

putdocx table — Add tables to an Office Open XML (.docx) file
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Description

`putdocx table` creates and modifies tables in the active `.docx` file. Tables may be created from several output types, including the data in memory, matrices, and estimation results.

`putdocx describe` describes a table within the active `.docx` file.

Quick start

Add a table named `tbl1` with three rows and four columns to the document

```
putdocx table tbl1 = (3,4)
```

Set the content of the cell on the first row and first column of `tbl1` to be “My graph” and align the text to the right

```
putdocx table tbl1(1,1) = ("My graph"), halign(right)
```

Insert the image in `mygraph.png` into the second cell in the first column

```
putdocx table tbl1(2,1) = image(mygraph.png)
```

Format the contents in columns two through four with two decimal places

```
putdocx table tbl1(.,2/4), nformat(%5.2f)
```

Describe the contents of table `tbl1`

```
putdocx describe tbl1
```

Add a table named `tbl2` with regression results after `regress`

```
putdocx table tbl2 = etable
```

As above, and add a title

```
putdocx table tbl2 = etable, title("First regression")
```

Add a table of all returned scalars stored after `summarize`

```
putdocx table tbl3 = rscalars
```

Add a table of the data stored in variables `var1` and `var2` from the dataset in memory

```
putdocx table tbl4 = data(var1 var2)
```

Add a table with the contents of matrix `matrix1`, including the row and column names of the matrix

```
putdocx table tbl5 = matrix(matrix1), rownames colnames
```

Add a table with no borders to the header `report1`

```
putdocx begin, header(report1)
```

```
putdocx table tbl6 = (1,2), border(all,nil) toheader(report1)
```

Syntax

Add table to document

```

putdocx table tablename = (nrows, ncols) [, table_options]

putdocx table tablename = data(varlist) [if] [in] [, varnames obsno
table_options]

putdocx table tablename = matrix(matname) [, nformat(%fmt) rownames colnames
table_options]

putdocx table tablename = mata(matname) [, nformat(%fmt) table_options]

putdocx table tablename = etable(#1 #2 ... #n) [, table_options]

putdocx table tablename = returnset [, table_options]

```

Add content to cell

```

putdocx table tablename(i, j) = (exp) [, cell_options exp_options]

putdocx table tablename(i, j) = image(filename) [, image_options cell_options]

putdocx table tablename(i, j) = table(mem_tablename) [, cell_options]

```

Alter table layout

```

putdocx table tablename(i, .) , row_col_options

putdocx table tablename(., j) , row_col_options

```

Customize format of cells or table

```

putdocx table tablename(i, j) , cell_options

putdocx table tablename(numlisti, .) , cell_fmt_options

putdocx table tablename(., numlistj) , cell_fmt_options

putdocx table tablename(numlisti, numlistj) , cell_fmt_options

putdocx table tablename(., .) , cell_fmt_options

```

Describe table

```

putdocx describe tablename

```

tablename specifies the name of a table. The name must be a valid name according to Stata's naming conventions; see [U] [11.3 Naming conventions](#).

<i>table_options</i>	Description
<code>memtable</code>	keep table in memory rather than add it to document
<code>width(#[<i>unit</i> %])</code>	set table width
<code>halign(<i>hvalue</i>)</code>	set table horizontal alignment
<code>indent(#[<i>unit</i>])</code>	set table indentation
<code>layout(<i>layouttype</i>)</code>	adjust column width
<code>cellmargin(<i>cmarg</i>, #[<i>unit</i>])</code>	set margins for each table cell
<code>cellspacing(#[<i>unit</i>])</code>	set spacing between adjacent cells and the edges of the table
<code>border(<i>bspec</i>)</code>	set pattern, color, and width for border
<code>headerrow(#)</code>	set number of the top rows that constitute the table header
<code>title(<i>string</i>)</code>	add a title to the table
<code>note(<i>string</i>)</code>	add notes to the table
<code>toheader(<i>hname</i>)</code>	add the table to the header <i>hname</i>
<code>tfooter(<i>fname</i>)</code>	add the table to the footer <i>fname</i>

<i>cell_options</i>	Description
<code>append</code>	append objects to current content of cell
<code>rowspan(#)</code>	merge cells vertically
<code>colspan(#)</code>	merge cells horizontally
<code>span(#₁, #₂)</code>	merge cells both horizontally and vertically
<code>linebreak[(#)]</code>	add line breaks into the cell
<code>cell_fmt_options</code>	options that control the look of cell contents

<i>exp_options</i>	Description
<code>pagenumber</code>	append the current page number to the end of <i>exp</i>
<code>totalpages</code>	append the number of total pages to the end of <i>exp</i>
<code>trim</code>	remove the leading and trailing spaces in <i>exp</i>
<code>hyperlink(<i>link</i>)</code>	add the expression as a hyperlink

<i>image_options</i>	Description
<code>width(#[<i>unit</i>])</code>	set image width
<code>height(#[<i>unit</i>])</code>	set image height
<code>linebreak[(#)]</code>	add line breaks after image
<code>link</code>	insert link to image file

<i>row_col_options</i>	Description
<code>nosplit</code>	prevent row from breaking across pages
<code>addrows(# [, before after])</code>	add # rows in specified location
<code>addcols(# [, before after])</code>	add # columns in specified location
<code>drop</code>	drop specified row or column
<i>cell_fmt_options</i>	options that control the look of cell contents

<i>cell_fmt_options</i>	Description
<code>halign(<i>hvalue</i>)</code>	set horizontal alignment
<code>valign(<i>vvalue</i>)</code>	set vertical alignment
<code>border(<i>bspec</i>)</code>	set pattern, color, and width for border
<code>shading(<i>sspec</i>)</code>	set background color, foreground color, and fill pattern
<code>nformat(<i>%fmt</i>)</code>	specify numeric format for cell text
<code>font(<i>fspec</i>)</code>	set font, font size, and font color
<code>bold</code>	format text as bold
<code>italic</code>	format text as italic
<code>*script(sub super)</code>	set subscript or superscript formatting of text
<code>strikeout</code>	strikeout text
<code>underline[(<i>upattern</i>)]</code>	underline text using specified pattern
<code>allcaps</code>	format text as all caps
<code>smallcaps</code>	format text as small caps

