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**An Introduction to Secondary Data Analysis with IBM SPSS Statistics**
**(Sage, Dec. 2017)**

**Chapter 4: Getting Started with SPSS**

**Exercise video answer 10** (4'48")

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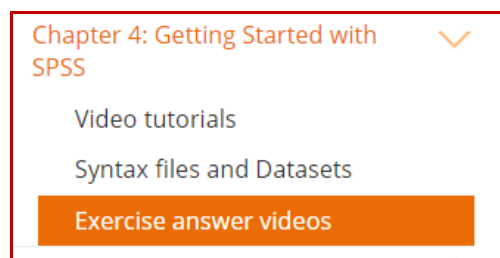MacInnes 4.2.2_ Exercise answer video 7
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  Exercise answer videos

Extract from page 104:

10  Produce a chart of the mean size of households across the countries in the survey, ranking average household size from the smallest to the largest.

**Exercise question 10**

*Produce a chart of the mean size of households across the countries in the survey, ranking average household size from the smallest to the largest.*

**Dependent variable:**     **hhmnb**   Number of people living regularly as member of household
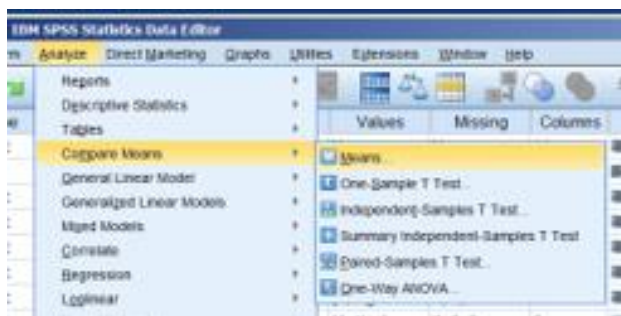**Independent variable:**   **cntry**    Country
**SPSS command:**        **MEANS**

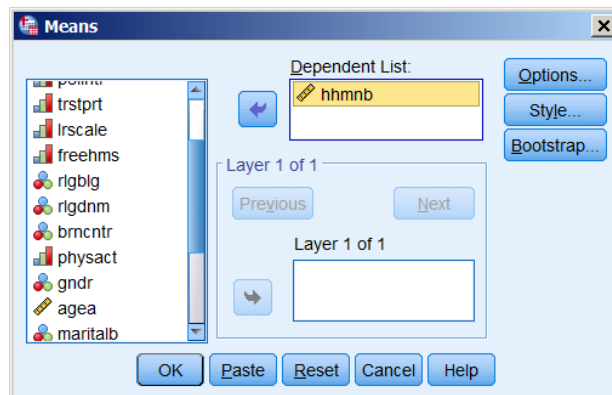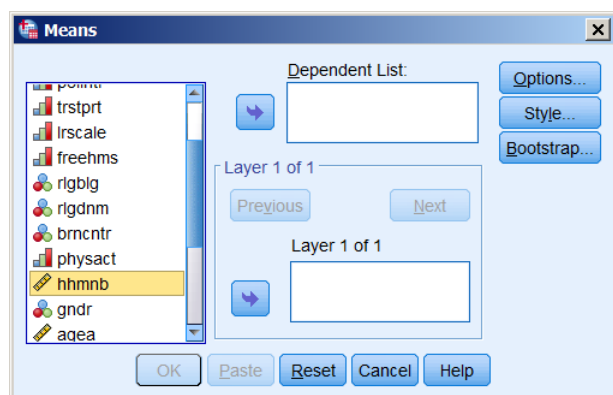[**NB:** JM leaves the previous **cntry** by **tvtot** table in view while specifying a new analysis.]

Checks that pspwght is in operation and that all cases are selected.
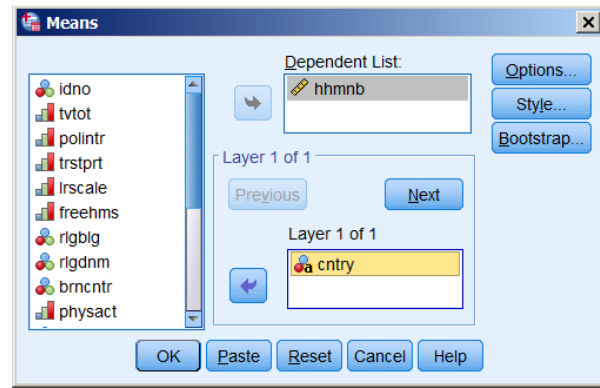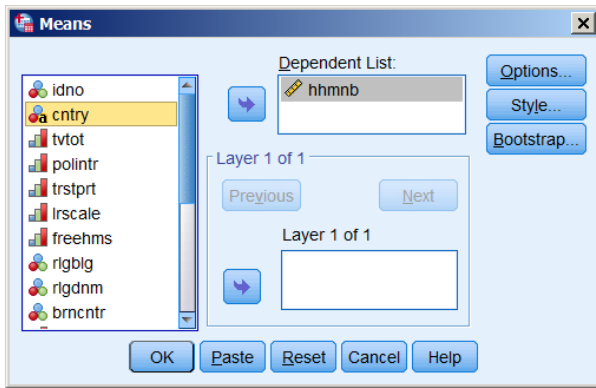
From the **Data Editor**:

