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1 .
3 . * import 2012 data
4 . import delimited "2012/NFCS 2012 State Data 130503.csv", ///
       case(preserve) clear
  (123 vars, 25509 obs)
{\bf 5} . 
 {\bf 6} . 
 * keep only id and education since education is missing in the tracking data 
 7 . keep ID A5_2012
8 . save merge_2012.dta, replace
  file merge_2012.dta saved
10. * import 2018 tracking data
11. import delimited "2018/NFCS 2018 State Tracking Data 190623.csv", ///
 case(preserve) clear (113 vars, 108310 obs)
12.
13. * year
14. gen year = TRACK
15. drop if year == 2009 // drop 2009 data because education cannot be merged
  (28,146 observations deleted)
16.
17. * national weight
18. gen weights = wgt n2
19.
20. * state
21. gen state_cate = STATEQ
22. tab state_cate, gen(state_dummy_)
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state_cate	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
1 2 3 4 5 6 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32	1,504 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,500 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,505 1,505 1,504 1,505 1,504 1,505 1,504 1,505 1,504 1,505 1,504 1,505 1,504 1,505 1,504 1,505 1,504 1,505 1,504 1,505 1,504 1,505 1,506 1,501 1,506 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501 1,501	1.88 1.87 1.87 1.87 2.49 1.87 1.88 1.87 1.88 1.87 1.88 1.87 1.88 1.87 1.88 1.87 1.88 1.87 1.88 1.87	1.88 3.75 5.62 7.50 9.99 11.86 13.74 15.61 17.49 19.36 21.24 23.11 24.98 27.49 29.37 31.24 33.12 34.99 36.87 38.74 40.62 42.49 44.37 46.24 48.12 50.00 51.87 53.74 55.62 57.49 59.38

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2.49
             33 |
                       2,000
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             34 j
                       1,505
                                      1.88
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1,508
1,501
             35 |
                                      1.87
                                                   67.49
             36 |
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                                                    69.37
                                      1.87
             37 i
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1.88
1.87
             38 |
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             39 j
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                                                    77.80
             40 i
                       1,504
                                                    79.68
             41 |
                                      1.88
             42 |
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1,507
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1.88
                                                    81.55
             43 |
                                                    83.43
                       2,000
             44
                                       2.49
                                                    85.92
                       1,502
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2,254
1,500
             45 |
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    91.56

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    2.81
    94.37

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    96.24

    1,512
    1.89
    98.13

    1,501
    1.87
    100.00

             48 |
             49 i
             50 |
            51 |
         Total | 80,164 100.00
23. 24. \star census division and region (for re-weighting)
25. gen cen_div_cate = CENSUSDIV
26. gen cen_reg_cate = CENSUSREG
29. gen age_cate = A3Ar_w
30. gen age = 20 if age cate == 1
  (71,738 missing values generated)
31. replace age = 30 if age cate == 2
  (13,983 real changes made)
32. replace age = 40 if age_cate == 3
  (13,397 real changes made)
33. replace age = 50 if age cate == 4
  (14,912 real changes made)
34. replace age = 60 if age cate == 5
 (14,557 real changes made)
35. replace age = 70 if age cate == 6
  (14,889 real changes made)
36.
37. * gender
38. gen female dummy = A3 == 2
40. * age/gender
41. gen age_gender_cate = A3B
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43. * race