*May only be specified when formatting a single cell.

unit may be `in` (inch), `pt` (point), `cm` (centimeter), or `twip` (twentieth of a point). An inch is equivalent to 72 points, 2.54 centimeters, or 1440 twips. The default is `in`.

bspec is

`bordername [, bpattern [, bcolor [, bwidth]]]`

bordername specifies the location of the border.

bpattern is a keyword specifying the look of the border. The most common patterns are `single`, `dashed`, `dotted`, and `double`. The default is `single`. For a complete list of border patterns, see [Border patterns](#) of [\[RPT\] Appendix for putdocx](#). To remove an existing border, specify `nil` as the *bpattern*.

bcolor specifies the border color.

bwidth is defined as `#[unit]` and specifies the border width. The default border width is 0.5 points. If # is specified without the optional *unit*, inches is assumed. *bwidth* may be ignored if you specify a width larger than that allowed by the program used to view the .docx file. We suggest using 12 points or less or an equivalent specification.

sspec is

bgcolor [, *fgcolor* [, *fpattern*]]

bgcolor specifies the background color.

fgcolor specifies the foreground color. The default foreground color is black.

fpattern specifies the fill pattern. The most common fill patterns are `solid` for a solid color (determined by *fgcolor*), `pct25` for 25% gray scale, `pct50` for 50% gray scale, and `pct75` for 75% gray scale. A complete list of fill patterns is shown in [Shading patterns](#) of [RPT] [Appendix for putdocx](#).

fspec is

fontname [, *size* [, *color*]]

fontname may be any valid font installed on the user's computer. If *fontname* includes spaces, then it must be enclosed in double quotes.

size is a numeric value that represents font size measured in points. The default is 11.

color sets the text color.

bgcolor, *bgcolor*, *fgcolor*, and *color* may be one of the colors listed in [Colors](#) of [RPT] [Appendix for putdocx](#); a valid RGB value in the form `### ## #`, for example, `171 248 103`; or a valid RRGGBB hex value in the form `#####`, for example, `ABF867`.

Output types for tables

The following output types are supported when creating a new table using `putdocx table tablename`:

`(nrows, ncols)` creates an empty table with *nrows* rows and *ncols* columns. Microsoft Word allows a maximum of 63 columns in a table.

`data(varlist)` adds the current Stata dataset in memory as a table to the active document. *varlist* contains a list of the variable names from the current dataset in memory.

`matrix(matname)` adds a [matrix](#) called *matname* as a table to the active document.

`mata(matname)` adds a Mata [matrix](#) called *matname* as a table to the active document.

`etable[(#1 #2 ... #n)]` adds an automatically generated table to the active document. The table may be derived from the coefficient table of the last estimation command, from the table of margins after the last [margins](#) command, or from the table of results from one or more models displayed by [estimates table](#).

If the estimation command outputs $n > 1$ coefficient tables, the default is to add all tables and assign the corresponding table names *tablename*₁, *tablename*₂, ..., *tablename*_n. To specify which tables to add, supply the optional numlist to `etable`. For example, to add only the first and third tables from the estimation output, specify `etable(1 3)`. A few estimation commands do not support the `etable` output type. See [Unsupported estimation commands](#) of [RPT] [Appendix for putdocx](#) for a list of estimation commands that have displayed output that is not supported by `putdocx`.

returnset exports a group of Stata [return](#) values to a table in the active document. It is intended primarily for use by programmers and by those who want to do further processing of their exported results in the active document. *returnset* may be one of the following:

<i>returnset</i>	Description
<u>e</u> scalars	all returned scalars
<u>r</u> scalars	all returned scalars
<u>e</u> macros	all returned macros
<u>r</u> macros	all returned macros
<u>e</u> matrices	all returned matrices
<u>r</u> matrices	all returned matrices
e*	all returned scalars, macros, and matrices
r*	all returned scalars, macros, and matrices

The following output types are supported when adding content to an existing table using `putdocx table tablename(i, j)`:

(exp) writes a valid Stata expression to a cell; see [\[U\] 13 Functions and expressions](#).

`image(filename)` adds a portable network graphics (.png), JPEG (.jpg), Windows metafile (.wmf), device-independent bitmap (.dib), enhanced metafile (.emf), or bitmap (.bmp) file to the table cell. If *filename* contains spaces, it must be enclosed in double quotes.

`table(mem_tablename)` adds a previously created table, identified by *mem_tablename*, to the table cell.

The following combinations of `tablename(numlisti, numlistj)` (see [\[U\] 11.1.8 numlist](#) for valid specifications) can be used to format a cell or range of cells in an existing table:

`tablename(i, j)` specifies the cell on the *i*th row and *j*th column.

`tablename(i, .)` and `tablename(numlisti, .)` specify all cells on the *i*th row or on the rows identified by *numlist_{*i*}*.

`tablename(., j)` and `tablename(., numlistj)` specify all cells in the *j*th column or in the columns identified by *numlist_{*j*}*.

`tablename(., .)` specifies the whole table.

Options

Options are presented under the following headings:

table_options
cell_options
row_col_options
cell_fmt_options
exp_options
image_options

table_options

`memtable` specifies that the table be created and held in memory instead of being added to the active document. By default, the table is added to the document immediately after it is created. This option is useful if the table is intended to be added to a cell of another table or to be used multiple times later.

`width(#[unit | %])` sets the table width. *#* may be an absolute width or a percentage of the default table width, which is determined by the page width of the document. For example, `width(50%)` sets the table width to 50% of the default table width. The default is `width(100%)`.

