

- 9. Loans.** Based on past experience, a bank believes that 7% of the people who receive loans will not make payments on time. The bank has recently approved 200 loans.
- What are the mean and standard deviation of the proportion of clients in this group who may not make timely payments?
  - What assumptions underlie your model? Are the conditions met? Explain.
  - What's the probability that over 10% of these clients will not make timely payments?
- 10. Contacts.** Assume that 30% of students at a university wear contact lenses.
- We randomly pick 100 students. Let  $\hat{p}$  represent the proportion of students in this sample who wear contacts. What's the appropriate model for the distribution of  $\hat{p}$ ? Specify the name of the distribution, the mean, and the standard deviation. Be sure to verify that the conditions are met.
  - What's the approximate probability that more than one third of this sample wear contacts?
- 11. Back to school?** Best known for its testing program, ACT, Inc., also compiles data on a variety of issues in education. In 2004 the company reported that the national college freshman-to-sophomore retention rate held steady at 74% over the previous four years. Consider colleges with freshman classes of 400 students. Use the 68-95-99.7 Rule to describe the sampling distribution model for the percentage of those students we expect to return to that school for their sophomore years. Do you think the appropriate conditions are met?
- 13. Back to school, again.** Based on the 74% national retention rate described in Exercise 11, does a college where 522 of their 603 freshman returned the next year as sophomores have a right to brag that it has an unusually high retention rate? Explain.
- 12. Binge drinking.** As we learned in Chapter 15, a national study found that 44% of college students engage in binge drinking (5 drinks at a sitting for men, 4 for women). Use the 68-95-99.7 Rule to describe the sampling distribution model for the proportion of students in a randomly selected group of 200 college students who engage in binge drinking. Do you think the appropriate conditions are met?
- 14. Binge sample.** After hearing of the national result that 44% of students engage in binge drinking (5 drinks at a sitting for men, 4 for women), a professor surveyed a random sample of 244 students at his college and found that 96 of them admitted to binge drinking in the past week. Should he be surprised at this result? Explain.
- 18. Genetic defect.** It's believed that 4% of children have a gene that may be linked to juvenile diabetes. Researchers hoping to track 20 of these children for several years test 732 newborns for the presence of this gene. What's the probability that they find enough subjects for their study?