

## CHAPTER OVERVIEW

### 1: Why Do We Learn Statistics?

*“Thou shalt not answer questionnaires Or quizzes upon World Affairs,  
Nor with compliance  
Take any test. Thou shalt not sit With statisticians nor commit  
A social science”*

– W.H. Auden<sup>1</sup>

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