`halign(hvalue)` sets the horizontal alignment of the table within the page. *hvalue* may be `left`, `right`, or `center`. The default is `halign(left)`.

`indent(#[unit])` specifies the table indentation from the left margin of the current document.

`layout(layouttype)` adjusts the column width of the table. *layouttype* may be `fixed`, `autofitwindow`, or `autofitcontents`. `fixed` means the width is the same for all columns in the table. When `autofitwindow` is specified, the column width automatically resizes to fit the window. When `autofitcontents` is specified, the table width is determined by the overall table layout algorithm, which automatically resizes the column width to fit the contents. The default is `layout(autofitwindow)`.

`cellmargin(cmarg, #[unit])` sets the cell margins for table cells. *cmarg* may be `top`, `bottom`, `left`, or `right`. This option may be specified multiple times in a single command to accommodate different margin settings.

`cellspacing(#[unit])` sets the spacing between adjacent cells and the edges of the table.

`border(bordername [, bpattern [, bcolor [, bwidth]])`) adds a single border in the location specified by *bordername*, which may be `start`, `end`, `top`, `bottom`, `insideH` (inside horizontal borders), `insideV` (inside vertical borders), or `all`. Optionally, you may change the pattern, color, and width for the border by specifying *bpattern*, *bcolor*, and *bwidth*.

This option may be specified multiple times in a single command to accommodate different border settings. If multiple `border()` options are specified, they are applied in the order specified from left to right.

`headerrow(#)` sets the top *#* rows to be repeated as header rows at the top of each page on which the table is displayed. This setting has a visible effect only when the table crosses multiple pages.

`varnames` specifies that the variable names be included as the first row in the table when the table is created using the dataset in memory. By default, only the data values are added to the table.

`obsno` specifies that the observation numbers be included as the first column in the table when the table is created using the dataset in memory. By default, only the data values are added to the table.

`nformat(%fmt)` specifies the numeric format to be applied to the source values when creating the table from a Stata or Mata matrix. The default is `nformat(%12.0g)`.

`rownames` specifies that the row names of the Stata matrix be included as the first column in the table. By default, only the matrix values are added to the table.

`colnames` specifies that the column names of the Stata matrix be included as the first row in the table. By default, only the matrix values are added to the table.

`title(string)` inserts a row without borders above the current table. The added row spans all the columns of the table and contains *string* as text. The added row shifts all other table contents down by one row. You should account for this when referencing table cells in subsequent commands.

`note`(*string*) inserts a row without borders to the bottom of the table. The added row spans all the columns of the table. This option may be specified multiple times in a single command to add notes on new lines within the same cell. Note text is inserted in the order it was specified from left to right.

`toheader`(*hname*) specifies that the table be added to the header *hname*. The table will not be added to the body of the document.

`tofooter`(*fname*) specifies that the table be added to the footer *fname*. The table will not be added to the body of the document.

cell_options

`append` specifies that the new content for the cell be appended to the current content of the cell. If `append` is not specified, then the current content of the cell is replaced by the new content.

`rowspan`(*#*) sets the specified cell to span vertically *#* cells downward. If the span exceeds the total number of rows in the table, the span stops at the last row.

`colspan`(*#*) sets the specified cell to span horizontally *#* cells to the right. If the span exceeds the total number of columns in the table, the span stops at the last column.

`span`(*#₁*, *#₂*) sets the specified cell to span *#₁* cells downward and span *#₂* cells to the right.

`linebreak`[(*#*)] specifies that one or *#* line breaks be added after the text, the image, or the table within the cell.

row_col_options

`nosplit` specifies that row *i* not split across pages. When a table row is displayed, a page break may fall within the contents of a cell on the row, causing the contents of that cell to be displayed across two pages. `nosplit` prevents this behavior. If the entire row cannot fit on the current page, the row will be moved to the start of the next page.

`addrows`(*#* [, *before* | *after*]) adds *#* rows to the current table before or after row *i*. If *before* is specified, the rows are added before the specified row. By default, rows are added after the specified row.

`addcols`(*#* [, *before* | *after*]) adds *#* columns to the current table to the right or the left of column *j*. If *before* is specified, the columns are added to the left of the specified column. By default, the columns are added after, or to the right of, the specified column.

`drop` deletes row *i* or column *j* from the table.

cell_fmt_options

`halign`(*hvalue*) sets the horizontal alignment of the specified cell or of all cells in the specified row, column, or range. *hvalue* may be `left`, `right`, or `center`. The default is `halign(left)`.

`valign`(*vvalue*) sets the vertical alignment of the specified cell or of all cells in the specified row, column, or range. *vvalue* may be `top`, `bottom`, or `center`. The default is `valign(top)`.

`border`(*bordername* [, *bpattern* [, *bcolor* [, *bwidth*]]]) adds a single border to the specified cell or to all cells in the specified row, column, or range in the given location. *bordername* may be `start`, `end`, `top`, `bottom`, or `all`. Optionally, you may change the pattern, color, and width for the border by specifying *bpattern*, *bcolor*, and *bwidth*.

This option may be specified multiple times in a single command to accommodate different border settings. If multiple `border()` options are specified, they are applied in the order specified from left to right.

`shading(bcolor [, fgcolor [, fpattern]])` sets the background color, foreground color, and fill pattern for the specified cell or for all cells in the specified row, column, or range.

`nformat(%fmt)` applies the Stata numeric format *%fmt* to the text within the specified cell or within all cells in the specified row, column, or range. This setting only applies when the content of the cell is a numeric value.

`font(fontname [, size [, color]])` sets the font, font size, and font color for the current text within the specified cell or within all cells in the specified row, column, or range. The font size and font color may be specified individually without specifying *fontname*. Use `font("", size)` to specify font size only. Use `font("", "", color)` to specify font color only. For both cases, the default font will be used.

`bold` applies bold formatting to the current text within the specified cell or within all cells in the specified row, column, or range.

