



# Project

Time Series Analysis For  
Business

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2) Do file and log file for step 1 of model selection. For total private employment and average weekly earnings for all private employees, use VSELECT to estimate and evaluate some alternative models you think are reasonable. Take the log and difference if doing so is called for, don't if it is not called for. For a reasonable set of models from VSELECT, also calculate the LOOCV. Include a simple 12-lag AR only model as a benchmark. Prepare a table summarizing the fit measures for these reasonable models.

1) Vselect models for forecasting All Employees: Total Private in Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach, FL (MSA)

After testing many different models with different predictors, the best variables to use with forecasting All Employees in Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach, FL (MSA) are first differenced & logged All Employees, Labor Force and Unemployment ratio in Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach, FL (MSA). After running the vselect to estimate and evaluate the models with 12-Lags for each predictor variables, the results are:

# Preds	R2ADJ	C	AIC	AICC	BIC
1	.318734	55.40285	-1477.623	-1475.858	-1431.689
2	.3474025	44.39182	-1487.556	-1485.531	-1438.089
3	.402965	22.42448	-1509.13	-1506.825	-1456.129
4	.4136497	19.01953	-1512.764	-1510.16	-1456.23
5	.4199669	17.43182	-1514.575	-1511.651	-1454.507
6	.4264835	15.78493	-1516.507	-1513.246	-1452.906
7	.43111	14.92449	-1517.635	-1514.015	-1450.501
8	.4366408	13.71612	-1519.191	-1515.191	-1448.523
9	.4393245	13.6677	-1519.487	-1515.087	-1445.286
10	.4431539	13.17147	-1520.314	-1515.493	-1442.579
11	.4450533	13.45513	-1520.276	-1515.013	-1439.008
12	.4465508	13.90431	-1520.062	-1514.335	-1435.261
13	.4476672	14.50879	-1519.68	-1513.468	-1431.345
14	.449633	14.78405	-1519.694	-1512.974	-1427.826
15	.4504897	15.49907	-1519.205	-1511.955	-1423.804
16	.4520445	15.94572	-1519.044	-1511.241	-1420.109
17	.4520368	17.00228	-1518.167	-1509.789	-1415.699
18	.4525715	17.84987	-1517.546	-1508.569	-1411.545
19	.453195	18.66531	-1516.972	-1507.372	-1407.437
20	.4539004	19.45159	-1516.441	-1506.194	-1403.372
21	.4545461	20.26301	-1515.887	-1504.97	-1399.286
22	.4532631	21.80623	-1514.446	-1502.833	-1394.31
23	.4515671	23.50048	-1512.82	-1500.487	-1389.151
24	.4503475	25.01033	-1511.421	-1498.342	-1384.219
25	.4485351	26.73717	-1509.757	-1495.906	-1379.021
26	.4463016	28.61406	-1507.908	-1493.26	-1373.639
27	.4443569	30.37651	-1506.201	-1490.729	-1368.399
28	.4423855	32.14207	-1504.49	-1488.167	-1363.154
29	.4399588	34.06756	-1502.582	-1485.382	-1357.713
30	.4373684	36.04428	-1500.61	-1482.505	-1352.208
31	.4347231	38.032	-1498.625	-1479.587	-1346.69
32	.4320584	40.01755	-1496.643	-1476.643	-1341.174
33	.4293448	42.01148	-1494.651	-1473.66	-1335.648
34	.4266012	44.00678	-1492.657	-1470.647	-1330.121
35	.4238303	46.00232	-1490.662	-1467.603	-1324.593
36	.4210262	48	-1488.665	-1464.527	-1319.062

Then, I selected models from #Preds 4-10 as the best models, because model 4 have the best BIC score and model 10 have the best AIC score. Finally, I ran regression on these

models plus a simple 12-lag AR model to get LOOCV RMSE and other calculations to get a table summarization. The result is shown below:

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	df	AIC	BIC	LOOCV
Model 12-L~R	13	-1468.4923	-1422.5583	.0140099
Model 4	16	-1540.1558	-1483.3705	.01694681
Model 5	17	-1541.8356	-1481.5013	.01709896
Model 6	18	-1544.0566	-1480.1733	.01723782
Model 7	19	-1552.3921	-1484.8858	.01741191
Model 8	20	-1540.364	-1469.4605	.01839856
Model 9	21	-1537.4357	-1462.987	.01853789
Model 10	22	-1537.9288	-1459.9349	.01850438

The 12-lag AR simple model have the lowest LOOCV RMSE result, the model 7 have BIC result and AIC result. In conclusion, Model 7 are the best fit model other than the 12-lag AR model.

