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Description Calculate common types of tables for weighted survey data. Options include topline and (2-way and 3-way) crosstab tables of categorical or ordinal data as well as summary tables of weighted numeric variables. Optionally, include the margin of error at selected confidence intervals including the design effect. The design effect is calculated as described by Kish (1965) <doi:10.1002/bimj.19680100122> beginning on page 257. Output takes the form of tibbles (simple data frames). This package conveniently handles labelled data, such as that commonly used by 'Stata' and 'SPSS.' Complex survey design is not supported at this time.

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crosstab

weighted crosstabs

## Description

crosstab returns a tibble containing a weighted crosstab of two variables

## Usage

```
crosstab(
  df,
  x,
  y,
  weight,
  remove = "",
  n = TRUE,
  pct_type = "row",
  format = "wide",
  unwt_n = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

```
df The data source

x The independent variable

y The dependent variable

weight The weighting variable
```

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remove	An optional character vector of values to remove from final table (e.g. "refused"). This will not affect any calculations made. The vector is not casesensitive.
n	logical, if TRUE numeric totals are included. They are included in a separate column for row and cell percentages, but in a separate row for wide format column percentages.
pct_type	Controls the kind of percentage values returned. One of "row," "cell," or "column."
format	one of "long" or "wide"
unwt_n	logical, if TRUE a column "unweighted_n" is included containing the unweighted frequency count. It is not available when pct_type is "column"

#### **Details**

Options include row, column, or cell percentages. The tibble can be in long or wide format.

#### Value

a tibble

## **Examples**

```
crosstab(df = illinois, x = voter, y = raceethnic, weight = weight)
crosstab(df = illinois, x = voter, y = raceethnic, weight = weight, n = FALSE)
```

crosstab\_3way

weighted 3-way crosstabs

## Description

crosstab\_3way returns a tibble containing a weighted crosstab of two variables by a third variable

```
crosstab_3way(
    df,
    x,
    y,
    z,
    weight,
    remove = c(""),
    n = TRUE,
    pct_type = "row",
    format = "wide",
    unwt_n = FALSE
)
```

deff\_calc

#### **Arguments**

df	The data source
x	The independent variable
У	The dependent variable
z	The second control variable
weight	The weighting variable
remove	An optional character vector of values to remove from final table (e.g. "refused"). This will not affect any calculations made. The vector is not case-sensitive.
n	logical, if TRUE numeric totals are included.
pct_type	Controls the kind of percentage values returned. One of "row" or "cell."
format	one of "long" or "wide"
unwt_n	logical, if TRUE a column is added containing unweighted frequency counts

#### **Details**

Options include row or cell percentages. The tibble can be in long or wide format. These tables are ideal for use with small multiples created with ggplot2::facet\_wrap.

#### Value

a tibble

## **Examples**

```
crosstab_3way(df = illinois, x = sex, y = educ6, z = marital status, weight = weight) crosstab_3way(df = illinois, x = sex, y = educ6, z = marital status, weight = weight, format = "wide")
```

deff\_calc

Calculate the design effect of a sample

## Description

```
deff_calc returns a single number
```

## Usage

```
deff_calc(w)
```

#### **Arguments**

W

a vector of weights

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#### **Details**

This function returns the design effect of a given sample using the formula length(w)\*sum(w $^2$ )/(sum(w) $^2$ ). It is designed for use in the moe family of functions.

#### Value

A number

#### **Examples**

```
deff_calc(illinois$weight)
```

illinois

Illinois respondents to the Voting and Registration Supplement for the Current Population Survey

### Description

A dataset containing the responses of 36,207 Illinois respondents to the Current Population Survey's biennial Voting and Registration Supplement for the Current Population Survey, 1996-2018.

#### Usage

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#### **Format**

A data frame with 36207 rows and 9 variables:

year year of survey

fips the state fips code

sex sex of the respondent, labelled value

educ6 highest level of education for respondent, labelled values

raceethnic one of white, black, Hispanic, or other, labelled values

maritalstatus one of Married, Widowed/divorced/Sep, or Never Married, labelled values

rv indicates if the respondent is registered to vote, labelled values

voter indicates if the respondent voted, labelled values

age the age of the respondent, numeric values

weight the number of people each respondent is calculated to represent

### Source

https://www.census.gov/topics/public-sector/voting.html

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Calculate the margin of error (including design effect) of a sample

#### **Description**

moedeff\_calc returns a single number. It is designed for use in the moe family of functions.

#### Usage

```
moedeff_calc(pct, deff, n, zscore = 1.96)
```

#### Arguments

pct a proportion

deff a design effect

n the sample size

zscore defaults to 1.96, consistent with a 95% confidence interval.

#### **Details**

This function returns the margin of error including design effect of a given sample of weighted data using the formula sqrt(deff)\*zscore\*sqrt((pct\*(1-pct))/(n-1))\*100

#### Value

A percentage

### **Examples**

