

Data Analysis Report

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1 Introduction

The United States House of Representatives is the lower chamber of the United States Congress, the Senate being the upper chamber. Together they comprise the legislature of the United States.[1] Congressional districts in the United States are electoral divisions for the purpose of electing members of the United States House of Representatives. The number of voting seats in the House of Representatives is currently set at 435 with each one representing approximately 711,000 people.[2]

The One Hundred Fifteenth United States Congress is the current meeting of the legislative branch of the United States federal government, composed of the Senate and the House of Representatives. It meets in Washington, D.C. from January 3, 2017, to January 3, 2019, during the final weeks of Barack Obama's presidency and the first two years of Donald Trump's presidency.[3] The Republican Party, also referred to as the GOP (Grand Old Party), is one of the two major political parties in the United States, the other being its historic rival, the Democratic Party. Currently, their ideology is American conservatism, which contrasts with the Democrats' liberal platform and progressive wing. The GOP's political platform supports lower taxes, free market capitalism, free enterprise, a strong national defense, gun rights, deregulation and restrictions on labor unions. In addition to advocating for conservative economic policies, the Republican Party is socially conservative and seeks to uphold traditional values based largely on Judeo-Christian ethics.[4]

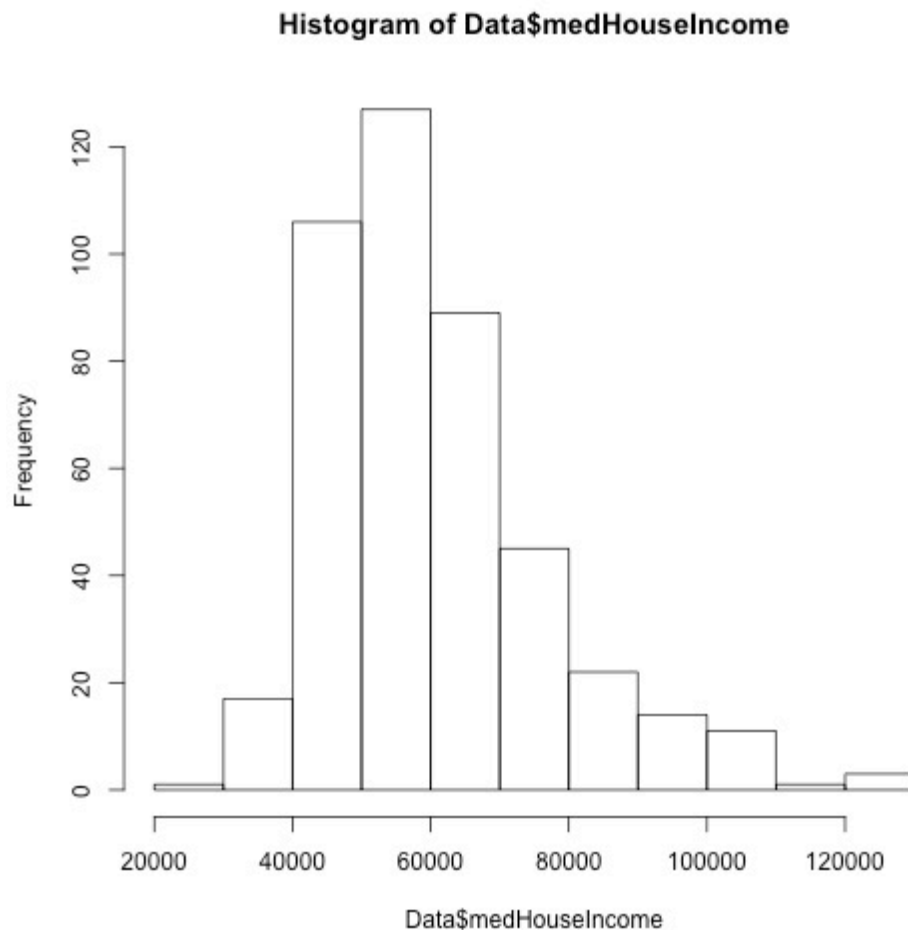
The Democrats' dominant worldview was once social conservatism and economic liberalism while populism was its leading characteristic in the rural South. Today, the House Democratic caucus is composed mostly of centrists and progressives, with a small minority of conservative Democrats. The party's philosophy of modern liberalism advocates social and economic equality, along with the welfare state. It seeks to provide government intervention and regulation in the economy. These interventions, such as the introduction of social programs, support for labor unions, affordable college tuitions, moves toward universal health care and equal opportunity, consumer protection and environmental protection form the core of the party's economic policy.[5]

