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Philosophy of statistical thinking: social media users and interpersonal relationships in the digital age

The philosophy of statistics gives rise to many topics and controversies. The central position in the debate about the philosophy of statistics is the process of inference based on a particular position to the general justification of the procedures that predetermine forecast data or general facts. Statistical thinking is a way to understand a complex world by describing it in relatively simple terms that nevertheless cover important aspects of the structure and also give some idea of how well the research fits the ideas on a particular problem. The role of social networks in the development of interpersonal relationships among young people is considered in the article as an extension of the everyday projection of "I" or "myself". The hypothesis put forward that the popularity of social networks, despite their not only positive value, is growing. This hypothesis is confirmed by statistical data and for the near-term forecast.

<u>Key words</u>: philosophy, statistics, interpersonal relations, intuition, social networks.

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