

The vast and tempestuous seas of statistical inquiry have long been a source of fascination and perplexity, often leaving researchers adrift in a sea of data. One particular wave that has surged to the forefront of our attention is the rising popularity of the first name "Jonah." Initially, this may seem like a mere drop in the ocean of names, but as we delve deeper into the waters of demographic trends, a fascinating correlation emerges – a correlation that may leave even the most seasoned statistical mariners feeling a bit sea-sick.

In this study, we set sail to explore the curious relationship between the ebb and flow of individuals named "Jonah" and the number of nursing instructors and teachers in the landlocked state of Idaho. The aim was to navigate through the choppy waters of demographic data and discern whether there exists a substantial link between the popularity of this maritime moniker and the tide of educators in the healthcare field. Our journey involved navigating the treacherous currents of data from the US Social Security Administration and the Bureau of Labor Statistics, simultaneously analyzing the depths of historical naming trends and the fluctuating numbers of nursing instructors and teachers in Idaho.

The appeal of such an investigation may, at first, seem as elusive as spotting a mythical sea creature, yet the potential implications of such a correlation are as intriguing as a siren's song. Our team embarked on this aquatic expedition with the utmost scientific seriousness, while still allowing ourselves to harbor a sense of humor in the quest for statistical truth. As we navigated through the waves of data, we found ourselves buoyed by the sheer magnitude of the connection that emerged – a correlation coefficient of 0.8959117, accompanied by a p-value so low, it could make even the saltiest of sailors yearn for a fresh breeze of statistical significance.

It appears that the name "Jonah," far from being a mere drop in the statistical ocean, may indeed be riding a mighty tidal wave of influence on the world of healthcare education in Idaho. Our findings, though perplexing, beg the question: what other names may hold similar aquatic power over occupation trends? As we gaze over the horizon of future research endeavors, we remain anchored by this curiosity, inviting fellow researchers to join us on this nautically-named journey into the briny depths of statistical discovery. After all, as any seasoned mariner will tell you, the sea of statistical investigation is no place for those afraid to get their feet wet – or at the very least, a little damp with data.

II. Literature Review

LITERATURE REVIEW

The connection between the popularity of the first name "Jonah" and the number of nursing instructors and teachers in Idaho has stirred the proverbial waters of scientific inquiry, leading researchers to delve into a diverse array of sources in search of guidance on this intriguing correlation.

In "The Names of the Stars: A Life in the Wilds" by Pete Fromm, the author immerses readers in the vast and untamed landscapes of Idaho, evoking a sense of the wilderness that parallels the enigmatic relationship between demographic trends and the educational field. Meanwhile, "The Baby Name Wizard" by Laura Wattenberg provides a comprehensive analysis of naming trends, though it does not dive specifically into the impact of individual names on occupational statistics. Turning to works of fiction, "Moby-Dick" by Herman Melville seems an improbable source for insights into our current investigation, but the saga of the mighty White Whale does offer a lesson in the perils of obsessions, a tangential reminder of the significance of statistical obsession. Similarly, Jules Verne's "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea" captures the imagination with its exploration of the unknown depths, serving as a rather amusing metaphor for our own academic expedition.

Moreover, we pay particular homage to the educational cartoons and children's shows that have shaped our understanding of the world. "SpongeBob SquarePants," with its colorful cast of characters and undersea setting, might not seem immediately relevant to our study, but it would be remiss to discount the potential influence of animated marine life on the subconscious associations with names and occupations. Furthermore, the adventures of the mermaid princess in "The Little Mermaid" tap into the aquatic theme that runs parallel to our inquiry, albeit in a whimsical and fictional context.

As we delved further into the murky depths of literature and popular culture, it became clear that our investigation treads upon a unique and multifaceted terrain. And, as any sailor worth their salt knows, the sea of inquiry can always benefit from a splash of creative inspiration.

III. Methodology

METHODOLOGY

In our quest to unravel the enigmatic connection between the popularity of the first name "Jonah" and the number of nursing instructors and teachers in the atypical nautical setting of Idaho, our research team sought out a worthy vessel to navigate the turbulent seas of data collection and analysis.

Data Collection:

We embarked on an extensive data-gathering odyssey spanning the years 2003 to 2018, scouring the vast expanse of the US Social Security Administration's treasuries and navigating the choppy waters of the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Our team cast a wide net, reeling in information on the frequency of the name "Jonah" and the fluctuating numbers of nursing instructors and teachers in the landlocked state of Idaho. We cast our gaze upon a plethora of sources, ensuring that our data nets were not torn asunder by the forces of sampling bias and inconsistency.

Data Analysis:

Having hauled our statistical catch aboard our methodological vessel, we set sail for the uncertain waters of data analysis. Utilizing the time-honored techniques of correlation analysis, we sought to disentangle the knotted web of information and uncover any hidden treasures of statistical significance. Our trusty tools of research rigging included the calculation of correlation coefficients and p-values, allowing us to gauge both the strength of the relationship between the variables and the likelihood of observing such a connection by mere chance alone.

Statistical Rigor:

Maintaining the scientific integrity of our journey, we meticulously navigated through the shoals of potential confounding variables, ensuring that our findings were not adrift in a sea of spurious

correlations. We implemented rigorous statistical methods to batten down the hatches and weather any storms of skepticism that may have threatened the validity of our results.

Limitations:

While our expedition yielded bountiful results, it is imperative to acknowledge the boundaries of our maritime methodology. The potential influence of uncharted variables and the inherent constraints of observational data may have created currents of uncertainty in our findings. Our journey through the waves of statistical inquiry was not without its choppy waters, and it is important to approach our results with a seasoned eye for the nuances of empirical exploration.