Analyze >> Compare Means >> Means



In the Means dialog box, scroll down to hhmnb and click on [→] to transfer it to Dependent List



Scroll down to hhmnb and click on [→] to transfer it to Independent List

Click on  Options...
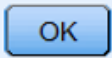
[**NB:** This brings up the Means Options dialog showing the default statistics **Mean**, **Number of Cases** and **Standard Deviation**,in the Cell Statistics pane, but in the video it shows only **Mean** and **Number of Cases.**  To tally with the video, highlight **Standard Deviation** and click on  ↵  to return it to the Statistics pane.]
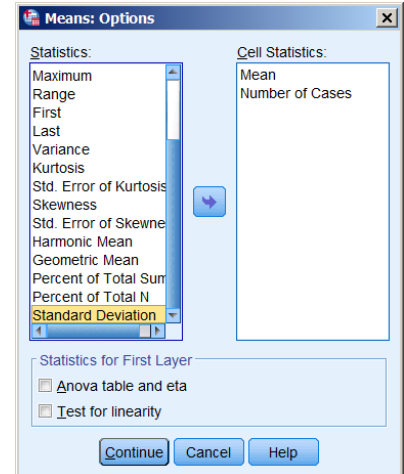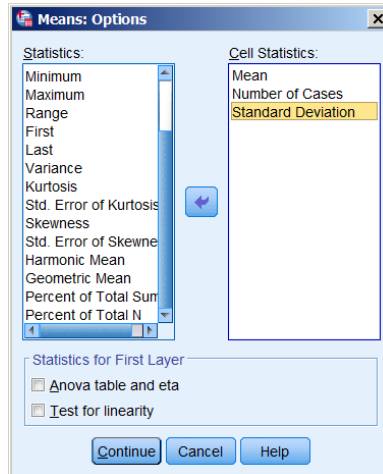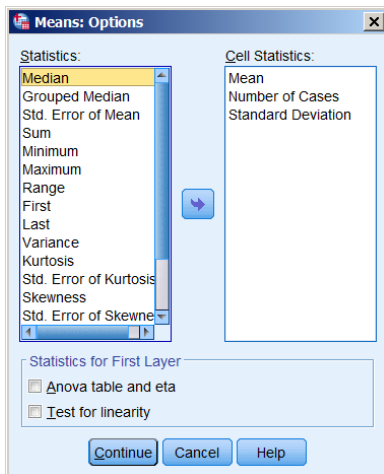


Click  Continue  to return to the Means dialog:
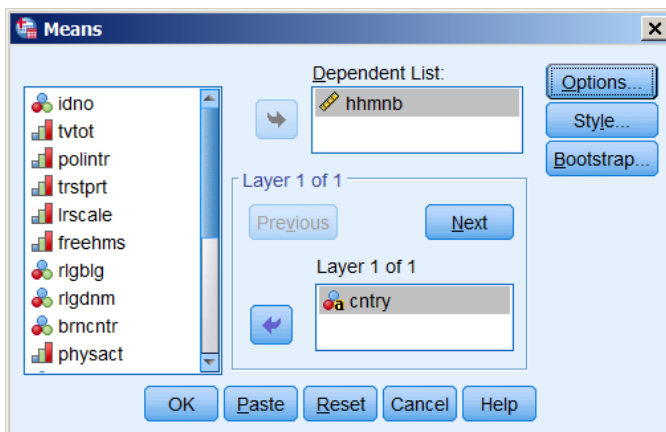


[NB: hhmnb and cntry are now both grayed out]

Click on [ OK ] to get table.

Double click the table to enter Pivot mode:

Highlight all means in column (not the Total)

**Report**

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Right click on highlighted means >> Sort Rows >> Ascending

