

Applying statistics, Preference and Niche Breadth Indices

4						n-Sample (Cherry, 1996)	
Mp4	Totals	G-test"Chi"	G-test"p"	Chi-test"p"	Stn. Error	n*pi>5	n*(1-pi)>5
100	400	Cells 1				Cells 2	
90	233	138.112	5.9121E-30	6.85537E-18	0.004	No	Yes
98	227	41.185	5.97562E-09	1.34051E-09	0.004	Yes	Yes
43	264	32.705	3.71695E-07	3.17362E-07	0.003	Yes	Yes

Each time that any one of the available indices is applied, a basic statistical analysis for preference will be done automatically and presented in "Cells 1", to the right of the data matrix. In "Cells 2" a basic analysis of the sample size will be done to assess if the data are adequate to use for confidence intervals. The sample size should pass the boot test.

Preference Indices:

List 1

Button 1

Niche Breadth Indices:

List 2

Button 2

The Preference of Index that will be applied should be selected in "List 1" and performed using "Button 1". The same methods apply for niche breadth indices but using "List 2" and "Button 2". The interpretation of the preference index is done automatically by the program, using color and following the criteria indicated in the upper left corner of the results.

Range: -1 to +1			Save this Index		Erase Saved	
If -1 < Index Value < -0.5 Strong Avoidance			Habitat Preference Index			
If -0.49 < Index Value < -0.26 Moderate Avoidance			Baltz(1990) Interpretation of II -Jacop (1974) Categories of the Indep. Var.			
If -0.25 < Index Value < 0.25 Indifference						
If 0.26 < Index Value < 0.49 Neutral Selection						
If 0.50 < Index Value < 1 Strong Selection						
Potential Use of Indep.Var. x Category		Name	1	2	3	4
		Sponge	Mp1	Mp2	Mp3	Mp4
			100	100	100	100
Indice X Var.Depe	1	Sp1	-1	0.1	0.2	0.3
	2	Sp2	-0.3	-0.2	0	0.4
	3	Sp3	-0.2	0.1	0.3	-0.3

In the case of Niche Breadth Indices the result for each index is shown together with the data table in the corresponding sheets.