

**Joint Distribution of Employment Status and College Graduation in the U.S. Population Aged 25 and Greater, 2008**

	Unemployed ( $Y = 0$ )	Employed ( $Y = 1$ )	Total
Non-college grads ( $X = 0$ )	0.037	0.622	0.659
College grads ( $X = 1$ )	0.009	0.332	0.341
<b>Total</b>	0.046	0.954	1.000

- a. Compute  $E(Y)$ .
  - b. The unemployment rate is the fraction of the labor force that is unemployed. Show that the unemployment rate is given by  $1 - E(Y)$ .
  - c. Calculate  $E(Y|X = 1)$  and  $E(Y|X = 0)$ .
  - d. Calculate the unemployment rate for (i) college graduates and (ii) non-college graduates.
  - e. A randomly selected member of this population reports being unemployed. What is the probability that this worker is a college graduate? A non-college graduate?
  - f. Are educational achievement and employment status independent? Explain.
- 2.7** In a given population of two-earner male/female couples, male earnings have a mean of \$40,000 per year and a standard deviation of \$12,000. Female earnings have a mean of \$45,000 per year and a standard deviation of \$18,000. The correlation between male and female earnings for a couple is 0.80. Let  $C$  denote the combined earnings for a randomly selected couple.
- a. What is the mean of  $C$ ?
  - b. What is the covariance between male and female earnings?
  - c. What is the standard deviation of  $C$ ?
  - d. Convert the answers to (a) through (c) from U.S. dollars (\$) to euros (€).
- 2.8** The random variable  $Y$  has a mean of 1 and a variance of 4. Let  $Z = \frac{1}{2}(Y - 1)$ . Show that  $\mu_Z = 0$  and  $\sigma_Z^2 = 1$ .
- 2.9**  $X$  and  $Y$  are discrete random variables with the following joint distribution: