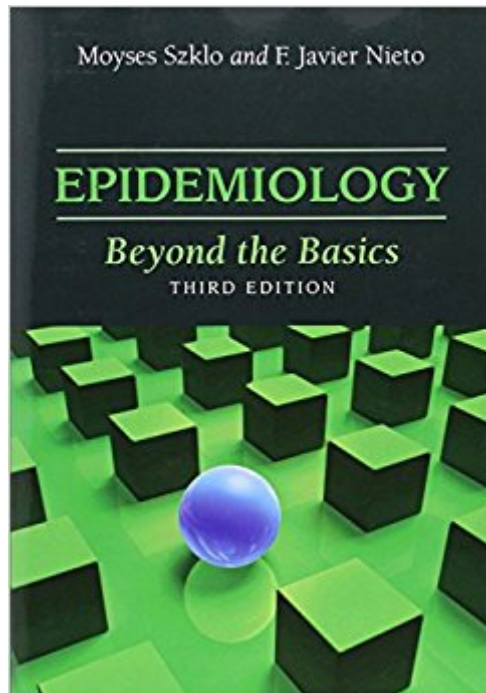




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First, the pros of this book. It is highly detailed, explaining concepts in depth beyond a fundamentals book -- staying true to its title. The book provides numerous "real-world epi" examples, which takes the concepts into a deeper, applied understanding. However, the writing style of the authors takes on

a very traditional, scientific style of writing. Concepts that are easily (and thoroughly) explained in other epidemiology books are sometimes convoluted from the start in this book. Thus, I would recommend this book purely as a reference for any epidemiologist; but, if your goal is to better understand epi concepts, this is not a good tool to do so (again, demonstrating that this is not an introductory text, per the subtitle).

This book really have everything that you need for a crash course in Epidemiology. The chapters outline each subject well and include many useful diagrams. Each chapter contains practice problems and the answers are given in the appendix. As a student, I would definitely recommend this over other Epi textbooks.

The first thing one notices is that the authors continuously cite Gordis as a reference; one might've just purchased Gordis instead of this book. From a reductionist point of view, everything contained in Szklo and Nieto is almost also the same as everything contained in Gordis, except for the illustrations (which are not that great in Gordis, either). However, one thing that is missing in Gordis, but present in this book, are the algebraic derivations of many measurement of association equations (i.e., relative risk, odds ratios, attributable risk, etc.). Szklo and Nieto also dedicate more time in describing various aspects of different epidemiological studies, such as in the selection of cases and controls, their related measurements of association, and relevant examples from the literature or current studies. In addition, the chapters are organized rather dryly, similar to a calculus text book (i.e, Chapter 4, Section 4.1, 4.1.1, 4.1.1.1, etc.), though that may just be the reason why this book is recommended for the more "serious" intermediate epidemiology student.

The book definitely discusses advanced epidemiological methodologies in detail, however, the language could be more clear and compelling. Definitely improved in this version than in the original one.

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Excellent

Great book for the more advanced aspects of epidemiology. Much cheaper than the bookstore.

Excellent intermediate level textbook for epidemiology. I used this as supplemental reading along with an intermediate level epidemiology class at Mayo Clinic. This came highly recommended by my class instructor who happens to be the lead on the Rochester Epidemiology Project.

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