

Introduction to stata

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Introduction to stata

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- Saving data

Data management

- Creating & renaming variables
- Labelling variables and values
- Merging & appending datasets

Outline2

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- Tabulate
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- Means and 95% CI

Outline3

Inferential statistics

- Test of means (z-test/t-test)
- ANOVA
- Chi-square test/Fisher's exact
- Proportions comparison

Regression modelling

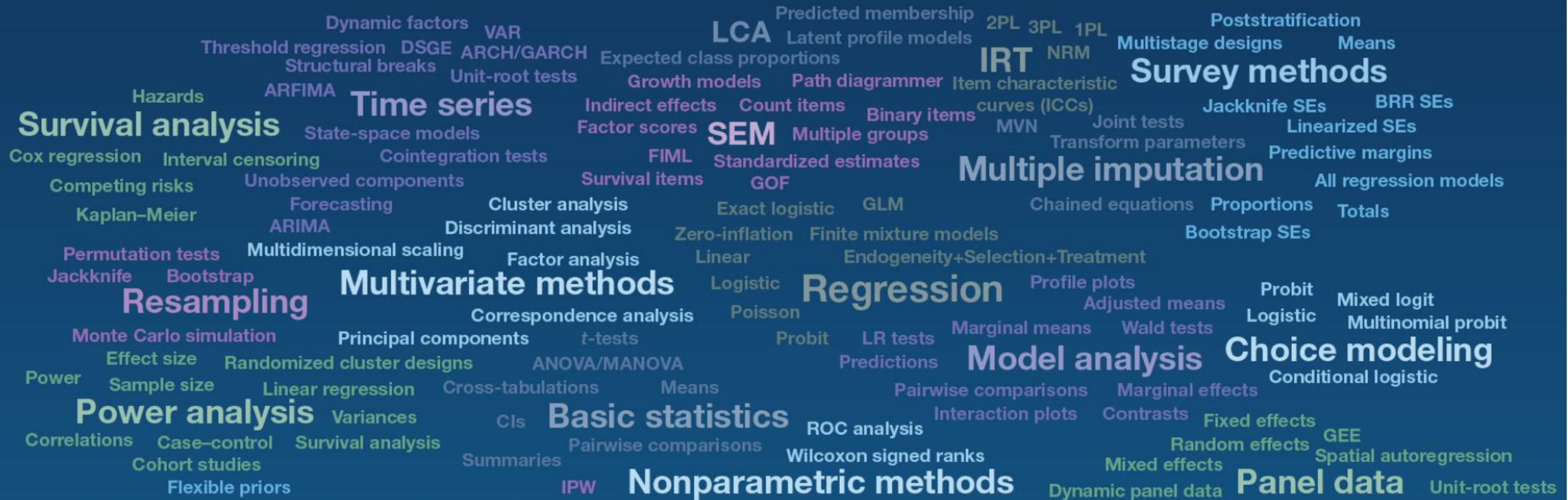
- Linear regression
- Logistic regression

<https://stats.idre.ucla.edu/stata/modules/>

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Broad suite of statistical features



Maximum size limits	Stata/IC	Stata/SE	Stata/MP
# of observations (1)	2,147,483,619	2,147,483,619	1,099,511,627,775
# of variables	2,048	32,767	120,000
# of right hand side variables	798	10,998	65,532
# characters in a command	264,408	4,227,159	4,227,159
# of interacted continuous variables	64	64	64
# of interacted factor variables	8	8	8
length of string in string expression (bytes)	2,000,000,000	2,000,000,000	2,000,000,000
# of characters in a macro (2)	264,392	4,227,143	15,480,200

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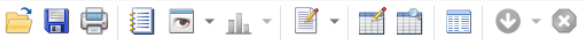
Name of dataset

History of commands,
this window

Variables in
dataset here

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File Edit Data Graphics Statistics User Window Help



Review

Filter commands here

#	Command	_rc
1	cd "D:\Ngari_drive ...	
2	dir	
3	doedit	
4	do "C:\Users\mnga...	
5	count	
6	tab tdeath	
7	tab klf_zone	
8	tab klf_zone tdeath	
9	tab klf_zone tdeath,...	
10	tab year	
11	tab treatyear	
12	tab klf_zone tdeath ...	
13	tab bdiagnosis	
14	tab klf_zone tdeath ...	
15	codebook bdiagno...	
16	tab klf_zone tdeath ...	
17	cd "C:\Users\mngar...	
18	dir	
19	doedit	

Kaloleni	172 91.01	17 8.99	189 100.00
Malindi	198 94.29	12 5.71	210 100.00
Magarini	95 96.94	3 3.06	98 100.00
Ganze	28 96.55	1 3.45	29 100.00
Rabai	42 84.00	8 16.00	50 100.00
Total	945 94.69	53 5.31	998 100.00

Output here

```
. cd "C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\New folder"
C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\New folder
```

```
. dir
<dir>  3/04/21  8:46  .
<dir>  3/04/21  8:46  ..
0.9k   3/04/21  8:46  do-file.do
141.5k 3/04/21  8:45  nlsw88.xlsx
```

```
. doedit
```

Command

Write commands here

Variables

Filter variables here

Name	Label
outcome_date	
toutcome	Treatment
bdiagnosis	
genxpos	
klf_zone	Zone of th
treatyear	
facility_type	Type of fac
gender	Sex of the
age_years	

Properties

Variables

Name	bdiagnosis
Label	
Type	float
Format	%17.0g
Value label	ldiag
Notes	

Data

Filename	TB_2012_20
Label	
Notes	

Files will be saved
here

Property of each variable
here

C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\New folder

CAP NUM C

To see your working directory, type
`pwd`

To change the working directory to avoid typing the whole path when calling or saving files,

type: `cd`

Use quotes if the new directory has blank spaces, for example

`cd "h:\stata and data" h:\stata and data. cd "h:\stata and da`

To see your working directory, type

`pwd`

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. pwd
```

```
C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\New folder
```

To change the working directory to avoid typing the whole path when calling or saving files,

type: `cd`

Use quotes if the new directory has blank spaces

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Name	Date modified	Type	Size
📁 Angola_2011_MIS_KR	30/01/2021 11:53	File folder	
📄 Bangladesh_2011_DHS_KR61FL	21/09/2015 09:49	Stata Dataset	8,260 KB
📄 BDHR61FL	14/09/2015 15:14	Stata Dataset	58,200 KB
📄 BDKR61FL	08/09/2015 11:21	Stata Dataset	10,359 KB
📄 BDKR61FL_new	14/09/2015 15:22	Stata Dataset	96 KB
📄 BFHR62FL	14/09/2015 15:18	Stata Dataset	94,665 KB
📄 BFKR62FL	08/09/2015 11:20	Stata Dataset	17,163 KB
📄 BFKR62FL_new	14/09/2015 15:44	Stata Dataset	164 KB
📄 BUHR61FL	14/09/2015 15:24	Stata Dataset	25,182 KB

Copy the link

```
. cd "D:\Ngari_drive D\Martha\WAST\Data"  
D:\Ngari_drive D\Martha\WAST\Data
```

Type this

```
. pwd  
D:\Ngari_drive D\Martha\WAST\Data
```

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- Open... Ctrl+O
- Save Ctrl+S
- Save as... Ctrl+Shift+S
- View...
- Do...
- Filename...
- Change working directory...
- Log
- Import
- Export
- Print
- Example datasets...
- Recent files
- Exit

Rabai	42	8	50
	84.00	16.00	100.00
Total	945	53	998
	94.69	5.31	100.00

```
"C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\New folder"
```

```
rs\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\New folder
```

```
ir> 3/04/21 8:46 .
ir> 3/04/21 8:46 ..
.9k 3/04/21 8:46 do-file.do
.5k 3/04/21 8:45 nls88.xlsx
```

Select the folder you want to work from

```
13 tab bdiagnosis
14 tab klf_zone tdea...
15 codebook bdiag...
16 tab klf_zone tdea...

. cd "D:\Ngari_drive D\Martha\WAST\Data"
D:\Ngari_drive D\Martha\WAST\Data

. pwd
D:\Ngari_drive D\Martha\WAST\Data
```

Create a **log file**, sort of Stata's built-in tape recorder and where you can:
1) retrieve the output of your work and 2) keep a record of your work.

In the command line type:

```
log using mylog.log
```

This will create the file 'mylog.log' in your working directory. You can read it using any word processor (notepad, word, etc.).

To close a log file type:

```
log close
```

To add more output to an existing log file add the option `append`, type:

```
log using mylog.log, append
```

To replace a log file add the option `replace`, type:

```
log using mylog.log, replace
```

Note that the option `replace` will delete the contents of the previous version of the log.

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File Edit Data Graphics Statistics User Window Help

Open... Ctrl+O

Save Ctrl+S

Save as... Ctrl+Shift+S

View...

Do...

Filename...

Change working directory...

Log

Import

Export



Print

Example datasets...

Recent files

Exit



Rabai

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"C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\New folder"

Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\New folder

Begin...

Close

Suspend

Resume

View...

Translate...

:46 .

:46 ..

:46 do-file.do

:45 nls88.xlsx

Provide the name and
type of the log file

Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\New folder

13 tab bdiagnosis

14 tab klf_zone tdea...

15 codebook bdiag

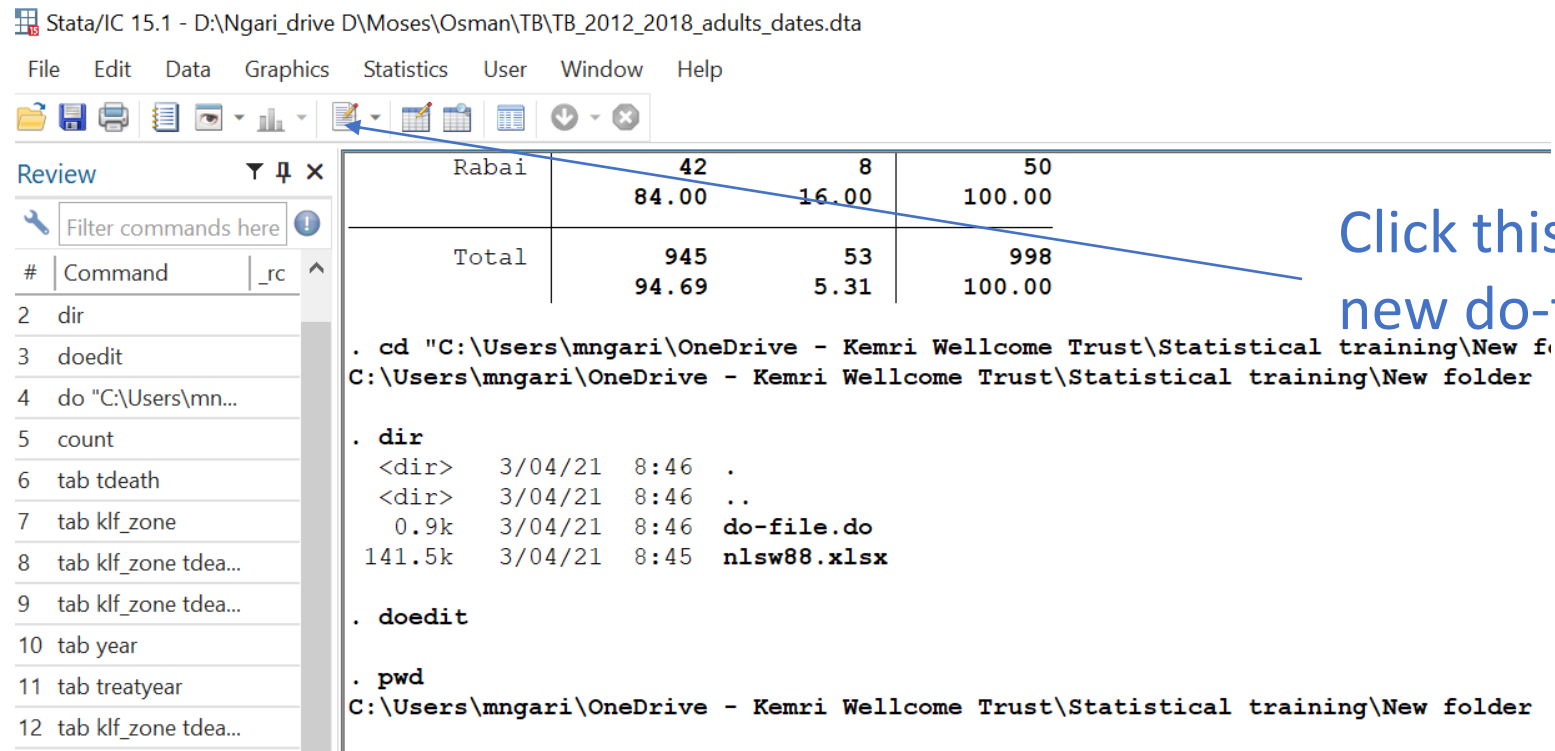
. cd "D:\Ngari_drive D\Martha\WAST\Data"

D:\Ngari_drive D\Martha\WAST\Data

Create do-file

- Do-files are ASCII files that contain Stata commands to run specific procedures. It is highly recommended to use do-files to store your commands so you do not have to type them again should you need to re-do your work.
- You can use any word processor and save the file in ASCII format, or you can use Stata's 'do-file editor' with the advantage that you can run the commands from there. Either, in the command window type:

- *doedit*



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2	dir	
3	doedit	
4	do "C:\Users\mn...	
5	count	
6	tab tdeath	
7	tab klf_zone	
8	tab klf_zone tdea...	
9	tab klf_zone tdea...	
10	tab year	
11	tab treatyear	
12	tab klf_zone tdea...	

	Rabai	42	8	50
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Total		945	53	998
		94.69	5.31	100.00

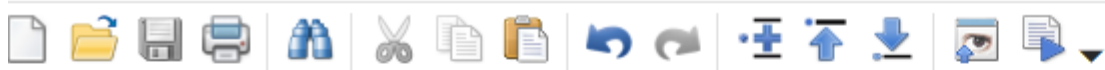
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. cd "C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\New f
C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\New folder

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0.9k 3/04/21 8:46 do-file.do
141.5k 3/04/21 8:45 nls88.xlsx

. doedit

. pwd
C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\New folder
```

