

	Population	One Simple Random Sample y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n of size n	All Simple Random Samples of size n
Associated Distribution	Distribution of Y	None	Sampling Distribution (Distribution of \bar{Y}_n)
Associated Mean(s)	Population mean μ , also called $E(Y)$, or the expected value of Y , or the expectation of Y	Sample mean $\bar{y} = (y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n)/n$ It is an estimate of μ .	1) Each sample has its own mean \bar{y} . This allows us to define a random variable \bar{Y}_n . The population for \bar{Y}_n is all simple random samples from Y . The value of \bar{Y}_n for a particular simple random sample is the sample mean \bar{y} for that sample. 2) Since it is a random variable, \bar{Y}_n also has a mean, $E(\bar{Y}_n)$. Using the model assumptions for this particular example, it can be proved that $E(\bar{Y}_n) = \mu$. In other words, the random variables Y and \bar{Y}_n have the same mean.
Associated Standard Deviation	<i>Population standard deviation</i> σ	<i>Sample standard deviation</i> $s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{x} - x_i)^2}$ s is an <u>estimate</u> of the population standard deviation σ	<i>Sampling distribution standard deviation</i> $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$