`italic` applies italic formatting to the current text within the specified cell or within all cells in the specified row, column, or range.

`script(sub|super)` changes the script style of the current text. `script(sub)` makes the text a subscript. `script(super)` makes the text a superscript. `script()` may only be specified when formatting a single cell.

`strikeout` adds a strikeout mark to the current text within the specified cell or within all cells in the specified row, column, or range.

`underline` adds an underline to the current text within the specified cell or within all cells in the specified row, column, or range. By default, a single underline is used. `underline(upattern)` can be used to change the format of the line, where *upattern* may be any of the patterns listed in [Underline patterns](#) of [RPT] [Appendix for putdocx](#). The most common patterns are double, dash, and none.

`allcaps` uses capital letters for all letters of the current text within the specified cell or within all cells in the specified row, column, or range.

`smallcaps` uses capital letters for all letters of the current text within the specified cell or within all cells in the specified row, column, or range. `smallcaps` uses larger capitals for uppercase letters and smaller capitals for lowercase letters.

exp_options

`pagenumber` specifies that the current page number be appended to the end of the new content for the cell. `pagenumber` applies only to tables being added to a header or footer and cannot be combined with `totalpages`.

`totalpages` specifies that the number of total pages be appended to the end of the new content for the cell. `totalpages` applies only to tables being added to a header or footer and cannot be combined with `pagenumber`.

`trim` removes the leading and trailing spaces in the expression to be added to the table cell.

`hyperlink(link)` adds the expression as a hyperlink to the webpage address specified in *link*.

image_options

`width(#[unit])` sets the width of the image. If the width is larger than the width of the cell, then the width is used. If `width()` is not specified, then the default size is used; the default is determined by the image information and the width of the cell.

`height(#[unit])` sets the height of the image. If `height()` is not specified, then the height of the image is determined by the width and the aspect ratio of the image.

`linebreak[(#)]` specifies that one or # line breaks be added after the new image.

`link` specifies that a link to the image *filename* be inserted into the document. If the image is linked, then the referenced file must be present so that the document can display the image.

Remarks and examples

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Remarks are presented under the following headings:

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Introduction

The suite of `putdocx` commands makes it easy to export summary statistics, estimation results, data, and images in neatly formatted tables. There are different output types available to export a whole coefficient table, matrix, or dataset in a single step. Alternatively, you can create a table by specifying the dimensions and then gradually inserting contents, such as text, images, and stored results. When you create a table, you specify a name for it, which allows you to make further modifications to its contents. You can customize each cell or apply specific formatting to a range of cells with row and column indexes. The variety of formatting options allows you to export a table complete with a title, notes, and a repeating header for tables that span multiple pages.

In the following sections, we demonstrate how to create a variety of tables, ranging from small tables without formatting to more complex, customized tables. In each example, the Word document we create includes only one table, but the `putdocx table` commands we use work in the same way when you insert these tables into a larger document.

Creating basic tables

When exporting only a few statistics and results, you can create a table from scratch—first specifying the size of the table and then adding content one cell at a time. With this method, it is easy to control the location of each element within the table.

► Example 1: Export a basic table

Suppose we want to export a table with just the mean, minimum, and maximum miles per gallon for 1978 automobiles to a `.docx` file. First, we open the dataset and create an active document.

```
. sysuse auto, clear
. putdocx begin
```

Now we create our table with the necessary dimensions. We are exporting three statistics that will appear in one column. We need to allot another column to label these statistics. Therefore, we create a table named `mpgstats` with three rows and two columns, and we add a title. By default, the table width is set at 100%, but because our content is rather short, we set the width to 40% of the default. Otherwise, the table would take up a large portion of our document and look very empty.

```
. putdocx table mpgstats = (3,2), title(Mpg summary statistics) width(40%)
. putdocx describe mpgstats
```

Table name	mpgstats
No. of rows	4
No. of cols	2

When we describe our table, it reports four rows instead of the three we specified. When we add a title, it is included as the first row of the table, without any borders. With our table in place, we now run `summarize mpg` and view the list of stored results:

```
. summarize mpg
  Variable |      Obs      Mean  Std. Dev.   Min   Max
-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----
      mpg |      74  21.2973  5.785503    12   41

. return list
scalars:
      r(N) = 74
    r(sum_w) = 74
  r(mean) = 21.2972972972973
  r(Var) = 33.47204738985561
    r(sd) = 5.785503209735141
  r(min) = 12
  r(max) = 41
  r(sum) = 1576
```

All the statistics we want are stored in `rclass` scalars. We can directly refer to stored results with `putdocx table`. We begin filling in the table by putting the label for the minimum in the second row and first column, `mpgstats(2,1)`. Then we add the value of the minimum in the cell next to it, `mpgstats(2,2)`, by referring to the `r(min)` scalar shown above. Similarly, we add the mean on row 3 and the maximum on row 4.

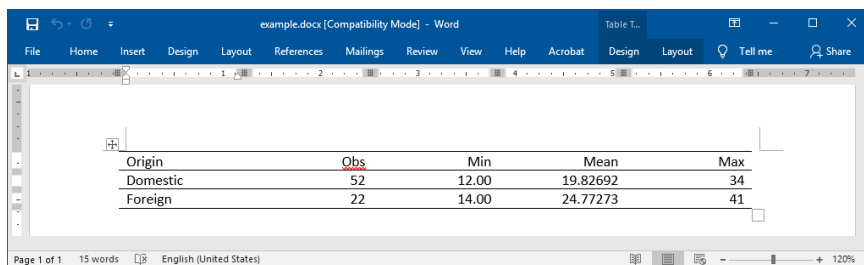
```
. putdocx table mpgstats(2,1) = ("Min.")
. putdocx table mpgstats(2,2) = (r(min))
. putdocx table mpgstats(3,1) = ("Mean")
. putdocx table mpgstats(3,2) = (r(mean)), nformat(%5.2f)
. putdocx table mpgstats(4,1) = ("Max.")
. putdocx table mpgstats(4,2) = (r(max))
. putdocx save example
successfully created "C:/mypath/example.docx"
```


By default, the exported table includes single borders around all cells. We use the `border()` option to remove all vertical borders from the table.

