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Analyzing MEPS Data with Stata

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Learning Objectives

- Download MEPS data and read it into Stata
- Make national estimates using full year consolidated files and the “svy” commands
- Make national estimates for small subpopulations by pooling MEPS full-year files
- Make national estimates of Rx utilization for specific drugs by linking MEPS full-year files and prescription drug files
- Make national estimates changes in utilization over a two year period using the longitudinal files

Let's Get Set Up

- Create a place for data and programs on your local drive
 - ▶ “C:\MEPS\DATA”
 - ▶ “C:\MEPS\statapgms”
- Download programs to new directory
- Start Stata and open “ex1.do” in the program editor
- Use alt-tab to switch between my screen and your Stata session