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The amount of variation in population having different means is compared using the coefficient of variation.

$$\text{Coefficient of variation} = \frac{\text{Standard deviation}}{\text{Arithmetic Mean}}$$

where standard deviation is the amount of variation that can possibly deviate from the calculated arithmetic mean.

$$\therefore \text{Standard deviation} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum x^2 - \frac{(\sum x)^2}{n}}{n - 1}}$$

The coefficient of variation is usually quantified in terms of percentage (percentage coefficient of variation).

$$\text{Percentage coefficient of variation} = \frac{\text{Standard deviation}}{\text{Arithmetic mean}} \times 100$$

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