## Dis 7: Stata Q&A

Check out the solution from Dis 3 (Stata Review) when doing your Stata problem set. You can use that discussion's solution and this as a guide when completing your Stata problem set.

## 1 Stata Exercise

Before we start the Q&A part of this section, let's look at one Stata exercise together. This exercise uses the same dataset given in your Stata Assignment (that's due Dec 10 @ 11pm on Canvas).

You are given a dataset that is created by a collaboration between the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute.

The dataset contains variables from the 2019 Wisconsin County Health Rankings.

- 1. First thing first, let's make sure we can keep track of your work and your results.
  - (a) To keep track of your results, clear out the Results panel.
  - (b) To keep track of your work / code, create a Do-file with the first line as a comment, and put your name down there.
  - (c) Set up the Do-file environment before proceeding.
- 2. The dataset has been given in .csv and .dta. The files are on Canvas under the following names:

Econ 310 Stata Assignment Data.csv Econ 310 Stata Assignment Data.dta

Load the data into Stata environment.

- 3. Describe your data using the **describe** command.
- 4. Browse the variable related to Percent Unemployed only.
- 5. Create a histogram of Percent Unemployed, and save it as a PNG file called "q5\_histogram.png". Is the distribution of Percent Unemployed skewed in any way?
- 6. What's the mean, variance, and the 10th percentile of Percent Unemployed?

- 7. Create a scatter plot between Percent Unemployed and Percent Some College for observations where Percent Some College is above 50.
- 8. What is the correlation between Percent Unemployed and Percent Some College for observations where Percent Some College is above 50? Interpret the correlation measure.
- 9. Export your Stata output result as a PDF file.

## 2 Exam 2 Question Revisit

[This part of the handout is released at 5:30pm on Oct 21 (after Exam 2 has closed for all students)]

1. The amount of money spent by UW Madison students at Best Buy in August is a normal random variable with a mean of \$650 and standard deviation of \$150. Find the interquartile range for this variable.