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## Postestimation commands

The following postestimation command is of special interest after `eoprobit` and `xteoprobit`:

| Command                     | Description                                   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>estat teffects</code> | treatment effects and potential-outcome means |

The following standard postestimation commands are also available after `eoprobit` and `xteoprobit`:

| Command                               | Description   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| <code>contrast</code>                 | contrasts and ANOVA-style joint tests of parameters   |
| <code>estat ic</code>                 | Akaike's, consistent Akaike's, corrected Akaike's, and Schwarz's Bayesian information criteria (AIC, CAIC, AICc, and BIC, respectively) |
| <code>estat summarize</code>          | summary statistics for the estimation sample  |
| <code>estat vce</code>                | variance–covariance matrix of the estimators (VCE)  |
| <sup>†</sup> <code>estat (svy)</code> | postestimation statistics for survey data   |
| <code>estimates</code>                | cataloging estimation results   |
| <code>etable</code>                   | table of estimation results   |
| * <code>forecast</code>               | dynamic forecasts and simulations   |
| * <code>hausman</code>                | Hausman's specification test  |
| <code>lincom</code>                   | point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for linear combinations of parameters  |
| * <code>lrtest</code>                 | 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 parameters                                       |
| <code>predict</code>                  | means, probabilities, treatment effects, etc.   |
| <code>predictnl</code>                | point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for generalized predictions  |
| <code>pwcompare</code>                | pairwise comparisons of parameters  |
| <sup>†</sup> <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  |

\*`forecast`, `hausman`, and `lrtest` are not appropriate with `svy` estimation results.

<sup>†</sup> `suest` and the survey data `estat` commands are not available after `xteoprobit`.

# predict

Predictions after eoprobit and xteoprobit are described in

- [ERM] **eoprobit predict** predict after eoprobit and xteoprobit
- [ERM] **predict treatment** predict for treatment statistics
- [ERM] **predict advanced** predict's advanced features

[ERM] **eoprobit predict** describes the most commonly used predictions. If you fit a model with treatment effects, predictions specifically related to these models are detailed in [ERM] **predict treatment**. [ERM] **predict advanced** describes less commonly used predictions, such as predictions of outcomes in auxiliary equations.

# margins

## Description for margins

margins estimates statistics based on fitted models. These statistics include marginal means, marginal probabilities, potential-outcome means, average and conditional derivatives, average and conditional effects, and treatment effects.

## Menu for margins

Statistics > Postestimation

## Syntax for margins

```
margins [marginlist] [ , options ]
margins [marginlist] , predict(statistic ...) [predict(statistic ...) ...] [options]
```

| statistic               | Description  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Main                    |  |
| pr                      | probability for binary or ordinal $y_j$ ; the default            |
| <u>m</u> ean            | mean   |
| <u>p</u> omean          | potential-outcome mean   |
| <u>t</u> e              | treatment effect   |
| <u>t</u> et             | treatment effect on the treated                                  |
| xb                      | linear prediction excluding all complications                    |
| <u>p</u> r( $a, b$ )    | $\Pr(a < y_j < b)$ for continuous $y_j$                          |
| <u>e</u> ( $a, b$ )     | $E(y_j   a < y_j < b)$ for continuous $y_j$                      |
| <u>y</u> star( $a, b$ ) | $E(y_j^*), y_j^* = \max\{a, \min(y_j, b)\}$ for continuous $y_j$ |

Statistics not allowed with margins are functions of stochastic quantities other than e(b).  
For the full syntax, see [R] margins.

## Remarks and examples

See [ERM] [Intro 7](#) for an overview of using margins and predict after eoprobit and xteoprobit. For examples using margins, predict, and estat teffects, see [Interpreting effects](#) in [ERM] [Intro 9](#) and see [ERM] [Example 1a](#).

## Methods and formulas

This section contains methods and formulas for the default asf prediction. Methods and formulas for other predictions are given in [Methods and formulas](#) of [ERM] [eoprobit](#). We begin with the cross-sectional model, and then we extend our discussion to the random-effect models that we use for panel data.

In the ordered probit model for exogenous covariates  $\mathbf{x}_i$  and endogenous regressors  $\mathbf{w}_i$ , we have

$$y_i = v_h \quad \text{iff} \quad \kappa_{h-1} < \mathbf{x}_i\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{w}_i\boldsymbol{\beta}_2 + \epsilon_i \leq \kappa_h$$

The values  $v_1, \dots, v_H$  are real numbers such that  $v_h < v_m$  for  $h < m$ .  $\kappa_0$  is taken as  $-\infty$  and  $\kappa_H$  is taken as  $+\infty$ . The error  $\epsilon_i$  is standard normal and correlated with  $\mathbf{w}_i$ .

Because  $\epsilon_i$  is a normally distributed, mean 0, random variable, we can split it into two mean 0, normally distributed, independent parts,

$$\epsilon_i = u_i + \psi_i$$

where  $u_i = \gamma\epsilon_{2i}$  is the unobserved heterogeneity that gives rise to the endogeneity and  $\psi_i$  is an idiosyncratic error term with variance  $\sigma_\psi^2$ .

For  $h = 0, \dots, H$ , define

$$c_{ih} = \begin{cases} -\infty & h = 0 \\ \kappa_h - \mathbf{x}_i\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{w}_i\boldsymbol{\beta}_2 - u_i & h = 1, \dots, H-1 \\ \infty & h = H \end{cases}$$

Conditional on the covariates and the unobserved heterogeneity, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E\{\mathbf{1}(y_i = v_h) | \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}_i, u_i\} &= \Pr(y_i = v_h | \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}_i, u_i) \\ &= \Phi_1^*(c_{i(h-1)}, c_{ih}, \sigma_\psi^2) \end{aligned}$$

Predictions and effects are computed based on the expression above. Including  $u_i$  controls for endogeneity. Thus, all effects computed using the expression above have a structural interpretation. See [Imbens and Newey \(2009\)](#) and [Wooldridge \(2010\)](#) for a detailed description of structural functions for models with endogeneity.

Our discussion easily extends to models for panel data with random effects. In this case, we have  $N$  panels. Panel  $i = 1, \dots, N$  has observations  $t = 1, \dots, N_i$ , so we observe  $y_{it}$  with random effect  $\alpha_i$  and observation-level error  $\epsilon_{it}$ . These errors are independent of each other. So the combined error  $\xi_{it} = \alpha_i + \epsilon_{it}$  is normal with mean 0 and variance  $1 + \sigma_\alpha^2$ , where  $\sigma_\alpha^2$  is the variance of  $\alpha_i$ . The results discussed earlier can then be applied using the combined error  $\xi_{it}$  rather than the cross-sectional error.

All predictions after xteoprobit assume the panel-level random effects ( $\alpha_i$ ) are zero. Put another way, predictions condition on the random effects being set to their means.

## References

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- Wooldridge, J. M. 2010. *Econometric Analysis of Cross Section and Panel Data*. 2nd ed. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.

## Also see

- [ERM] **eoprobit** — Extended ordered probit regression
- [ERM] **eoprobit predict** — predict after eoprobit and xteoprobit
- [ERM] **predict treatment** — predict for treatment statistics
- [ERM] **predict advanced** — predict’s advanced features
- [ERM] **eoprobit postestimation** — Postestimation tools for eoprobit and xteoprobit
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