

**glm postestimation** — Postestimation tools for glm

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## Description

The following postestimation commands are available after `glm`:

Command	Description
<code>contrast</code>	contrasts and ANOVA-style joint tests of estimates
<code>estat ic</code>	Akaike's and Schwarz's Bayesian information criteria (AIC and BIC)
<code>estat summarize</code>	summary statistics for the estimation sample
<code>estat vce</code>	variance-covariance matrix of the estimators (VCE)
<code>estat (svy)</code>	postestimation statistics for survey data
<code>estimates</code>	cataloging estimation results
<code>forecast</code> <sup>1</sup>	dynamic forecasts and simulations
<code>lincom</code>	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for linear combinations of coefficients
<code>linktest</code>	link test for model specification
<code>lrtest</code> <sup>2</sup>	likelihood-ratio test
<code>margins</code>	marginal means, predictive margins, marginal effects, and average marginal effects
<code>marginsplot</code>	graph the results from margins (profile plots, interaction plots, etc.)
<code>nlcom</code>	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for nonlinear combinations of coefficients
<code>predict</code>	predictions, residuals, influence statistics, and other diagnostic measures
<code>predictnl</code>	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for generalized predictions
<code>pwcompare</code>	pairwise comparisons of estimates
<code>suest</code>	seemingly unrelated estimation
<code>test</code>	Wald tests of simple and composite linear hypotheses
<code>testnl</code>	Wald tests of nonlinear hypotheses

<sup>1</sup> `forecast` is not appropriate with `mi` or `svy` estimation results.

<sup>2</sup> `lrtest` is not appropriate with `svy` estimation results.

## Syntax for predict

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predict [type] newvar [if] [in] [, statistic options]
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<i>statistic</i>	Description
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### Main

<u>mu</u>	expected value of $y$ ; the default
<u>xb</u>	linear prediction $\eta = \mathbf{x}\hat{\beta}$
<u>eta</u>	synonym of <u>xb</u>
<u>stdp</u>	standard error of the linear prediction
<u>anscombe</u>	<a href="#">Anscombe (1953)</a> residuals
<u>cooks</u>	Cook's distance
<u>deviance</u>	deviance residuals
<u>hat</u>	diagonals of the “hat” matrix
<u>likelihood</u>	a weighted average of standardized deviance and standardized Pearson residuals
<u>pearson</u>	Pearson residuals
<u>response</u>	differences between the observed and fitted outcomes
<u>score</u>	first derivative of the log likelihood with respect to $\mathbf{x}_j\beta$
<u>working</u>	working residuals

<i>options</i>	Description
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### Options

<u>nooffset</u>	modify calculations to ignore offset variable
<u>adjusted</u>	adjust deviance residual to speed up convergence
<u>standardized</u>	multiply residual by the factor $(1 - h)^{-1/2}$
<u>studentized</u>	multiply residual by one over the square root of the estimated scale parameter
<u>modified</u>	modify denominator of residual to be a reasonable estimate of the variance of <i>deprvar</i>

These statistics are available both in and out of sample; type `predict ... if e(sample) ...` if wanted only for the estimation sample.

`mu`, `xb`, `stdp`, and `score` are the only statistics allowed with `svy` estimation results.

## Menu for predict

Statistics > Postestimation > Predictions, residuals, etc.

## Options for predict

### Main

`mu`, the default, specifies that `predict` calculate the expected value of  $y$ , equal to  $g^{-1}(\mathbf{x}\hat{\beta})$  [ $ng^{-1}(\mathbf{x}\hat{\beta})$  for the binomial family].

`xb` calculates the linear prediction  $\eta = \mathbf{x}\hat{\beta}$ .

`eta` is a synonym for `xb`.

`stdp` calculates the standard error of the linear prediction.

`anscombe` calculates the [Anscombe \(1953\)](#) residuals to produce residuals that closely follow a normal distribution.

`cooks` calculates Cook's distance, which measures the aggregate change in the estimated coefficients when each observation is left out of the estimation.

