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$$p = 15 \% \quad \alpha = 5 \% \quad n = 450$$

Population Voters in the United States
Focus Proportion Adults Supporting Gingrich

Step I Identify Procedure:

We want to estimate the proportion of **adults supporting Gingrich** in the population of **voters in the United States** (p).

Step II Check Conditions:

Random Sample: A **random sample** was conducted to insure every member of the population was equally likely to be selected.

Normal Sampling Distribution: The sampling distribution of all the possible sample proportions has an approximately **normal** shape because:

$$\begin{array}{ll} n * p > 10 & n * (1 - p) > 10 \\ 450 * 15\% > 10 & 450 * 85\% > 10 \end{array}$$

Independence: The lack of replacement is not a problem in this case because the number of subjects in the population is more than **10** times the sample size.

Step III Perform Procedure:

Estimate

15%

+/-

Margin of Error

3.3%

95 % Confidence Interval Ranges From 11.7% to 18.3%

Step IV Interpretation:

We are 95% confident that the proportion of adults supporting Gringrich in the population of voters in the United States (ρ) falls between 11.7% and 18.3%.

NOTE: Formula for standard deviation used in the CONFIDENCE.NORM is:

$$\sqrt{\rho \cdot (1 - \rho)}$$

