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1.1 The indexes

statapress.cls automatically defines two types of indexes: author and subject. Any string of words may be added to either index using the \index macro. For example, we use \index{subject}{indexes} to add "indexes" to the subject index. Next we use\index{author}{Knuth, D.~E.} to add "Knuth, D. E." to the author index as we cite Knuth (1986).

The \stbkAuthorIndex and \stbkSubjectIndex macros generate the section containing each respective index. The makeindex command is required; it reformats the raw index data into a .ind sorted index data file.









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1.2 User's guide to stata.sty

 $\mathtt{stata.sty}$ is a LATEX package containing macros and environments to help authors produce documents containing Stata output and syntax diagrams.

1.2.1 Citing the Stata manuals

The macros for generating references to the Stata manuals are given in table 1.1.

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Table 1.1. Stata manual references

Example	Result
\dref{merge}	[D] merge
\gref{graph}	[G] graph
\grefi{line_options}	$[{ m G}] \; line_options$
\iref{data types}	[I] data types
<pre>\miref{mi impute}</pre>	[MI] mi impute
\mreff{intro}	[M-0] intro
\mrefa{ado}	[M-1] ado
\mrefb{declarations}	$[ext{M-2}]$ declarations
\mrefc{mata clear}	[M-3] mata clear
\mrefd{matrix}	[M-4] matrix
\mrefe{st_view(\$\$)}	$[M-5]$ st_view()
\mrefg{glossary}	[M-6] glossary
\mvref{cluster}	[MV] cluster
\pref{syntax}	[P] syntax
\rref{regress}	[R] regress
\stref{streg}	[ST] streg
\svyref{svy:~tabulate oneway}	[SVY] svy: tabulate oneway
\tsref{arima}	[TS] arima
\uref{1 Read thisit will help}	[U] 1 Read this—it will help
\xtref{xtreg}	[XT] xtreg

1.2.2 Stata syntax

Here is an example syntax display:

This syntax is generated by

```
\begin{stsyntax}
\dunderbar{reg}ress
   \depvar\
   \optindepvars\
   \optin\
   \optientl()
   \optional{,
   \underbar{noc}onstant
```







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```
\underbar{h}ascons
tsscons
vce({\it vcetype\/})
\underbar{1}evel(\num)
\underbar{b}eta
\underbar{ef}orm(\ststring)
\underbar{nohe}ader
plus
\dunderbar{dep}name(\varname)
mse1}
\end{stsyntax}
```

Each command should be formatted using a separate stsyntax environment. Table 1.2 contains an example of each syntax macro provided in stata.sty.

Macro	Result	Macro	Result
\LB	[\RB]
\varname	varname	\optvarname	$[\ varname\]$
\varlist	varlist	\optvarlist	$\left[\ varlist \ \right]$
\newvarname	newvarname	\optnewvarname	$[\ newvarname\]$
\newvarlist	newvarlist	\optnewvarlist	$\left[\ newvarlist \ \right]$
\ifexp	if	\optif	[if]
\inrange	in	\optin	$[\ in\]$
\eqexp	= <i>exp</i>	\opteqexp	[=exp]
\byvarlist	by varlist:	\optby	$[\ by \ \mathit{varlist} :]$
\optional{text}	$[{ t text}]$	\optweight	$\big[\:weight\:\big]$
\num	#	\optindepvars	$[\ indepvars\]$
\ststring	string	\opttype	$[\ type\]$

Table 1.2. Stata syntax elements

\underbar is a standard macro that generates underlines. The \dunderbar macro from stata.sty generates the underlines for words with descenders. For example,

- {\tt \underbar{reg}ress} generates <u>reg</u>ress
- {\tt \dunderbar{reg}ress} generates regress

The plain T_{EX} macros it, sl, and tt are also available. it should be used to denote "replaceable" words, such as varname. sl can be used for emphasis but should







not be overused. **\tt** should be used to denote words that are to be typed, such as command names.

When describing the options of a new command, the \hangpara and \morehang commands provide a means to reproduce a paragraph style similar to that of the Stata reference manuals. For example,

level(#) specifies the confidence level, as a percentage, for confidence intervals. The
 default is level(95) or as set by set level; see [U] 23.5 Specifying the width
 of confidence intervals.

was generated by

\hangpara {\tt level(\num)} specifies the confidence level, as a percentage, for confidence intervals. The default is {\tt level(95)} or as set by {\tt set level}; see \uref{23.5 Specifying the width of confidence intervals}.

1.2.3 Stata output

When submitting Stata Journal articles that contain Stata output, also submit a do-file and all relevant datasets that reproduce the output (do not forget to set the random-number seed when doing simulations). The following is an example of the stlog environment containing output from simple linear regression analysis on two variables in the auto dataset:

. sysuse auto (1978 Automobile Data)

. regress mpg weigh

Source	SS	df	MS		Number of obs	= 74
Model Residual	1591.9902 851.469256		1591.9902 1.8259619		F(1, 72) = Prob > F = R-squared =	= 0.0000 = 0.6515
Total	2443.45946	73 33	3.4720474		naj n squasou	= 0.6467 = 3.4389
mpg	Coef.	Std. Err	:. t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
weight _cons	0060087 39.44028	.0005179 1.614003		0.000	0070411 36.22283	0049763 42.65774

The above listing was included using

