

APPENDIX: STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

This is an analysis of the relation between taxpayer age and income tax deductions for personal-pension contributions under the Canada Registered Retirement Saving Plan, 1964. All tests are significant at the 1 percent level. Dollar Registered Retirement Saving Contributions (S) is related to taxpayer assessable (adjusted gross) income (Y); Taxpayer age (A):

- (a) Total all participants: 90,585.

Random sample size: 22,258 records.

$$\begin{aligned} S &= a_0 + b_1 Y + b_2 A \\ &= -31.29 + 0.05Y + 1.10A \\ &\quad (0.0004) \quad (0.22). \end{aligned}$$

Mult. corr. coefficient 0.667; F value, 3895.

- (b) Total Employee Participants: 58,481.

Random sample: 7,934 records.

$$\begin{aligned} S &= 128.08 + 0.05Y + 2.78A \\ &\quad (0.0006) \quad (0.56). \end{aligned}$$

Mult. corr. coefficient, 0.654; F value, 2967.

- (c) Total Self-Employed Professional (Occupation) Participants:
1964: Random Sample: 10,409 records.

$$\begin{aligned} S &= 39.35 + 0.04Y + 0.51A \\ &\quad (0.0005) \quad (0.09). \end{aligned}$$

Mult. corr. coefficient, 0.614; F value 3142.