

Contacts With Medical Doctor

Description

a cross-section from 1977–1978

number of observations : 20186

Usage

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data(DoctorContacts)
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Format

A time series containing :

mdu

number of outpatient visits to a medical doctor

lc

$\log(\text{coinsrate}+1)$ where coinsurance rate is 0 to 100

idp

individual deductible plan ?

lpi

$\log(\text{annual participation incentive payment})$ or 0 if no payment

fmde

$\log(\max(\text{medical deductible expenditure}))$ if IDP=1 and MDE>1 or 0 otherwise

physlim

physical limitation ?

ndisease

number of chronic diseases

health

self-rate health (excellent,good,fair,poor)

linc

\log of annual family income (in \$)

lfam

log of family size

educdec

years of schooling of household head

age

exact age

sex

sex (male,female)

child

age less than 18 ?

black

is household head black ?

Source

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See Also

Doctor, MedExp, DoctorAUS, Index.Source, Index.Economics, Index.Econometrics, Index.Observations, Index.Time.Series