- 1.[United States House of Representatives.wikipedia](#)
- 2.[List of United States congressional districts.wikipedia](#)
- 3.[115th United States Congress.wikipedia](#)
- 4.[Republican Party \(United States\).wikipedia](#)
- 5.[Democratic Party \(United States\).wikipedia](#)

2 Data

The data file party115cong.csv contains data on all congressional districts¹ represented in the U.S. House of Representatives during the 115th U.S. Congress. Each row represents a district, and the columns are as follows:

* state: the U.S. state containing the district, or the District of Columbia * district: an identifier of Congressional district within state * electedrep: name of person elected to the 115th Congress * party: the party affiliation of the Representative during the 115th Congress: D for Democrat, R for Republican. In this data, 115th U.S. Congress includes 195 Democrat representatives and 241 Republican representatives. * medHouseIncome: median household income (dollars), a histogram of this variable is showing below:



3 First Model

Fit a Bayesian logistic regression model to explain party based on the natural logarithm of medHouseIncome. The response will be Bernoulli: 1 if Democrat (D), 0 if Republican (R). The model will be a simple model with an ordinary “intercept” term and a coefficient multiplying the (centered and rescaled to have sample standard deviation of 0.5) $\log(\text{medHouseIncome})$.

(a) A JAGS model is listed below:

```

In [ ]: #JAGS model
        #party.bug
        '
        model {
          for (i in 1:length(party)) {
            party[i] ~ dbern(prob[i])
            logit(prob[i]) <- betaincome*incomescaled[i]+intercept
            partyrep[i] ~ dbern(prob[i])
          }
          betaincome ~ dt(0, 0.16, 1)
          intercept ~ dt(0, 0.01, 1)
        }
        '

```

(b)Computation Summary:

4 chains are used, with 1000 adaptation and 1000 iterations for burn-in, convergence is reached after 2000 iteration. after 4000 sampling for each chain, the effective sample size for **betaincome** is 10444, effective sample size for **intercept** is 10009.

(c)Approximate posterior parameter:

betaincome

* mean: 0.3588 * posterior standard deviation: 0.1938 * 95% central posterior interval: (-0.01728,0.74050)

intercept: * mean: -0.2147 * posterior standard deviation: 0.0971 * 95% central posterior interval: (-0.40412,-0.02608)

(d)Approximate the posterior probability that the “slope” exceeds zero:

The result shows that the posterior probability of “slope” exceeds zero is 0.970, which can be interpreted as statistical significance. The model indicates that median household income has positive impact on electing a Democrat.

(e)DIC and the associated effective number of parameters:

The Penalized deviance is 600 for this model, and effective number of parameters is 1.966, whereas the acutally number of parameter is 2.

4 Scnd Model

Extend the first model by allowing each state to have a separate additive random effect based on state: add to the linear portion of the model a random effect term that varies by state. the variable state is recoded with the integers 1 to 51. Let the prior for these random effects be (conditionally) independent from a normal distribution with mean zero (since the model already has an intercept) and standard deviation state. Let the prior for state be approximately flat.

(a)A JAGS model is listed below:

```

In [ ]: #JAGS model
        #party2.bug
        '
        model {
          for (i in 1:length(party)) {
            party[i] ~ dbern(prob[i])

```

```

logit(prob[i]) <- betaincome*incomescaled[i]+betastate[state[i]]+intercept
partyrep[i] ~ dbern(prob[i])

}
for (j in 1:max(state)) {
  betastate[j] ~ dnorm(0, 1/sigmastate^2)
}
betaincome ~ dt(0, 0.16, 1)
intercept ~ dt(0, 0.01, 1)
sigmastateinv ~ dgamma(10, 10)
sigmastate <- inverse(sigmastateinv)
}

```

(b)Computation Summary:

4 chains are used, with 1000 adaptation and 10000 iterations for burn-in, convergence is reached after 2000 iteration. after 8000 sampling for each chain, the effective sample size for **betaincome** is 5531, effective sample size for **intercept** is 2204.

