***EViews* Exercises for Chapter 1**

It is assumed that readers already have a basic working knowledge of *EViews* or are prepared to obtain this knowledge via the extensive online help facility accompanying this package (*EViews 10* is used throughout). While a good deal of detail on using *EViews* is given in the exercises for the first few chapters, such detail becomes sparser in the exercises for later chapters to avoid unnecessary repetition and tedium. Names of variables defined in, for example, genr commands are purely illustrative and may, of course, be chosen by the reader.

**[1.3-1.9]** Figures 1.1 to 1.5 are obtained by opening the relevant *EViews* workfile, double clicking on the appropriate variable, then clicking ***View/Graph*** and **OK**. Clicking ***Freeze*** and **OK** will produce a graph that can be named (by clicking ***Name***) and saved (by clicking ***Proc/Save graph to disk…***). The various graph options can be used to give the figure the desired appearance. The workfiles are as follows:

Figure 1.1: nao.wf1

Figure 1.2: sunspots.wf1

Figure 1.3: hospital.wf1

Figure 1.4: beer.wf1

Figure 1.5: dollar.wf1

**[1.11]** Figure 1.6 plots two series. Using the file wine\_spirits.wf1, open variables wine and spirits as a group and click ***Open Group/View/Graph***, **OK** and proceed as before. [**1.12-1.13]** Figures 1.7 and 1.8 use files rpi.wf1 and global\_temps.wf1 to plot the appropriate individual series.

**[1.14]**  To plot the % daily change of the $-£ exchange rate in Figure 1.9 the dollar.wf1 workfile is again used. However, on clicking on the variable dollar, change ***Default*** in the command line drop-down box to ***% change*** before obtaining the graph.

**[1.15]** Figure 1.10 uses the workfile interest\_rates.wf1. The spread variable can be obtained by issuing the command

genr spread = r20 – rs

**[1.16]** Figure 1.11 uses workfile tfe\_shares.wf1, opening the four shares as a group before proceeding. Finally, Figure 1.12 uses workfile hurricanes.wf1. However, on opening storms and hurricanes as a group and clicking ***View/Graph***, click ‘Spike’ in the ***Specific:*** list and in the ***Multiple Series*** drop-down box select ‘Multiple graphs’.