# bayes: zioprobit — Bayesian zero-inflated ordered probit regression

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# **Description**

bayes: zioprobit fits a Bayesian zero-inflated ordered probit regression to an ordinal outcome with a high fraction of zeros; see [BAYES] bayes and [R] zioprobit for details.

# **Quick start**

Bayesian zero-inflated ordered probit regression of y on x1 and x2, using z to model excess zeros and using default normal priors for regression coefficients and flat priors for cutpoints

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bayes: zioprobit y x1 x2, inflate(z)
```

Use a standard deviation of 10 instead of 100 for the default normal priors

```
bayes, normalprior(10): zioprobit y x1 x2, inflate(z)
```

Use uniform priors for the slopes and a normal prior for the intercept of the main regression

```
bayes, prior({y: x1 x2}, uniform(-10,10)) ///
prior({y:_cons}, normal(0,10)): zioprobit y x1 x2, inflate(z)
```

Save simulation results to simdata.dta, and use a random-number seed for reproducibility

```
bayes, saving(simdata) rseed(123): ///
zioprobit y x1 x2, inflate(z)
```

Specify 20,000 Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) samples, set length of the burn-in period to 5,000, and request that a dot be displayed every 500 simulations

```
bayes, mcmcsize(20000) burnin(5000) dots(500): ///
zioprobit y x1 x2, inflate(z)
```

In the above, request that the 90% highest posterior density (HPD) credible interval be displayed instead of the default 95% equal-tailed credible interval

```
bayes, clevel (90) hpd
```

Also see Quick start in [BAYES] bayes and Quick start in [R] zioprobit.

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bayes [, bayesopts]: zioprobit depvar [indepvars] [if] [in] [weight],
  inflate(varlist[, noconstant offset(varname)]|_cons) [options]
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options	Description	
Model		
* <u>inf</u> late()	inflation equation that determines excess zero values	
<pre>offset(varname)</pre>	include varname in model with coefficient constrained to 1	
Reporting		
display_options	control spacing, line width, and base and empty cells	
<u>l</u> evel(#)	set credible level; default is level(95)	

<sup>\*</sup>inflate(varlist[, noconstant offset(varname) ] | \_cons) is required.

indepvars and varlist may contain factor variables; see [U] 11.4.3 Factor variables.

fweights are allowed; see [U] 11.1.6 weight.

bayes: zioprobit, level() is equivalent to bayes, clevel(): zioprobit.

For a detailed description of options, see Options in [R] zioprobit.

bayesopts	Description
Priors	
* normalprior(#)	specify standard deviation of default normal priors for regression coefficients; default is normalprior (100)
<pre>prior(priorspec)</pre>	prior for model parameters; this option may be repeated
dryrun	show model summary without estimation
Simulation	
nchains(#)	number of chains; default is to simulate one chain
<pre>mcmcsize(#)</pre>	MCMC sample size; default is mcmcsize(10000)
<pre>burnin(#)</pre>	burn-in period; default is burnin (2500)
thinning(#)	thinning interval; default is thinning(1)
rseed(#)	random-number seed
<pre>exclude(paramref)</pre>	specify model parameters to be excluded from the simulation results
Blocking	

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*blocksize(#)	maximum block size; default is blocksize (50)
block(paramref[, blockopts])	specify a block of model parameters; this option may be repeated
<u>blocksumm</u> ary	display block summary
* <u>noblock</u> ing	do not block parameters by default

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Initialization	
<u>init</u> ial( <i>initspec</i> )	specify initial values for model parameters with a single chain
<pre>init#(initspec)</pre>	specify initial values for #th chain; requires nchains()
<pre>initall(initspec)</pre>	specify initial values for all chains; requires nchains()
<u>nomleinit</u> ial	suppress the use of maximum likelihood estimates as starting values
<u>initrand</u> om	specify random initial values
<u>initsumm</u> ary	display initial values used for simulation
* <u>noi</u> sily	display output from the estimation command during initialization
Adaptation	
adaptation(adaptopts)	control the adaptive MCMC procedure
scale(#)	initial multiplier for scale factor; default is scale (2.38)
$\underline{cov}$ ariance $(cov)$	initial proposal covariance; default is the identity matrix
Reporting	
<pre>clevel(#)</pre>	set credible interval level; default is clevel(95)
hpd	display HPD credible intervals instead of the default equal-tailed credible intervals
<pre>eform[(string)]</pre>	report exponentiated coefficients and, optionally, label as string
batch(#)	specify length of block for batch-means calculations; default is batch(0)
<pre>saving(filename[, replace])</pre>	save simulation results to filename.dta
nomodelsummary	suppress model summary
chainsdetail	display detailed simulation summary for each chain
[no]dots	suppress dots or display dots every 100 iterations and iteration numbers every 1,000 iterations; default is nodots
$\mathtt{dots}(\#[\ ,\ \mathtt{every}(\#)\ ])$	display dots as simulation is performed
[no]show(paramref)	specify model parameters to be excluded from or included in the output
<u>notab</u> le	suppress estimation table
<u>nohead</u> er	suppress output header
title(string)	display string as title above the table of parameter estimates
display_options	control spacing, line width, and base and empty cells

#### Advanced

search(search\_options) control the search for feasible initial values

specify maximum autocorrelation lag; default varies corrlag(#) corrtol(#)

specify autocorrelation tolerance; default is corrtol(0.01) \* Starred options are specific to the bayes prefix; other options are common between bayes and bayesmh.

Options prior() and block() may be repeated.

priorspec and paramref are defined in [BAYES] bayesmh.

paramref may contain factor variables; see [U] 11.4.3 Factor variables.

collect is allowed; see [U] 11.1.10 Prefix commands.

See [U] 20 Estimation and postestimation commands for more capabilities of estimation commands.

Model parameters are regression coefficients {depvar:indepvars} for the main regression and {inflate:varlist} for the inflation equation and cutpoints {cut1}, {cut2}, and so on. Use the dryrun option to see the definitions of model parameters prior to estimation.

Flat priors, flat, are used by default for cutpoints.

For a detailed description of *bayesopts*, see *Options* in [BAYES] bayes.

For a general introduction to Bayesian analysis, see [BAYES] **Intro**. For a general introduction to Bayesian estimation using an adaptive Metropolis–Hastings algorithm, see [BAYES] **bayesmh**. For remarks and examples specific to the bayes prefix, see [BAYES] **bayes**. For details about the estimation command, see [R] **zioprobit**.

For a simple example of the bayes prefix, see *Introductory example* in [BAYES] **bayes**. Also see *Zero-inflated negative binomial models* in [BAYES] **bayes**.

# Stored results

See Stored results in [BAYES] bayes.

# Methods and formulas

See Methods and formulas in [BAYES] bayesmh.

# Also see

[BAYES] bayes — Bayesian regression models using the bayes prefix

[R] **zioprobit** — Zero-inflated ordered probit regression

[BAYES] Bayesian postestimation — Postestimation tools after Bayesian estimation

[BAYES] Bayesian estimation — Bayesian estimation commands

[BAYES] Bayesian commands — Introduction to commands for Bayesian analysis

[BAYES] Intro — Introduction to Bayesian analysis

[BAYES] Glossary

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