In summary, our foray into the depths of methodological inquiry has led us to unveil the intricacies of the connection between the name "Jonah" and the realm of nursing instructors and teachers in Idaho. Our methods, while as tempest-tossed as the statistical seas themselves, have weathered the storm and emerged with findings that may very well rock the boat of conventional occupational trends. As we chart a course for future research, we remain buoyed by the knowledge that, in the sea of statistical investigation, the waves of data analysis may part to reveal the riveting truths that lie beneath the surface.

IV. Results

Our expedition into the ocean of data has yielded some remarkable findings. First and foremost, the correlation between the popularity of the name "Jonah" and the number of nursing instructors and teachers in Idaho is nothing short of astounding. We found a correlation coefficient of 0.8959117, indicating a strong positive relationship between these two seemingly unrelated

variables. This connection is quite the catch, as it suggests that the popularity of the name "Jonah" may indeed have a whale of an impact on the educational landscape in Idaho.

Furthermore, our regression analysis revealed an r-squared value of 0.8026578, indicating that approximately 80.3% of the variability in the number of nursing instructors and teachers in Idaho can be explained by the popularity of the name "Jonah." It's as if we've stumbled upon a hidden treasure trove of statistical significance, with our findings pointing to a substantial association between the ebb and flow of "Jonahs" and the educational workforce in Idaho.

In addition, the p-value of less than 0.01 further solidifies the robustness of our results, indicating that the likelihood of observing such a strong correlation by chance alone is akin to hoping for a calm sea in the midst of a raging storm. This level of statistical significance gives our findings the kind of firm footing that even the most sea-worn and seasoned researchers can rely on.



Figure 1. Scatterplot of the variables by year

To visually illustrate the striking correlation we uncovered, we present Fig. 1, a scatterplot that graphically depicts the relationship between the popularity of the name "Jonah" and the number of nursing instructors and teachers in Idaho. The figure speaks volumes, echoing the resounding

evidence of the tidal influence of this particular moniker on the field of healthcare education in the landlocked state.

Overall, our findings have cast a net of curiosity over the influence of names on occupational trends, making us wonder if other alluringly named individuals may also be shaping the course of different professions. As we chart our course towards future research endeavors, we are left with a lingering sense of awe at the magnitude of this unexpected correlation. We invite fellow researchers to join us in our quest for knowledge, as the statistical sea is rife with surprises, ready to be explored by those brave enough to navigate its depths.

V. Discussion

The correlation we uncovered between the popularity of the name "Jonah" and the number of nursing instructors and teachers in Idaho is nothing short of revelatory. Our findings align with the whimsically aquatic themes we encountered in our literature review, as if our research took place on the deck of the Pequod with Captain Ahab himself. Surprisingly, our results indicate that the "Jonah effect" extends beyond sailor superstitions and into the realm of healthcare education.

The parallels we drew from the works of Pete Fromm and Herman Melville seem less fanciful now, as if the ever-elusive Moby Dick itself influenced the choice of names in Idaho. The impact of the literary world on societal trends may run deeper than we initially suspected, transcending fictional tales and seeping into demographic realities. Who would have thought that the musings of Captain Nemo in "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea" might find a correlate in Idaho's education system? Perhaps our findings serve as a testament to the enduring influence of literature on the human psyche, manifesting itself in the form of statistical correlations.

Moreover, our results support the conspicuous absence of "Jonah" in Laura Wattenberg's "The Baby Name Wizard." While not explicitly delving into occupational statistics, the absence of "Jonah" in Wattenberg's analysis might indicate a deliberate omission, casting further doubt on the innocence of statistical insignificance.

The p-value we obtained is as rare and precious as a mythical sea creature. This level of statistical significance is as elusive as the fabled Loch Ness Monster, and yet, we have quantified its existence in the form of a p-value less than 0.01. The robustness of this finding stands as unassailable as a mighty sea fortress, weathering the storms of statistical skepticism with unwavering solidity.

Our study raises intriguing questions about the influence of nautically named individuals on various professions. Could there be a hidden undercurrent of naming trends shaping the landscapes of different occupational fields? The sea of statistical inquiry continues to offer uncharted depths for exploration, and as we set sail for future research endeavors, we look forward to uncovering more of its enigmatic treasures.

VI. Conclusion

CONCLUSION

Navigating through the tumultuous waters of statistical inquiry, our expedition into the influence of the name "Jonah" on the number of nursing instructors and teachers in Idaho has certainly been an adventure. The significant correlation coefficient of 0.8959117 reels us in with the undeniable connection between the popularity of this maritime moniker and the educational workforce in the landlocked state. As we hoist the anchor on this peculiar correlation, it leaves us pondering whether other names may be casting an equally captivating net over occupational trends.

Our findings, akin to stumbling upon a chest of statistical treasure, beckon us to contemplate the broader implications of nautically-named individuals shaping diverse professions. However, it seems we may have cast a wide enough net in this area, as no further research may be needed to fish out additional aquatic connections between names and occupational trends. After all, in the vast sea of statistical inquiry, one must know when to sail on to new nautically-named research endeavors.

It's clear that when it comes to the buoyancy of statistical significance, this correlation has certainly set sail in the waters of occupational influence. As the tides of statistical discovery continue to ebb and flow, we invite our fellow researchers to navigate their own vessels of inquiry through the colorful sea of correlations between names and professions. And remember, as any intrepid sailor of research will tell you, the only way to discover new shores of statistical truth is to embark on the most peculiar of journeys.