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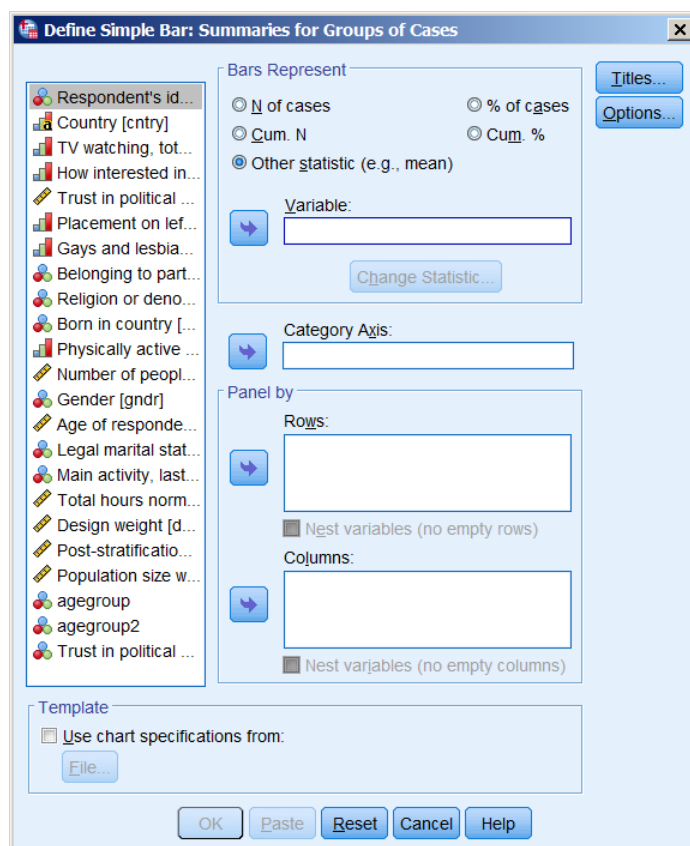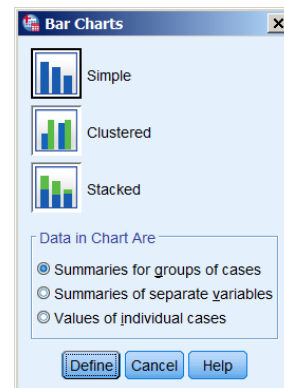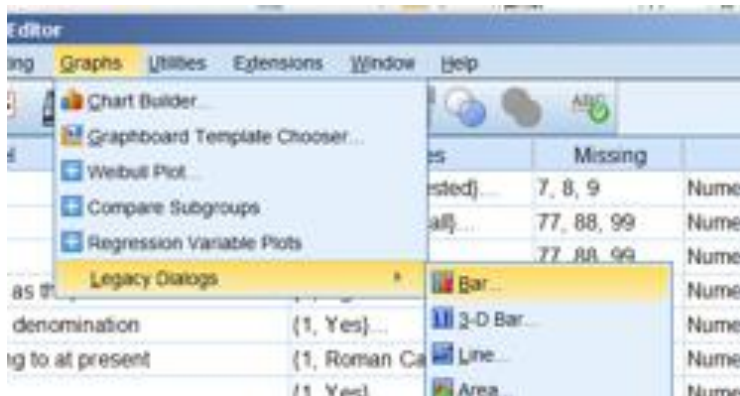JM proceeds to copy the table to Excel and produce charts (not reproduced here).

He also produces them using SPSS.

**Charts from SPSS**

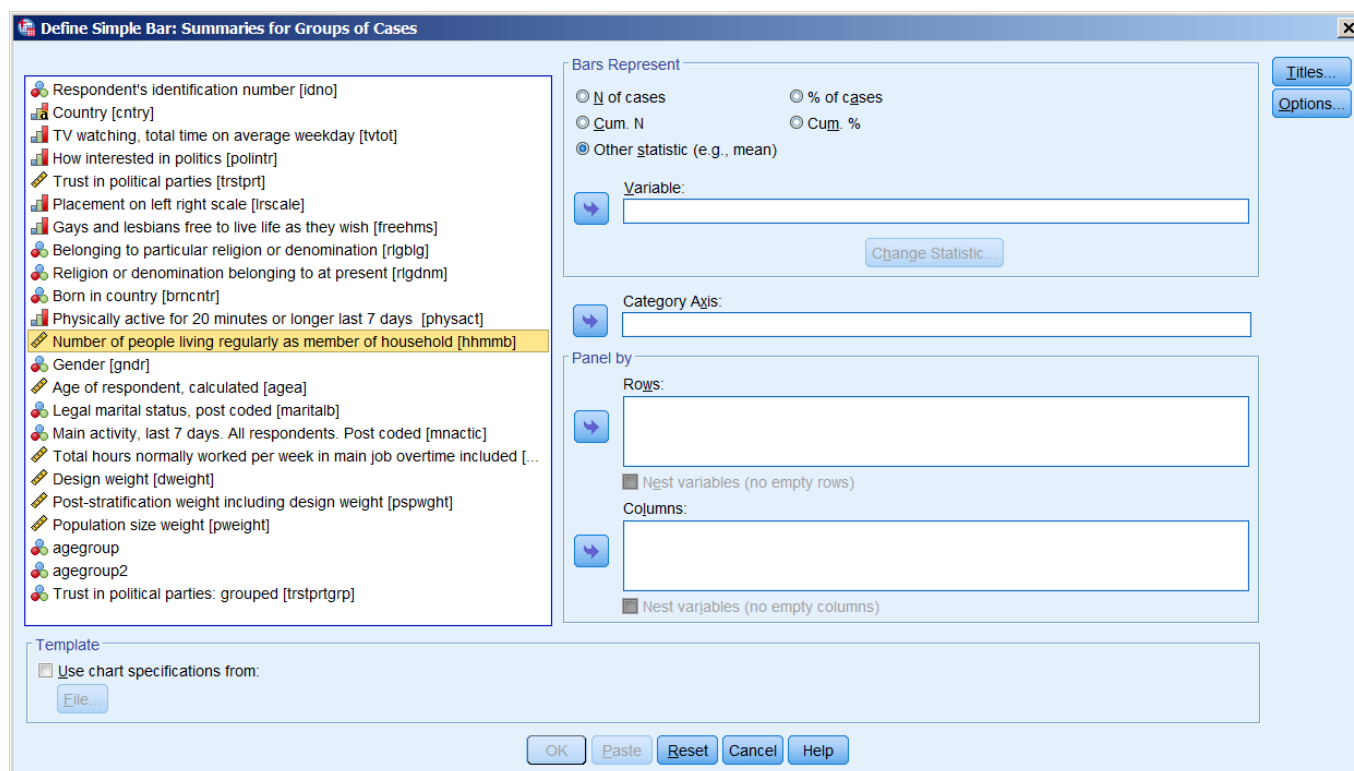| **Variables:** | **hhmnb** | Number of people living regularly as member of household |
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| **SPSS command** | **CHART** | |