Click this icon to start
new do-file



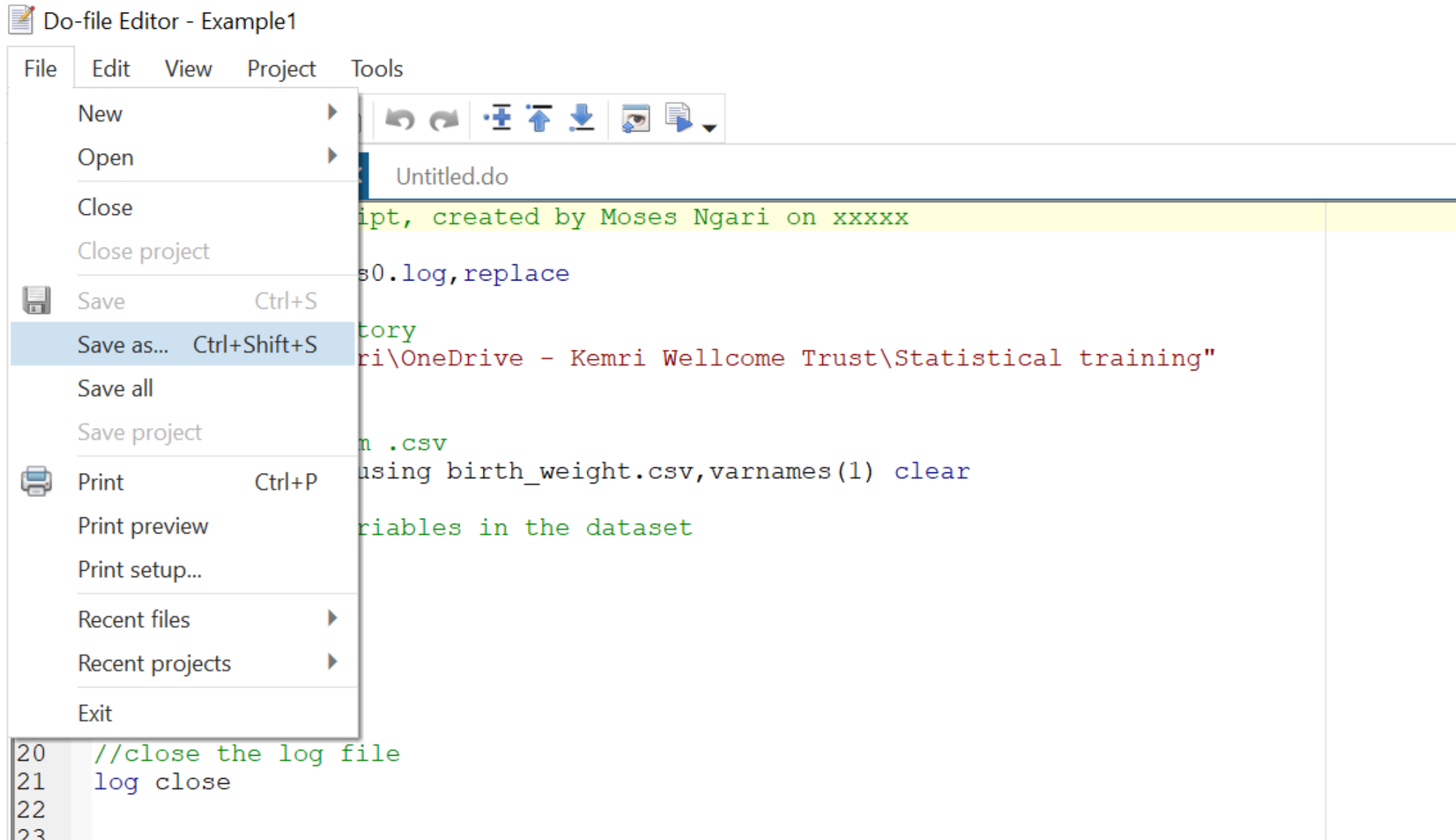
do-file

Example1



```
1 //My analysis script, created by Moses Ngari on xxxxx
2
3 log using analysis0.log,replace
4
5 //Change my directory
6 cd "C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training"
7 dir
8
9 //Import data from .csv
10 import delimited using birth_weight.csv,varnames(1) clear
11
12 //describe the variables in the dataset
13 des
14
15
16
17
18
19
20 //close the log file
21 log close
22
23
```

Save the do-file



```
name: <unnamed>
log: C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\analysis0.log
log type: text
opened on: 26 Mar 2021, 22:01:00
```

```
.
. //Change my directory
. cd "C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training"
C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training
```

```
. dir
<dir>    3/26/21 22:01  .
<dir>    3/26/21 22:01  ..
0.0k     3/26/21 22:01  analysis0.log
22.3k    3/16/21 15:51  birth_weight.csv
<dir>    1/07/21 15:54  data
<dir>    1/07/21 15:54  EACCR
0.4k     3/26/21 21:59  Example1.do
1529.6k   3/26/21 22:00  Introduction to stata.pptx
<dir>    1/06/21 15:13  mon_frid_materials
<dir>    3/04/21  8:46  New folder
2993.5k   2/22/21 18:04  StataTutorial.pdf
50.2k    10/27/11 16:26  Statistics as a Career.pptx
116.5k    7/12/11 15:17  Timetable09.doc
164.5k    7/20/11 12:15  Timetable2011.doc
651.4k    3/24/21 19:26  tutorial.pdf
```

```
. //Import data from .csv
. import delimited using birth_weight.csv,varnames(1) clear
(8 vars, 641 obs)
```

```
.
. //describe the variables in the dataset
. des
```

Contains data

```
obs:      641
vars:      8
size:    14,743
```

variable name	storage type	display format	value label	variable label
id	int	%8.0g		
matage	byte	%8.0g		
ht	byte	%8.0g		
gestwks	byte	%8.0g		
sex	str6	%9s		
bweight	int	%8.0g		
ethnic	byte	%8.0g		
agegrp	str9	%9s		

Sorted by:

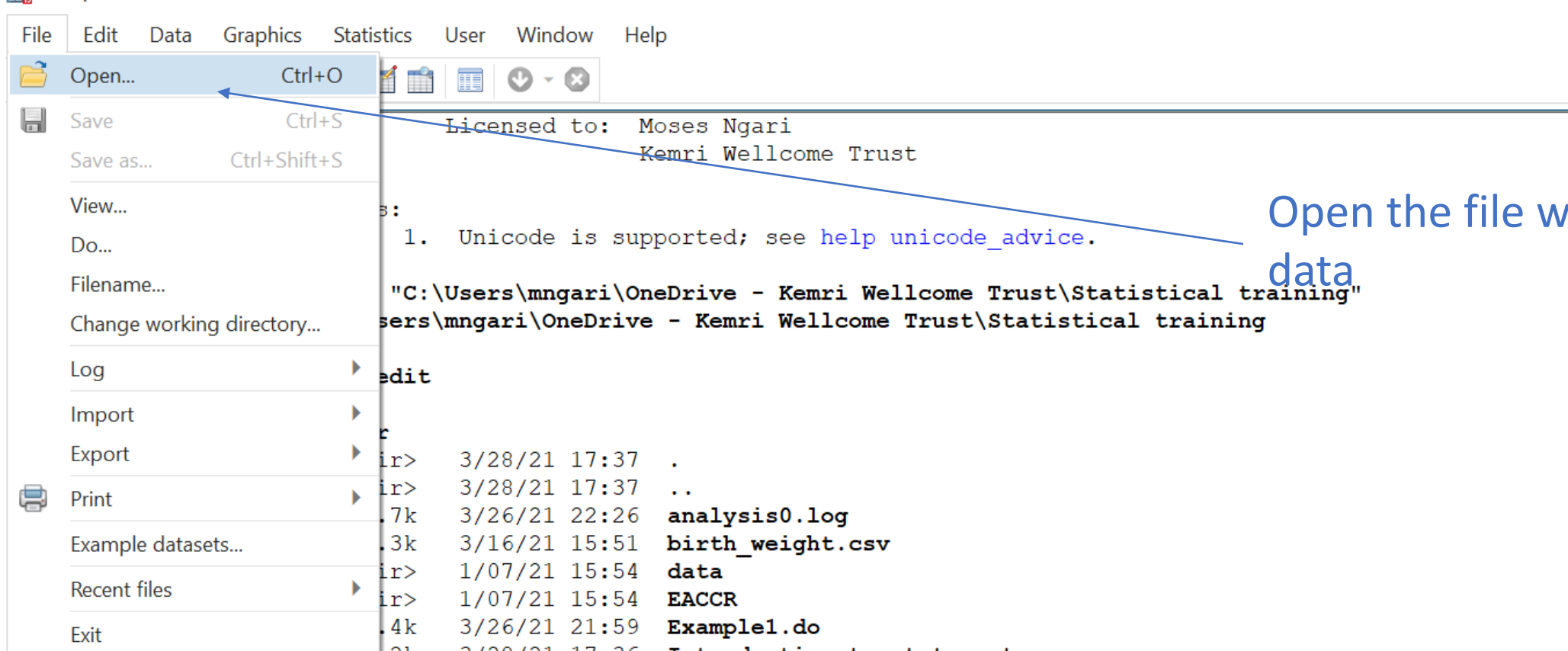
Note: Dataset has changed since last saved.

```
.
.
.
.
.
.
.
. //close the log file
. log close
    name: <unnamed>
    log: C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\analysis0.log
    log type: text
closed on: 26 Mar 2024 22:01:00
```

Reading data to stata

- Read data already in stata format
- To open files already in Stata with extension *.dta, run Stata and you can either:
- Type: *use data_name,clear*

Stata/IC 15.1



Open the file with stata
data

```
. cd "C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training"  
C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training
```

```
. doedit
```

```
. dir
```

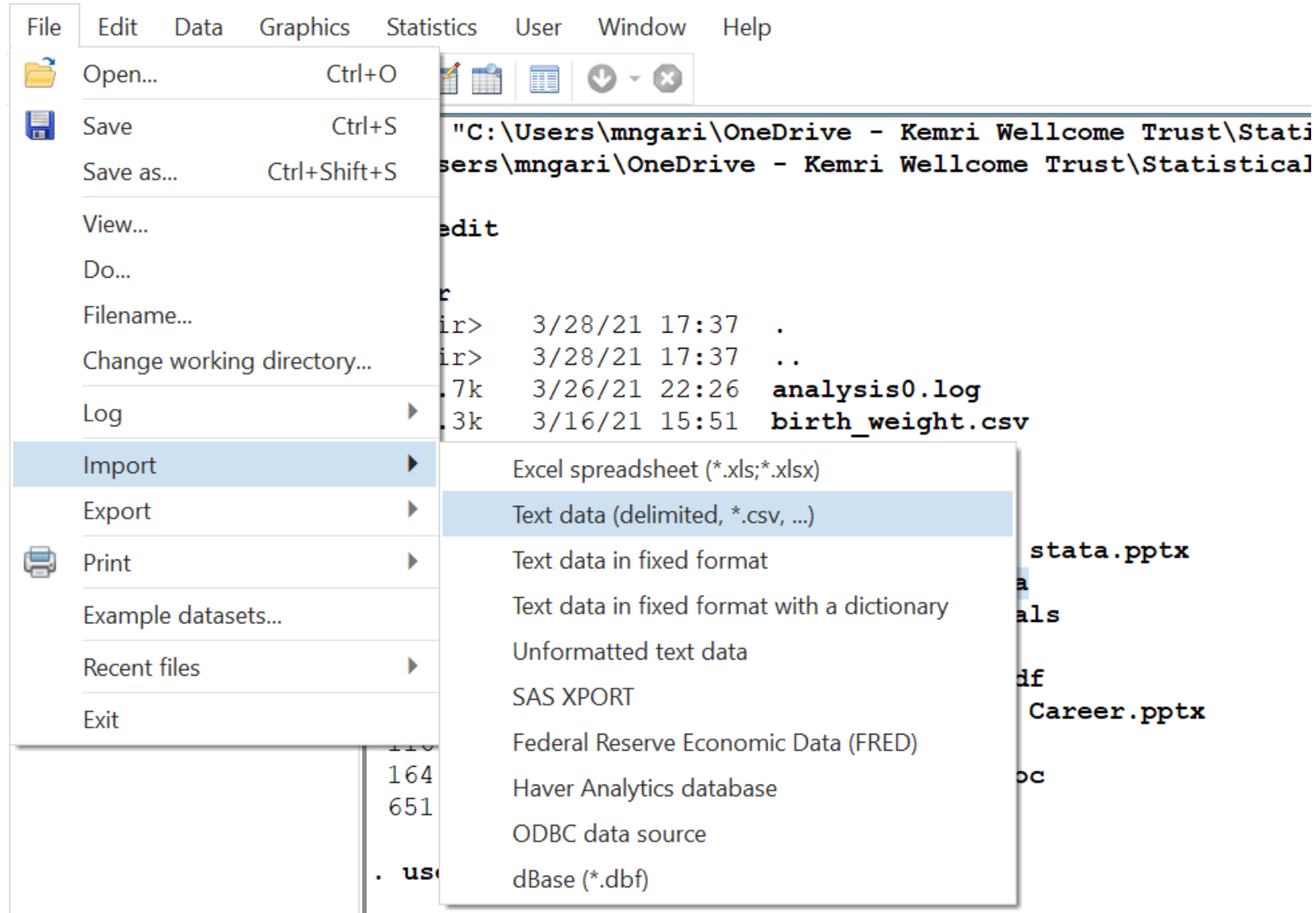
```
<dir>  3/28/21 17:37  .  
<dir>  3/28/21 17:37  ..  
  2.7k  3/26/21 22:26  analysis0.log  
 22.3k  3/16/21 15:51  birth_weight.csv  
<dir>  1/07/21 15:54  data  
<dir>  1/07/21 15:54  EACCR  
  0.4k  3/26/21 21:59  Example1.do  
1642.2k 3/28/21 17:36  Introduction to stata.pptx  
 23.9k  2/23/21 19:46  lab_results0.dta  
<dir>  1/06/21 15:13  mon_frid_materials  
<dir>  3/04/21  8:46  New folder  
2993.5k 2/22/21 18:04  StataTutorial.pdf  
 50.2k 10/27/11 16:26  Statistics as a Career.pptx  
116.5k  7/12/11 15:17  Timetable09.doc  
164.5k  7/20/11 12:15  Timetable2011.doc  
651.4k  3/24/21 19:26  tutorial.pdf  
.
```

Type: use lab_results0.dta,clear

Command

```
use lab_results0.dta,clear
```

Read data from .csv



File to import:

C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\birth_weight.csv

Browse...