```
\begin{stlog}
\input{output1.log.tex}\nullskip
\end{stlog}
```

where output1.log.tex is a Stata log file converted to include TEX macros by using the sjlog command (more on sjlog shortly). \nullskip adjusts the spacing around the log file.









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On occasion, it is convenient (maybe even necessary) to be able to omit some of the output or let it spill onto the next page. Here is a listing containing the details of the following discussion:

```
\begin{stlog}
. sysuse auto
(1978 Automobile Data)
{\smallskip}
. regress mpg weight
{\smallskip}
\com
{\smallskip}
\cnp
\end{stlog}
```

The \oom macro creates a short message indicating omitted output in the following example, and the \cnp macro creates a short message indicating that the current output display is continued on the next page before an inserted page break.

```
. sysuse auto
(1978 Automobile Data)
. regress mpg weight
(output omitted)
```

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The output in output1.log.tex was generated from the following output.do:

```
* output.do
set more off
capture log close
sjlog using output1, replace
sysuse auto
regress mpg weight
sjlog close, replace
sort weight
predict yhat
set scheme sj
scatter mpg yhat weight, c(. 1) s(x i)
graph export output1.eps, replace
evit
```

output.do generates a .smcl file, .log file, and a .log.tex file using sjlog. The actual file used in the above listing was generated by

```
. stlog type output.do
```

sjlog.ado is provided in the Stata package for sjlatex. sjlog is a Stata command that helps generate log output to be included in LATEX documents using the stlog environment. If you have installed the sjlatex package, see the help file for sjlog for more details. The lines that make up the table output from regress are generated from line-drawing macros defined in stata.sty; these were macros written using some font metrics defined in Knuth (1986).

By default, stlog sets an 8-point font for the log. Use the auto option to turn this behavior off, allowing you to use the current font size, or change it by using \fontsize{#}{#}\selectfont. The call to stlog with the auto option looks like \begin[auto]{stlog}.

Here is an example where we are using a 12-point font.

. stlog type output.do

1.2.4 About tables

Tables should be created using the standard LaTeX methods. See Lamport (1994) for a discussion and examples.

There are many user-written commands that produce LATEX output, including tables. Christopher F. Baum has written outtable, a Stata command for creating LATEX tables from Stata matrices. Ben Jann's well-known estout command can also produce LATEX output. To find other user-written commands that produce LATEX output, try







. net search latex

1.2.5 Encapsulated PostScript (EPS)

Figure 1.1 is included using \epsfig from the epsfig package.