(c)Approximate posterior parameter:

betaincome

* mean: -0.470867 * posterior standard deviation: 0.264880 * 95% central posterior interval: (-0.99562, 0.04125)

intercept: * mean: -0.458587 * posterior standard deviation: 0.231352 * 95% central posterior interval: (-0.93163, -0.02433)

(d)Approximate the posterior probability that the “slope” exceeds zero:

The result shows that the posterior probability of “slope” exceeds zero is 0.036, which can be interpreted as statistical significance. The model indicates that median household income has negative impact on electing a Democrat, after adjustment for state, suggests that median income can be used for predicting between Democrat and Republican at the country level, but not in the state level.

(e)posterior mean random effect:

Based on the results in appendix, Massachusetts has the largest (in the positive direction) posterior mean random effect, whereas Oklahoma has the smallest (in the negative direction) posterior mean random effect. This result matches what we know about the US politics, Massachusetts has more diverse population and elite education which advocates social and economic equality, so that higher house income may indicates better education of that family, so they tend to agree with Democrat philosophy, therefore house income shows positive predictive impact on electing Democrat.

(f)DIC and the associated effective number of parameters:

The Penalized deviance is 541.8 for this model, and effective number of parameters is 31.23, whereas the acutally number of parameter is 53.

In my opinion, the both models are similarly good, their Penalized deviance is not very different, although the second model has more number of parameters, it gives more percise insight about the election for each state. Overall, the two models provided different angles for the prediction.

5 Conclusions

1. The distribution of median house income is approximately a skewed normal distribution.

2. Using the bayesian logistic model that only takes median house income in consideration, we can predict that the higher income favors Democrat.
3. Using the bayesian logistic model that takes median house income as variable but add state as an adjustment, we can see that higher income is not always associated with electing Democrat, because state has a strong effect, and this matches our background knowledge about US politics.

6 Appendix

R code for the computation is in below with comments

```
In [70]: #read data table
        Data <- read.csv(file = 'party115cong.csv',header = TRUE)
```

```
In [71]: head(Data)
```

state	district	electedrep	party	medHouseIncome
Alabama	1	Bradley Byrne	R	47083
Alabama	2	Martha Roby	R	42035
Alabama	3	Mike Rogers	R	46544
Alabama	4	Robert Aderholt	R	41110
Alabama	5	Mo Brooks	R	51690
Alabama	6	Gary Palmer	R	61413

```
In [3]: #overall count of representative by party
        library(plyr)
        count(Data, "party")
```

party	freq
D	195
R	241

```
In [10]: #plot the medHouseIncome and save to file
         jpeg("medHouseIncome.jpg", width = 500, height = 500)
         hist(Data$medHouseIncome)
         dev.off()
```

pdf: 2

```
In [11]: ###code for First Model listing in below
```

```
In [72]: #create a variable to encode the party category
         unclass(Data$party)
         Data$Bparty<-as.numeric(Data$party)
         Data$Bparty[Data$Bparty==2]<-0
         Data$Bparty[Data$Bparty==1]<-1
         #Data$Bparty<-as.factor(Data$Bparty)
```