Delimiter:

Automatic

☐ Treat sequential delimiters as one

Use first row for variable names:

Automatic

Variable case:

Lower

Quote binding:

Loose

Quote stripping:

Automatic

Floating point precision:

Use default

Set range...

Text encoding:

Western (ISO Latin 1)

Preview:

#	id	matage	ht	gestwks	sex
2	1	33	2	38	Female
3	2	34	2	39	Female
4	3	34	2	36	Female
5	4	30	2	39	Male
6	5	35	2	38	Female

"C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\birth_weight.csv"

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```
r> 3/28/21 17:37
r> 3/28/21 17:37
7k 3/26/21 22:26
3k 3/16/21 15:51
r> 1/07/21 15:54
r> 1/07/21 15:54
4k 3/26/21 21:59
2k 3/28/21 17:36
9k 2/23/21 19:46
r> 1/06/21 15:13
r> 3/04/21 8:46
5k 2/22/21 18:04
2k 10/27/11 16:26
5k 7/12/11 15:17
5k 7/20/11 12:15
4k 3/24/21 19:26
```

lab_results0.dta

ext delimited "C:\

th weight.csv"

File Name	Size	Date	Time	File Name
ngar...	2.7k	3/26/21	22:26	analysis0.log
	22.3k	3/16/21	15:51	birth_weight.csv
	<dir>	1/07/21	15:54	data
	<dir>	1/07/21	15:54	EACCR
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	<dir>	1/06/21	15:13	mon_frid_materials
	<dir>	3/04/21	8:46	New folder
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	164.5k	7/20/11	12:15	Timetable2011.doc
	651.4k	3/24/21	19:26	tutorial.pdf

Type this

```
. use lab_results0.dta,clear

. import delimited "C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\birth_weight
> r
(8 vars, 641 obs)

. import delimited using birth_weight.csv,varnames(1) clear
(8 vars, 641 obs)

.
```

Command

```
import delimited using birth_weight.csv,varnames(1) clear
```

Import other type of data to stata

help import

[D] **import** — Overview of importing data into Stata
([View complete PDF manual entry](#))

Description

This entry provides a quick reference for determining which method to use for reading non-Stata data into memory.
[data](#) for more details.

Links to PDF documentation

[Remarks and examples](#)

The above sections are not included in this help file.

Summary of the different methods

[import excel \(see \[D\] import excel\)](#)

1. **import excel** reads worksheets from Microsoft Excel (**.xls** and **.xlsx**) files.
2. Entire worksheets can be read, or custom cell ranges can be read.

[import delimited \(see \[D\] import delimited\)](#)

1. **import delimited** reads text-delimited files.

2. An observation can be on more than one line.
3. ASCII or EBCDIC data can be read.
4. **infile** (fixed format) has the most capabilities for reading data.

import sasxport (see [\[D\] import sasxport](#))

1. **import sasxport** reads SAS XPORT Transport format files.
2. **import sasxport** will also read value label information from a **formats.xpf** XPORT file, if available.

import fred (see [\[D\] import fred](#))

1. **import fred** reads Federal Reserve Economic Data.
2. To use **import fred**, you must have a valid API key obtained from the St. Louis Federal Reserve.

import haver (Windows only) (see [\[D\] import haver](#))

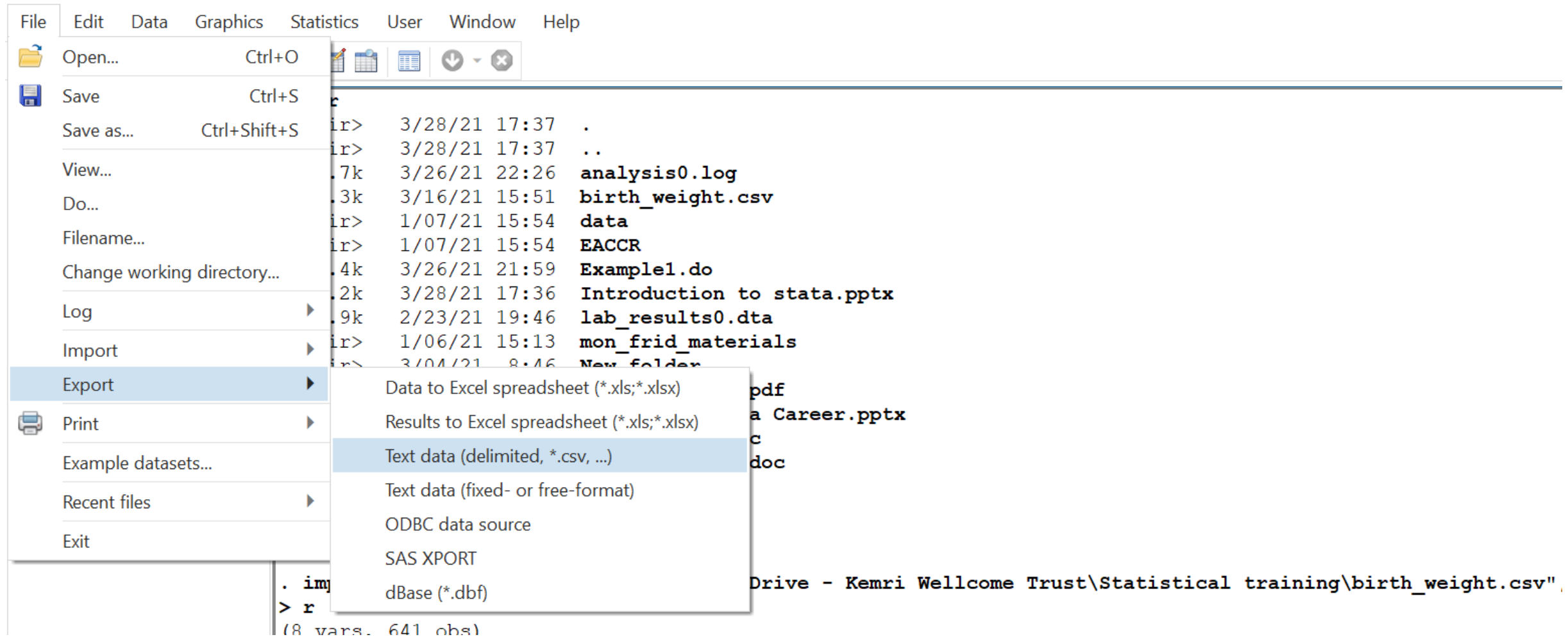
1. **import haver** reads Haver Analytics (<http://www.haver.com/>) database files.

import dbase (see [\[D\] import dbase](#))

1. **import dbase** reads a version III or version IV dBase (**.dbf**) file.

import dta (see [\[D\] import dta](#))

Export data out of stata



```

<dir> 1/06/21 15:13 mon_rria_materials
<dir> 3/04/21 8:46 New folder
2993.5k 2/22/21 18:04 StataTutorial.pdf
50.2k 10/27/11 16:26 Statistics as a Career.pptx
116.5k 7/12/11 15:17 Timetable09.doc
164.5k 7/20/11 12:15 Timetable2011.doc
651.4k 3/24/21 19:26 tutorial.pdf

. use lab_results0.dta,clear

. import delimited "C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training\birth_weight.csv", clea
> r
(8 vars, 641 obs)

. import delimited using birth_weight.csv,varnames(1) clear
(8 vars, 641 obs)

. help import

. help import

. export delimited id gestwks bweight using mynew_date, replace
(note: file mynew_date.csv not found)
file mynew_date.csv saved

.

```

Export function

Variables to export

New dataset name

Command

```
export delimited id gestwks bweight using mynew_date, replace
```

id
matage
ht
gestwks
sex
bweight
ethnic
agegrp

Properties

Variables

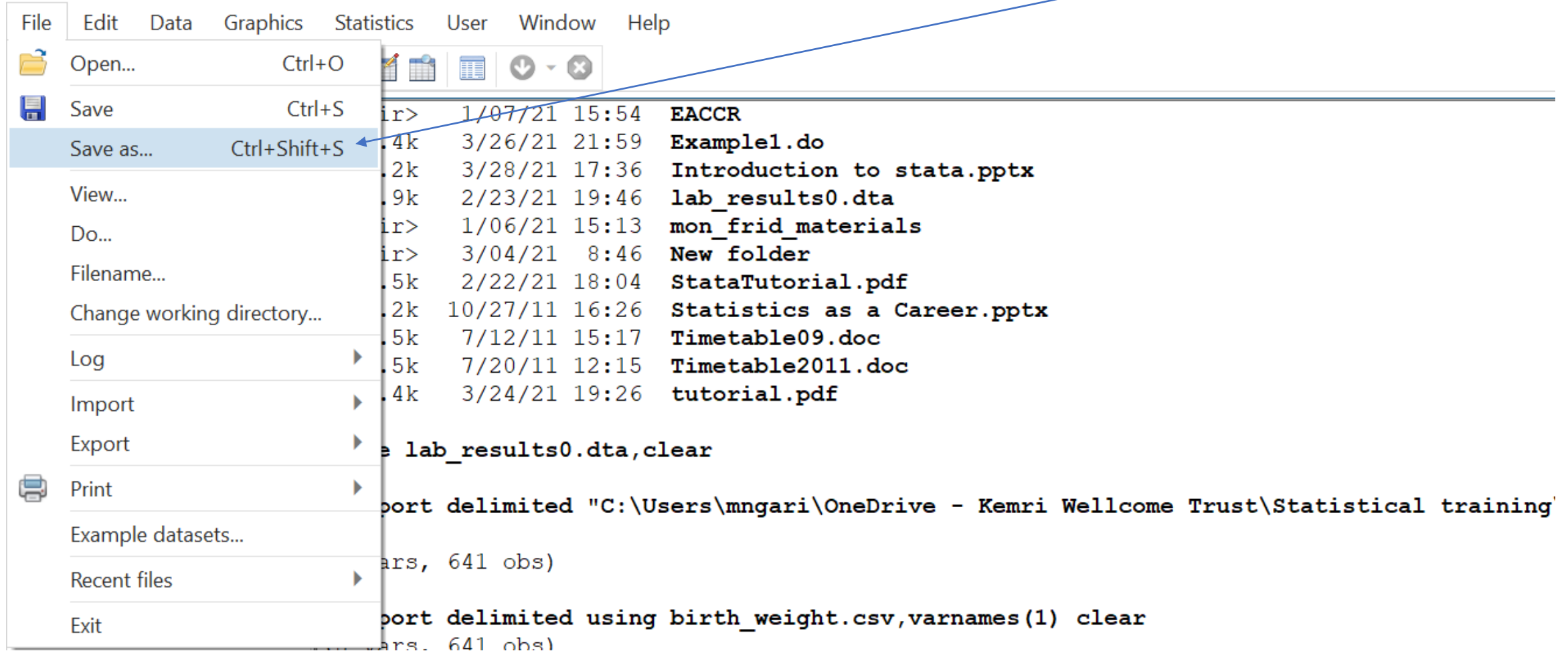
Name	bweig
Label	
Type	int
Format	%8.0c
Value label	
Notes	

Data

Filename	
Label	
Notes	

Saving data in stata

Provide the file to save
and the dataset name



```
. import delimited using birth_weight.csv, varnames(1) clear  
(8 vars, 641 obs)  
  
. help import  
  
. help import  
  
. export delimited id gestwks bweight using mynew_date, replace  
(note: file mynew_date.csv not found)  
file mynew_date.csv saved  
  
