

Postestimation commands

The following postestimation commands are available after `xtnbreg`:

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)
<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>	linear predictions and their SEs, number of events, incidence rates, probabilities
<code>predictnl</code>	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for generalized predictions
<code>pwcompare</code>	pairwise comparisons of parameters
<code>test</code>	Wald tests of simple and composite linear hypotheses
<code>testnl</code>	Wald tests of nonlinear hypotheses

* `estat ic` and `lrtest` are not appropriate after `xtnbreg`, `pa`.

† `forecast` is not appropriate with `mi` estimation results.

predict

Description for predict

predict creates a new variable containing predictions such as linear predictions, standard errors, numbers of events, incidence rates, probabilities, and the equation-level score.

Menu for predict

Statistics > Postestimation

Syntax for predict

Random-effects (RE) and conditional fixed-effects (FE) overdispersion models

```
predict [type] newvar [if] [in] [ , RE/FE_statistic nooffset ]
```

Population-averaged (PA) model

```
predict [type] newvar [if] [in] [ , PA_statistic nooffset ]
```

RE/FE_statistic	Description
Main	
xb	linear prediction; the default
stdp	standard error of the linear prediction
nu0	predicted number of events; assumes fixed or random effect is zero
iru0	predicted incidence rate; assumes fixed or random effect is zero
pr0(<i>n</i>)	probability $\Pr(y = n)$ assuming the random effect is zero; only allowed after xtnbreg, re
pr0(<i>a</i> , <i>b</i>)	probability $\Pr(a \leq y \leq b)$ assuming the random effect is zero; only allowed after xtnbreg, re

PA_statistic	Description
Main	
mu	predicted number of events; considers the offset(); the default
rate	predicted number of events
xb	linear prediction
stdp	standard error of the linear prediction
score	first derivative of the log likelihood with respect to $\mathbf{x}_{it}\beta$

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` calculates the linear prediction. This is the default for the random-effects and fixed-effects models.

`mu` and `rate` both calculate the predicted number of events. `mu` takes into account the `offset()`, and `rate` ignores those adjustments. `mu` and `rate` are equivalent if you did not specify `offset()`. `mu` is the default for the population-averaged model.

`stdp` calculates the standard error of the linear prediction.

`nu0` calculates the predicted number of events, assuming a zero random or fixed effect.

`iru0` calculates the predicted incidence rate, assuming a zero random or fixed effect.

`pr0(n)` calculates the probability $\Pr(y = n)$ assuming the random effect is zero, where *n* is a nonnegative integer that may be specified as a number or a variable (only allowed after `xtnbreg, re`).

`pr0(a, b)` calculates the probability $\Pr(a \leq y \leq b)$ assuming the random effect is zero, where *a* and *b* are nonnegative integers that may be specified as numbers or variables (only allowed after `xtnbreg, re`);

b missing (*b* ≥ .) means $+\infty$;

`pr0(20, .)` calculates $\Pr(y \geq 20)$;

`pr0(20, b)` calculates $\Pr(y \geq 20)$ in observations for which *b* ≥ . and calculates $\Pr(20 \leq y \leq b)$ elsewhere.

`pr0(., b)` produces a syntax error. A missing value in an observation on the variable *a* causes a missing value in that observation for `pr0(a, b)`.

`score` calculates the equation-level score, $u_{it} = \partial \ln L(\mathbf{x}_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta}) / \partial (\mathbf{x}_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta})$.

`nooffset` is relevant only if you specified `offset(varname)` for `xtnbreg`. It modifies the calculations made by `predict` so that they ignore the offset variable; the linear prediction is treated as $\mathbf{x}_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta}$ rather than $\mathbf{x}_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \text{offset}_{it}$.

margins

Description for margins

margins estimates margins of response for linear predictions, numbers of events, incidence rates, and probabilities.

Menu for margins

Statistics > Postestimation

Syntax for margins

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

Random-effects (RE) and conditional fixed-effects (FE) overdispersion models

statistic	Description
xb	linear prediction; the default
nu0	predicted number of events; assumes fixed or random effect is zero
iru0	predicted incidence rate; assumes fixed or random effect is zero
pr0(<i>n</i>)	probability $\Pr(y = n)$ assuming the random effect is zero; only allowed after xtnbreg, re
pr0(<i>a</i> , <i>b</i>)	probability $\Pr(a \leq y \leq b)$ assuming the random effect is zero; only allowed after xtnbreg, re
stdp	not allowed with margins

Population-averaged (PA) model

statistic	Description
mu	predicted number of events; considers the offset(); the default
rate	predicted number of events
xb	linear prediction
stdp	not allowed with margins
score	not allowed with margins

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

For the full syntax, see [R] margins.

Methods and formulas

The probabilities calculated using the `pr0(n)` option are the probability $\Pr(y_{it} = n)$ for a RE model assuming the random effect is zero. A negative binomial model is an overdispersed Poisson model, and the nominal overdispersion can be calculated as $\delta = s/(r - 1)$, where r and s are as given in the estimation results. Define $\mu_{it} = \exp(\mathbf{x}_{it}\beta + \text{offset}_{it})$. Then the probabilities in `pr0(n)` are calculated as the probability that $y_{it} = n$, where y_{it} has a negative binomial distribution with mean $\delta\mu_{it}$ and variance $\delta(1 + \delta)\mu_{it}$.

Also see

[XT] [xtnbreg](#) — Fixed-effects, random-effects, & population-averaged negative binomial models

[U] [20 Estimation and postestimation commands](#)

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