1. 2 2. 2 3. 2 4. 2 5. 2 6. 2 7. 1 8. 2 9. 1 10. 2 11. 1 12. 2 13. 2 14. 2 15. 1 16. 2 17. 1 18. 2 19. 2 20. 2 21. 2 22. 2 23. 1 24. 1 25. 2 26. 1 27. 1 28. 1 29. 2 30. 1 31. 2 32. 1 33. 1 34. 1 35. 1 36. 1 37. 1 38. 1 39. 1 40. 1 41. 1 42. 2 43. 2 44. 2 45. 1 46. 2 47. 1 48. 1 49. 1 50. 1 51. 1 52. 1 53. 1 54. 1 55. 1 56. 1 57. 1 58. 1 59. 1 60. 2 61. 1 62. 1 63. 2 64. 1 65. 1 66. 2 67. 1 68. 1 69. 2 70. 2 71. 2 72. 1 73. 1 74. 1 75. 1 76. 1 77. 2 78. 2 79. 2 80. 2 81. 1 82. 1 83. 1 84. 1 85. 1 86. 1 87. 1 88. 1 89. 2 90. 2 91. 2 92. 2 93. 1 94. 2 95. 1 96. 2 97. 1 98. 1 99. 2 100. 2 101. 1 102. 1 103. 2 104. 2 105. 2 106. 2 107. 2 108. 1 109. 1 110. 1 111. 1 112. 1 113. 2 114. 2 115. 2 116. 2 117. 1 118. 2 119. 1 120. 1 121. 2 122. 2 123. 2 124. 2 125. 2 126. 2 127. 2 128. 1 129. 2 130. 1 131. 1 132. 2 133. 2 134. 1 135. 1 136. 1 137. 1 138. 1 139. 2 140. 1 141. 1 142. 1 143. 1 144. 1 145. 2 146. 2 147. 2 148. 2 149. 2 150. 1 151. 2 152. 1 153. 2 154. 2 155. 2 156. 2 157. 2 158. 1 159. 2 160. 2 161. 2 162. 1 163. 2 164. 2 165. 2 166. 2 167. 2 168. 2 169. 2 170. 2 171. 1 172. 2 173. 2 174. 2 175. 2 176. 1 177. 2 178. 2 179. 2 180. 2 181. 1 182. 2 183. 2 184. 1 185. 1 186. 1 187. 1 188. 1 189. 1 190. 1 191. 1 192. 1 193. 1 194. 1 195. 1 196. 1 197. 1 198. 1 199. 1 200. 2 201. 2 202. 2 203. 2 204. 1 205. 2 206. 2 207. 2 208. 1 209. 2 210. 2 211. 1 212. 1 213. 1 214. 1 215. 2 216. 2 217. 1 218. 1 219. 2 220. 1 221. 1 222. 2 223. 1 224. 2 225. 2 226. 1 227. 2 228. 2 229. 2 230. 1 231. 2 232. 2 233. 2 234. 2 235. 2 236. 2 237. 2 238. 1 239. 2 240. 1 241. 1 242. 1 243. 1 244. 1 245. 2 246. 2 247. 2 248. 1 249. 1 250. 2 251. 1 252. 1 253. 1 254. 2 255. 1 256. 1 257. 2 258. 1 259. 2 260. 2 261. 1 262. 1 263. 1 264. 1 265. 1 266. 1 267. 1 268. 1 269. 2 270. 1 271. 1 272. 1 273. 1 274. 1 275. 1 276. 1 277. 2 278. 1 279. 2 280. 2 281. 2 282. 2 283. 1 284. 1 285. 2 286. 1 287. 2 288. 2 289. 1 290. 2 291. 2 292. 2 293. 2 294. 2 295. 2 296. 2 297. 1 298. 2 299. 2 300. 2 301. 2 302. 1 303. 2 304. 2 305. 2 306. 2 307. 2 308. 1 309. 2 310. 1 311. 2 312. 1 313. 2 314. 2 315. 2 316. 2 317. 2 318. 2 319. 2 320. 2 321. 1 322. 2 323. 1 324. 1 325. 1 326. 1 327. 1 328. 2 329. 2 330. 2 331. 2 332. 2 333. 2 334. 2 335. 2 336. 2 337. 2 338. 1 339. 1 340. 2 341. 2 342. 1 343. 2 344. 1 345. 1 346. 2 347. 2 348. 2 349. 2 350. 2 351. 1 352. 2 353. 2 354. 2 355. 2 356. 2 357. 2 358. 1 359. 2 360. 2 361. 2 362. 1 363. 2 364. 2 365. 2 366. 2 367. 2 368. 2 369. 2 370. 2 371. 1 372. 2 373. 2 374. 2 375. 2 376. 2 377. 1 378. 1 379. 2 380. 1 381. 2 382. 1 383. 2 384. 2 385. 2 386. 2 387. 2 388. 2 389. 2 390. 1 391. 1 392. 1 393. 2 394. 2 395. 1 396. 1 397. 1 398. 2 399. 2 400. 2 401. 2 402. 2 403. 1 404. 2 405. 2 406. 1 407. 1 408. 2 409. 2 410. 2 411. 1 412. 2 413. 2 414. 1 415. 1 416. 1 417. 2 418. 2 419. 2 420. 1 421. 1 422. 2 423. 1 424. 1 425. 2 426. 2 427. 2 428. 2 429. 1 430. 1 431. 1 432. 2 433. 2 434. 2 435. 2 436. 2