We can further customize the table by setting the text of the cells on the second through the fifth columns to be right-aligned instead of the default left alignment. To format all the cells in these columns, we specify the row index as “.” and the column indexes as 2/5 in the $(numlist_i, numlist_j)$ specification for a table. Also, we can choose to display only two digits after the decimal for the means. For this purpose, we specify a range for the row index of column three.

```
. putdocx table tbl1(., 2/5), halign(right)
. putdocx table tbl1(2/3, 3), nformat(%5.2f)
. putdocx save example, replace
successfully replaced "C:/mypath/example.docx"
```

We save our work under the filename `example.docx`, which contains the following:



Afterward, we restore the dataset.

```
. restore
```



Exporting estimation results

One of the primary uses of `putdocx table` is to export estimation results. Suppose we fit a linear regression model of `mpg` as a function of the car’s gear ratio (`gear_ratio`), turning radius (`turn`), and whether the car is of foreign origin (`foreign`) using `regress`.

```
. regress mpg gear_ratio turn foreign, noheader
```

mpg	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
gear_ratio	4.855506	1.522481	3.19	0.002	1.819013	7.891999
turn	-.8364698	.1440204	-5.81	0.000	-1.123709	-.5492302
foreign	-3.503218	1.433526	-2.44	0.017	-6.362296	-.6441404
_cons	40.865	8.692731	4.70	0.000	23.52789	58.2021

We want to add these regression results to the document. For most estimation commands, we can use the `etable` output type to add the elements of the displayed coefficient table with a single command. As always, we must first create an active document

```
. putdocx begin
. putdocx table reg = etable
. putdocx save example, replace
successfully replaced "C:/mypath/example.docx"
```

After saving the document and overwriting our previous work, the table is displayed as follows:

mpg	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
gear_ratio	4.85506	1.522481	3.19	0.002	1.819013	7.891999
turn	-.8364698	.1440204	-5.81	0.000	-1.123709	-5.492302
foreign	-3.503218	1.433526	-2.44	0.017	-6.362296	-6.641404
cons	40.865	8.692731	4.70	0.000	23.52789	58.2021

If we instead want to display only a few of the reported statistics, we can customize the table accordingly. In [example 3](#), we select a subset of the results and format them.

► Example 3: Export selected estimation results

Suppose we want to export only the point estimates and confidence intervals from the table above; we can also use `putdocx table` to remove the components that we do not want.

First, we create an active document with a table that contains the estimation results from `regress, tbl2`. Although the default is for the table to occupy 100% of the width as determined by the page width of the document, once we drop columns the table width will be adjusted. Therefore, we specify the `width` option to ensure that the table occupies the full page width of the document. Next, we want to remove the third through the fifth columns. To drop the fifth column, we specify `tbl2(.,5)` followed by the `drop` option. We work from right to left, dropping column five before four, because in this manner, the column numbers to the left of the newly dropped column do not change. Equivalently, we could have dropped the third column three times, because each time we drop it, the previous fourth column becomes the third.

Once we have only the desired statistics, we customize the header row by erasing the text “mpg” from the first column. We then format our table by removing the border on the right side of the first column. To do this, we specify `nil` as the border pattern for the right border. And finally, we format all estimates, in what will now be columns two through four, to have three decimal places by specifying the column indexes as a range.

```
. putdocx begin
. putdocx table tbl2 = etable, width(100%)
. putdocx table tbl2(.,5), drop //drop p-value column
. putdocx table tbl2(.,4), drop //drop t column
. putdocx table tbl2(.,3), drop //drop SE column
. putdocx table tbl2(1,1) = ("") // erase the content of first cell "mpg"
. putdocx table tbl2(.,1), border(right, nil)
. putdocx table tbl2(.,2/4), nformat(%9.3f)
```

```
. putdocx save example, replace
successfully replaced "C:/mypath/example.docx"
```

After saving our work, the table appears in the `example.docx` file as follows:

	Coef.	[95% Conf. Interval]	
gear_ratio	4.856	1.819	7.892
turn	-0.836	-1.124	-0.549
foreign	-3.503	-6.362	-0.644
cons	40.865	23.528	58.202

In this example, because we wanted to use the same number of decimals for all estimates in our table and because we are using the `etable` output type, we could have preemptively set the format with our `regress` command. The modified version of the command is

```
. regress mpg gear_ratio turn foreign, noheader cformat(%9.3f)
```

This avoids the need to issue a separate formatting command.

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The `etable` output type also works after `estimates table`, and you may find it easier to build a table of selected estimates prospectively. See [example 3](#) in [\[R\] estimates table](#) for an illustration.

Creating advanced tables

Sometimes, we need to create highly customized tables with complex layouts. `putdocx table` has many features that will allow you to create and incorporate sophisticated tables in your documents.

First, we demonstrate how to create a table from a matrix. While this method works with any Stata matrix, we will demonstrate by using a matrix of stored results from `regress`. See [\[U\] 14 Matrix expressions](#) for information on working with Stata matrices.

Exporting a matrix is particularly useful when you want to export results that are returned in a matrix but those results are not the coefficients, standard errors, p -values, and confidence intervals reported by a regression command. In addition, a small set of estimation commands do not support the `etable` output type; however, matrices of stored results can be exported when using these commands. For a list of estimation commands that do not support the `etable` output type, see [Unsupported estimation commands](#) of [\[RPT\] Appendix for putdocx](#).

