LESSON Data Collection and Analysis

2 Practice B: Additional Data and Outliers

Use the table to answer Exercises 1–2.

- The table shows population data for some of the least-crowded states. Find the mean, median, and mode of the data.
- Alaska has the lowest population density of any state. Only about 1 person per square mile lives there. Add this number to the data in the table and find the mean, median, and mode.

Use the table to answer Exercises 3-4.

- 3. The table shows some of the states with the most counties. Find the mean, median, and mode of the data.
- With 254 counties, Texas has more counties than any other state. Add this number to the data in the table and find the mean, median, and mode.
- 5. In Exercise 1, which measurement best describes the data? Why is Alaska's population density an outlier for that data set?

Population Densities

	People
State	(per mi ²)
Idaho	16
Nevada	18
New Mexico	15
North Dakota	9
South Dakota	10

State Counties

	Number of
State	Counties
Illinois	102
lowa	99
North Carolina	100
Tennessee	95
Virginia	95

6. In Exercise 4, why is the number of counties in Texas an outlier for the data set? Which measurement best describes the data set with Texas included?

Answers for Lesson 2

Practice A

- 1. mean: 10.75; median: 7.5;mode:none
- 2. mean: 21; median: 13; mode: none
- 3. mean: 8.66; median: 9; mode: 9
- 4. mean: 80; median: 9; mode: 9
- 5. the mode 6. the median and mode

Practice B

- 1. mean: 13.6; median: 15; mode: none
- 2. mean: 11.5; median: 12.5; mode: none
- 3. mean: 98.2; median: 99; mode: 95
- 4. mean: 124.16; median: 99.5; mode: 95
- 5. the mean; because it is much lower than the other data
- 6. because Texas has many more counties; the median

Practice C

- 1. mean: 23.6; median: 23; mode: none
- 2. mean: 27.16; median: 24; mode: none; median
- 3. mean: 183.8; median: 179; mode: none
- 4. mean: 211; median: 186; mode: none; the median
- 5. the range
- 6. The mean will always be greater.

Review for Mastery

- 1. mean: 28; median: 26; mode: 26 mean: 25.1; median: 26; mode: 26
- 2. mean: 22.3; median: 16.5; mode: 14 and 19.

The median best describes the data.

Challenge

Some answers depend on student ages. Sample answers are given for age 12.

Youngest Astronauts

Data Without Your Age: Mean age: 27 Median age: 27 Mode age: 26 and 28 Data With Your Age: Mean age: 25.125 Median age: 26.5 Mode age: 26 and 28

Oldest Astronauts

Data Without Your Age:Mean age: 60Median age: 58Mode age: no modeData With Your Age:Mean age: 54Median age: 57Mode age: no mode

Problem Solving

- 1. mean: \$385 million; median: \$404 million; mode: none
- 2. mean: \$421 million; median: \$414 million; mode: none
- 3. D 4. F
- 5. C 6. H

Reading Strategies

- 1. Possible answer: You can see that 70 is set apart from the other scores.
- 2. decrease
- 3. Possible answer: The numbers are stacked on top of each other.
- 4. increase 5. mode

Puzzles, Twisters & Teasers

- 1. 0.5 (5 tenths) 2. 9
- 3. 3 4. 1.6
- 5. If Mode move 5 spaces down