```
moedeff_calc(pct = 0.515, deff = 1.6, n = 214)
```

moe\_crosstab

weighted crosstabs with margin of error

## Description

moe\_crosstab returns a tibble containing a weighted crosstab of two variables with margin of error

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#### Usage

```
moe_crosstab(
  df,
  x,
  y,
  weight,
  remove = c(""),
  n = TRUE,
  pct_type = "row",
  format = "long",
  zscore = 1.96,
  unwt_n = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

df	The data source
x	The independent variable
у	The dependent variable
weight	The weighting variable, defaults to zwave_weight
remove	An optional character vector of values to remove from final table (e.g. "refused"). This will not affect any calculations made. The vector is not casesensitive.
n	logical, if TRUE numeric totals are included.
pct_type	Controls the kind of percentage values returned. One of "row" or "cell." Column percents are not supported.
format	one of "long" or "wide"
zscore	defaults to 1.96, consistent with a 95% confidence interval
unwt_n	logical, if TRUE it adds a column with unweighted frequency values

#### **Details**

Options include row or cell percentages. The tibble can be in long or wide format. The margin of error includes the design effect of the weights.

#### Value

a tibble

## **Examples**

```
moe_crosstab(df = illinois, x = voter, y = raceethnic, weight = weight)
moe_crosstab(df = illinois, x = voter, y = raceethnic, weight = weight, n = FALSE)
```

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moe\_crosstab\_3way

weighted 3-way crosstabs with margin of error

## Description

moe\_crosstab\_3way returns a tibble containing a weighted crosstab of two variables by a third variable with margin of error

#### Usage

```
moe_crosstab_3way(
   df,
   x,
   y,
   z,
   weight,
   remove = c(""),
   n = TRUE,
   pct_type = "row",
   format = "long",
   zscore = 1.96,
   unwt_n = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

df	The data source
x	The independent variable
У	The dependent variable
z	The second control variable
weight	The weighting variable
remove	An optional character vector of values to remove from final table (e.g. "refused"). This will not affect any calculations made. The vector is not case-sensitive.
n	logical, if TRUE numeric totals are included.
pct_type	Controls the kind of percentage values returned. One of "row" or "cell."
format	one of "long" or "wide"
zscore	defaults to 1.96, consistent with a 95% confidence interval
unwt_n	logical, if TRUE it adds a column with unweighted frequency values

#### **Details**

Options include row or cell percentages. The tibble can be in long or wide format. These tables are ideal for use with small multiples created with ggplot2::facet\_wrap.

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#### Value

a tibble

#### **Examples**

```
moe\_crosstab\_3way(df = illinois, x = sex, y = educ6, z = maritalstatus, weight = weight)
moe\_crosstab\_3way(df = illinois, x = sex, y = educ6, z = maritalstatus, weight = weight, format = "wide")
```

moe\_topline

weighted topline with margin of error

## Description

moe\_topline returns a tibble containing a weighted topline of one variable with margin of error

#### Usage

```
moe_topline(
  df,
  variable,
  weight,
  remove = c(""),
  n = TRUE,
  pct = TRUE,
  valid_pct = TRUE,
  cum_pct = TRUE,
  zscore = 1.96
)
```

### Arguments

df	The data source
variable	the variable name
weight	The weighting variable, defaults to zwave_weight
remove	An optional character vector of values to remove from final table (e.g. "refused"). This will not affect any calculations made. The vector is not case-sensitive.
n	logical, if TRUE a frequency column is included percentages, but in a separate row for column percentages.
pct	logical, if TRUE a column of percents is included
valid_pct	logical, if TRUE a column of valid percents is included
cum_pct	logical, if TRUE a column of cumulative percents is included
zscore	defaults to 1.96, consistent with a 95% confidence interval

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#### **Details**

By default the table includes a column for frequency count, percent, valid percent, and cumulative percent.

#### Value

a tibble

#### **Examples**

```
moe_topline(df = illinois, variable = educ6, weight = weight)
moe_topline(df = illinois, variable = educ6, weight = weight, remove = c("LT HS"))
```

moe\_wave\_crosstab

weighted crosstabs with margin of error, where the x-variable identifies different survey waves

#### **Description**

moe\_wave\_crosstab returns a tibble containing a weighted crosstab of two variables with margin of error. Use this function when the x-variable indicates different survey waves for which weights were calculated independently.

#### Usage

```
moe_wave_crosstab(
   df,
   x,
   y,
   weight,
   remove = c(""),
   n = TRUE,
   pct_type = "row",
   format = "long",
   zscore = 1.96,
   unwt_n = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

df	The data source
x	The independent variable, which uniquely identifies survey waves
У	The dependent variable
weight	The weighting variable, defaults to zwave_weight
remove	An optional character vector of values to remove from final table (e.g. "refused"). This will not affect any calculations made. The vector is not case-sensitive

n	logical, if TRUE numeric totals are included.
pct_type	Controls the kind of percentage values returned. One of "row" or "cell." Column percents are not supported.
format	one of "long" or "wide"
zscore	defaults to 1.96, consistent with a 95% confidence interval
unwt_n	logical, if TRUE it adds a column with unweighted frequency values

#### **Details**

Options include row or cell percentages. The tibble can be in long or wide format. The margin of error includes the design effect of the weights, calculated separately for each survey wave.