► Example 4: Export selected estimation results from a matrix

To illustrate the basic use of matrix manipulation of stored results to create a table, we re-create the simple estimation table from [example 3](#). The displayed results returned by `regress` are stored in the matrix `r(table)`, which can be viewed by typing `matrix list r(table)`.

```
. matrix list r(table)
r(table)[9,4]
      gear_ratio      turn      foreign      _cons
b    4.8555057    -.83646975   -3.5032183   40.864996
se    1.5224812     .14402036    1.4335262   8.6927313
t     3.1892057    -5.8079965   -2.4437769   4.7010537
pvalue .0021348     1.704e-07    .01705791   .00001258
ll    1.8190127    -1.1237093   -6.3622962   23.527891
ul    7.8919987    -.5492302    -.64414044   58.202102
df           70           70           70           70
crit   1.9944371    1.9944371    1.9944371    1.9944371
eform           0           0           0           0
```

First, we create the matrix `rtable` as the transpose of `r(table)` because we want to see the variable names in rows. The point estimates and confidence intervals in the regression table can be extracted from the matrix `rtable`. We can extract columns 1, 5, and 6 from `rtable`, combine them, and assign them to another new matrix, `r_table`.

```
. matrix rtable = r(table)'
. matrix r_table = rtable[1...,1], rtable[1...,5..6]
```

Then, we export `r_table` to a new active document as a table with the name `tbl3`.

```
. putdocx begin
. putdocx table tbl3 = matrix(r_table), nformat(%9.3f) rownames colnames
> border(start, nil) border(insideH, nil) border(insideV, nil) border(end, nil)
```

In this table, all values imported from the matrix have been formatted as `%9.3f`. In addition, the row and column names of the matrix `r_table` are included as the first column and first row of the table. We keep only the top and bottom borders of the table by specifying `nil` for the leading edge border (`start`), trailing edge border (`end`), inside horizontal edges border (`insideH`), and inside vertical edges border (`insideV`).

The column names from the matrix may not be exactly what we want; we can modify them by customizing the corresponding cells. We can reset the contents and the horizontal alignment of the cells on the first row to give the columns new titles.

```
. putdocx table tbl3(1,2) = ("Coef."), halign(right)
. putdocx table tbl3(1,3) = ("[95% Conf. Interval]"), halign(right) colspan(2)
```

Afterward, we add back the bottom border of the first row and right-align the cells on the rest of the rows by specifying the row range as two through five.

```
. putdocx table tbl3(1,.), border(bottom)
. putdocx table tbl3(2/5,.), halign(right)
. putdocx save example, replace
successfully replaced "C:/mypath/example.docx"
```

Our final table will be identical to that shown in [example 3](#).

► Example 5: Export tabulation results

For commands that do not support the `etable` output type, we can use matrices to export the results. For example, if we want to include a table containing the cross-tabulation of repair records and car origins in our document, we can export this information from a matrix created by the `tabulate` command. To make our table presentable, we begin by adding a value label to the `rep78` variable:

```
. label define repairs 1 "Poor" 2 "Fair" 3 "Average" 4 "Good" 5 "Excellent"
. label values rep78 repairs
```

Next we `tabulate` our variables of interest, storing the frequencies in a matrix named `repairs`, and create an active document. This matrix does not automatically contain the column totals, so we add a column at the end of the table and label it accordingly.

```
. tabulate foreign rep78, matcell(repairs)
```

Car type	Repair Record 1978					Total
	Poor	Fair	Average	Good	Excellent	
Domestic	2	8	27	9	2	48
Foreign	0	0	3	9	9	21
Total	2	8	30	18	11	69

```
. putdocx begin
. putdocx table tbl4 = matrix(repairs), rownames colnames
. putdocx table tbl4(.,6), addcols(1)
. putdocx table tbl4(1,7) = ("Total")
```

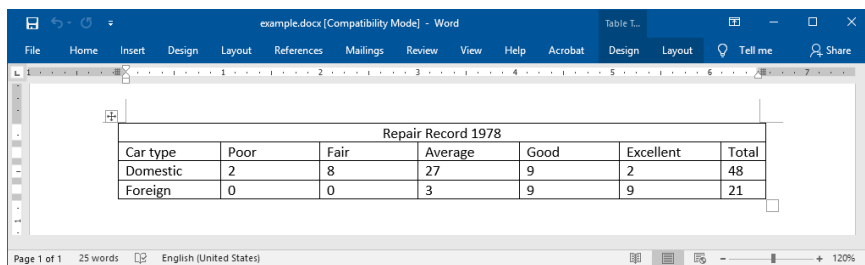
What follows is a loop to fill in the labels we have attached to `rep78`, as well as the labels for the car origin. We begin by looping over the two values of `foreign`, 0 and 1. We use the extended macro function `label` to store the labels for each category in the macro `'r1bl'`. Within that loop, we also loop over the five columns for repair records. To calculate the row totals, we create a macro `freq'row'_val` that points to the frequency of the given cell. We store the cumulative frequencies in the macro `cumul_freq'row'`, which is incremented in each run of the loop.

```
. forvalues i=0/1 {
2.   local r1bl: label (foreign) 'i'
3.   local row = 'i' + 2
4.   putdocx table tbl4('row',1) = ("'r1bl'")
5.
.   forvalues j=1/5 {
6.     local c1bl: label (rep78) 'j'
7.     local cstart = 'j' + 1
8.     putdocx table tbl4(1,'cstart') = ("'c1bl'")
9.     local freq'row'_val = repairs['i'+1,'j']
10.    local cumul_freq'row' = 'cumul_freq'row'' + 'freq'row'_val'
11.    putdocx table tbl4('row',7) = ("'cumul_freq'row'")
12.  }
13. }
```

Once all the frequencies have been exported, we insert a row at the top of the table to provide a title. Additionally, we provide a label for the first column.

```
. putdocx table tbl4(1,.), addrows(1,before)
. putdocx table tbl4(1,1) = ("Repair Record 1978"), colspan(7) halign(center)
> border(left,nil) border(top,nil) border(right,nil)
. putdocx table tbl4(2,1) = ("Car type")
. putdocx save example, replace
successfully replaced "C:/mypath/example.docx"
```