Graphs >> Legacy Dialogs >> Bar







[NB: JM's SPSS settings use variable **labels** not variable **names**: in very large files this makes it difficult to find the variable(s) you want.]

Drag the right edge of the window out see the full labels:



It's easier with variable **Labels** (but for this you need to change SPSS settings):

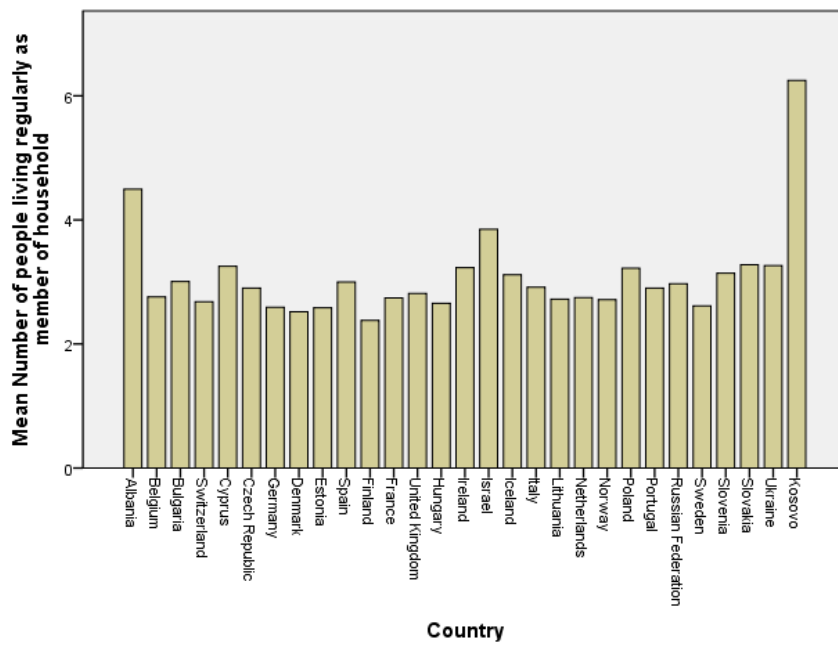Edit  >> Options  >> Output  then check Names  under Outline Labeling
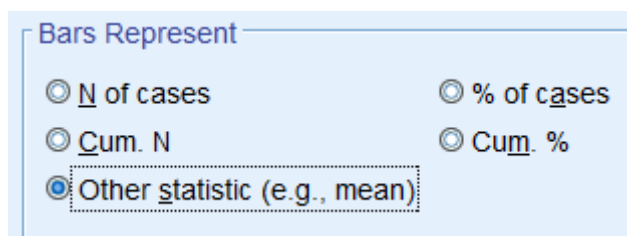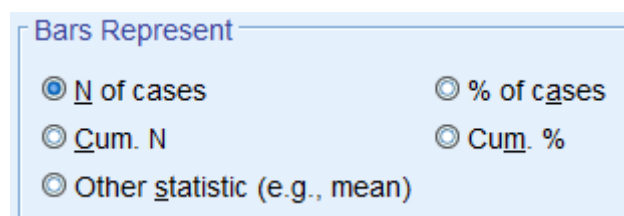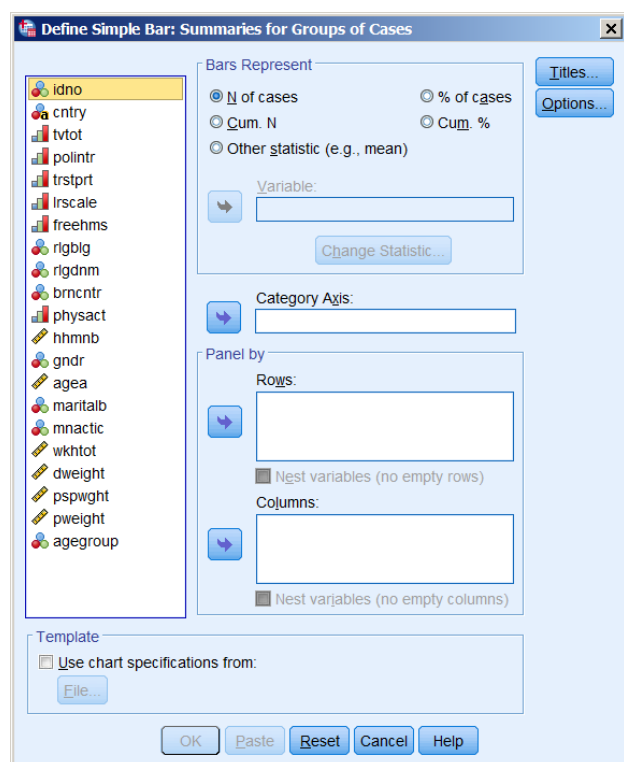