#### Value

a tibble

## **Examples**

```
moe_wave_crosstab(df = illinois, x = year, y = maritalstatus, weight = weight)
moe_wave_crosstab(df = illinois, x = year, y = maritalstatus, weight = weight, format = "wide")
```

moe\_wave\_crosstab\_3way

weighted 3-way crosstabs with margin of error, where the z-variable identifies different survey waves

#### **Description**

moe\_wave\_crosstab\_3way returns a tibble containing a weighted crosstab of two variables by a third variable with margin of error. Use this function when the z-variable indicates different survey waves for which weights were calculated independently.

```
moe_wave_crosstab_3way(
   df,
   x,
   y,
   z,
   weight,
   remove = c(""),
   n = TRUE,
   pct_type = "row",
   format = "long",
   zscore = 1.96,
   unwt_n = FALSE
)
```

summary\_table

#### **Arguments**

df	The data source
x	The independent variable
У	The dependent variable
Z	The second control variable, uniquely identifies survey waves
weight	The weighting variable
remove	An optional character vector of values to remove from final table (e.g. "refused"). This will not affect any calculations made. The vector is not case-sensitive.
n	logical, if TRUE numeric totals are included.
pct_type	Controls the kind of percentage values returned. One of "row" or "cell."
format	one of "long" or "wide"
zscore	defaults to 1.96, consistent with a 95% confidence interval
unwt_n	logical, if TRUE it adds a column with unweighted frequency values

#### **Details**

Options include row or cell percentages. The tibble can be in long or wide format. These tables are ideal for use with small multiples created with ggplot2::facet\_wrap.

## Value

a tibble

#### **Examples**

```
moe_crosstab_3way(df = illinois, x = sex, y = educ6, z = year, weight = weight)
moe_crosstab_3way(df = illinois, x = sex, y = educ6, z = year, weight = weight, format = "wide")
```

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#### **Description**

summary\_table returns a tibble containing a weighted summary table of a single variable.

```
summary_table(df, variable, weight, name_style = "clean")
```

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#### **Arguments**

df The data source

variable the variable to summarize, it should be numeric

weight The weighting variable

name\_style the style of the column names—one of "clean" or "pretty." Clean names are all

lower case and words are separated by an underscore. Pretty names begin with

a capital letter are words a separated by a space.

#### **Details**

The resulting tible includes columns for the variable name, unweighted observations, weighted observations, weighted mean, minimum value, maximum value, unweighted missing values, and weighted missing values

#### Value

a tibble

#### **Examples**

```
summary_table(illinois, age, weight)
summary_table(illinois, age, weight, name_style = "pretty")
```

topline

weighted topline

#### **Description**

topline returns a tibble containing a weighted topline of one variable

```
topline(
   df,
   variable,
   weight,
   remove = c(""),
   n = TRUE,
   pct = TRUE,
   valid_pct = TRUE,
   cum_pct = TRUE
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

df The data source variable the variable name

weight The weighting variable, defaults to zwave\_weight

remove An optional character vector of values to remove from final table (e.g. "re-

fused"). This will not affect any calculations made. The vector is not case-

sensitive.

n logical, if TRUE a frequency column is included percentages, but in a separate

row for column percentages.

pct logical, if TRUE a column of percents is included

valid\_pct logical, if TRUE a column of valid percents is included

cum\_pct logical, if TRUE a column of cumulative percents is included

#### **Details**

By default the table includes a column for frequency count, percent, valid percent, and cumulative percent.

#### Value

a tibble

#### **Examples**

```
topline(illinois, sex, weight)
topline(illinois, sex, weight, pct = FALSE)
```

wtd\_mean weighted mean

#### **Description**

wtd\_mean returns the weighted mean of a variable. It's a tidy-compatible wrapper around stats::weighted.mean().

#### Usage

```
wtd_mean(df, variable, weight)
```

#### **Arguments**

df The data source

variable the variable, it should be numeric

weight The weighting variable

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## Value

a numeric value

## Examples

```
wtd_mean(illinois, age, weight)
library(dplyr)
illinois %>% wtd_mean(age, weight)
```

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