

lab_6

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Question 1

We need to split our data into test and training datasets so we can develop a model using the training set and then test that model on the test set and see how well the model performs with out of sample predictions. This is a way to test if the model is overfit to the data used to develop it.

Question 2

There are 378 observations in the training set (treatment) and 363 in the test set (control).

Question 3

Question 4

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Table 1:

	<i>Dependent variable:</i>	
	kfr_pooled_pooled_p25	
	(1)	(2)
bowl_per_capita	0.369*** (0.035)	0.361*** (0.035)
singleparent_share1990	-65.535*** (4.246)	-65.237*** (4.276)
frac_coll_plus2000	7.717*** (2.979)	
Constant	52.840*** (1.058)	54.239*** (0.916)
Observations	378	378
R ²	0.596	0.589
Adjusted R ²	0.593	0.587
Residual Std. Error	3.781 (df = 374)	3.809 (df = 375)
F Statistic	184.155*** (df = 3; 374)	268.786*** (df = 2; 375)
<i>Note:</i>		*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01

Part a

The table above shows the regression results for the two variable regression in the starter code and a modified regression with 3 variables.

Part b (check this)

- Using the regression coefficients from the 3 variable model, we can predict the upward mobility rate in Milwaukee, WI using the equation $y = 53.3898 + .3475\text{bowl_per_capita} - 68.2430\text{singleparent_share1990} + 8.9554\text{frac_coll_plus2000}$. Using this equation, we can predict that Milwaukee has an upward mobility rate of **42.1955697**.
- To calculate the prediction error, we subtract the prediction calculated above from the actual value of Milwaukee's `kfr_pooled_pooled_25` variable (which is 38.88789). The prediction error = **3.30768**

Part c, d, e, f

- The root mean squared prediction error for the test data = 3.966274.
- The root mean squared prediction error for the train data = 3.7604983.
- The rmspe for the test data is higher than the rmspe for the train data.