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Q5a. What is the hurdle rate that your company uses to evaluate investment projects?

N=371	Total	Industry											
Mean			Bank/Fin										
Median		Retail/	Insur	Mining	Trans-		Service	Commun-	Tech Soft-		Health-		
		Whole-	Real	Construc-	portation		Consult-	ications	Hardware	Manufac-	care	Agr, Pub	Other
		sale	Estate	tion	Pub. Util	Energy	ing	Media	Bio	turing	Pharm	Admin	Industry
		Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	1	J	K	L
Number	371	37	41	15	15	8	55	6	30	78	30	11	43
Percent	100.0%	10.0%	11.1%	4.1%	4.1%	2.2%	14.9%	1.6%	8.1%	21.1%	8.1%	3.0%	11.7%
What is the hurdle	13.50	12.12	11.59	12.49	10.21	13.41	13.56	17.74	20.50	14.68	10.10	18.40	11.64
rate that your company uses to evaluate investment projects?	12.00	12.00	10.00	12.00	10.00	15.00	12.00	20.85	20.00	14.50	10.00	10.00	10.00
projects:		gH	gHi	h	GHi		Hj	abDJl	ABcDFIJL	bdHJl	fGHI		gHi

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j. Weighted Average Cost of Capital

N=371	Total						Indu	stry					
Mean Median	Wh	Retail/ Whole- sale	Whole- Real		Trans- portation Pub. Util	Energy	Service Consult- ing	Commun- ications Media	Tech Soft- Hardware Bio	Manufac- turing	Health- care Pharm	Agr, Pub Admin	Other Industry
		A	В	tion C	D	EE	F	G	Н	l I	J	K	L
What is your company's overall weighted average cost of capital (WACC) for	9.2 9.0	8.2 7.7	8.2 8.0	9.2 10.0		8.6 9.5	9.5 9.8				8.3 9.0	7.7 9.0	8.9 9.0
2017?			i		i					bd			

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On August 21, 2017 the annual yield on 10-yr treasury bonds was 2.18%. Please complete the following: (Winsorized)

N=371	Total	Industry											
Number Mean		Retail/	Bank/Fin Insur	Mining	Trans-		Service	Commun-	Tech Soft-		Health-		
		Whole- sale	Real Estate	Construc- tion	portation Pub. Util	Energy	Consult- ing	ications Media	Hardware Bio	Manufac- turing	care Pharm	Agr, Pub Admin	Other Industry
Number Percent	371 100.0%	37 10.0%	41 11.1%	15 4.1%		8 2.2%	55 14.9%			78 21.1%	30 8.1%	11 3.0%	43 11.7%
Over the next 10 years, I expect the average annual S&P 500 return will be: There is a 1-in-10 chance it will be less than:	330 1.33	36 1.96	38 0.76			8 -0.22	48 1.95			68 1.50	24 1.61	9 -0.28	40 1.53
Over the next 10 years, I expect the average annual S&P 500 return will be: Expected return:	343 6.50	36 7.02	38 6.26			8 5.19	50 6.12			73 6.23	27 6.96	10 6.20	41 6.66
Over the next 10 years, I expect the average annual S&P 500 return will be: There is a 1-in-10 chance it will be greater than:	332 10.29	36 11.16	37 10.94	14 10.86		7 6.93	50 9.63			68 9.63	24 9.57	9 8.39	41 10.77
Over the next year, I expect the average annual S&P 500 return will be: There is a 1-in-10 chance it will be less than:	327 -1.65	34 -1.82	38 -4.26			-4.00	48 -0.96			68 -0.85	24 0.10	9 -3.00	40 -1.80
Over the next year, I expect the average annual S&P 500 return will be: Expected return:	341 5.47	34 6.14	39 4.66			8 2.01	50 5.84			73 5.31	27 6.20	10 5.10	41 5.40
Over the next year, I expect the average annual S&P 500 return will be: There is a 1-in-10 chance it will be greater	328 10.05	34 11.45	36 9.43			7 5.79	50 10.22			68 9.49	24 10.15	9 8.44	41 10.45