.
```

The dataset name

Command

```
save birth_weight.dta, replace
```

Replace will replace dataset in the memory with that name

Your turn now

Exercise 1

- In the folder provided there is a dataset: babies.csv
- a) Open a stata window and change directory to the folder with the dataset
- b) Open a new do-file
- c) read the [babies.csv](#) into stata
- d) Save as bw.dta
- e) save the do-file as: dofile1

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Example1

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```
1 //Change directory
2 cd "C:\Users\mngari\OneDrive - Kemri Wellcome Trust\Statistical training"
3 dir
4
5 //Import data from .csv
6 import delimited using babies.csv, varnames(1) clear
7
8 //Saving data
9 save bw.dta, replace
10
11
12
```

Data management

- Import [birth_weight.csv](#) dataset to stata

import delimited using birth_weight.csv, varnames(1) clear

You can use the command lookfor to find variables in a dataset

```
. lookfor sex
```

variable name	storage type	display format	value label	variable label
sex	str6	%9s		

Data variables description

```
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```

```
Contains data
```

```
  obs:          641
```

```
vars:           8
```

```
size:        14,743
```

variable name	storage type	display format	value label	variable label
id	int	%8.0g		
matage	byte	%8.0g		
ht	byte	%8.0g		
gestwks	byte	%8.0g		
sex	str6	%9s		
bweight	int	%8.0g		
ethnic	byte	%8.0g		
agegrp	str9	%9s		

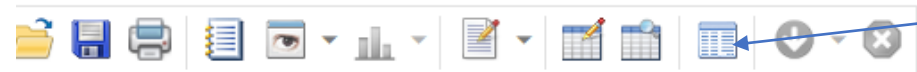
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Sorted by:
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    Note: Dataset has changed since last saved.
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```

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Review

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7	help
8	help
9	expo
10	save
11	dir
12	do "C
13	do "C
14	do "C
15	br

Variables Manager

Filter variables here

Drag a column header here to group by that column.						
#	Name	Label	Type	Format	Value label	Notes
	id		int	%8.0g		
	matage		byte	%8.0g		
	ht		byte	%8.0g		
	gestwks		byte	%8.0g		
	sex		str6	%9s		
	bweight		int	%8.0g		
	ethnic		byte	%8.0g		
	agegrp		str9	%9s		

Variable properties

Name:
id

Label:

Type:
int

Format:
%8.0g Create...

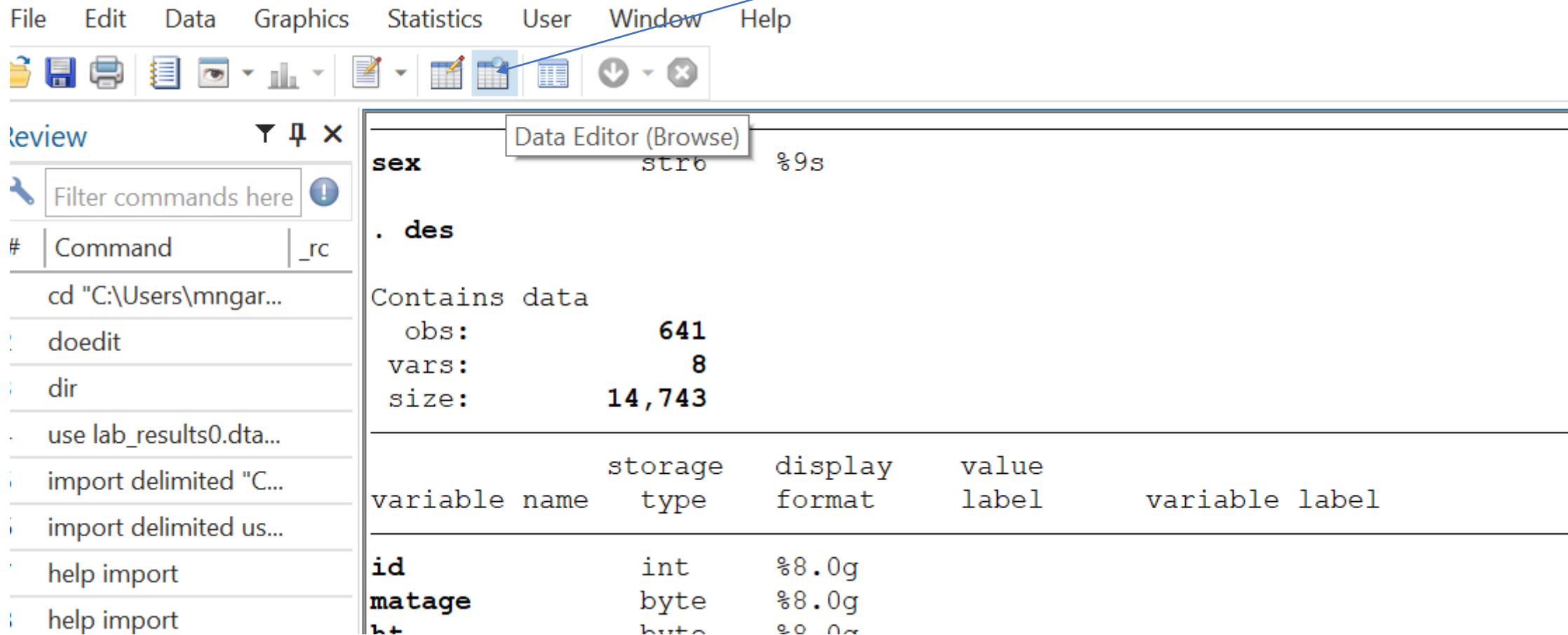
Value label:
Manage...

Notes:
No notes Manage...

View the variables as spreadsheet

- Type browse

Click here



The screenshot shows the Stata software interface. The top menu bar includes File, Edit, Data, Graphics, Statistics, User, Window, and Help. Below the menu is a toolbar with various icons. The 'Data Editor (Browse)' window is open, displaying a list of commands on the left and a table of variables on the right. A blue arrow points from the text 'Click here' to the 'Data Editor (Browse)' icon in the toolbar.

Review

Filter commands here

#	Command	_rc
1	cd "C:\Users\mngar..."	
2	doedit	
3	dir	
4	use lab_results0.dta...	
5	import delimited "C..."	
6	import delimited us...	
7	help import	
8	help import	

Data Editor (Browse)

sex str6 %9s

. des

Contains data

obs:	641
vars:	8
size:	14,743

variable name	storage type	display format	value label	variable label
id	int	%8.0g		
matage	byte	%8.0g		
h+	byte	%8.0g		

Stata has a color-coded system for each type. Black is for numbers, red is for text or string and blue is for labeled variables.

	id	matage	ht	gestwks	sex	bweight	ethnic	agegrp
1	1	33	2	38	Female	2410	1	30-34 yrs
2	2	34	2	39	Female	2977	1	30-34 yrs
3	3	34	2	36	Female	2100	1	30-34 yrs
4	4	30	2	39	Male	3270	1	30-34 yrs
5	5	35	2	38	Female	2620	1	35-39 yrs
6	6	37	2	38	Male	3260	1	35-39 yrs
7	7	31	2	40	Male	3750	1	30-34 yrs
8	8	31	1	35	Female	1450	1	30-34 yrs
9	9	33	1	39	Male	3200	1	30-34 yrs
10	10	33	2	40	Female	3675	1	30-34 yrs
11	11	29	2	42	Female	3640	1	20-29 yrs
12	12	37	2	41	Male	3771	1	35-39 yrs
13	13	36	2	41	Female	3950	1	35-39 yrs
14	14	39	2	40	Male	3400	1	35-39 yrs
15	15	34	2	39	Male	3100	1	30-34 yrs
16	16	36	2	39	Male	3100	1	35-39 yrs
17	17	37	2	41	Male	4020	1	35-39 yrs
18	18	35	2	39	Female	2730	1	35-39 yrs
19	19	38	2	40	Female	3000	1	35-39 yrs
20	20	34	2	39	Male	3040	1	30-34 yrs
21	21	28	2	40	Female	3660	1	20-29 yrs
22	22	38	2	39	Male	3040	1	35-39 yrs

Remove a variable

This will remove the agegrp variable from your data permanently

Type this: *drop varname*

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vars: 8

size: 14,743

variable name	storage type	display format	value label	variable label
id	int	%8.0g		
matage	byte	%8.0g		
ht	byte	%8.0g		
gestwks	byte	%8.0g		
sex	str6	%9s		
bweight	int	%8.0g		
ethnic	byte	%8.0g		
agegrp	str9	%9s		

Sorted by:

Note: Dataset has changed since last saved.

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Command

drop agegrp

matage

ht

gestwks

sex

bweight

ethnic

agegrp

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Properties

Variables

Name	agegrp
Label	
Type	str9
Format	%9s
Value label	
Notes	

Data

Filename	
Label	
Notes	

Adding/changing variable labels, type:

Before

variable name	storage type	display format	value label	variable label
id	int	%8.0g		
matage	byte	%8.0g		
ht	byte	%8.0g		
gestwks	byte	%8.0g		
sex	str6	%9s		
bweight	int	%8.0g		
ethnic	byte	%8.0g		
agegrp	str9	%9s		

Use the function: [label variable varname varlabel](#)

```
//Label your variables
label variable id "ID number"
label variable matage "Mother age"
label variable ht "hypertension status"
label variable gestwks "gestational age in weeks"
label variable sex "Infant sex"
label variable bweight "Birth weight in grams"
```


Adding/changing variable labels, type:

After

```
//Label your variables  
label variable id "ID number"  
label variable matage "Mother age"  
label variable ht "hypertension status"  
label variable gestwks "gestational age in weeks"  
label variable sex "Infant sex"  
label variable bweight "Birth weight in grams"
```

variable name	storage type	display format	value label	variable label
id	int	%8.0g		ID number
matage	byte	%8.0g		Mother age
ht	byte	%8.0g		hypertension status
gestwks	byte	%8.0g		gestational age in weeks
sex	str6	%9s		Infant sex
bweight	int	%8.0g		Birth weight in grams
ethnic	byte	%8.0g		
agegrp	str9	%9s		

Renaming variables, type:

Before

variable name	storage type	display format	value label	variable label
id	int	%8.0g		
matage	byte	%8.0g		
ht	byte	%8.0g		
gestwks	byte	%8.0g		
sex	str6	%9s		
bweight	int	%8.0g		
ethnic	byte	%8.0g		
agegrp	str9	%9s		

To rename: rename varname
new_varname

```
//Rename variables  
rename id subjid  
rename ht hyper
```

After

variable name	storage type	display format	value label	variable label
subjid	int	%8.0g		ID number
matage	byte	%8.0g		Mother age
hyper	byte	%8.0g		hypertension status
gestwks	byte	%8.0g		gestational age in weeks
sex	str6	%9s		Infant sex
bweight	int	%8.0g		Birth weight in grams
ethnic	byte	%8.0g		
agegrp	str9	%9s		

Assigning value labels

Adding labels to each category in a variable is a two step process in Stata.

Step 1: You need to create the labels using `label define`, type:

```
label define labell 1 "Agree" 2 "Disagree" 3 "Do not know"
```

Setp 2: Assign that label to a variable with those categories using `label values`:

```
label values var1 labell
```

If another variable has the same corresponding categories you can use the same label, type

```
label values var2 labell
```

Assigning value labels

```
//label variables
label define lhyper 1"Hypertension" 2"No hypertension"
label value hyper lhyper
```

You define a label with 1=hyper and 2=not hyper

Assign the define label to variable hyper

```
label define lethnic 1"White" 2"Blacks" 3"Asian" 4"Latino"
label value ethnic lethnic
```

variable name	storage type	display format	value label	variable label
subjid	int	%8.0g	lhyper	ID number
matage	byte	%8.0g		Mother age
hyper	byte	%15.0g		hypertension status
gestwks	byte	%8.0g		gestational age in weeks
sex	str6	%9s	lethnic	Infant sex
bweight	int	%8.0g		Birth weight in grams
ethnic	byte	%8.0g		
agegrp	str9	%9s		

subjid	matage	hyper	gestwks	sex	bweight	ethnic	agegrp		
246	38	No hypertension	33	Female	1400	White	35-39 yrs		
247	32	No hypertension	39	Female	2540	White	30-34 yrs		
248	37	No hypertension	41	Male	3550	White	35-39 yrs		
249	34	No hypertension	36	Female	2900	White	30-34 yrs		
250	39	No hypertension	38	Female	2253	White	35-39 yrs		
251	38	Hypertension	38	Male	2840	White	35-39 yrs		
252	32	No hypertension	40	Female	2680	White	30-34 yrs		
253	32	No hypertension	40	Female	3520	White	30-34 yrs		
254	42	No hypertension	39	Female	3180	White	40+yrs		
255	39	No hypertension	40	Male	3040	White	35-39 yrs		
256	38	No hypertension	40	Female	3180	White	35-39 yrs		
257	37	No hypertension	39	Male	3560	White	35-39 yrs		
258	35	No hypertension	40	Male	3300	White	35-39 yrs		
259	36	No hypertension	37	Male	2700	White	35-39 yrs		
260	30	No hypertension	41	Male	4120	White	30-34 yrs		
261	27	No hypertension	34	Female	1890	Blacks	20-29 yrs		
262	39	No hypertension	40	Male	3810	Blacks	35-39 yrs		
263	35	No hypertension	39	Male	3008	Blacks	35-39 yrs		
264	35	No hypertension	41	Male	3870	Blacks	35-39 yrs		
265	33	No hypertension	39	Female	3630	Blacks	30-34 yrs		
266	39	No hypertension	39	Female	3450	Blacks	35-39 yrs		
267	40	No hypertension	40	Male	4330	Blacks	40+yrs		

Operators and Expressions

Arithmetic

+ add
- subtract
* multiply
/ divide
^ raise to power
+ string concatenation

Logical

! not (also ~)
| or
& and

Relational

== equal
!= not equal (also ~=)
< less than
<= less than or equal
> greater than
>= greater than or equal

Creating new variables

To generate a new variable use the command `generate` (`gen` for short), type

