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####Assignment 1
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##4
library(AER)
library(data.table)

##5
data("NMES1988",package = "AER") #Input the data
DataVisits <- as.data.table(NMES1988) # convert the data to data.table

##6
DataVisits$visits #selet each (sepcific) variable
mean(DataVisits$visits) #compute the mean of sepcific varibale: 5.774399
max(DataVisits$visits) #show the maximum of sepcific variable: 89
hist(DataVisits$visits) #plot the histogram of sepcific variable

##7
mean(DataVisits$age) # 7.402406
min(DataVisits$age) # 6.6
#Q: What does this tell you about the type of households the study focused on?
#A: This study focused on the elder households, with average age of 74.02 and minimum age
of 66

##8
summary(DataVisits) #summarize the details of Datavisits
#Q: What does the summary() function do?
#A: This function will summarize the details of each variables in 6 fields: 1.Minimum.
2.1st Quator. 3.Median. 4. Mean. 5.3rd Quator. 6.Maximum. different fields of dummy
variables.
#Q: How many people have insurance in the sample?
#A: 3421
#Q: How many medicaid?
#A: 402

##9
DataVisits_ins <- DataVisits[insurance == "yes"] # select the group of sample who has the
insurance
#Q: Do households with insurance go to the doctor more or less often on average compared
to the full sample?
mean(DataVisits_ins$visits) # 6.02
#A: 6.02 > 5.77 Thus, the insured sample group visits the doctor more frequently compared
to the full sample

##10
DataVisits_med <- DataVisits[medicaid == "yes"] # select the group of sample with
medicaid.
#Q: Do these households visit their doctor more or less often compared to the full sample?
mean(DataVisits_med$visits) # 6.71
#A: 6.71 > 5.77 Thus, the group of sample with medicaid visits the doctor more frequently.

##11
DataVisits$age = DataVisits$age * 10
mean(DataVisits$age)
#Q: What does this line do?
#A: Make the age variable to show the real age of each individuals (previous number * 10),
since the previous age variable show the really age / 10.

##12
DataVisits$income <- DataVisits$income * 10000 # Make the income variable to show the real
income of each individuals
#Q: How many households with an annual income above $30,000 have insurance?

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DataVisits_high_inc <- DataVisits[income > 30000] #only keep the sample whose income above 30000
summary(DataVisits_high_inc$insurance) # show the details of sample on ownership of insurance
# no yes
# 150 1034
#A: 1034
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##13
reg <- lm(visits ~ insurance + medicaid, data = DataVisits) # regression visits on insurance and medicaid
summary(reg) #summarize results of regression
#           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
# (Intercept)   4.1093    0.2549  16.122 < 2e-16 ***
# insuranceyes   1.8718    0.2761   6.779 1.37e-11 ***
# medicaidyes   2.3206    0.3995   5.808 6.75e-09 ***
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#Q: Are the results of this regression qualitatively in line with your findings in (9) and (10)?

#A: Yes they are. From the results of regression, The possession of insurance and medicaid is indeed significantly positively correlated with the frequency of individual visits to the doctor.

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##14
reg <- lm(visits ~ insurance + medicaid + health, data = DataVisits)# regression visits on insurance, medicaid and health
summary(reg)#summarize results of regression
#           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
# (Intercept)    3.6931    0.2569  14.377 < 2e-16 ***
# insuranceyes    2.1113    0.2714   7.779 9.06e-15 ***
# medicaidyes    1.7932    0.3938   4.554 5.42e-06 ***
# healthpoor      3.5043    0.3051  11.485 < 2e-16 ***
# healthexcellent -2.0850    0.3729  -5.591 2.40e-08 ***
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#Q: Show that the results change only little if you also include the variable health in the above regression.

#A: By comparison, after adding the variable of "health", the coefficients form #13 and #14 related to insuranceyes and medicaidyes show similar pattern, positive with only little difference.

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##15
reg <- lm(visits ~ insurance + medicaid + health + age + income + school, data = DataVisits)# regression visits on insurance, medicaid, health, age, income, and education levels
summary(reg)#summarize results of regression
#           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
# (Intercept)   2.762e+00  1.258e+00   2.196  0.0282 *
# insuranceyes   1.763e+00  2.784e-01   6.332 2.66e-10 ***
# medicaidyes   2.067e+00  3.967e-01   5.210 1.98e-07 ***
# healthpoor     3.672e+00  3.065e-01  11.982 < 2e-16 ***
# healthexcellent -2.196e+00  3.730e-01  -5.888 4.20e-09 ***
# age            -5.827e-03  1.587e-02  -0.367  0.7134
# income         -2.647e-06  3.528e-06  -0.750  0.4531
# school         1.615e-01  2.930e-02   5.512 3.74e-08 ***
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#Q: Very briefly describe how they affect the coefficients on insurance, medicaid, and health.

#A: By comparison, the coefficients shows small decreases in variables of insurance, medicaid, healthexcellent, while, small increases in healthpoor. Moreover, Insurance, Medicaid and health are still showing significant.

#Q: Why do you think R reports e.g. the coefficient on insurance as insuranceyes, but does not do so for age, income, and school?

#A: Since insurance is a dummy variable, which means this variable only shows binary value (0 for no or 1 for yes, for example). However, variables of age, income, and school are

continuous variables, can be used and regressed directly.

#Q: And why does it report two coefficients for health?

#A: Since health is a dummy variable with three categories: Excellent, Average, and Poor. We split health into two dummy variables: 1. poor or not (average), and 2. excellent or not (average). Then used these 2 dummy variables for regression. Therefore, we can find two names of dummy variables: healthpoor and healthexcellent.