

# Intermediate Stata Workshop

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# Outline of the Workshop

- A brief review of topics covered in the Introduction to Stata workshop (Fall 2008)
- Commands for data management
- Commands for variable construction
- Commands for statistical analyses
- Helpful tips

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# Topics Covered in the Last Stata Workshop

- Four window screens
- Opening data
- Basic commands
  - *describe*
  - *summarize*
  - *tabulate gender*
  - *codebook gender*
  - *generate income2 = income + 100*
  - *sort gender*

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# Topics Covered in the Last Stata Workshop

- Operators

- Examples

- > Greater than
    - < Less than
    - == Is or is equal to (equality symbol)
    - >= Greater than or equal to
    - <= Less than or equal to
    - & And
    - | Or
    - ~ Not

- Symbols only, no mnemonic equivalents

- Symbols need to be in correct order

- >= NOT =>

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# Topics Covered in the Last Stata Workshop

- “do” file – Stata command file (.do)
  - Write and save commands into a text file
- “log” file – Stata output file (.log)
  - log using `c:\temp\stata.log,replace`
  - log close
- Command structure
  - No punctuation at end of command
  - Case sensitive

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# Topics Covered in the Last Stata Workshop

- Sources for help

- <http://www.stata.com>
- <http://www.ats.ucla.edu/stat/stata/>
- <http://www.princeton.edu/~erp/stata/main.html>
- <http://library.syr.edu/information/mgi/nds/software/stata/intro/index.html>
- Acock, Alan C. 2006. *A Gentle Introduction to Stata*. Stata Press.

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# Commands for Data Management

- *list* – list values of variables
  - *list* name
  - *list* name id
- *if* – a qualifier
  - *list* name *if* educ == 1
  - *list* name *if* educ ~=1
  - *list* name *if* educ == 1 & income >= 40000
  - *list* name *if* capital ==.
  - *list* name *if* county ==“”

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# Commands for Data Management

- *in* – a qualifier
  - *list name in f/10* (list the 1<sup>st</sup> case through the 10<sup>th</sup> case)
  - *list name in 10/l* (list the 10<sup>th</sup> case through the last case)
  - *list name in 5/10* (list the 5<sup>th</sup> case through the 10<sup>th</sup> case)

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# Commands for Data Management

- *recode* – change values of numerical variables
  - *recode* educ (1 = 2)
  - *recode* educ (1 = .)
  - *recode* educ (1 = 2) if gender == 1
  - *recode* educ (1 = 2) if name == “Amy”
  - *recode* educ (1 = 4) (3 = 5), gen(educ2)

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# Commands for Data Management

- *replace* – change the contents of existing string or numerical variables
  - *replace* educ = 2
  - *replace* educ = 2 *if* id == 10
  - *replace* educ = 2 *if* name == “David”
  - *replace* educ = .
  - *replace* county = “wood”
  - *replace* county = “wood” *if* id == 10
  - *replace* county = “wood” *if* name == “David”
  - *replace* county = “”

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# Commands for Data Management

- *keep* and *drop* –
  - *keep* id gender educ income
  - *drop* income
  
  - *keep* if gender == 1
  - *drop* if gender == 2
- dataset 1: id year month day state county
- dataset 2: id name gender educ employed income capital assets cars

# Commands for Data Management

- *merge* – merge datasets
  - *use dataset2*
  - *sort id*
  - *save dataset2, replace*
  - *use dataset 1, clear*
  - *sort id*
  - *merge id using dataset2*
  - *tab \_merge*

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# Commands for Variable Construction

- *generate* – creates new variable
  - *generate* logincome = log(income)
  - *generate* wealth = income + capital + assets
  - *generate* newid = state + county
  - *generate* newid2 =state + " " +county

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# Commands for Variable Construction

- *egen* – extensions to generate variables
  - *egen* mean\_inc = *mean*(income)
  - *egen* med\_inc = *median*(income)
  - *egen* std\_inc = *std*(income)
  - *egen* total\_inc = *rowtotal*(income capital)
  - *egen* miss\_inc = *rowmiss*(income capital)
  - *egen* nmiss\_inc = *rownonmiss*(income capital)

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# Commands for Statistical Analyses

- Descriptive statistics
  - *summarize name income*
  - *tab1 name income*
  - *tab2 name income*
- Continuous dependent variables
  - *ttest income, by (gender)*
  - *pwcorr income capital assets*
  - *anova income gender educ*
  - *regress income gender educ*

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# Commands for Statistical Analyses

- Categorical dependent variables
  - logistic regression
    - *employed* educ gender
  - ordered logistic regression
    - *ologit* educ income
  - Multinomial logistic regression
    - *mlogit* newcar income
  - Predicted values – obtain predicted values after a model is estimated
  - *regress* income gender educ
  - *predict* phat
  - *predict* resid, *residuals*
  - *sum* phat resid

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# Helpful Tips

- help and search
  - *help* tabulate
  - *search* tabulate
  - *search* rc 198
- *set memory* 100m
- *set maxvar* 6000
- *set more on* and *set more off*
- *exit* – exit from a program or do-file

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# Helpful Tips

- $xi$  – interaction expansion
  - $xi$ : regress income educ
  - $xi$ : regress income i.educ
  - $xi$ : regress income i.educ gender

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