Highlight hhmnb and click ➡ next to the Variable box which will fill with MEAN(hhmnb)
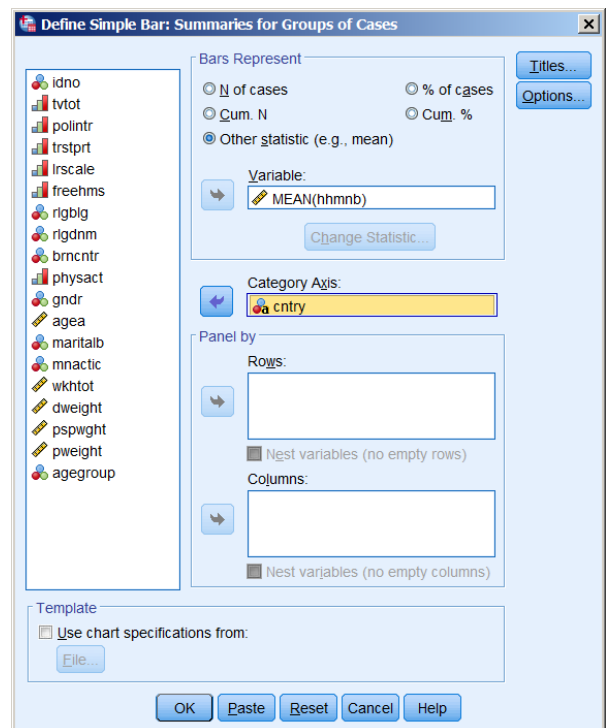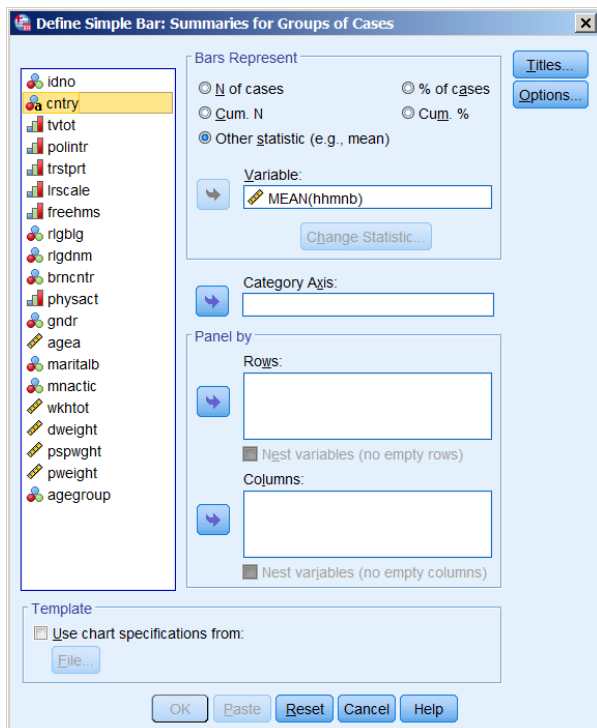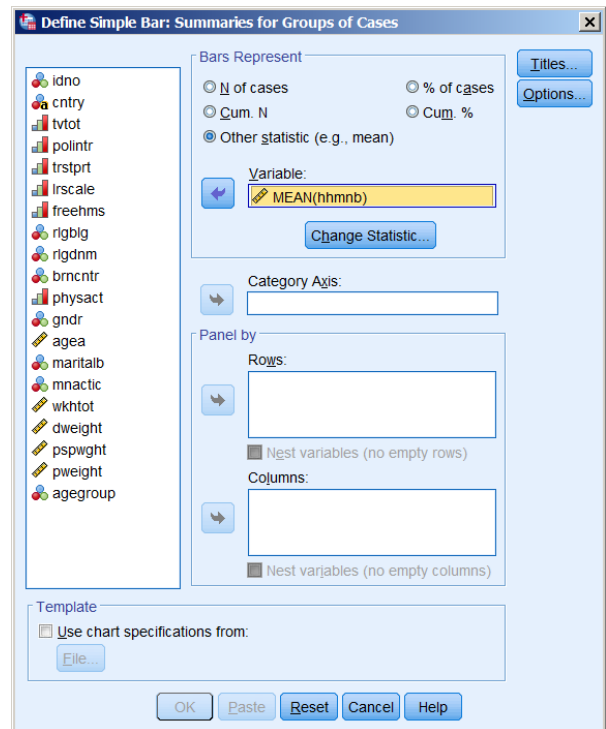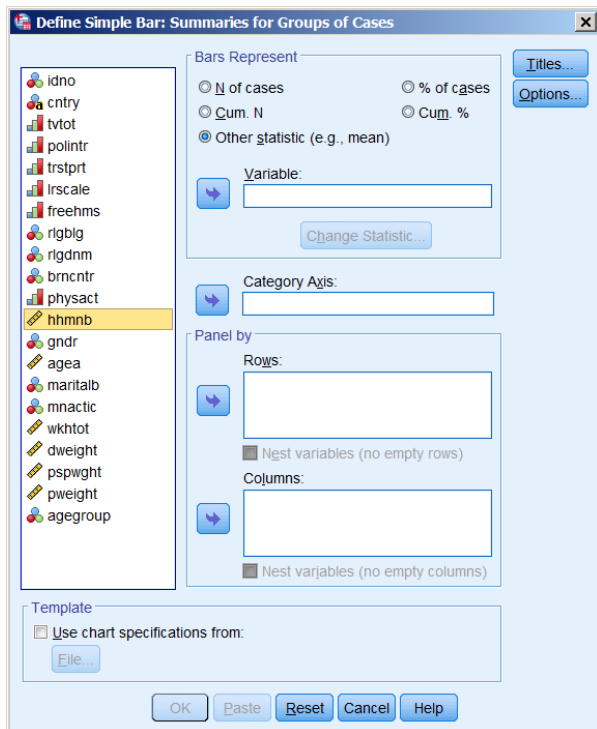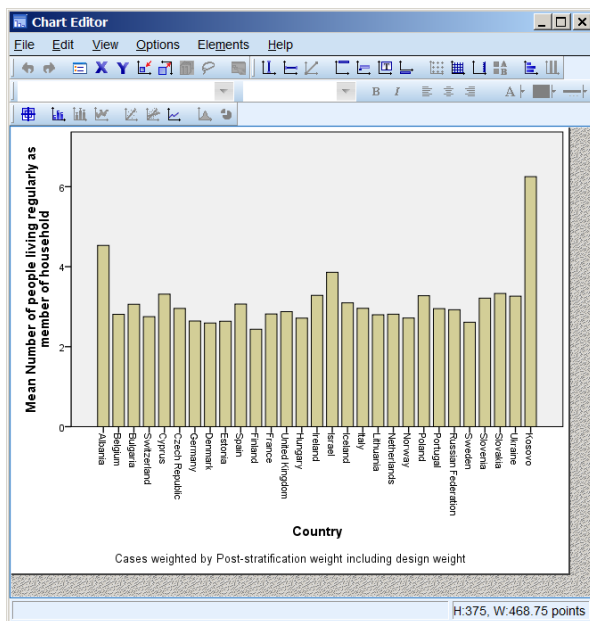