```
generate [newvar] = [expression]
```

The variable `gestwks` is the gestation age in weeks ranging from 25 to 42 weeks. We need to create a new variable called `prem` for born premature (0=37 weeks and above; 1=less than 37 weeks).

Two ways:

```
//Create new variable
gen prem=0
replace prem=1 if gestwks<37
tabulate prem,missing

recode gestwks (20/36.99=1) (37/45= 0), gen(prem1)
tabulate prem1,missing
```

Generate a new variable `prem` with zero and 1 for `gestwks<37`

The `recode` function works as well

View the data now

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sort gestwks

	subjid	matage	hyper	gestwks	sex	bweight	ethnic	agegrp	prem	preml
58	152	33	No hypertension	36	Female	2320	White	30-34 yrs	1	1
59	272	40	No hypertension	36	Female	3180	Blacks	40+yrs	1	1
60	539	38	No hypertension	36	Male	2410	Latino	35-39 yrs	1	1
61	475	34	No hypertension	36	Female	2420	Asian	30-34 yrs	1	1
62	123	31	No hypertension	36	Male	2670	White	30-34 yrs	1	1
63	149	38	No hypertension	36	Female	2495	White	35-39 yrs	1	1
64	80	37	No hypertension	36	Male	2807	White	35-39 yrs	1	1
65	438	24	Hypertension	36	Female	2720	Asian	20-29 yrs	1	1
66	610	34	No hypertension	36	Male	3570	Latino	30-34 yrs	1	1
67	414	32	Hypertension	36	Male	2620	Asian	30-34 yrs	1	1
68	599	38	No hypertension	36	Male	2955	Latino	35-39 yrs	1	1
69	562	39	No hypertension	36	Male	2910	Latino	35-39 yrs	1	1
70	249	34	No hypertension	36	Female	2900	White	30-34 yrs	1	1
71	270	40	No hypertension	36	Male	2500	Blacks	40+yrs	1	1
72	3	34	No hypertension	36	Female	2100	White	30-34 yrs	1	1
73	233	30	No hypertension	36	Female	2540	White	30-34 yrs	1	1
74	295	35	No hypertension	37	Male	2550	Blacks	35-39 yrs	0	0
75	606	29	No hypertension	37	Female	2820	Latino	20-29 yrs	0	0
76	77	37	Hypertension	37	Female	2000	White	35-39 yrs	0	0
77	130	33	No hypertension	37	Female	2800	White	30-34 yrs	0	0
78	146	40	No hypertension	37	Female	3200	White	40+yrs	0	0
79	345	40	No hypertension	37	Male	2620	Asian	40+yrs	0	0
80	476	38	No hypertension	37	Female	2700	Asian	35-39 yrs	0	0

	subjid	matage	hyper	gestwks	sex	bweight	ethnic	agegrp	prem	preml	
58	152	33	No hypertension	36	Female	2320	White	30-34 yrs	Premature	Premature	
59	272	40	No hypertension	36	Female	3180	Blacks	40+yrs	Premature	Premature	
60	539	38	No hypertension	36	Male	2410	Latino	35-39 yrs	Premature	Premature	
61	475	34	No hypertension	36	Female	2420	Asian	30-34 yrs	Premature	Premature	
62	123	31	No hypertension	36	Male	2670	White	30-34 yrs	Premature	Premature	
63	149	38	No hypertension	36	Female	2495	White	35-39 yrs	Premature	Premature	
64	80	37	No hypertension	36	Male	2807	White	35-39 yrs	Premature	Premature	
65	438	24	Hypertension	36	Female	2720	Asian	20-29 yrs	Premature	Premature	
66	610	34	No hypertension	36	Male	3570	Latino	30-34 yrs	Premature	Premature	
67	414	32	Hypertension	36	Male	2620	Asian	30-34 yrs	Premature	Premature	
68	599	38	No hypertension	36	Male	2955	Latino	35-39 yrs	Premature	Premature	
69	562	39	No hypertension	36	Male	2910	Latino	35-39 yrs	Premature	Premature	
70	249	34	No hypertension	36	Female	2900	White	30-34 yrs	Premature	Premature	
71	270	40	No hypertension	36	Male	2500	Blacks	40+yrs	Premature	Premature	
72	3	34	No hypertension	36	Female	2100	White	30-34 yrs	Premature	Premature	
73	233	30	No hypertension	36	Female	2540	White	30-34 yrs	Premature	Premature	
74	295	35	No hypertension	37	Male	2550	Blacks	35-39 yrs	Mature	Mature	
75	606	29	No hypertension	37	Female	2820	Latino	20-29 yrs	Mature	Mature	
76	77	37	Hypertension	37	Female	2000	White	35-39 yrs	Mature	Mature	
77	130	33	No hypertension	37	Female	2800	White	30-34 yrs	Mature	Mature	
78	146	40	No hypertension	37	Female	3200	White	40+yrs	Mature	Mature	
79	345	40	No hypertension	37	Male	2620	Asian	40+yrs	Mature	Mature	
80	476	38	No hypertension	37	Female	2700	Asian	35-39 yrs	Mature	Mature	

Dates

- Dates in stata appear as numbers since 01jan1960. To create a data variable, you first define a “date” variable and provide the correct format

```
//Dealing with dates
//date of birth
gen birth_date=date(dob, "DMY")
format birth_date %d
```

Date as string
variable

Date variable

id	matage	ht	gestwks	sex	bweight	ethnic	agegrp	dob	date_admn	birth_date	
1	33	2	38	Female	2410	1	30-34 yrs	15/11/2003	01/01/2009	15nov2003	
2	34	2	39	Female	2977	1	30-34 yrs	27/02/2003	01/01/2009	27feb2003	
3	34	2	36	Female	2100	1	30-34 yrs	07/10/2008	01/01/2009	07oct2008	
4	30	2	39	Male	3270	1	30-34 yrs	29/08/2008	01/01/2009	29aug2008	
5	35	2	38	Female	2620	1	35-39 yrs	13/12/2006	01/01/2009	13dec2006	
6	37	2	38	Male	3260	1	35-39 yrs	09/11/2006	01/01/2009	09nov2006	
7	31	2	40	Male	3750	1	30-34 yrs	29/12/2008	01/01/2009	29dec2008	
8	31	1	35	Female	1450	1	30-34 yrs	25/05/2006	01/01/2009	25may2006	
9	33	1	39	Male	3200	1	30-34 yrs	01/09/2003	01/01/2009	01sep2003	
10	33	2	40	Female	3675	1	30-34 yrs	01/01/2009	01/01/2009	01jan2009	
11	29	2	42	Female	3640	1	20-29 yrs	15/04/2001	02/01/2009	15apr2001	
12	37	2	41	Male	3771	1	35-39 yrs	06/07/2007	02/01/2009	06jul2007	
13	36	2	41	Female	3950	1	35-39 yrs	05/11/1999	02/01/2009	05nov1999	
14	39	2	40	Male	3400	1	35-39 yrs	06/07/2006	02/01/2009	06jul2006	

Exercise 2

- Read the birth_weight.csv to stata
- Use the *bweight* variable to create a new variable
- lbw for low birth weight code as
- 0 for birthweight ≥ 2500
- 1 for birthweight < 2500
- Label the new variable as “Low birth weight”
- Attach the variables: 0 “Normal birth weight” 1 “Low birth weight”
- Create a date variable for date_admn

Change variables type

```
//Destring
gen str nsex="1" if sex=="Male"
replace nsex="2" if sex=="Female"

destring nsex,replace

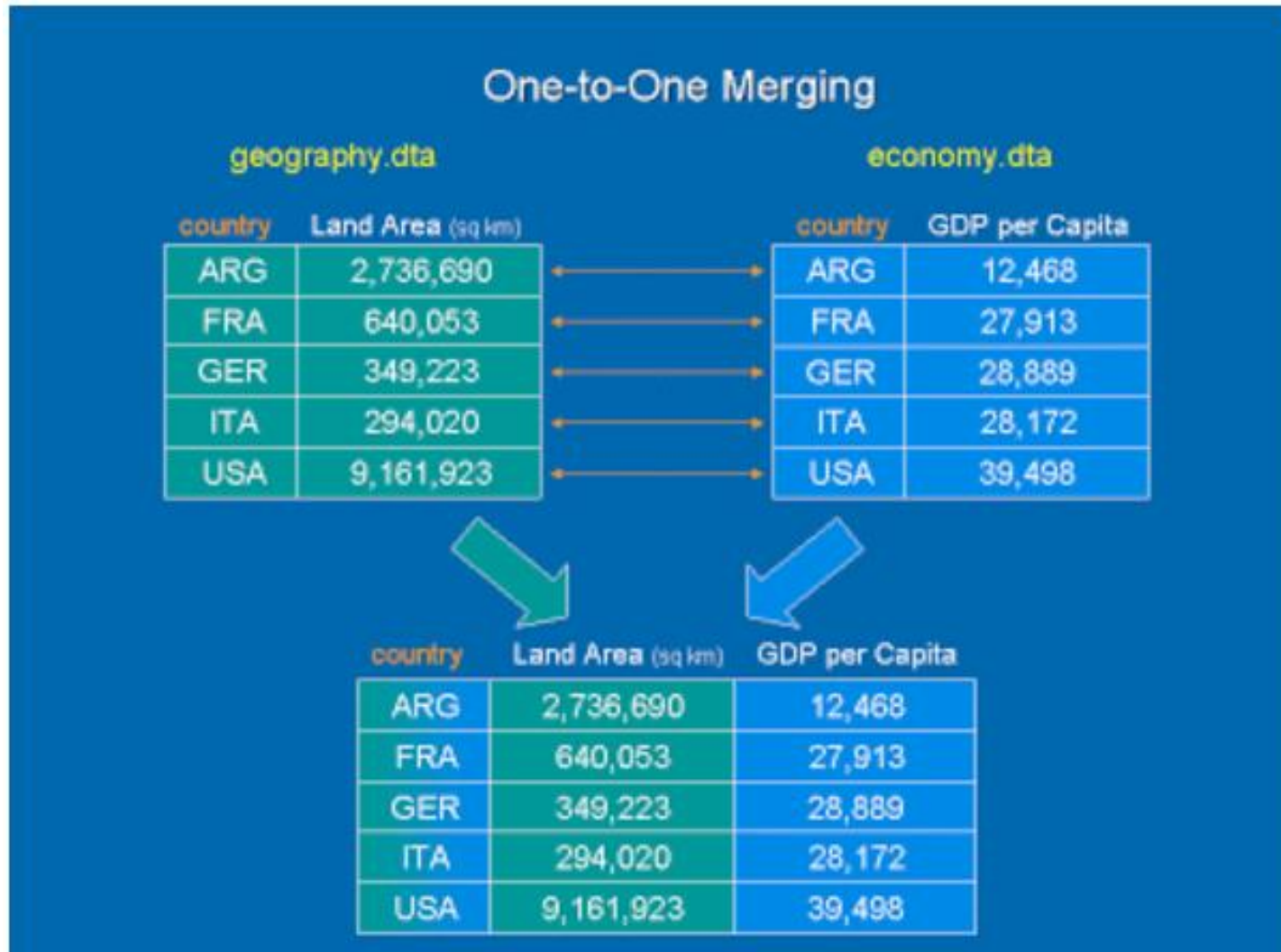
//label sex
lab def lsex 1"Male" 2"Female"
lab val nsex lsex
```

gestwks	sex	bweight	ethnic	agegrp	prem	prem1	lbw	nsex	
26	Female	630	White	30-34 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Female	
30	Male	700	Blacks	30-34 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Male	
28	Female	710	Blacks	20-29 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Female	
31	Female	825	Asian	35-39 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Female	
25	Female	860	Asian	40+yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Female	
30	Female	920	Asian	35-39 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Female	
28	Male	980	Blacks	20-29 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Male	
30	Male	1000	Asian	20-29 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Male	
28	Male	1020	White	30-34 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Male	
32	Male	1102	Blacks	35-39 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Male	
31	Male	1160	Latino	30-34 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Male	
33	Male	1200	White	35-39 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Male	
29	Male	1310	Latino	35-39 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Male	
31	Female	1320	Latino	20-29 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Female	
34	Female	1326	Asian	35-39 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Female	
33	Female	1400	White	35-39 yrs	Premature	Premature	Low Birth weight	Female	

Merge datasets

- **Merge** – adds variables to a dataset. Type `help merge` for details. Merging two datasets require that both have at least one variable in common (either string or numeric). If string make sure the categories have the same spelling (i.e. country names, etc.). The common variables must have the same name. Explore each dataset separately before merging. Make sure to use all possible common variables (for example, if merging two panel datasets you will need country and years).

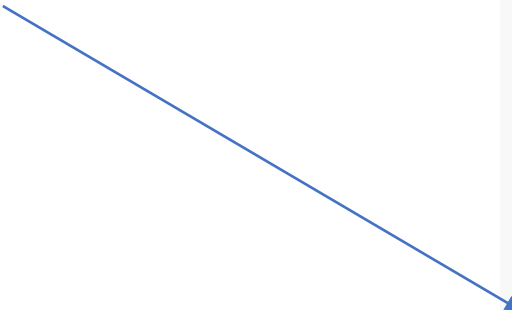
One to one merging



Use the lab_results0.dta data,

Sort the *subjid* variable

1:1 means each data has one record
Section5.dta the data to merge with



