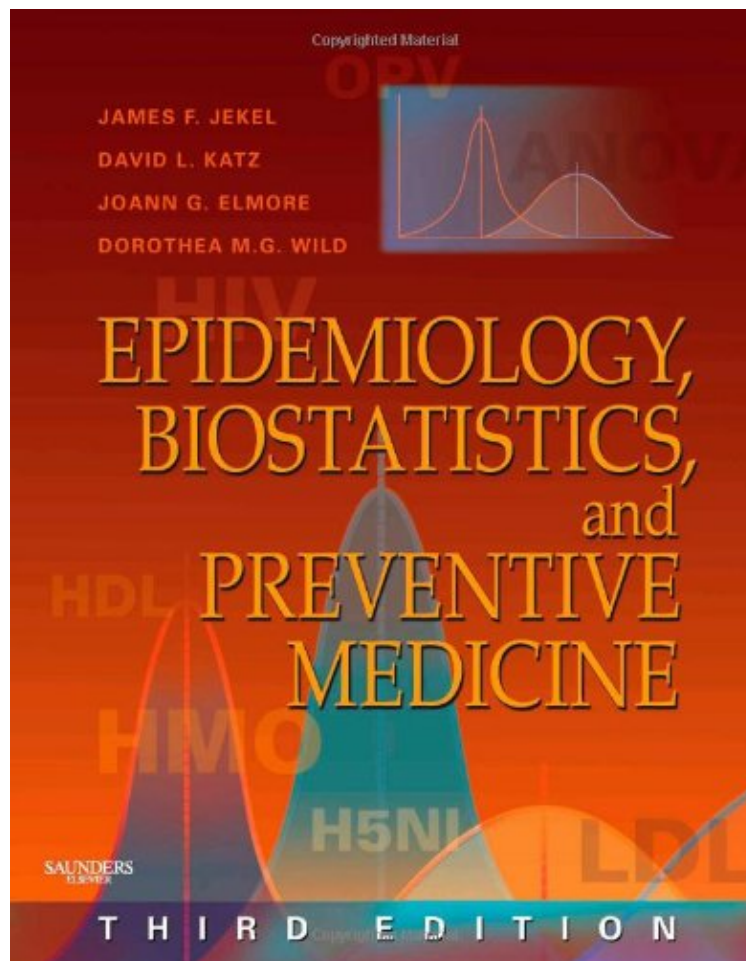


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3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Inadequate for board exam prep, but good reading for specific

audiences  
By J. Krishnaswami  
Used this along with the Mayo Clinic Preventive Medicine and Public Health Board Review (Mayo Clinic Scientific Press) Preventive Medicine Public Health: PreTest Self-Assessment and Review to prepare for the Preventive Medicine Certification Board exam (Core Public Health/ General Preventive Medicine) this year. The strength of this book lies in the biostatistics and epidemiology sections - they are well written. Rather than giving you several formulae to memorize, they encourage you to form an intuitive understanding of the concepts, which I prefer. The questions in these sections are also good in that they force you to acquire a thorough understanding of those concepts. I also appreciate the spirit of this book - it is one of the few to explain "what preventive medicine is" and is written by authors who clearly love what they do. In fact, on the spectrum of reference textbooks read by self-confessed nerds like me, it's actually fairly interesting. If I'd read this as a student or intern, I'd have gained valuable knowledge and perspective on the field of preventive medicine prior to my MPH. Reading it makes me proud of being a practitioner of preventive medicine. That being said, in terms of nuts and bolts preparation for the board exam, this book is quite inadequate. While the biostats/epi sections are fairly decent, you'll absolutely need another text for studying occupational medicine and environmental medicine, and you'll need to go to the USPSTF and CDC website to look up chronic disease guidelines, screening recommendations, and immunization schedules. (The Mayo text is better on these sections). It's also not a book you want to cram with a month before the exam - it's detailed, wordy, a bit rambling, and the tables and figures are not very helpful. However, the questions at the end are useful preparation for the board exam. I would recommend this, however, as a book for third year medical students or new interns/residents looking to round out their education and master concepts of biostats/epi. It's also a good book for PM practitioners to display on their bookshelf.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Worth the purchase  
By Tobucus  
Recommended for an Undergrad Epi course and glad I bought it. I still definitely had to go through the assigned text but this was a nice supplement. In some areas it was easier/more concise and in other areas it was way more detailed. If you are getting this thinking you'd be able to skip reading an assigned text, I doubt that this would be a good choice - but then Epidemiology is fun anyways, why would you do that? But if you're looking to supplement or another way of explaining the same topic in not so many words this might be a good choice.

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Excellence in Biostatistics  
By Richard Slimowitz  
I have used the 2nd edition but the 3rd edition is superior. The 3rd edition has a complete medical glossary, classical mathematical examples are transferred from the 2nd edition, and at the end of each chapter, there is a short test on the material. No question, there are areas where the authors, or publishers, could have been clearer but overall, most readers will benefit from the examples. Readers in Biostatistics and Epidemiology know these subjects can be difficult to write about, but I found this edition reader friendly. Is it perfect? No, but for the intermediate reader, it fulfills the need to master complex subjects. One of the sources for this book is the "Basic and Clinical Biostatistics", 4th, edition, 2004, Dawson, B., etc. This book received mixed reviews from readers. I think most readers will be satisfied with Jekel's book. A major advantage to this text is the clear explanations of major subjects like sensitivity, specificity, and odds ratios. Readers will be delighted with this clear writing.

Succinct yet thorough, Epidemiology, Biostatistics, and Preventive Medicine, 3rd Edition brings you today's best knowledge on epidemiology, biostatistics, preventive medicine, and public health in one convenient source. You'll find the latest on healthcare policy and financing infectious diseases chronic disease and disease prevention technology. This text also serves as an outstanding resource for preparing for the USMLE, and the American Board of Preventive Medicine recommends it as a top review source for its core specialty examination. Discusses the financial concerns and the use and limitations of screening in the prevention of symptomatic disease. Emphasizes the application of epidemiologic and biostatistical concepts to everyday clinical problem solving and decision making. Showcases important concepts and calculations inside quick-reference boxes. Presents abundant illustrations and well-organized tables to clarify and summarize complex concepts. Includes 350 USMLE-style questions and answers, complete with detailed explanations about why various choices are correct or incorrect. Includes the latest information on Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE) SARS avian form of H5N1 influenza the obesity epidemic and more.