In [74]: `head(Data)`

state	district	electedrep	party	medHouseIncome	Bparty
Alabama	1	Bradley Byrne	R	47083	0
Alabama	2	Martha Roby	R	42035	0
Alabama	3	Mike Rogers	R	46544	0
Alabama	4	Robert Aderholt	R	41110	0
Alabama	5	Mo Brooks	R	51690	0
Alabama	6	Gary Palmer	R	61413	0

In [75]: `#supply data to the first model party.bug`

`Data$logincome<-log(Data$medHouseIncome)`

`d1 <- list(incomescaled = as.vector(scale(Data$logincome, scale=2*sd(Data$logincome))),
party = Data$Bparty)`

In [76]: `#set dispersed initiate values for model party.bug for 4 chains`

`inits1 <- list(list(betaincome=10, intercept=10),
list(betaincome=-10, intercept=10),
list(betaincome=10, intercept=-10),
list(betaincome=-10, intercept=-10)
)`

```
In [44]: library(rjags)
```

```
Loading required package: coda
```

```
Linked to JAGS 4.3.0
```

```
Loaded modules: basemod,bugs
```

```
In [83]: #run the model with 1000 adaptation
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```
      m1 <- jags.model("party.bug", d1, inits1, n.chains=4, n.adapt=1000)
```

```
Compiling model graph
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```
  Resolving undeclared variables
```

```
  Allocating nodes
```

```
Graph information:
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  Observed stochastic nodes: 436
```

```
  Unobserved stochastic nodes: 438
```

```
  Total graph size: 2613
```

```
Initializing model
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```
In [84]: update(m1, 1000) # burn-in
```

```
In [85]: #sampling from the model and check convergence
```

```
      x1 <- coda.samples(m1, c("betaincome","intercept"), n.iter=2000)
```

```
In [86]: gelman.diag(x1, autoburnin=FALSE)
```

```
Potential scale reduction factors:
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	Point est.	Upper C.I.
betaincome	1	1
intercept	1	1

```
Multivariate psrf
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In [87]: #sampling from the model after convergence
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```
      x1 <- coda.samples(m1, c("betaincome","intercept","prob","partyrep"),  
                        n.iter=4000)
```

```
In [89]: #check effective sample size
```

```
      effectiveSize(x1[,1:4])
```

betaincome	10444.00906291	intercept	10009.027492199	partyrep{1}	15999.9999999997
partyrep{2}			16265.8279260321		

```
In [90]: #(c)Approximate the posterior mean, posterior standard deviation, and 95% central
#posterior interval for each parameter.
summary(x1[,1:2])
```

```
Iterations = 4001:8000
Thinning interval = 1
Number of chains = 4
Sample size per chain = 4000
```

1. Empirical mean and standard deviation for each variable,
plus standard error of the mean:

	Mean	SD	Naive SE	Time-series SE
betaincome	0.3588	0.1938	0.0015324	0.0018982
intercept	-0.2147	0.0971	0.0007677	0.0009731

2. Quantiles for each variable:

	2.5%	25%	50%	75%	97.5%
betaincome	-0.01728	0.2280	0.3571	0.4927	0.74050
intercept	-0.40412	-0.2809	-0.2146	-0.1491	-0.02608

```
In [91]: #(d)Approximate the posterior probability that the slope exceeds zero.
mean(as.matrix(x1[,1])>0)
```

```
0.9696875
```

```
In [92]: #(e)Approximate the value of (Plummers) DIC and the associated effective number of pa
dic.samples(m1,10000)
```

```
Mean deviance: 598
penalty 1.966
Penalized deviance: 600
```

```
In [93]: ###code for Second Model listing in below
```

```
In [94]: #Create an indexing variable in which the
#variable state is recoded with the integers 1 to 51.
Data$Bstate<-unclass(Data$state)
```

```
In [96]: #supply data to the first model party2.bug
d2 <- list(incomescaled = as.vector(scale(Data$logincome, scale=2*sd(Data$logincome))),
           party = Data$Bparty,
           state=Data$Bstate)
```



```
In [101]: #set dispersed initiate values for model party2.bug for 4 chains
         inits2 <- list(list(betaincome=10, intercept=10,sigmastateinv=1000),
                        list(betaincome=-10, intercept=10,sigmastateinv=1000),
                        list(betaincome=10, intercept=-10,sigmastateinv=0.1),
                        list(betaincome=-10, intercept=-10,sigmastateinv=0.1)
                        )
```