```
//merge
**Dataset one
use lab_results0.dta,clear
sort subjid

save lab_results0.dta,replace

**Dataset two
use section5.dta,clear
sort subjid

save section5.dta,replace

**Merge
use lab_results0.dta,clear
merge 1:1 subjid using section5.dta
```

subjid	drugs	hep_b	vdr1	alcohol	urine	vload	hiv_status	hiv0	
1							NEGATIVE	Neg	
2	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	<0.010%	NGO	UD	POSITIVE	Pos	
3	AMP+VE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	<0.010%	NGO	750CP/ML	POSITIVE	Pos	
4							NEGATIVE	Neg	
5							NEGATIVE	Neg	
6							NEGATIVE	Neg	
7	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	<0.010%	NGO	59CP/ML	POSITIVE	Pos	
8	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	<0.010%	NGO	UD	POSITIVE	Pos	
9							NEGATIVE	Neg	
10							NEGATIVE	Neg	
11							NEGATIVE	Neg	
12	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	<0.010%	NGO	450CP/ML	POSITIVE	Pos	
13	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	<0.010%	NGO	99CP/ML	POSITIVE	Pos	

lab_results0.dta

subjid	q76	q77	q78	q79	q80	q81	q
1	a	b	a	a	a	b	
2	a	a	a	b	a	b	
3	a	b	a	b	b	b	
4	a	a	a	b	a	a	
5	a	a	a	b	a	b	
6	a	b	a	b	a	b	
7	a	a	a	d	b	b	
8	b	b	a	a	a	b	
9	a	a	b	b	b	b	
10	a	a	a	a	b	b	
11	a	a	b	a	b	b	
12	a	a	c	b	a	a	
13	a	a	a	b	a	a	

section5.dta


```
merge 1:1 subjid using section5.dta
```

Result	# of obs.	
not matched	0	
matched	240	(_merge==3)

```
nd of do-file
```

```
tab _merge
```

_merge	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
matched (3)	240	100.00	100.00
Total	240	100.00	

mydata1

	country	year	y	y_bin	x1	x2	x3
1	A	2000	1343	1	.28	-1.11	.28
2	A	2001	-1900	0	.32	-.95	.49
3	A	2002	-11	0	.36	-.79	.7
4	A	2003	2646	1	.25	-.89	-.09
5	B	2000	-5935	0	-.08	1.43	.02
6	B	2001	-712	0	.11	1.65	.26
7	B	2002	-1933	0	.35	1.59	-.23
8	B	2003	3073	1	.73	1.69	.26
9	C	2000	-1292	0	1.31	-1.29	.2
10	C	2001	-3416	0	1.18	-1.34	.28
11	C	2002	-356	0	1.26	-1.26	.37
12	C	2003	1225	1	1.42	-1.31	-.38



mydata4

	country	x7
1	A	100
2	B	200
3	C	300

```
merge m:1 country using mydata4
```

```
Result                                     # of obs.
-----
not matched                                0
matched                                   12  (_merge==3)
-----
```

- Make sure one dataset is loaded into Stata (in this case mydata1), then use merge.
- Make sure to map where the using data is located (in this case mydata2, for example "c:\folders\data\mydata4.dta").

NOTE: For Stata 10 or older:

- 1) Remove the m:1
- 2) Sort both datasets by all the ids and save before merging

	country	year	y	y_bin	x1	x2	x3	x7	_merge
1	A	2000	1343	1	.28	-1.11	.28	100	matched (3)
2	A	2001	-1900	0	.32	-.95	.49	100	matched (3)
3	A	2002	-11	0	.36	-.79	.7	100	matched (3)
4	A	2003	2646	1	.25	-.89	-.09	100	matched (3)
5	B	2000	-5935	0	-.08	1.43	.02	200	matched (3)
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7	B	2002	-1933	0	.35	1.59	-.23	200	matched (3)
8	B	2003	3073	1	.73	1.69	.26	200	matched (3)
9	C	2000	-1292	0	1.31	-1.29	.2	300	matched (3)
10	C	2001	-3416	0	1.18	-1.34	.28	300	matched (3)
11	C	2002	-356	0	1.26	-1.26	.37	300	matched (3)

Syntax

One-to-one merge on specified key variables

```
merge 1:1 varlist using filename [, options]
```

Many-to-one merge on specified key variables

```
merge m:1 varlist using filename [, options]
```

One-to-many merge on specified key variables

```
merge 1:m varlist using filename [, options]
```

Many-to-many merge on specified key variables

```
merge m:m varlist using filename [, options]
```

APPEND

mydata7

	country	year	y	y_bin	x1	x2	x3
1	A	2000	1343	1	.28	-1.11	.28
2	A	2001	-1900	0	.32	-.95	.49
3	B	2000	-5935	0	-.08	1.43	.02
4	B	2001	-712	0	.11	1.65	.26
5	C	2000	-1292	0	1.31	-1.29	.2
6	C	2001	-3416	0	1.18	-1.34	.28

- Make sure one dataset is loaded into Stata (in this case mydata7), then use `append`.
- Make sure to map where the using data is located (in this case mydata2, for example "c:\folders\data\mydata9.dta").*
- Notice the missing data.



append using mydata9

	country	year	y	y_bin	x1	x2	x3
1	A	2000	1343	1	.28	-1.11	.28
2	A	2001	-1900	0	.32	-.95	.49
3	B	2000	-5935	0	-.08	1.43	.02
4	B	2001	-712	0	.11	1.65	.26
5	C	2000	-1292	0	1.31	-1.29	.2
6	C	2001	-3416	0	1.18	-1.34	.28
7	A	2002	-11	0	.36	-.79	.
8	A	2003	2646	1	.25	-.89	.
9	B	2002	-1933	0	.35	1.59	.
10	B	2003	3073	1	.73	1.69	.
11	C	2002	-356	0	1.26	-1.26	.
12	C	2003	1225	1	1.42	-1.31	.

mydata9

	country	year	y	y_bin	x1	x2
1	A	2002	-11	0	.36	-.79
2	A	2003	2646	1	.25	-.89
3	B	2002	-1933	0	.35	1.59
4	B	2003	3073	1	.73	1.69
5	C	2002	-356	0	1.26	-1.26
6	C	2003	1225	1	1.42	-1.31

Summary in stata

- Use tabulate to get summary of categorical variables

```
. tab prem,missing
```

prem	Freq.	Percent
Mature	568	88.61
Premature	73	11.39
Total	641	100.00

- Use summarize to get summary of continuous variables

```
. summ bweight
```

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
bweight	641	3129.137	652.7827	630	4650

Exploring data

Frequency refers to the number of times a value is repeated. Frequencies are used to analyze categorical data. The tables below are *frequency tables*, values are in ascending order. In Stata use the command **tab varname**.

Read the birth_weight.csv

What proportion of children were females?

```
. tab sex,missing
```

sex	Freq.	Percent
Female	315	49.14
Male	326	50.86
Total	641	100.00

Freq. provides the count
Percent provides relative frequency

Contingency tables

Contingency tables or crosstabs help you to analyze the relationship between two or more categorical variables.

```
. tab prem lbw, row
```

Key
<i>frequency</i>
<i>row percentage</i>

Var1 var2

row provides %
by row variable

prem	Low birth weight		Total
	Normal bi	Low Birth	
Mature	537 94.54	31 5.46	568 100.00
Premature	24 32.88	49 67.12	73 100.00
Total	561 87.52	80 12.48	641 100.00

```
. tab prem lbw,col
```

col provides the % by the
column variable

Key

frequency
column percentage

prem	Low birth weight		Total
	Normal bi	Low Birth	
Mature	537 95.72	31 38.75	568 88.61
Premature	24 4.28	49 61.25	73 11.39
Total	561 100.00	80 100.00	641 100.00

Exploring data: frequencies and descriptive statistics

```
. table lbw, contents(freq mean gestwks)
```

Low birth weight	Freq.	mean(gestwks)
Normal birth weight	561	39.2549
Low Birth weight	80	34.7

Command `table` produces frequencies and descriptive statistics per category

```
. table lbw, contents(freq mean gestwks mean bweight mean matage )
```

Low birth weight	Freq.	mean(gestwks)	mean(bweight)	mean(matage)
Normal birth weight	561	39.2549	3309.57	34.0374
Low Birth weight	80	34.7	1863.86	33.5125

summarize

Type `summarize` to get some basic descriptive statistics.

```
. summ matage
```

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
matage	641	33.97192	3.87046	23	43

```
.
```

```
. summ matage gestwks bweight
```

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
matage	641	33.97192	3.87046	23	43
gestwks	641	38.68643	2.356498	25	42
bweight	641	3129.137	652.7827	630	4650

bysort

bysort allows to run simple loop by a variable with many categories



. bysort ethnic:tab lbw,m			
-> ethnic = 1			
Low birth weight	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
Normal birth weight	230	88.46	88.46
Low Birth weight	30	11.54	100.00
Total	260	100.00	
-> ethnic = 2			
Low birth weight	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
Normal birth weight	71	87.65	87.65
Low Birth weight	10	12.35	100.00
Total	81	100.00	
-> ethnic = 3			
Low birth weight	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
Normal birth weight	134	84.28	84.28
Low Birth weight	25	15.72	100.00
Total	159	100.00	
-> ethnic = 4			
Low birth weight	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
Normal birth weight	126	89.36	89.36
Low Birth weight	15	10.64	100.00

Conditional statement in stata

- **The "if" Suffix**

The “if” command suffix is used to restrict on which data a command is run.

Note: Stata uses == to mean "is equal to" and = to mean "set this to". In mathematical and functional expressions like "if variable is equal to 0", you will always want the double equal signs (==).

```
. tab lbw if ht==1,m
```

Low birth weight	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
Normal birth weight	62	69.66	69.66
Low Birth weight	27	30.34	100.00
Total	89	100.00	

```
. tab lbw if ht==2,m
```

Low birth weight	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
Normal birth weight	499	90.40	90.40
Low Birth weight	53	9.60	100.00
Total	552	100.00	

You can combine two conditions: if and &



```
. tab lbw if ht==1 & ethnic==1
```

Low birth weight	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
Normal birth weight	23	67.65	67.65
Low Birth weight	11	32.35	100.00
Total	34	100.00	