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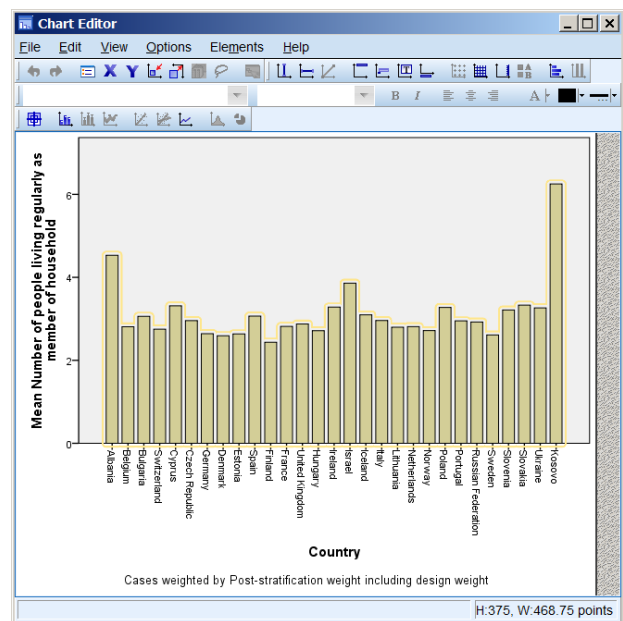
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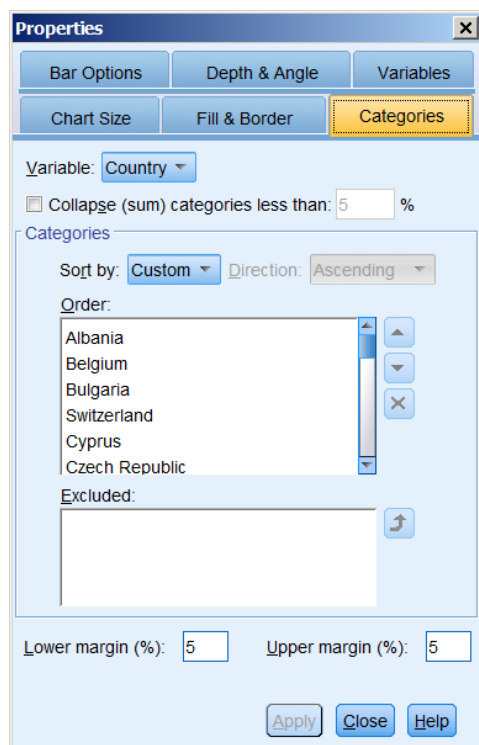
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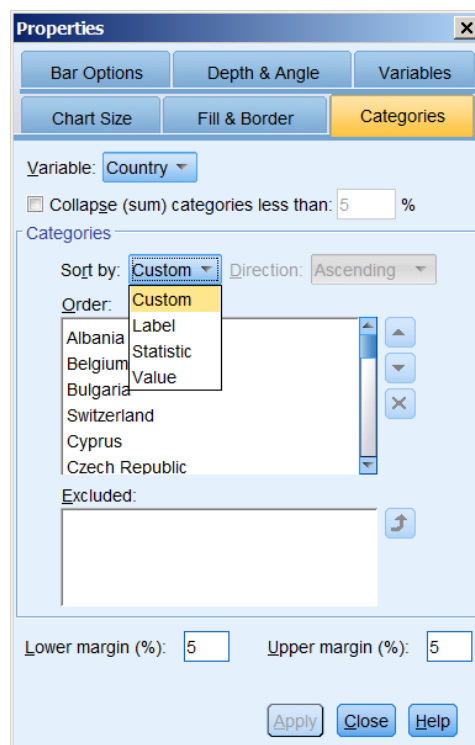
Double click the chart to open the Chart Editor:    Double click anywhere in the bars:
(they will be outlined in yellow.)

