

Command	Explanation	Abbreviation
scalar a = 5	defines scalar $a = 5$	di
scalar list	lists scalars	
ttail(df,c)	number satisfying $\Pr(T > c)$ for $T \sim T(df)$	
invttail(df,p)	number satisfying t^* such that $\Pr(T > t^*) = p$	
display a	displays value of scalar a or ttail or etc	
ttest x = c	t -test for $H_0 : \mu_x = c, \mu_x \leq c$, and $\mu_x \geq c$	
mean x	estimates mean of x (confidence intervals)	

Summary Statistics and Scalars

sum x, detail

scalar xbar = r(mean)

\bar{x} equals mean of x

scalar stdev = r(sd)

$stdev$ equals standard deviation of x

scalar n = r(N)

n equals number of observations for x

scalar t = invttail(n-1,0.025) t equals 2-sided 5% critical value with $df = n - 1$

Calculating Confidence Intervals

scalar CI_lb = xbar - invttail(n-1,0.025)*stdev/sqrt(n)

scalar CI_ub = xbar + invttail(n-1,0.025)*stdev/sqrt(n)

di CI_lb, CI_ub

Or use mean x. You can change the level to, say, 90%, with command mean x, level(90).

Hypothesis Testing

di invttail(n-1,0.025)

gives 5% critical value for two-sided test

di 2*ttail(n-1,2.15)

gives two-sided p -value for t -statistic 2.15 (or -2.15)

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. ttest price = 7000
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One-sample t test
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Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Err.	Std. Dev.	[95% Conf. Interval]
price	74	6165.257	342.8719	2949.496	5481.914 6848.6

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mean = mean(price)          t = -2.4346
Ho: mean = 7000             degrees of freedom = 73
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Ha: mean < 7000
Pr(T < t) = 0.0087
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Ha: mean != 7000
Pr(|T| > |t|) = 0.0174
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Ha: mean > 7000
Pr(T > t) = 0.9913
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FIGURE 1: The number $\Pr(|T| > |t|) = 0.0174$ is the two-sided p -value for null $H_0 : \mu_{price} = 7000$. We reject the null at 5% and 10% significance because 0.0174 is less than 0.05 and 0.10. We do not reject at 1% because the p -value is greater than 0.01. The other two alternative hypotheses are for one-sided tests.