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44. gen nonwhite dummy = A4A new w == 2
45.
46. * marital status
47. gen marital_dummy = A6 == 1
48.
49. * education
50. *** merge with 2012 data
51. merge 1:1 ID using "merge_2012.dta", keep(1 3) nogen
                                         # of obs.
      ______
      not matched
                                           54,655
                                           54,655
          from master
          from using
                                           25,509
      matched
      _____
52. *** generate a new variable to unite different codings 53. gen educ_cate = 1 if A5_2015 == 1 | A5_2012 == 1
  (76,973 missing values generated)
54. replace educ_cate = 2 if A5_2015 == 2 | A5_2012 == 2
  (14,313 \text{ real changes made})
55. replace educ cate = 3 if A5 2015 == 3 | A5 2012 == 3
  (5,212 \text{ real changes made})
56. replace educ cate = 4 if A5 2015 == 4 | A5 2012 == 4
  (23,421 real changes made)
57. replace educ cate = 5 if A5 2015 == 5 | A5 2015 == 6 | A5 2012 == 5
  (23,454 real changes made)
58. replace educ cate = 6 if A5 2015 == 7 | A5 2012 == 6
  (10,573 \text{ real changes made})
59. *** generate high school, college, and graduate dummy
60. gen high_school_dummy = 0 if educ_cate == 1
    (76,973 missing values generated)
61. replace high_school_dummy = 1 if educ_cate > 1 & educ_cate < 7</pre>
  (76,973 real changes made)
62. gen college_dummy = 0 if educ_cate < 5
  (34,027 missing values generated)
63. replace college dummy = 1 if educ cate > 4 & educ cate < 7
  (34,027 real changes made)
64. gen graduate dummy = 0 if educ cate < 6
  (10,573 missing values generated)
65. replace graduate dummy = 1 if educ cate == 6
  (10,573 real changes made)
67. * income (group mean)
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68. gen income cate = A8
69. gen income = 7500 if income_cate == 1
  (70,578 missing values generated)
70. replace income = 20000 if income cate == 2
  (8,773 real changes made)
71. replace income = 30000 if income cate == 3
  (8,808 real changes made)
72. replace income = 42500 if income cate == 4
  (11,716 real changes made)
73. replace income = 62500 if income cate == 5
  (15,776 real changes made)
74. replace income = 87500 if income cate == 6
 (10,690 real changes made)
75. replace income = 125000 if income cate == 7
  (9,672 real changes made)
76. replace income = 200000 if income cate == 8
 (5,143 real changes made)
77. 78. * precautionary saving (treat DK and Refused as do not have precautionary saving)
79. gen precaution dummy = J5 == 1
80.
81. * retirement plan
82. destring(J8), replace
 J8 has all characters numeric; replaced as byte
  (17195 missing values generated)
83. gen retire young dummy = J8 == 1
84. destring(J9), replace
  J9 has all characters numeric; replaced as byte
  (62969 missing values generated)
85. gen retire_old_dummy = J9 == 1
86. gen retire dummy = retire young dummy
87. replace retire dummy = retire old dummy if retire young dummy == .
  (0 real changes made)
89. * financial market participation (treat missing as do not participate)
90. destring(B14), replace
 B14 has all characters numeric; replaced as byte
  (4194 missing values generated)
91. gen fin par dummy = B14 == 1
92. replace fin_par_dummy = 0 if B14 == .
  (0 real changes made)
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94. * perceived financial literacy (treat DK and Refused as neutrual)
95. gen math perceived cate = M1 2 if M1 2 != 98 & M1 2 != 99
  (761 missing values generated)
96. replace math perceived cate = 4 if M1 2 == 98 | M1 2 == 99
  (761 real changes made)
97. gen fin perceived cate = M4 if M4 != 98 & M4 != 99
  (2,080 missing values generated)
98. replace fin_perceived cate = 4 if M4 == 98 | M4 == 99
  (2,080 \text{ real changes made})
100 * true financial literacy (1 - correct; 2 - DK/Refused; 3 - incorrect)
101 *** interest rate question
102 gen interest_q = 1 if M6 == 1
 (19,176 missing values generated)
103 replace interest q = 2 if M6 == 98 | M6 == 99
  (9,393 real changes made)
104 replace interest_q = 3 if M6 == 2 \mid M6 == 3
  (9,783 real changes made)
105 *** inflation question
106 gen inflation_q = 1 if M7 == 3
  (31,101 missing values generated)
107 replace inflation q = 2 if M7 == 98 | M7 == 99
  (16,443 real changes made)
108 replace inflation_q = 3 if M7 == 1 \mid M7 == 2
  (14,658 real changes made)
109 *** bond price question
110 gen bond_q = 1 if M8 == 2
  (57,172 missing values generated)
111 replace bond q = 2 if M8 == 98 \mid M8 == 99
  (30,430 real changes made)
112 replace bond_q = 3 if M8 == 1 | M8 == 3 | M8 == 4
  (26,742 real changes made)
113 /*
  > *** compounded interest rate question
  > gen compound_q = 1 if M31 == \tilde{2}
 > replace compound q = 2 if M31 == 98 | M31 == 99
 > replace compound_q = 3 if M31 == 1 | M31 == 3 | M31 == 4
114 *** mortgage question
115 gen mortgage_q = 1 if M9 == 1
  (18,435 missing values generated)
116 replace mortgage_q = 2 if M9 == 98 \mid M9 == 99
  (12,284 real changes made)
117 replace mortgage q = 3 if M9 == 2
  (6,151 real changes made)
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