

Binary variables  $\rightarrow$  Dependent var must be binary

Birthweights of babies

low weight  $\rightarrow 1$  Not low weight  $\rightarrow 0$

mother's age

Sociodemographic status 1=low 2=med 3=high

alcohol during pregnancy 1=yes 0=no

hypertension 1=yes 0=no

$$P = \beta_0 + \beta_1(\text{age}) + \beta_2(\text{Socio}) + \beta_3(\text{alcohol}) + \beta_4(\text{hyper})$$

$\hookrightarrow P$  can be greater than 1 so this is wrong

Probability must be between 0 and 1

$$P = 1 / [1 + e^{-(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots)}] \rightarrow \text{this constrains so } 0 \leq P \leq 1$$

$$\text{logit}(P) = \ln(P_i / (1 - P_i)) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots$$

$$P_i = P \text{ outcome} \quad 1 - P_i = P \text{ not outcome}$$

$\beta_1$  = A unit change in  $x_1$  changes log odds by  $\beta_1$

$$\text{odds} = P / (1 - P)$$

$$\text{Odds Ratio} = \text{Odds}_A / \text{Odds}_B$$

$$P_{\text{low weight}} = -.75 + .2(\text{age}) + .3(\text{alcohol})$$

$$\text{logit}(P) = -.75 + .2(20) + .3(1) = -.75 + 4 + .3 = 3.55$$

$$\text{or } \text{logit}(P) = -.75 + .2(20) + .3(0) = -.75 + 4 + 0 = 3.25$$

$$\text{alc vs no alc} = e^{3.55} / e^{3.25} = 1.3498$$

Babies are more likely to be born underweight if mums consumed alc compared to mums who didn't