Two-Way Tables

Vocabulary:

Two-Way frequency table: a table listing two categorical variables

Joint Relative Frequency: divide a frequency that is not in the total row or the total column by the grand total

Marginal relative frequency: divide a row total or a column total by the grand total

Two-Way Relative Frequency Table: displays both the joint relative and marginal relative frequencies

Conditional relative frequency: divide a frequency that is NOT in the total row or total column by the frequency's row total or column total

Creating a relative frequency table:

Ms. Bonenfant asked 20 randomly selected students whether they preferred dogs, cats, or other pets.

Preferred Pet	Dog	Cat	Other	Total
Frequency	18	12	10	40
Relative Frequency	$\frac{18}{40} = 0.45$	$\frac{12}{40} = 0.3$	$\frac{10}{40} = 0.25$	$\frac{40}{40} = 1$
Relative Frequency Percent	45%	30%	25%	100%

To find: divide the amount by the total

Then Ms. Bonenfant recorded the gender of each student and their preference.

Preferred Pet	Dog	Cat	Other	Total
Boys	10	5	9	
Girls	8	7		16
Totals	18		10	40

Fill in the rest of the table.

How many total students took the survey?

How many students said they like dogs as pets?

How many **boys** said they like dogs as pets?

Find the conditional relative frequency that a student surveyed prefers cats, given the student is a girl.

Number of girls who prefer cats:

Number of girls:

Find the conditional relative frequency that a student surveyed is a girl, given that the student prefers cats as pets.

Creating a two-way relative frequency table.

Preferred Pet	Dog	Cat	Other	Total
Boys	$\frac{10}{40} = .25$			
Girls	$\frac{8}{40} = .2$			
Totals				

Fill in the rest of the table.

Find the joint relative frequency of students surveyed who are girls and prefer dogs as pets.

To answer this, you have to look at only the girls who picked dogs: 0.2

Find the joint relative frequency of students surveyed who are boys and prefer cats as pets.

To answer this, you have to look at only the boys who picked cats.

Find the marginal relative frequency of students surveyed who prefer dogs as pets and then prefer cats as pets.

To answer this, you are now looking at all students (boys and girls) who prefer dogs.

Then a separate question: you have to look at all students (boys and girls) who prefer cats.