We save our work, overwriting the existing content of our document. The table appears in the `example.docx` file as follows:



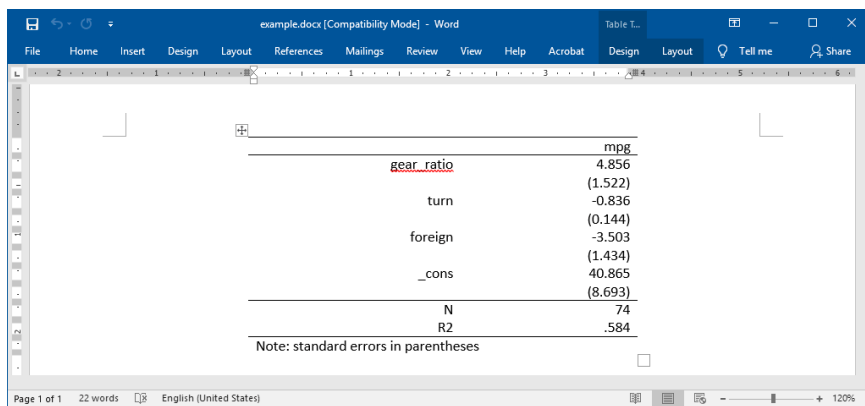
Car type	Poor	Fair	Average	Good	Excellent	Total
Domestic	2	8	27	9	2	48
Foreign	0	0	3	9	9	21

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► Example 6: Create a table dynamically

In [example 3](#), we created a customized table by dropping the columns we did not want after exporting the whole coefficient table. You may have another layout in mind, or you may be adding statistics other than those included in the coefficient table. For these cases, you can create a table dynamically: start with a simple table, and then add rows or columns to it gradually.

Returning to the regression results from [example 3](#), suppose we want to add an estimation table to the document containing the point estimates, their standard errors, the total number of observations, and the coefficient of determination. The estimation table looks like the following:



	mpg
<u>gear_ratio</u>	4.856 (1.522)
turn	-0.836 (0.144)
foreign	-3.503 (1.434)
_cons	40.865 (8.693)
N	74
R2	.584

Note: standard errors in parentheses

To create our table of estimation results, we first create an active document. Then we add a 1×2 table with no borders and fill the single row with the dependent variable name, `mpg`. We also set the table width to be 4 inches and put the table in the center of the document. We add a note stating that standard errors are in parentheses.

```
. putdocx begin
. putdocx table tbl5 = (1,2), border(all, nil) width(4) halign(center)
> note(Note: standard errors in parentheses)
. putdocx table tbl5(1,1)="mpg", halign(right) colspan(2) border(top)
> border(bottom)
```

Notice that each regressor in the model takes up 2 rows and 2 columns in the table, which means 4 cells. The cell in the first row and first column contains the variable name. The cell in the first row and second column contains the point estimate. The cell in the second row and second column contains the standard errors. Based on this logic, we add two rows for each regressor at the end of the table every time, and we fill in the content and format for each cell one by one.

```
. local row 1
. local vari 1
. foreach x in gear_ratio turn foreign _cons {
2.     putdocx table tbl5('row',.), addsrows(2)
3.
.     local b: display %9.3f rtable['vari',1]
4.     local se: display %9.3f rtable['vari',2]
5.     local ++vari
6.
.     local ++row
7.     putdocx table tbl5('row',1) = ("x"), halign(right)
8.     putdocx table tbl5('row',2) = ("b"), halign(right)
9.     local ++row
10.    local se = strtrim("`se'")
11.    putdocx table tbl5('row',2) = ("`se'"), halign(right)
12. }
```

Afterward, we add two more rows to the end of the table for the number of observations and the coefficient of determination.

```
. putdocx table tbl5('row',.), addsrows(2)
```

We then add each statistic to the table.

```
. local ++row
. putdocx table tbl5('row',1) = ("N"), border(top) halign(right)
. putdocx table tbl5('row',2) = (e(N)), border(top) halign(right)
. local ++row
. local r2: display %9.3f e(r2)
. putdocx table tbl5('row',1) = ("R2"), halign(right) border(bottom)
. putdocx table tbl5('row',2) = ('r2'), halign(right) border(bottom)
. putdocx save example, replace
successfully replaced "C:/mypath/example.docx"
```

We add a bottom border to the last row to separate the note from the rest of the table and save our work.



Aside from estimation results and summary statistics, you may want to export images to a .docx file. Images can be exported simply by appending them to an active paragraph, or by inserting them in a table. The same formatting options are available regardless of how you export an image. For example, you can specify the height and width dimensions, or include a link to the image. Of course, when inserting an image in a table, the size is constrained to the dimensions of the given cell. Below, we include an example of how to insert a series of images within a table, complete with informative notes.

► Example 7: Nesting images in a table

We might want to add various images to the document and align them side by side, row by row, or both. To be more clear, we use an example to illustrate this purpose. In this example, we use another dataset—the Second National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES II) (McDowell et al. 1981).

First, we fit a three-way full factorial model of systolic blood pressure on age group, sex, and body mass index (BMI). Then, we estimate the predictive margins for each combination of `agegrp` and `sex` at levels of BMI from 10 through 40 at intervals of 10 and graph the results.

```
. use https://www.stata-press.com/data/r16/nhanes2, clear
. regress bpsystol agegrp##sex##c.bmi
  (output omitted)
. forvalues v=10(10)40 {
  2.     margins agegrp, over(sex) at(bmi='v')
  3.     marginsplot
  4.     graph export bmi'v'.png
  5. }
  (output omitted)
```

Now, we want to add those four plots into the document, requiring that the margins plots for `bmi=10` and `bmi=20` lay side by side on top of the other two side-by-side margins plots for `bmi=30` and `bmi=40`. It is also required that each plot have a subtitle indicating the level of BMI and that the final figure have a title. This complicated layout can be accomplished using `putdocx table`.

