

## Postestimation commands

The following postestimation commands are of special interest after `vec`:

Command	Description
<code>fcast compute</code>	obtain dynamic forecasts
<code>fcast graph</code>	graph dynamic forecasts obtained from <code>fcast compute</code>
<code>irf</code>	create and analyze IRFs and FEVDs
<code>veclmar</code>	LM test for autocorrelation in residuals
<code>vecnorm</code>	test for normally distributed residuals
<code>vecstable</code>	check stability condition of estimates

The following standard postestimation commands are also available:

Command	Description
<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)
<code>estimates</code>	cataloging estimation results
<code>etable</code>	table of estimation results
<code>forecast</code>	dynamic forecasts and simulations
<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>	linear predictions and their SEs; residuals
<code>predictnl</code>	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for generalized predictions
<code>test</code>	Wald tests of simple and composite linear hypotheses
<code>testnl</code>	Wald tests of nonlinear hypotheses

# predict

## Description for predict

predict creates a new variable containing predictions such as expected values, residuals, and cointegrating equations.

## Menu for predict

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## Syntax for predict

```
predict [type] newvar [if] [in] [ , statistic equation(eqno | eqname) ]
```

statistic	Description
Main	
xb	fitted value for the specified equation; the default
stdp	standard error of the linear prediction
residuals	residuals
ce	the predicted value of specified cointegrating equation
levels	one-step prediction of the level of the endogenous variable
usece(varlist <sub>ce</sub> )	compute the predictions using previously predicted cointegrating equations

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

## Options for predict

Main

xb, the default, calculates the fitted values for the specified equation. The form of the VEC model implies that these fitted values are the one-step predictions for the first-differenced variables.

stdp calculates the standard error of the linear prediction for the specified equation.

residuals calculates the residuals from the specified equation of the VEC model.

ce calculates the predicted value of the specified cointegrating equation.

levels calculates the one-step prediction of the level of the endogenous variable in the requested equation.

usece(varlist<sub>ce</sub>) specifies that previously predicted cointegrating equations saved under the names in varlist<sub>ce</sub> be used to compute the predictions. The number of variables in the varlist<sub>ce</sub> must equal the number of cointegrating equations specified in the model.

equation(eqno | eqname) specifies to which equation you are referring.

equation() is filled in with one eqno or eqname for xb, residuals, stdp, ce, and levels options. equation(#1) would mean that the calculation is to be made for the first equation, equation(#2) would mean the second, and so on. You could also refer to the equation by its name. equation(D\_income) would refer to the equation named D\_income and equation(\_ce1), to the first cointegrating equation, which is named \_ce1 by vec.

If you do not specify `equation()`, the results are as if you specified `equation(#1)`.

For more information on using `predict` after multiple-equation estimation commands, see [\[R\] predict](#).

## margins

### Description for margins

`margins` estimates margins of response for linear predictions.

### Menu for margins

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### Syntax for margins

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

statistic	Description
default	linear predictions for each equation
xb	linear prediction for a specified equation
stdp	not allowed with margins
<u>r</u> esiduals	not allowed with margins
ce	not allowed with margins
<u>l</u> evels	not allowed with margins
<u>u</u> sece( <i>varlist</i> <sub>ce</sub> )	not allowed with margins

`xb` defaults to the first equation.

Statistics not allowed with `margins` are functions of stochastic quantities other than `e(b)`.

For the full syntax, see [\[R\] margins](#).

## Remarks and examples

Remarks are presented under the following headings:

- Model selection and inference*
- Forecasting*

## Model selection and inference

See the following sections for information on model selection and inference after vec.

- [TS] **irf** — Create and analyze IRFs, dynamic-multiplier functions, and FEVDs
- [TS] **varsoc** — Obtain lag-order selection statistics for VAR and VEC models
- [TS] **veclmar** — LM test for residual autocorrelation after vec
- [TS] **vecnorm** — Test for normally distributed disturbances after vec
- [TS] **vecrank** — Estimate the cointegrating rank of a VEC model
- [TS] **vecstable** — Check the stability condition of VEC model estimates

## Forecasting

See the following sections for information on obtaining forecasts after vec:

- [TS] **fcast compute** — Compute dynamic forecasts
- [TS] **fcast graph** — Graph forecasts after fcast compute

## Also see

- [TS] **vec** — Vector error-correction models
- [TS] **vec intro** — Introduction to vector error-correction models
- [U] **20 Estimation and postestimation commands**

