Answer Key

Creating line graphs to monitor changes over time

Using the provided database, make a line graph of Daily mortality rate (%) as a function of bird age in days. On what day was bird mortality the highest? *Day 19, or, when the birds were 19 days old*

Solution:



This is the graph that you will generate:

To create this graph, first select the **Daily mortality weight (%)** column by clicking the column identifier:

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4	230215	3	26968	8	5	13	0.05	0.17	
5	230216	4	26955	8	6	14	0.05	0.22	
6	230217	5	26941	6	9	15	0.06	0.27	
7	230218	6	26926	5	5	10	0.04	0.31	
8	230219	7	26916	9	7	16	0.06	0.37	

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Click on the "line graph" button in the Excel ribbon, circled below:

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		Age	Number of birds at start	N Useful when there are many data points and the order is important.						
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The graph will then be generated:



Each point on the horizontal axis (x-axis) corresponds to a different row of data in the spreadsheet. Each row corresponds to one day. On day 1 of recording, the birds were 1 day old. Therefore, each observation corresponds to the age of birds in days.

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To determine the day on which the "Daily mortality rate" was at its highest, find the point with the highest value on the y-axis. In this case it is the spike measuring 0.4% on the y-axis circled below:



Then look at the value on the x-axis that corresponds to this point on the y-axis, by following a vertical line down to the x-axis value on the graph, as shown below:



In this case the highest value of 0.4% occurred on day 19, which is when the birds were 19 days old.

Therefore, the **Daily mortality rate (%)** was highest on **Day 19**, when birds were 19 days old.

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