```
. tab lbw if ht==1 & ethnic==2
```

Low birth weight	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
Normal birth weight	6	54.55	54.55
Low Birth weight	5	45.45	100.00
Total	11	100.00	

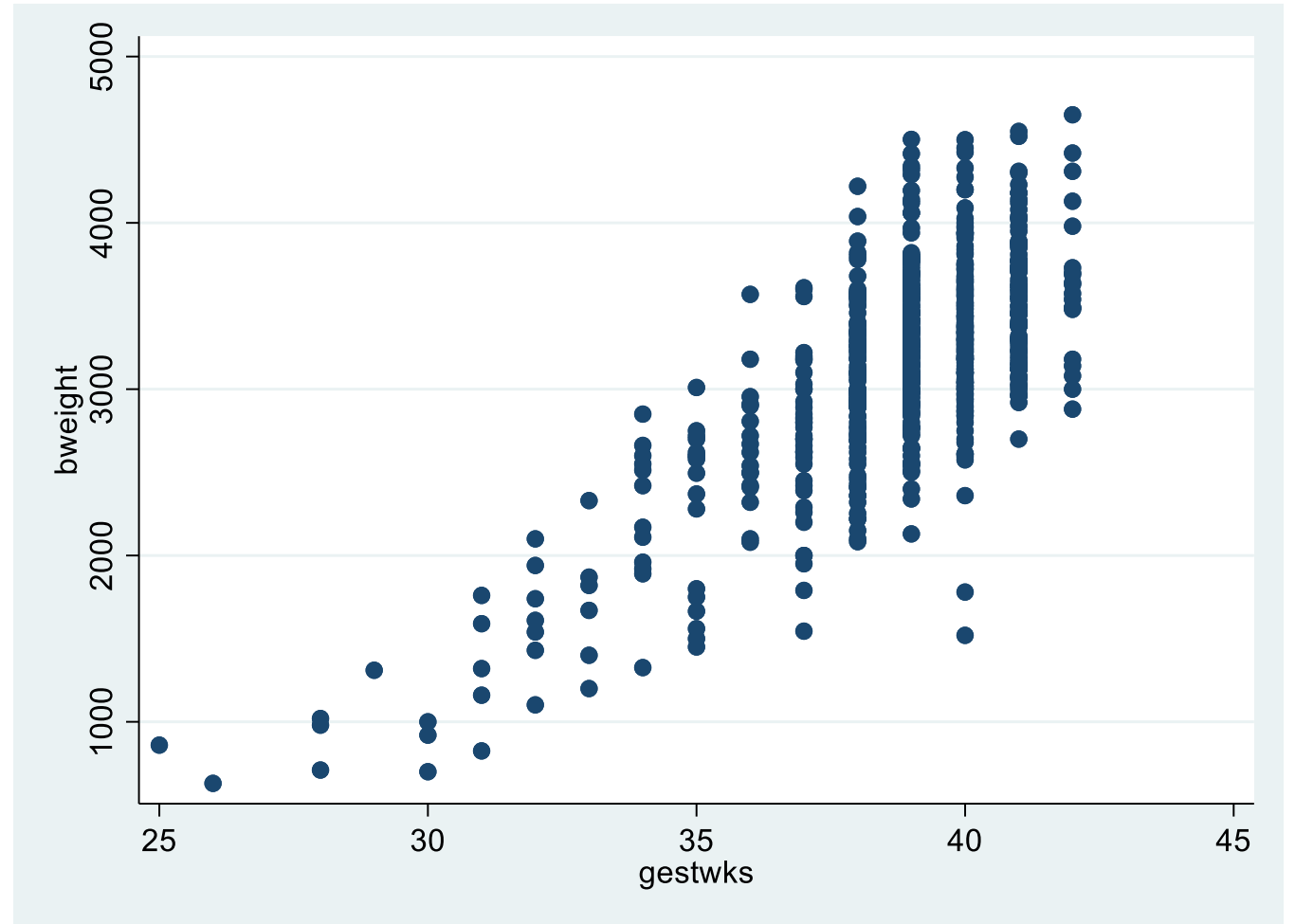
Exercise 3

- Read the [birth_weight.csv](#) dataset.
- What proportion of children were low birthweight?
- What proportion of boys were LBW?
- What was the mean age of the mothers?
- What was the mean age of mothers in the four ethnic groups?

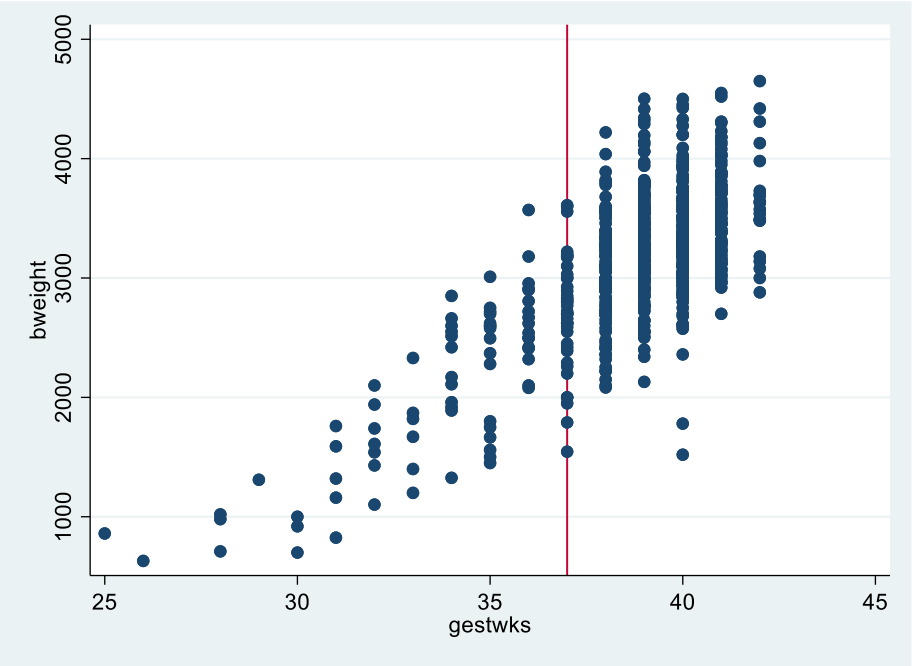
Graphs

Scatterplots are good to explore possible relationships or patterns between variables and to identify outliers.

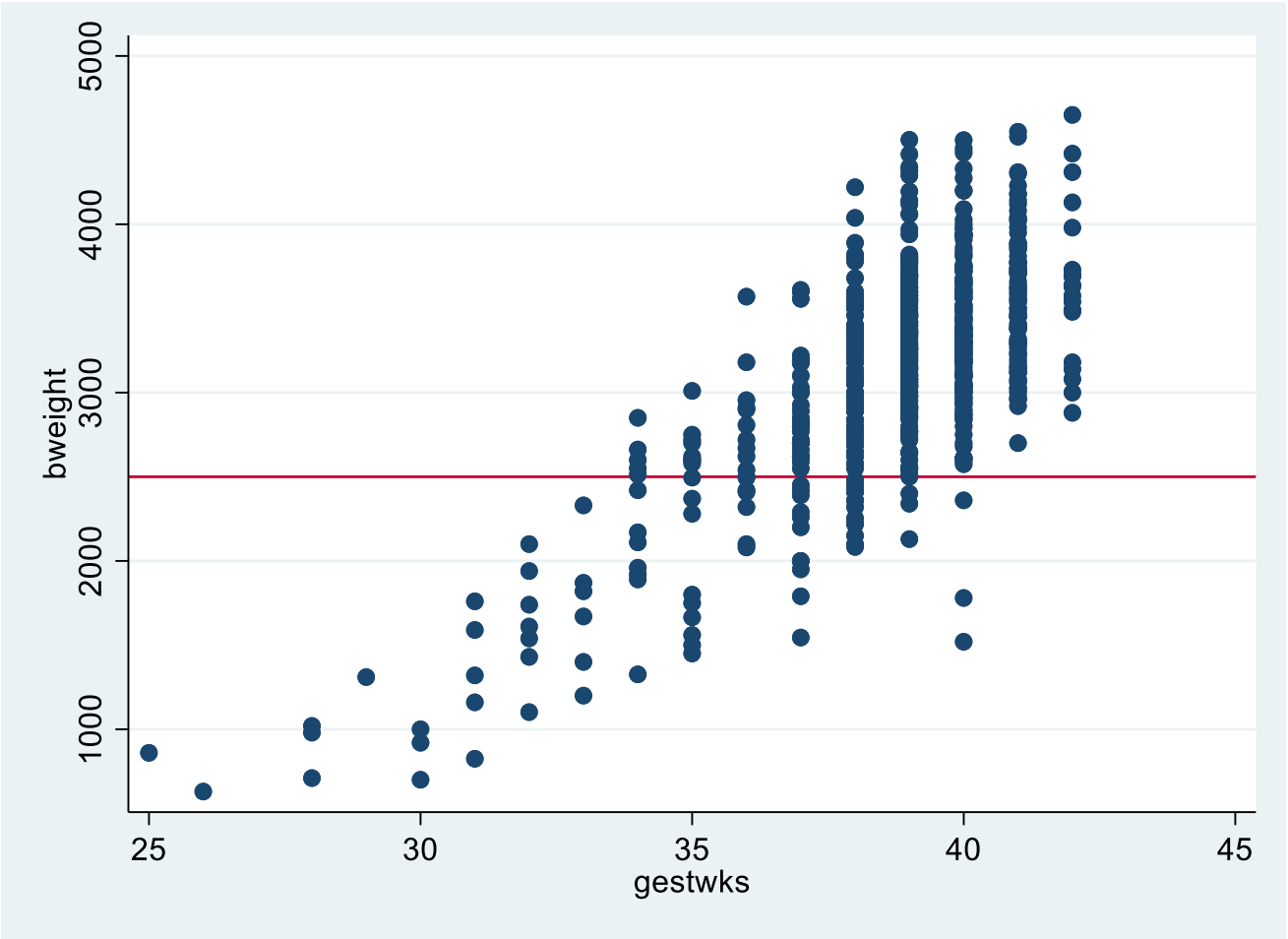
```
. twoway scatter bweight gestwks
```



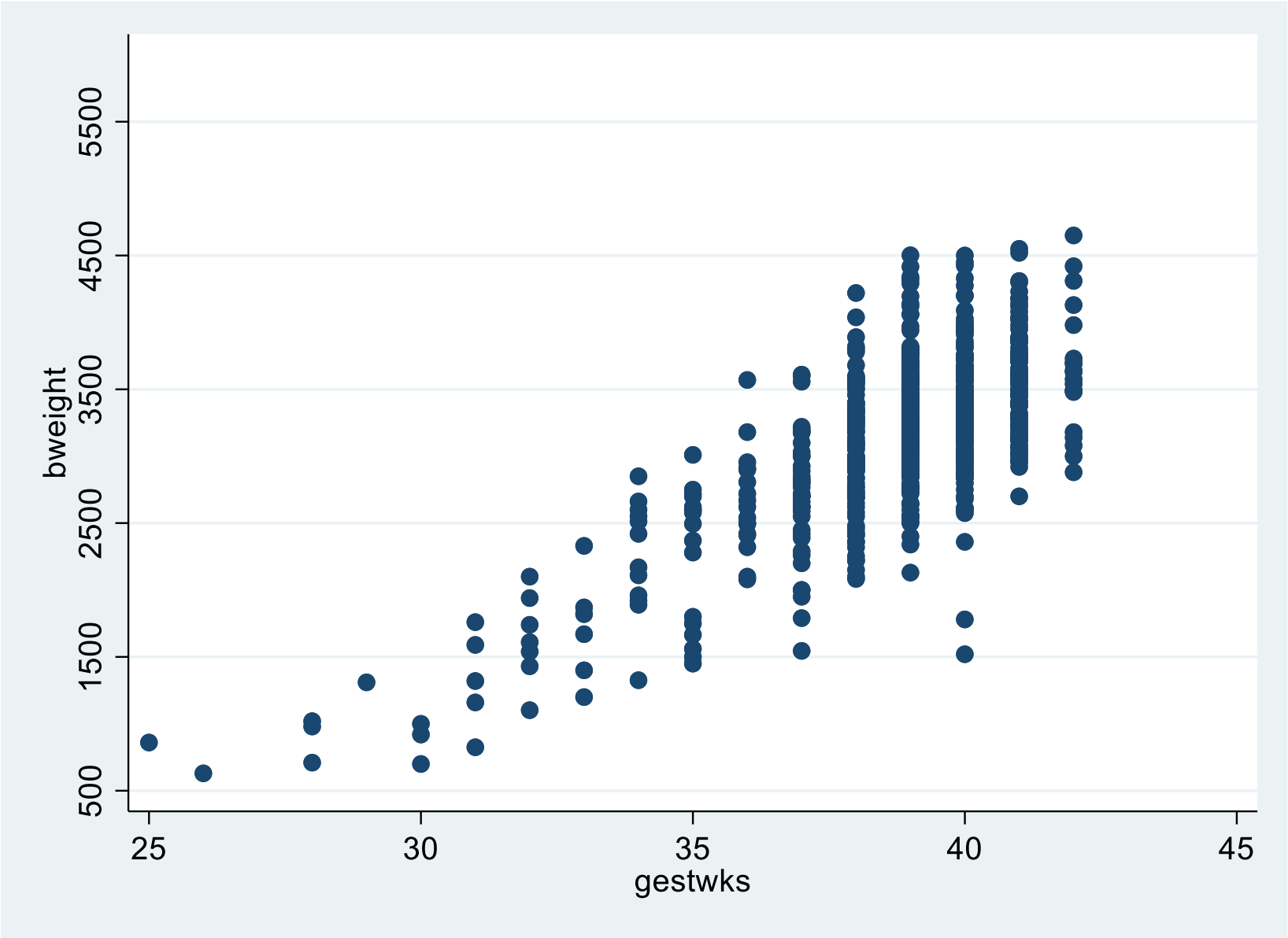
`twoway scatter bweight gestwks, xline(37)`



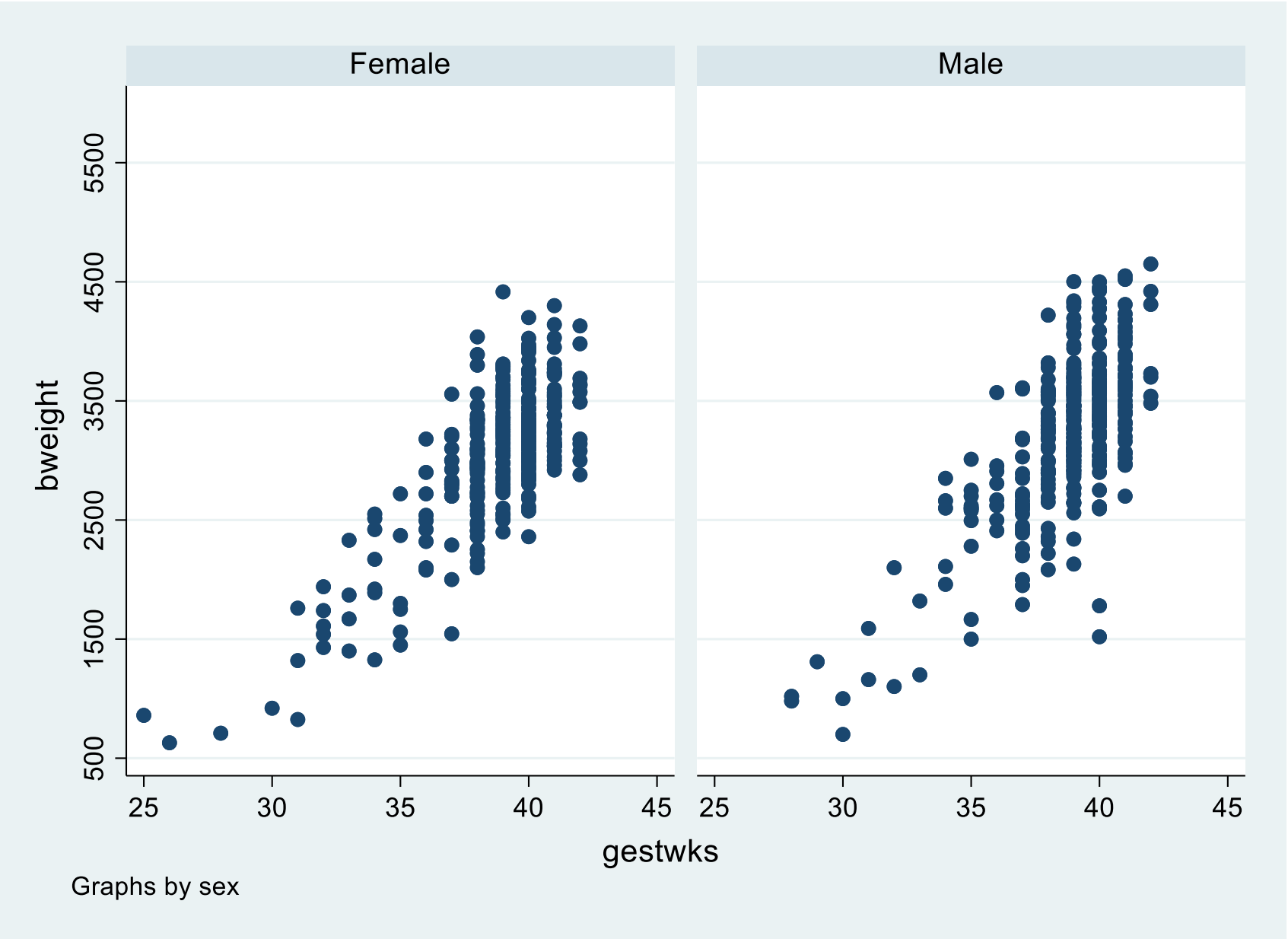
`twoway scatter bweight gestwks, yline(2500)`




