mi XXXset — Declare mi data to be svy, st, ts, xt, etc.

Description

Using some features of Stata requires setting your data. The commands listed below allow you to do that with mi data. The mi variants have the same syntax and work the same way as the original commands.

Syntax

mi fvset ... see [R] fvset

mi svyset ... see [SVY] svyset

mi stset ... see [ST] stset

mi streset ...

mi st ...

mi tsset ... see [TS] tsset

mi xtset ... see [XT] xtset

Remarks and examples

If you have set your data with any of the above commands before you mi set them, there is no problem; the settings were automatically imported. Once you mi set your data, however, you will discover that Stata’s other set commands no longer work. For instance, here is the result of typing stset on an mi set dataset:

. stset ...
   no; data are mi set
   Use mi stset to set or query these data; mi stset has the same syntax as stset.
   Perhaps you did not type stset. Some commands call stset to obtain information about the settings. In that case, that command is not appropriate for running directly on mi data. Use mi extract to select the data on which you want to run the command, which is probably m=0.
   r(119);

Also, you might sometimes see an error like the one above when you give a command that depends on the data being set by one of Stata’s other set commands. In general, it is odd that you would be running such a command directly on mi data because what you will get will depend on the mi style of data. Perhaps, however, you are using mi wide data, where the structure of the data more or less corresponds to the structure of non-mi data, or perhaps you have smartly specified the appropriate if statement to account for the mi style of data you are using. In any case, the result might be
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. some_other_command
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Substitute one of the set commands listed above for XXXset, and then understand what just
happened. You correctly used mi XXXset to set your data, you thought your data were set, yet when
you tried to use a command that depended on the data being XXXset, you received this error.

If this happens to you, the solution is to use mi extract (see [MI] mi extract) to obtain the data
on which you want to run the command—which is probably m = 0, so you would type mi extract
0—and then run the command.

Also see

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