`deviance` calculates the deviance residuals. Deviance residuals are recommended by McCullagh and Nelder (1989) and by others as having the best properties for examining the goodness of fit of a GLM. They are approximately normally distributed if the model is correct. They may be plotted against the fitted values or against a covariate to inspect the model's fit. Also see the `pearson` option below.

`hat` calculates the diagonals of the “hat” matrix, analogous to linear regression.

`likelihood` calculates a weighted average of standardized deviance and standardized Pearson residuals.

`pearson` calculates the Pearson residuals. Pearson residuals often have markedly skewed distributions for nonnormal family distributions. Also see the `deviance` option above.

`response` calculates the differences between the observed and fitted outcomes.

`score` calculates the equation-level score,  $\partial \ln L / \partial (\mathbf{x}_j \boldsymbol{\beta})$ .

`working` calculates the working residuals, which are response residuals weighted according to the derivative of the link function.

#### Options

`nooffset` is relevant only if you specified `offset(varname)` for `glm`. It modifies the calculations made by `predict` so that they ignore the offset variable; the linear prediction is treated as  $\mathbf{x}_j \mathbf{b}$  rather than as  $\mathbf{x}_j \mathbf{b} + \text{offset}_j$ .

`adjusted` adjusts the deviance residual to speed up the convergence to the limiting normal distribution. The adjustment deals with adding to the deviance residual a higher-order term that depends on the variance function family. This option is allowed only when `deviance` is specified.

`standardized` requests that the residual be multiplied by the factor  $(1 - h)^{-1/2}$ , where  $h$  is the diagonal of the hat matrix. This operation is done to account for the correlation between `devar` and its predicted value.

`studentized` requests that the residual be multiplied by one over the square root of the estimated scale parameter.

`modified` requests that the denominator of the residual be modified to be a reasonable estimate of the variance of `devar`. The base residual is multiplied by the factor  $(k/w)^{-1/2}$ , where  $k$  is either one or the user-specified dispersion parameter and  $w$  is the specified weight (or one if left unspecified).

## Remarks and examples

[stata.com](http://www.stata.com)

Remarks are presented under the following headings:

*Predictions*

*Other postestimation commands*

## Predictions

### ▷ Example 1

After `glm` estimation, `predict` may be used to obtain various predictions based on the model. In [example 2](#) of [\[R\] glm](#), we mentioned that the complementary log-log link seemed to fit the data better than the logit link. Now we go back and obtain the fitted values and deviance residuals:

```
. use http://www.stata-press.com/data/r13/ldose
. glm r ldose, family(binomial n) link(logit)
  (output omitted)
. predict mu_logit
(option mu assumed; predicted mean r)
. predict dr_logit, deviance
. quietly glm r ldose, f(binomial n) l(cloglog)
. predict mu_cl
(option mu assumed; predicted mean r)
. predict dr_cl, d
. format mu_logit dr_logit mu_cl dr_cl %9.5f
. list r mu_logit dr_logit mu_cl dr_cl, sep(4)
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	r	mu_logit	dr_logit	mu_cl	dr_cl
1.	6	3.45746	1.28368	5.58945	0.18057
2.	13	9.84167	1.05969	11.28067	0.55773
3.	18	22.45139	-1.19611	20.95422	-0.80330
4.	28	33.89761	-1.59412	30.36942	-0.63439
5.	52	50.09584	0.60614	47.77644	1.28883
6.	53	53.29092	-0.12716	54.14273	-0.52366
7.	61	59.22216	1.25107	61.11331	-0.11878
8.	60	58.74297	1.59398	59.94723	0.32495

In six of the eight cases,  $|\text{dr\_logit}| > |\text{dr\_cl}|$ . The above represents only one of the many available options for `predict`. See [Hardin and Hilbe \(2012\)](#) for a more in-depth examination.



## Other postestimation commands

### □ Technical note

After `glm` estimation, you may perform any of the postestimation commands that you would perform after any other kind of estimation in Stata; see [\[U\] 20 Estimation and postestimation commands](#). Below we test the joint significance of all the interaction terms.

