

Conditional Probability

- Contains a condition that **limits (or restricts)** the sample space for an event

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The table shows the results of a class survey, "Do you own a pet?"

Find $P(\text{own a pet} \mid \text{female})$.

	Yes	No
Female	8	6
Male	5	7

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Conditional Probability

- Written as

$$P(B \mid A)$$

"The probability of event B, **given** event A"

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The table shows the results of a class survey, "Did you wash the dishes last night?" Find $P(\text{wash the dishes} \mid \text{male})$.

	Yes	No
Female	7	6
Male	7	8

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Conditional Probability Formula

$$P(B \mid A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$

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Using the data in the table, find the probability (as a percent) that a sample of not recycled waste was plastic. $P(\text{plastic} \mid \text{not-recycled})$.

	Recycled	Not Recycled
Paper	34.9	48.9
Metal	6.5	10.1
Glass	2.9	9.1
Plastic	1.1	20.4
Other	15.3	67.8

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