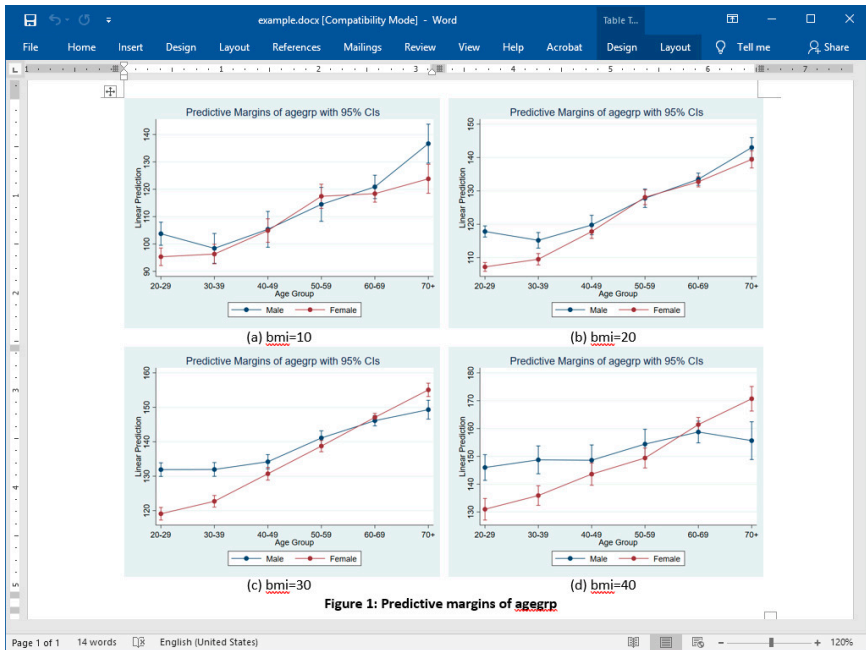
We create an active document and add a 2×2 table. We caption our table by using the `note()` option and remove all of its borders for a neater display. In each cell, we add a plot and then append center-aligned text to it.

```
. putdocx begin
. putdocx table tbl6 = (2,2), border(all,nil)
> note(Figure 1: Predictive margins of agegrp) halign(center)
. putdocx table tbl6(1,1)=image(bmi10.png)
. putdocx table tbl6(1,1)="(a) bmi=10", append halign(center)
. putdocx table tbl6(1,2)=image(bmi20.png)
. putdocx table tbl6(1,2)="(b) bmi=20", append halign(center)
. putdocx table tbl6(2,1)=image(bmi30.png)
. putdocx table tbl6(2,1)="(c) bmi=30", append halign(center)
. putdocx table tbl6(2,2)=image(bmi40.png)
. putdocx table tbl6(2,2)="(d) bmi=40", append halign(center)
```

We formatted our table and the cell contents as we added content to the document. However, we would also like to format the caption. The `note()` option adds an additional row at the end of the table that spans all the columns of the table. We can format the text of the note by specifying the last row (in this case, 3) and either `.` or `1` as the column index. Here, we center-align and bold the text of the caption. Because note text is always placed within a single merged cell, it does not matter how short or long the text is when you identify the cell location.

```
. putdocx table tbl6(3,.) , halign(center) bold
. putdocx save example, replace
successfully replaced "C:/mypath/example.docx"
```

After saving our work to `example.docx`, the table is displayed as follows:



Customizing headers and footers with tables

Tables are a great way to organize summary statistics and estimation results, but they can also be used to customize the content of a header or footer. For example, you can create a table with a title or logo in one column and page numbers in another. Simply use the `header()` or `footer()` options to place the table content in either the header or the footer of the document.

► Example 8: Customize header content with a table

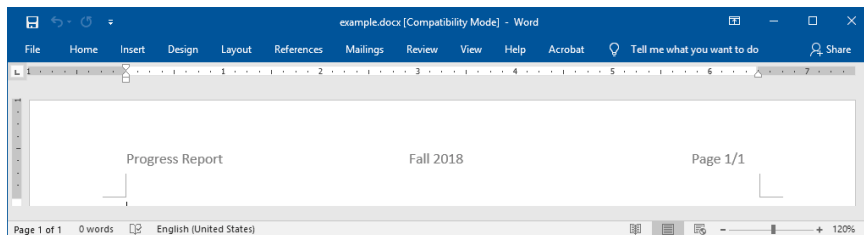
Suppose that we are creating a progress report for the nearby community college that tracks the number of enrollees and their grade point averages. To better organize ourselves, we want to include the semester in the header of our report. Additionally, we want to include the page number and the total page count. We can include all this content in the header of our report by placing it in a table.

We add a blank header to our document by specifying the `header` option with `putdocx begin`. Then we can add the table contents to the header by specifying the `toheader()` option. We place our report title in the first column, the semester in the center column, and the page numbers in the last column. We first list the current `pagenumber`, and we then append a forward slash followed by the total page count.

```
. putdocx begin, header(fall_report)
. putdocx table hdr = (1, 3), border(all, nil) toheader(fall_report)
. putdocx table hdr(1, 1) = ("Progress Report")
. putdocx table hdr(1, 2) = ("Fall 2018"), halign(center)
```

```
. putdocx table hdr(1, 3) = ("Page "), pagenumber
. putdocx table hdr(1, 3) = ("/"), totalpages append
. putdocx table hdr(1, 3), halign(right)
. putdocx save example, replace
successfully replaced "C:/mypath/example.docx"
```

After saving the document, it contains the following:



Stored results

`putdocx describe tablename` stores the following in `r()`:

Scalars

<code>r(nrows)</code>	number of rows in the table
<code>r(ncols)</code>	number of columns in the table

Reference

McDowell, A., A. Engel, J. T. Massey, and K. Maurer. 1981. Plan and operation of the Second National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, 1976–1980. *Vital and Health Statistics* 1(15): 1–144.

Also see

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