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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 and expenditures by linking MEPS full-year files and drug files
- Estimate regression models using “svy” commands
 - ▶ Estimate standard errors using BRR, time permitting

Let's Get Set Up

- Create a place for data, programs and log files on your local drive
 - ▶ “C:\MEPS”
- Download programs (there should be 5)
- Start Stata and open “getdata.do” in the program editor
- Use alt-tab to switch between my screen and your Stata session