```
\begin{figure}[h!]
\begin{center}
\epsfig{file=output1}
\end{center}
\caption{Scatterplot with simple linear regression line}
\label{fig}
\end{figure}
```

The graph was generated by running output.do, the do-file given in section 1.2.3. The epsfig package is described in Goossens, Mittelbach, and Samarin (1994).

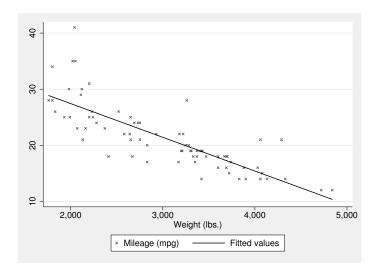


Figure 1.1. Scatterplot with simple linear regression line

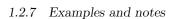
1.2.6 Saved results

The stresults environment provides a table to describe the saved results of a Stata command. It consists of four columns: the first and third column are for Stata result identifiers (e.g., r(N), e(cmd)), and the second and fourth columns are for a brief description of the respective identifier. Each group of results is generated using the \stresultsgroup macro. The following is an example containing a brief description of the results that regress saved to e():









Scalars			
e(N)	number of observations	e(F)	F statistic
e(mss)	model sum of squares	e(rmse)	root mean squared error
$e(df_m)$	model degrees of freedom	$e(ll_r)$	log likelihood
e(rss) e(df_r)	residual sum of squares residual degrees of freedom	e(ll_r0)	log likelihood, constant-only model
e(r2)	R-squared	$e(N_clust)$	number of clusters
Macros			
e(cmd) e(depvar) e(model) e(wtype)	regress name of dependent variable ols or iv weight type	e(wexp) e(clustvar) e(vcetype) e(predict)	weight expression name of cluster variable title used to label Std. Err. program used to implement predict
Matrices			
e(b)	coefficient vector	e(V)	variance—covariance matrix of the estimators
Functions			
e(sample)	marks estimation sample		

1.2.7 Examples and notes

The following are environments for examples and notes similar to those given in the Stata reference manuals. They are generated using the stexample and sttech environments, respectively.

Example

This is the default alignment for a Stata example.

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Example

For this example, \stexamplehskip was set to 0.0pt before beginning. This sentence is supposed to spill over to the next line, thus revealing that the first sentence was indented.

This sentence is supposed to show that new paragraphs are automatically indented (provided that \parindent is nonzero).

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☐ Technical note

For this note, \sttechhskip was set to -13.90755pt (the default) before beginning. This sentence is supposed to spill over to the next line, thus revealing that the first sentence was indented.

This sentence is supposed to show that new paragraphs are automatically indented (provided that \parindent is nonzero).









1.2.8 Special characters

Table 1.3 contains macros that generate some useful characters in the typewriter (fixed width) font. The exceptions are \stcaret and \sttilde, which use the currently specified font; the strictly fixed-width versions are \caret and \tytilde, respectively.

Table 1.3. Special characters

Macro	Result	Macro	Result
\stbackslash	\	\stforslash	/
\stcaret	^	\sttilde	~
\caret	^	\tytilde	~
\lbr	{	\rbr	}

1.2.9 Equations and formulas

In (1.1), \overline{x} was generated using \stbar{x}. Here \stbar is equivalent to the TEX macro \overline.

$$E(\overline{x}) = \mu \tag{1.1}$$

In (1.2), $\widehat{\beta}$ was generated using \sthat{\beta}. Here \sthat is equivalent to the TeX macro \widehat.

$$V(\widehat{\beta}) = V\{(X'X)^{-1}X'y\} = (X'X)^{-1}X'V(y)X(X'X)^{-1}$$
(1.2)

1.2.10 Other miscellaneous macros and environments

The following box was created by

\begin{ttbox}
A special framed
box that obeys lines and spaces.
\end{ttbox}

A special framed box that obeys lines and spaces.









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The following box was created by

\ttboxWd=2.5in
\ttboxIndent=2em
\begin{ttbox}
Test that the width of the
box is \the\ttboxWd
and is indented \the\ttboxIndent
\end{ttbox}

Test that the width of the box is 180.67499pt and is indented 20.00003pt









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