```
In [111]: m2 <- jags.model("party2.bug", d2, inits2, n.chains=4, n.adapt=1000)
```

Compiling model graph

Resolving undeclared variables

Allocating nodes

Graph information:

Observed stochastic nodes: 436

Unobserved stochastic nodes: 490

Total graph size: 3112

Initializing model

```
In [112]: update(m2, 10000) # burn-in
```

```
In [113]: #sampling from the model and check convergence
```

```
         x2 <- coda.samples(m2, c("betaincome","intercept","betastate"), n.iter=2000)
```

```
In [114]: gelman.diag(x2, autoburnin=FALSE)
```

Potential scale reduction factors:

	Point est.	Upper C.I.
betaincome	1.00	1.01
betastate[1]	1.00	1.00
betastate[2]	1.00	1.00
betastate[3]	1.00	1.01
betastate[4]	1.00	1.00
betastate[5]	1.00	1.01
betastate[6]	1.00	1.00
betastate[7]	1.00	1.00
betastate[8]	1.00	1.00
betastate[9]	1.00	1.00
betastate[10]	1.00	1.01
betastate[11]	1.00	1.00
betastate[12]	1.00	1.01
betastate[13]	1.00	1.00
betastate[14]	1.00	1.00
betastate[15]	1.00	1.01
betastate[16]	1.00	1.01
betastate[17]	1.00	1.00

betastate[18]	1.00	1.01
betastate[19]	1.00	1.00
betastate[20]	1.00	1.00
betastate[21]	1.00	1.01
betastate[22]	1.00	1.01
betastate[23]	1.00	1.00
betastate[24]	1.00	1.00
betastate[25]	1.00	1.00
betastate[26]	1.00	1.00
betastate[27]	1.00	1.00
betastate[28]	1.00	1.00
betastate[29]	1.00	1.00
betastate[30]	1.00	1.00
betastate[31]	1.00	1.00
betastate[32]	1.00	1.00
betastate[33]	1.00	1.00
betastate[34]	1.00	1.01
betastate[35]	1.00	1.00
betastate[36]	1.00	1.00
betastate[37]	1.00	1.01
betastate[38]	1.00	1.00
betastate[39]	1.00	1.00
betastate[40]	1.00	1.00
betastate[41]	1.00	1.00
betastate[42]	1.00	1.00
betastate[43]	1.00	1.00
betastate[44]	1.00	1.01
betastate[45]	1.00	1.00
betastate[46]	1.00	1.00
betastate[47]	1.00	1.00
betastate[48]	1.00	1.00
betastate[49]	1.00	1.00
betastate[50]	1.00	1.00
betastate[51]	1.00	1.00
intercept	1.01	1.02

Multivariate psrf

1.01

In [128]: *#sampling from the model after convergence*

```
x2 <- coda.samples(m2, c("betaincome", "intercept", "betastate"), n.iter=8000)
```

In [129]: effectiveSize(x2)

betaincome	5531.16288220396	betastate{[]1{}}	12246.3121063378	betastate{[]2{}}
15932.5500696412	betastate{[]3{}}	12219.4447511154	betastate{[]4{}}	9851.37846453506

```

betastate{[]5{}}      3843.56807205528 betastate{[]6{}}      11880.3325449786 betastate{[]7{}}
6500.85928779448 betastate{[]8{}}      14074.5129558019 betastate{[]9{}}      13751.5264143481
betastate{[]10{}}     6547.97414803495 betastate{[]11{}}     11609.8201565768 betastate{[]12{}}
10016.6384157562 betastate{[]13{}}     13577.4990021708 betastate{[]14{}}     6693.84069659062
betastate{[]15{}}     11902.2608708813 betastate{[]16{}}     16164.3930938175 betastate{[]17{}}
10127.9743954761 betastate{[]18{}}     12317.5214495675 betastate{[]19{}}     11571.5329579182
betastate{[]20{}}     17306.2160934407 betastate{[]21{}}     6655.50801069078 betastate{[]22{}}
5162.75991869632 betastate{[]23{}}     9545.43856602119 betastate{[]24{}}     9627.44604343828
betastate{[]25{}}     15144.3714473409 betastate{[]26{}}     13073.5453488176 betastate{[]27{}}
16256.1699646369 betastate{[]28{}}     12644.632889878 betastate{[]29{}}     12511.375019062
betastate{[]30{}}     8946.33973367002 betastate{[]31{}}     7694.78494859996 betastate{[]32{}}
14950.1167134861 betastate{[]33{}}     5437.36134665594 betastate{[]34{}}     10994.3655037943
betastate{[]35{}}     16252.4962106246 betastate{[]36{}}     9686.95679143493 betastate{[]37{}}
9373.39035076631 betastate{[]38{}}     10379.7072534862 betastate{[]39{}}     9103.57164508989
betastate{[]40{}}     10182.0252120921 betastate{[]41{}}     11203.4134494594 betastate{[]42{}}
17129.2625478721 betastate{[]43{}}     10599.6748409701 betastate{[]44{}}     5630.03273806419
betastate{[]45{}}     11789.8110826701 betastate{[]46{}}     13409.9263127103 betastate{[]47{}}
11228.7496754099 betastate{[]48{}}     7566.74811443118 betastate{[]49{}}     10833.6050090309
betastate{[]50{}} 13492.9130781874 betastate{[]51{}} 13774.8072665447 intercept 2204.75538557913

```

