

**oprobit postestimation** — Postestimation tools for oprobit[Description](#)  
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## Description

The following postestimation commands are available after `oprobit`:

Command	Description
<code>contrast</code>	contrasts and ANOVA-style joint tests of estimates
<code>estat ic</code>	Akaike's and Schwarz's Bayesian information criteria (AIC and BIC)
<code>estat summarize</code>	summary statistics for the estimation sample
<code>estat vce</code>	variance–covariance matrix of the estimators (VCE)
<code>estat (svy)</code>	postestimation statistics for survey data
<code>estimates</code>	cataloging estimation results
<code>forecast</code> <sup>1</sup>	dynamic forecasts and simulations
<code>lincom</code>	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for linear combinations of coefficients
<code>linktest</code>	link test for model specification
<code>lrtest</code> <sup>2</sup>	likelihood-ratio test
<code>margins</code>	marginal means, predictive margins, marginal effects, and average marginal effects
<code>marginsplot</code>	graph the results from <code>margins</code> (profile plots, interaction plots, etc.)
<code>nlcom</code>	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for nonlinear combinations of coefficients
<code>predict</code>	predictions, residuals, influence statistics, and other diagnostic measures
<code>predictnl</code>	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for generalized predictions
<code>pwcompare</code>	pairwise comparisons of estimates
<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

<sup>1</sup> `forecast` is not appropriate with `mi` or `svy` estimation results.

<sup>2</sup> `lrtest` is not appropriate with `svy` estimation results.

## Syntax for predict

```
predict [type] { stub* | newvar | newvarlist } [if] [in] [, statistic
_outcome(outcome) nooffset]
```

```
predict [type] { stub* | newvarlist } [if] [in], scores
```

statistic	Description
Main	
<u>pr</u>	predicted probabilities; the default
<u>xb</u>	linear prediction
<u>stdp</u>	standard error of the linear prediction

If you do not specify `outcome()`, `pr` (with one new variable specified) assumes `outcome(#1)`.

You specify one or  $k$  new variables with `pr`, where  $k$  is the number of outcomes.

You specify one new variable with `xb` and `stdp`.

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

## Menu for predict

Statistics > Postestimation > Predictions, residuals, etc.

## Options for predict

### Main

`pr`, the default, calculates the predicted probabilities. If you do not also specify the `outcome()` option, you specify  $k$  new variables, where  $k$  is the number of categories of the dependent variable. Say that you fit a model by typing `oprobit result x1 x2`, and `result` takes on three values. Then you could type `predict p1 p2 p3` to obtain all three predicted probabilities. If you specify the `outcome()` option, you must specify one new variable. Say that `result` takes on values 1, 2, and 3. Typing `predict p1, outcome(1)` would produce the same `p1`.

`xb` calculates the linear prediction. You specify one new variable, for example, `predict linear, xb`. The linear prediction is defined, ignoring the contribution of the estimated cutpoints.

`stdp` calculates the standard error of the linear prediction. You specify one new variable, for example, `predict se, stdp`.

`outcome(outcome)` specifies for which outcome the predicted probabilities are to be calculated. `outcome()` should contain either one value of the dependent variable or one of #1, #2, ..., with #1 meaning the first category of the dependent variable, #2 meaning the second category, etc.

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

`scores` calculates equation-level score variables. The number of score variables created will equal the number of outcomes in the model. If the number of outcomes in the model was  $k$ , then the first new variable will contain  $\partial \ln L / \partial (\mathbf{x}_j \mathbf{b})$ ; the second new variable will contain  $\partial \ln L / \partial \kappa_1$ ; the third new variable will contain  $\partial \ln L / \partial \kappa_2$ ; ... and the  $k$ th new variable will contain  $\partial \ln L / \partial \kappa_{k-1}$ , where  $\kappa_i$  refers to the  $i$ th cutpoint.

## Remarks and examples

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See [U] 20 Estimation and postestimation commands for instructions on obtaining the variance-covariance matrix of the estimators, predicted values, and hypothesis tests. Also see [R] lrtest for performing likelihood-ratio tests.

### ▷ Example 1

In example 1 of [R] oprobit, we fit the model oprobit rep77 foreign length mpg. The predict command can be used to obtain the predicted probabilities. We type predict followed by the names of the new variables to hold the predicted probabilities, ordering the names from low to high. In our data, the lowest outcome is “poor” and the highest is “excellent”. We have five categories, so we must type five names following predict; the choice of names is up to us:

```
. use http://www.stata-press.com/data/r13/fullauto
(Automobile Models)

. oprobit rep77 foreign length mpg
(output omitted)

. predict poor fair avg good exc
(option pr assumed; predicted probabilities)

. list make model exc good if rep77>=., sep(4) divider
```

	make	model	exc	good
3.	AMC	Spirit	.0006044	.0351813
10.	Buick	Opel	.0043803	.1133763
32.	Ford	Fiesta	.0002927	.0222789
44.	Merc.	Monarch	.0093209	.1700846
53.	Peugeot	604	.0734199	.4202766
56.	Plym.	Horizon	.001413	.0590294
57.	Plym.	Sapporo	.0197543	.2466034
63.	Pont.	Phoenix	.0234156	.266771



## □ Technical note

For ordered probit, `predict, xb` produces  $S_j = x_{1j}\beta_1 + x_{2j}\beta_2 + \cdots + x_{kj}\beta_k$ . Ordered probit is identical to ordered logit, except that we use different distribution functions for calculating probabilities. The ordered-probit predictions are then the probability that  $S_j + u_j$  lies between a pair of cutpoints  $\kappa_{i-1}$  and  $\kappa_i$ . The formulas for ordered probit are

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(S_j + u < \kappa) &= \Phi(\kappa - S_j) \\ \Pr(S_j + u > \kappa) &= 1 - \Phi(\kappa - S_j) = \Phi(S_j - \kappa) \\ \Pr(\kappa_1 < S_j + u < \kappa_2) &= \Phi(\kappa_2 - S_j) - \Phi(\kappa_1 - S_j)\end{aligned}$$

Rather than using `predict` directly, we could calculate the predicted probabilities by hand.

```
. predict pscore, xb
. generate probexc = normal(pscore-_b[/cut4])
. generate probgood = normal(_b[/cut4]-pscore) - normal(_b[/cut3]-pscore)
```



## Also see

[R] **oprobit** — Ordered probit regression

[U] **20 Estimation and postestimation commands**