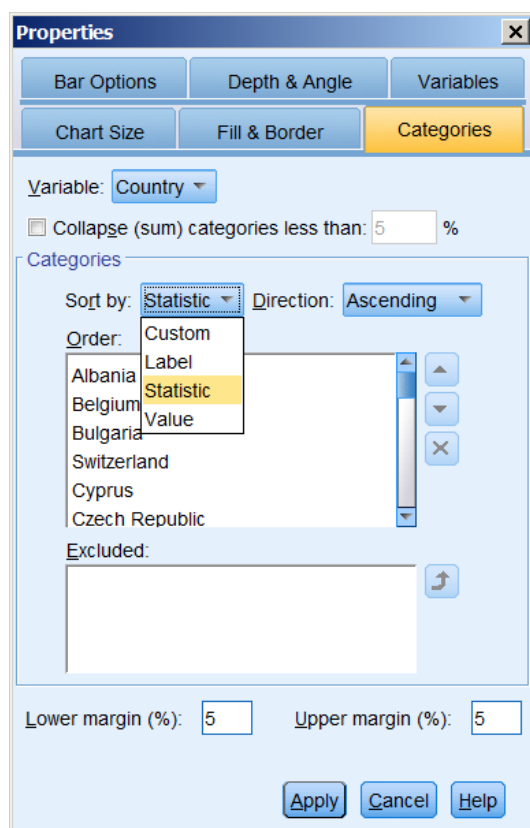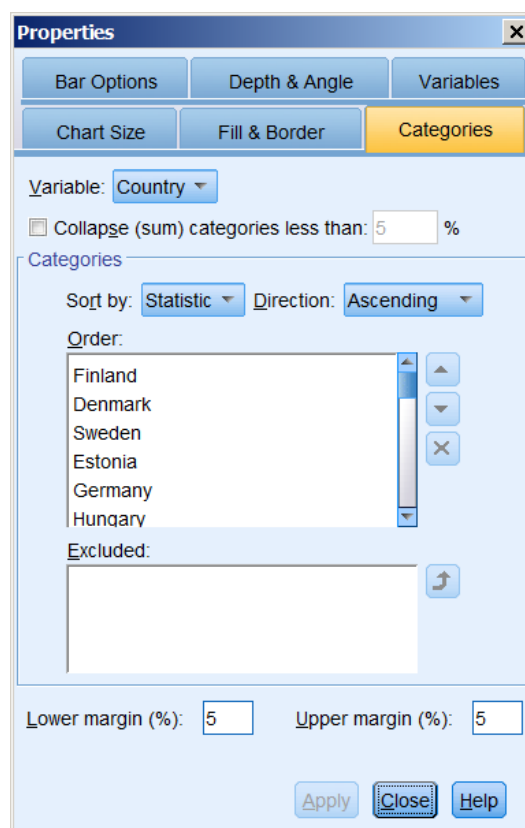and the Properties dialog opens:                    Change Custom
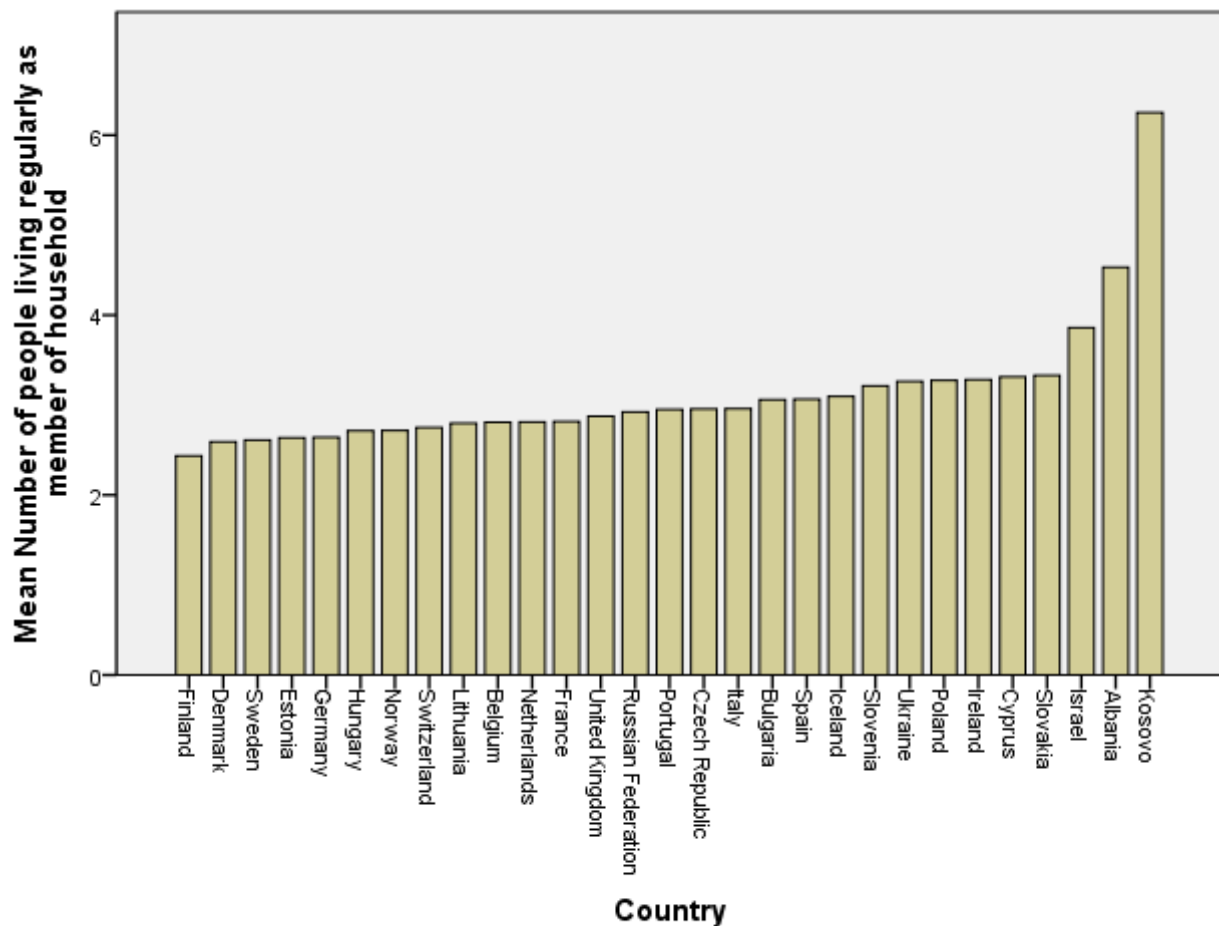
   

to Statistic                                         and click Apply

   

Click Close  to get the chart with bars re-ordered in ascending order of means:

Cases weighted by Post-stratification weight including design weight

**End of:**       **Exercise video answer 10**

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