Aggregate - Calculating Values Across Cases¹

It is possible to get means, sums, and a variety of other measures across cases in SPSS by using "AGGREGATE". Following is a program that reads a few variables for four cases. It then uses Aggregate to calculate the mean and sum of annual income, by gender. The file created by the aggregate procedure is then merged with the original data file. At each stage, "list cases" is used to show the result.

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title 'aggregate.sps' .
DATA LIST FREE / ID * name (A9) AGE (f3) hinch (f3) weight (f3)
  aninc (f5) gender (A) .
BEGIN DATA
         22 72 203 35000 m
1 George
2 Frank
           67 65 180 42000 m
3 Sally
         27 62 120 65000 f
4 Michelle 33 66 145 43000 f
END DATA .
variable label hinch 'Height in Inches'
                aninc 'Annual Income' .
sort cases by gender .
list var = all .
save outfile = 'c:\trash\agg1.sav' .
* The line "/ break = gender" tells SPSS that you want separate values by
gender.
Aggregate outfile = *
     / break = gender
     / avginc = mean(aninc)
     / totinc = sum(aninc)
     / count = N.
variable label
           avginc = 'Mean Income for gender'
           totinc = 'Total Income for gender'.
list var = all .
match files
     table = * /
     file = 'c:\trash\agg1.sav' /
     by gender .
list var = all .
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  aninc (f5) gender (A) .
BEGIN DATA
1 George 22 72 203 35000 m
2 Frank 67 65 180 42000 m
3 Sally 27 62 120 65000 f
4 Michelle 33 66 145 43000 f
END DATA .
              hinch 'Height in Inches'
variable label
                aninc 'Annual Income' .
sort cases by gender .
list var = all .
 List
     ID NAME AGE HINCH WEIGHT ANINC GENDER
   3.00 Sally
                 27
                       62
                            120 65000 f
   4.00 Michelle
                  33
                       66
                            145 43000 f
   1.00 George
                  22
                       72
                             203 35000 m
   2.00 Frank
                  67
                       65
                             180 42000 m
Number of cases read: 4 Number of cases listed: 4
save outfile = 'c:\trash\agg1.sav' .
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Aggregate outfile = *
     / break = gender
     / avginc = mean(aninc)
     / totinc = sum(aninc)
     / count = N.
variable label
           avginc = 'Mean Income for gender'
           totinc = 'Total Income for gender'.
list var = all .
List
GENDER AVGINC
                TOTINC COUNT
      54000.00 108000.0
                             2
      38500.00 77000.00
                            2
Number of cases read: 2 Number of cases listed: 2
match files
     table = * /
     file = 'c:\trash\agg1.sav' /
     by gender .
list var = all .
List
                                  ID NAME
                         COUNT
                                                AGE HINCH WEIGHT ANINC
GENDER AVGINC TOTINC
f
      54000.00 108000.0
                       2
                                 3.00 Sally
                                                27 62 120 65000
f
      54000.00 108000.0
                            2
                                 4.00 Michelle 33
                                                      66
                                                           145 43000
      38500.00 77000.00
                             2
                                  1.00 George
                                                22
                                                      72
                                                          203 35000
m
      38500.00 77000.00
                                  2.00 Frank
                                                          180 42000
                            2
                                                 67
                                                      65
Number of cases read: 4 Number of cases listed: 4
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title 'aggregate.sps' .

Available functions in Aggregate:

SUM . . . Sum

MEAN . . . Mean

SD . . . Standard deviation

MAX . . . Maximum

MIN . . . Minimum

PGT . . . % of cases greater than value

PLT . . . % of cases less than value

PIN . . . % of cases between values

POUT . . . % of cases not in range

FGT . . . Fraction greater than value

FLT . . . Fraction less than value

FIN . . . Fraction between values

FOUT . . . Fraction not in range

N Weighted number of cases

NU Unweighted number of cases

NMISS . . Weighted number of missing cases

NUMISS . . Unweighted number of missing cases

FIRST . . First nonmissing value

LAST . . . Last nonmissing value