## 2) Vselect models for forecasting Average Weekly Earnings of All Employees: Total Private in Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach, FL (MSA)

After testing many different models with different predictors, the best variables to use with forecasting Average Weekly Earnings in Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach, FL (MSA) are first differenced & logged Average Weekly Earnings, Average Hourly Earnings and Average Weekly Hours in Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach, FL (MSA). After running the vselect to estimate and evaluate the models with 12-Lags for each predictor variables, the results are:

# Preds	R2ADJ	C	AIC	AICC	BIC
1	.3536648	10.20136	-995.6167	-992.8894	-954.928
2	.2775691	29.14068	-975.8933	-972.756	-932.0747
3	.3433141	14.65922	-991.1124	-987.5334	-944.1639
4	.3559384	12.72661	-993.4939	-989.4409	-943.4155
5	.3904361	5.780666	-1001.906	-997.3457	-948.6974
6	.3973962	5.257595	-1002.962	-997.8613	-946.6238
7	.4040225	4.831754	-1003.954	-998.2778	-944.4854
8	.4117794	4.17009	-1005.298	-999.0123	-942.7
9	.4142749	4.715145	-1005.155	-998.223	-939.4267
10	.4134358	6.012603	-1004.058	-996.4446	-935.2006
11	.4114523	7.561366	-1002.641	-994.3081	-930.6538
12	.4107174	8.829029	-1001.592	-992.5012	-926.4745
13	.4103552	10.01291	-1000.658	-990.7705	-922.4103
14	.409835	11.23	-999.6865	-988.9631	-918.3091
15	.408593	12.60126	-998.5172	-986.9172	-914.0099
16	.4080593	13.817	-997.5591	-985.0411	-909.9219
17	.4089908	14.71946	-997.028	-983.5498	-906.261
18	.4085419	15.91625	-996.1112	-981.6295	-902.2143
19	.4062815	17.49155	-994.6868	-979.1574	-897.6599
20	.4041431	19.03456	-993.3083	-976.6861	-893.1515
21	.4021713	20.53665	-991.9881	-974.2269	-888.7014
22	.3993155	22.21409	-990.4299	-971.4826	-884.0134
23	.3965558	23.86329	-988.9118	-968.73	-879.3653
24	.3936142	25.54085	-987.3559	-965.8902	-874.6795
25	.3906392	27.21616	-985.8043	-963.0043	-869.998
26	.388109	28.7939	-984.3892	-960.2031	-865.453
27	.3893845	29.61223	-984.0368	-958.4118	-861.9708
28	.3801133	32.50165	-980.7952	-953.6771	-855.5992
29	.376081	34.34401	-979.0146	-950.3479	-850.6887
30	.3719672	36.18985	-977.2294	-946.9574	-845.7737
31	.3675216	38.0867	-975.3733	-943.4378	-840.7877
32	.3625563	40.06874	-973.3984	-939.7399	-835.6829
33	.3575421	42.04492	-971.4317	-935.989	-830.5862
34	.3523511	44.03889	-969.4401	-932.1508	-825.4647
35	.3472405	46.0022	-967.4913	-928.2913	-820.3861
36	.3418577	48	-965.4944	-924.3179	-815.2592

Then, I selected models from #Preds 1-8 as the best models, because model 1 have the best BIC score and model 8 have the best AIC score. Finally, I ran regression on these models plus a simple 12-lag AR model to get LOOCV RMSE and other calculations to get a table summarization. The result is shown below:

	df	AIC	BIC	LOOCV
Model 12-L~R	13	-936.11394	-895.42525	.01530392
Model 1	13	-1001.1318	-959.76865	.01445233
Model 2	14	-1023.8161	-979.19272	.01370862
Model 3	15	-1004.0621	-956.93715	.01302046
Model 4	16	-1006.1174	-955.8508	.01288637
Model 5	17	-1007.4593	-954.15073	.01263521
Model 6	18	-1007.8937	-951.44932	.01260431
Model 7	19	-1009.6906	-950.11048	.01261056
Model 8	20	-1009.9601	-947.24411	.01255532

The Model 8 have the lowest LOOCV RMSE result, the Model 2 have BIC result and AIC result. In conclusion, Model 2 are the best fit model because it has the best information criterion scores (AIC & BIC) and the simplest model.