```
twoway scatter bweight gestwks, xlab(25(5)45) ylab(500(1000)6000)
```

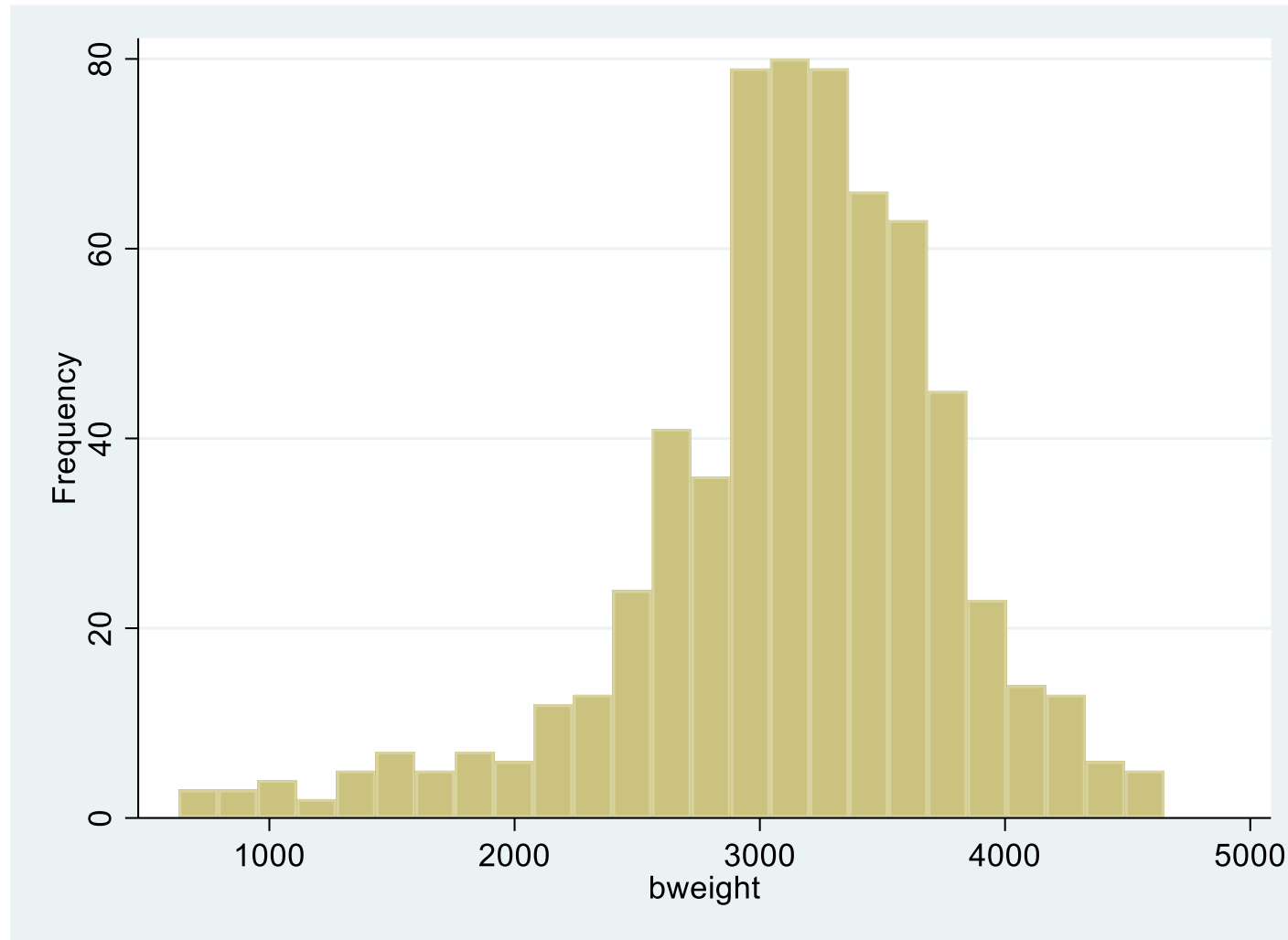


```
twoway scatter bweight gestwks, xlab(25(5)45) ylab(500(1000)6000) by(sex)
```

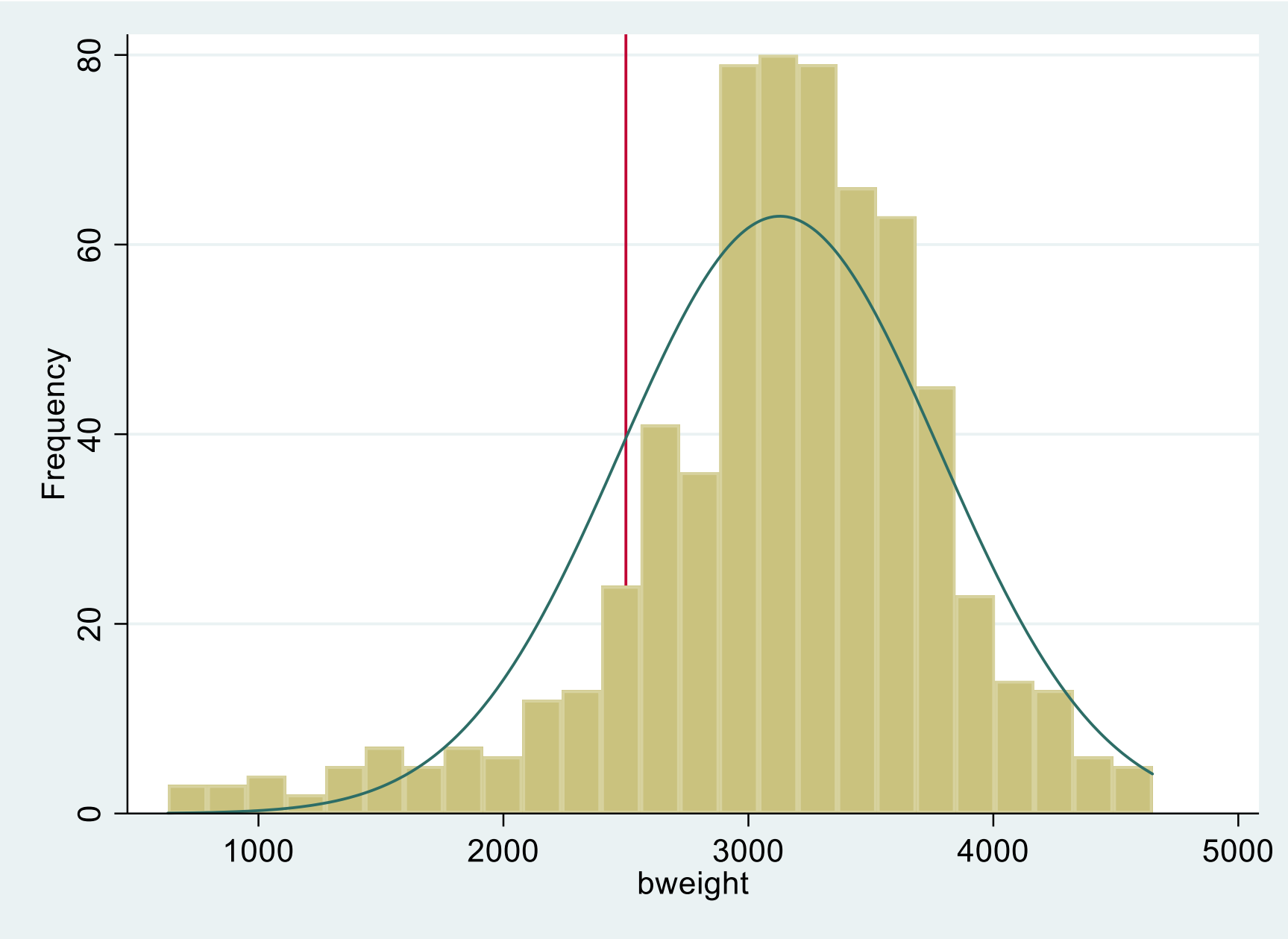


Histograms are another good way to visually explore data, especially to check for a normal distribution. Type `help histogram` for details.

```
. histogram bweight, freq
```



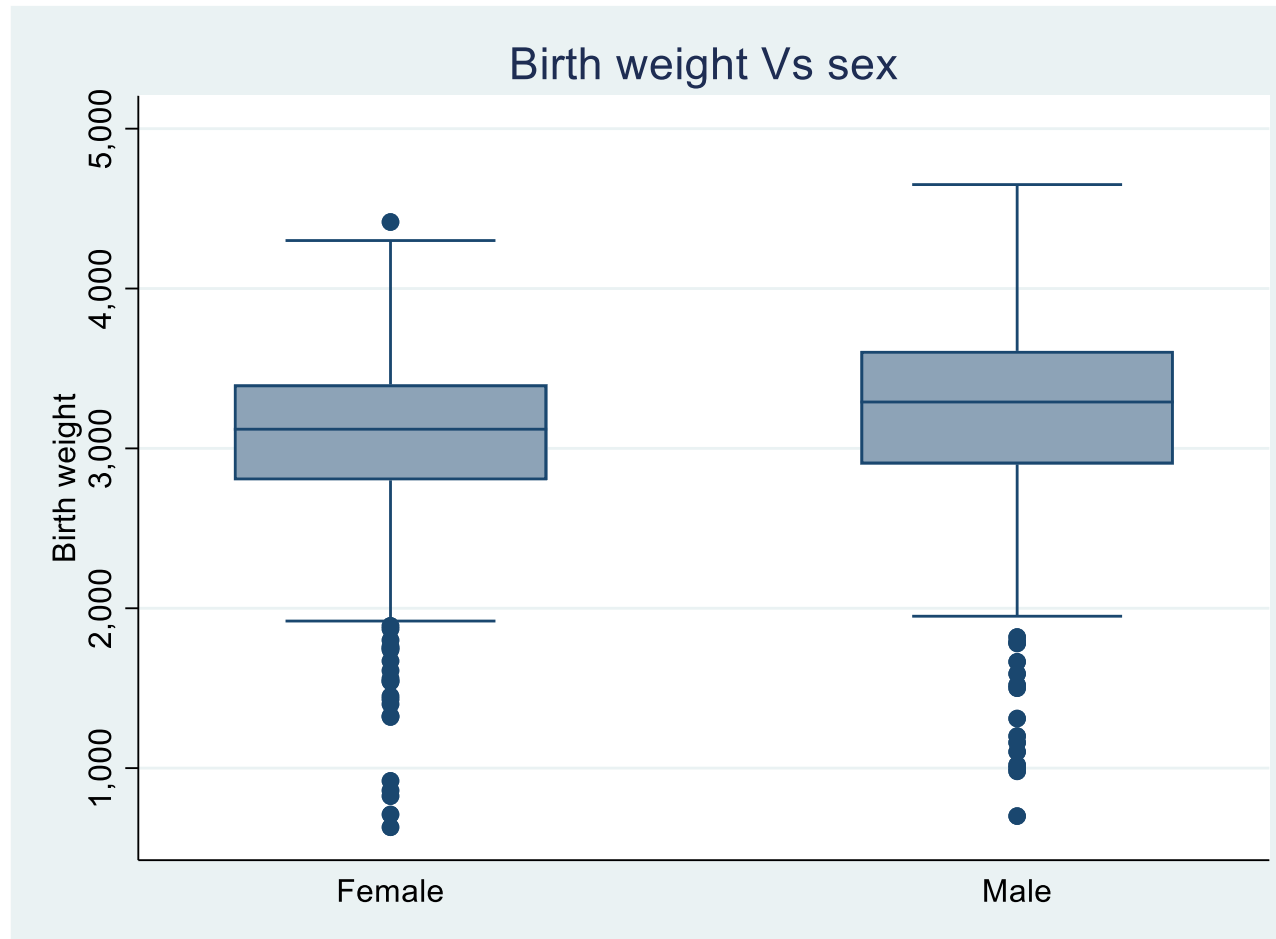
histogram bweight,normal freq xline(2500)



Box plots

- Plots medians

```
graph box bweight, over(sex) title (Birth weight Vs sex) ytitle(Birth weight)
```



Exercise 4

- Read the [birth_weight.csv](#) dataset.
- Plot scatter plot of bweight Vs matage. Add a y-axis line for bweight=2500
- Plot a box plot of gestwks Vs sex
- Plot histogram of gestwks, add a normal distribution curve