

Measure scale	Possible calculations				
	Percentages	Frequencies	Averages	Variance	Proportions
Nominal	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
Dichotomous	✓ ^a	✓	✗	✗	✗
Ordinal	✓	✓	✓ ^c	✓ ^c	✗
Interval	✓	✓ ^b	✓	✓	✗
Ratio	✓	✓ ^b	✓	✓	✓

a: Only one percent is sufficient.

b: Since we have many different values, the frequency distribution is usually used.

c: Assuming the scale is close to the interval.