```
. use http://www.stata-press.com/data/r13/beetle, clear
. glm r beetle#c.ldose, family(binomial n) link(cloglog)
  (output omitted)
. testparm i.beetle beetle#c.ldose
( 1) [r]2.beetle = 0
( 2) [r]3.beetle = 0
( 3) [r]2.beetle#c.ldose = 0
( 4) [r]3.beetle#c.ldose = 0

      chi2( 4) = 249.69
      Prob > chi2 = 0.0000
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If you wanted to print the variance–covariance matrix of the estimators, you would type `estat vce`.

If you use the `linktest` postestimation command, you must also specify the `family()` and `link()` options; see [R] [linktest](#). □

## Methods and formulas

We follow the terminology used in *Methods and formulas* of [R] [glm](#).

The deviance residual calculated by `predict` following `glm` is  $r_j^D = \text{sign}(y_j - \hat{\mu}_j) \sqrt{d_j^2}$ .

The Pearson residual calculated by `predict` following `glm` is

$$r_j^P = \frac{y_j - \hat{\mu}_j}{\sqrt{V(\hat{\mu}_j)}}$$

where  $V(\hat{\mu}_j)$  is the family-specific variance function.

$$V(\hat{\mu}_j) = \begin{cases} \hat{\mu}_j(1 - \hat{\mu}_j/m_j) & \text{if binomial or Bernoulli } (m_j = 1) \\ \hat{\mu}_j^2 & \text{if gamma} \\ 1 & \text{if Gaussian} \\ \hat{\mu}_j^3 & \text{if inverse Gaussian} \\ \hat{\mu}_j + k\hat{\mu}_j^2 & \text{if negative binomial} \\ \hat{\mu}_j & \text{if Poisson} \end{cases}$$

The response residuals are given by  $r_i^R = y_i - \mu_i$ . The working residuals are

$$r_i^W = (y_i - \hat{\mu}_i) \left( \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \mu} \right)_i$$

and the score residuals are

$$r_i^S = \frac{y_i - \hat{\mu}_i}{V(\hat{\mu}_i)} \left( \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \mu} \right)_i^{-1}$$

Define  $\widehat{W} = V(\widehat{\mu})$  and  $X$  to be the covariate matrix.  $h_i$ , then, is the  $i$ th diagonal of the hat matrix given by

$$\widehat{H} = \widehat{W}^{1/2} X (X^T \widehat{W} X)^{-1} X^T \widehat{W}^{1/2}$$

As a result, the likelihood residuals are given by

$$r_i^L = \text{sign}(y_i - \hat{\mu}_i) \{h_i(r_i^{P'})^2 + (1 - h_i)(r_i^{D'})^2\}^{1/2}$$

where  $r_i^{P'}$  and  $r_i^{D'}$  are the standardized Pearson and standardized deviance residuals, respectively. By *standardized*, we mean that the residual is divided by  $\{1 - h_i\}^{1/2}$ .

Cook's distance is an overall measure of the change in the regression coefficients caused by omitting the  $i$ th observation from the analysis. Computationally, Cook's distance is obtained as

$$C_i = \frac{(r_i^{P'})^2 h_i}{k(1 - h_i)}$$

where  $k$  is the number of regressors, including the constant.

Anscombe residuals are given by

$$r_i^A = \frac{A(y_i) - A(\hat{\mu}_i)}{A'(\hat{\mu}_i)\{V(\hat{\mu}_i)\}^{1/2}}$$

where

$$A(\cdot) = \int \frac{d\mu}{V^{1/3}(\mu)}$$

Deviance residuals may be adjusted (**predict**, **adjusted**) to make the following correction:

$$r_i^{Da} = r_i^D + \frac{1}{6}\rho_3(\theta)$$

where  $\rho_3(\theta)$  is a family-specific correction. See [Hardin and Hilbe \(2012\)](#) for the exact forms of  $\rho_3(\theta)$  for each family.

## References

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## Also see

- [R] **glm** — Generalized linear models
- [R] **regress postestimation** — Postestimation tools for regress
- [U] **20 Estimation and postestimation commands**