

Visualizing data in Stata – Section 5.7

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As can be seen, Stata is a very powerful tool when it comes to graphics. The best thing about the graphs in Stata is how highly customizable they are. You can create a graph that reflects you and your work. Something that is unique. The fact that the graphs can be produced using commands is also a huge plus. This way, if you are creating do-files, you can just place the command in the file and whenever your data changes or is updated the graph will automatically reflect the latest changes.

Personally, when I create graphs, I start from a scheme and modify it to suit my needs. There is no need to specify every single aspect of the graph. There are schemes that do an excellent job. Instead of starting from scratch, I build my work on the excellent work done by those who are more knowledgeable than me.