```

In [130]: #summary for the slope coefficient
          summary(x2[,1])

```

```

Iterations = 25001:33000
Thinning interval = 1
Number of chains = 4
Sample size per chain = 8000

```

1. Empirical mean and standard deviation for each variable,
plus standard error of the mean:

Mean	SD	Naive SE	Time-series SE
-0.470867	0.264880	0.001481	0.003580

2. Quantiles for each variable:

2.5%	25%	50%	75%	97.5%
-0.99562	-0.64785	-0.47114	-0.28988	0.04125

```

In [148]: #summary for the intercept
          summary(x2[,53])

```

```

Iterations = 25001:33000
Thinning interval = 1
Number of chains = 4

```

Sample size per chain = 8000

1. Empirical mean and standard deviation for each variable,
plus standard error of the mean:

Mean	SD	Naive SE	Time-series SE
-0.458587	0.231352	0.001293	0.005030

2. Quantiles for each variable:

2.5%	25%	50%	75%	97.5%
-0.93163	-0.60380	-0.44977	-0.30505	-0.02433

```
In [134]: #(d)Approximate the posterior probability that the slope exceeds zero.
          mean(as.matrix(x2[,1])>0)
```

0.03621875

```
In [151]: #(e)largest and smallest posterior mean random effect
          a=summary(x2[,2:52])
```

```
In [163]: #(e)largest and smallest posterior mean random effect
          which(a$statistics[,1]==max(a$statistics[,1]))
          which(a$statistics[,1]==min(a$statistics[,1]))
```

betastate[{}22{}]: 22

betastate[{}37{}]: 37

```
In [166]: #(e)largest and smallest posterior mean random effect
          Data[Data$Bstate==22,]
```

	state	district	electedrep	party	medHouseIncome	Bparty	logincome
191	Massachusetts	1	Richard Neal	D	55716	1	10.92802
192	Massachusetts	2	Jim McGovern	D	64868	1	11.08011
193	Massachusetts	3	Niki Tsongas	D	77995	1	11.26440
194	Massachusetts	4	Joseph P. Kennedy III	D	98530	1	11.49812
195	Massachusetts	5	Katherine Clark	D	92268	1	11.43245
196	Massachusetts	6	Seth Moulton	D	84913	1	11.34938
197	Massachusetts	7	Mike Capuano	D	60873	1	11.01655
198	Massachusetts	8	Stephen F. Lynch	D	82333	1	11.31853
199	Massachusetts	9	Bill Keating	D	68173	1	11.12980

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In [167]: #(e)largest and smallest posterior mean random effect
          Data[Data$Bstate==37,]
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	state	district	electedrep	party	medHouseIncome	Bparty	logincome	Bstate
316	Oklahoma	1	Jim Bridenstine	R	52319	0	10.86511	37
317	Oklahoma	2	Markwayne Mullin	R	40770	0	10.61570	37
318	Oklahoma	3	Frank Lucas	R	47724	0	10.77319	37
319	Oklahoma	4	Tom Cole	R	55183	0	10.91841	37
320	Oklahoma	5	Steve Russell	R	49616	0	10.81207	37

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In [168]: #(f)Approximate the value of (Plummers) DIC and the associated effective number of p  
          dic.samples(m2,10000)
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Mean deviance: 510.6

penalty 31.23

Penalized deviance: 541.8