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\* CFSR 3: RISK-STANDARDIZED PERFORMANCE  
\* - PERMANENCY IN 12 MONTHS FOR CHILDREN IN CARE ON FIRST DAY 24 MONTHS OR MORE

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\* This syntax is provided for informational purposes only. It requires access to  
\* child-level data from all states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

\* The following syntax is used to calculate an individual state's performance  
\* for a recent cohort of children against the national standard and the  
\* historical cohorts (from all other states) that were used to establish the  
\* national standard. Although this syntax will calculate RSPs and data for all  
\* states, the only results of interest are for the state being evaluated  
\* (MyState "XX").

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\* SPECIFY THE STATE AND 12-MONTH COHORT WHOSE PERFORMANCE IS BEING ASSESSED

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\* Note: For the 12-month cohort specified (CurrentCohort), there must exist a  
\* file for that same cohort in "C:\cfsr3\Performance observed child". This file  
\* will contain observed performance for a recent cohort of children (from all  
\* states). For example, if the user specifies CurrentCohort = AB14, their must  
\* be a file called "CFSR 3 - Observed perf for perm (FD 24 or more) AB14.dta."

```
local MyState "XX"  
local CurrentCohort "AB14"
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```
* create log file.  
cd "C:\cfsr3\Performance modeled"  
log using "RSP for perm (FD 24 or more) `MyState` `CurrentCohort`.txt", text replace
```

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\* GET SOURCE FILE and PREP FILE

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```
* Open the current cohort file. This file contains observed performance for a  
* recent cohort of children (from all states).  
cd "C:\cfsr3\Performance observed child"  
use "CFSR 3 - Observed perf for perm (FD 24 or more) `CurrentCohort`.dta", clear  
keep if stateabb == "`MyState'"  
tempfile holding  
save `holding'
```

\* Open the historical cohort file. This file contains the fixed national  
\* standard for the indicator (Perf\_Nation) and the observed performance for the  
\* 12-month historical cohort of children that was used to establish the national  
\* standard. We will be assessing the state's performance with its most recent  
\* cohort (currently stored in 'holding') against the national standard and  
\* historical cohorts from all other states. This syntax assumes the historical  
\* cohort file is saved in C:\cfsr3\Fixed files\.

```
cd "C:\cfsr3\Fixed files\  
use "CFSR 3 - Observed perf for perm (FD 24 or more) BA14.dta", clear  
drop if stateabb == ``MyState``  
append using `holding'
```

\* For the state being evaluated, replace the value it has for national observed  
\* performance (which is based on the current cohort for all states) with the  
\* fixed NS for this indicator. The level of precision matters for the  
\* calculations RSP, RSPUpp, and RSPLow matters.  
replace Perf\_Nation = .3034768643111 if stateabb == ``MyState``

```
sort state
```

\* Describe dataset  
\* Pick one observation per state  
\* Count and verify number of states in file  
\* Calculate desired direction for performance on this indicator  
\* Verify desired 12-month cohort has been selected

```
describe  
egen pickone = tag(stateabb)  
count if pickone  
gen Passing = "Above NS"  
tab Perf_Nation  
tab TwelveMoCohort
```

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* PREDICT OUTCOME  
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\* Run multi-level logit model predicting permanency by 12 months (Num\_Child = 1)  
\* Adjust for child age on first day (ChildAge)

```
***** USER INPUT NEEDED *****
```

\* The xtmeologit command requires the user to enter the value of X in  
\* `ib(X).ChildAge`, where X represents the reference group for children in  
\* the national dataset. The median age is used as the reference group. The `ib`

\* function creates a dummy variable for each age value.

\* To get the median age value run:

summarize ChildAge, detail

\* The coded value to use is the one next to "50%." Enter that value in ib(X)

\* below.

timer on 1

xtmelogit Num\_Child ib(11).ChildAge, baselevels || state:, variance

timer off 1

timer list 1

timer clear

predict xb, xb

predict re, reffects

predict rese, reses

\* xb = child's predicted log odds of permanency based on child's age, but

\* without considering the child's home state (i.e., ignoring the state's

\* random effect)

\* re = state's random effect (shift in child's predicted log odds of

\* permanency after considering the child's home state; aka, Empirical

\* Bayes intercept)

\* rese - standard error of state's random effect

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\* CALCULATE RISK-STANDARDIZED PERFORMANCE

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\* 1. Calculate PREDICTED number of permanent exits in each state

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\* The predicted number of permanent exits based on the state's performance with

\* its observed case mix. This is our best prediction of future performance,

\* assuming no change in case mix or policy. It is calculated as the sum of each

\* child's predicated probability of permanent exit, which is a complex function

\* of the child's value of xb and his or her state's specific random effect.

sort state

gen double Child\_Pred = exp(xb+re)/(1+exp(xb+re))

by state: egen double Num\_Pred = total(Child\_Pred)

\* 2. Calculate EXPECTED number of permanenct exits in each state

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\* The expected number of permanent exits based on the nation's performance with  
 \* the state's case mix. This represents how many permanent exits we would expect  
 \* for the state's children if they were treated in an "average" state. It is  
 \* calculated as the sum of each child's predicted probability of permanent exit  
 \* (xb), including the "average" intercept of all states (the average of the  
 \* random effects across states is zero).

```
gen double Child_Exp = exp(xb)/(1+exp(xb))
by state: egen double Num_Exp = total(Child_Exp)
```

\* 3. Calculate risk-standardized ratio and risk-standardized performance  
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\* Calculate ratio of predicted to expected  
 \* Multiply ratio by national observed performance (i.e., the national standard)  
 \* to get RSP

```
gen double Ratio_PE = Num_Pred / Num_Exp
gen double RSP = (Num_Pred / Num_Exp) * Perf_Nation
```

\* 4. Calculate 95% confidence intervals for RSP  
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\* Upper CI

```
sort state
gen double UppNum = exp(xb+re+(1.96*rese))/(1+exp(xb+re+(1.96*rese)))
by state: egen double UppNumSum = total(UppNum)
gen double UppDen = exp(xb)/(1+exp(xb))
by state: egen double UppDenSum = total(UppDen)
gen double RSPUpp = (UppNumSum/UppDenSum) * Perf_Nation
```

\* Lower CI

```
gen double LowNum = exp(xb+re-(1.96*rese))/(1+exp(xb+re-(1.96*rese)))
by state: egen double LowNumSum = total(LowNum)
gen double LowDen = exp(xb)/(1+exp(xb))
by state: egen double LowDenSum = total(LowDen)
gen double RSPLow = (LowNumSum/LowDenSum) * Perf_Nation
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\* COMPARE STATE'S RSP TO NATIONAL STANDARD (NS)

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\* When comparing the state's RSP (actually, the CIs) to the national observed  
 \* performance, use rounded versions.

\* Round the national observed performance  
 clonevar Perf\_NationRnd = Perf\_Nation

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replace Perf_NationRnd = round(Perf_NationRnd,0.001)
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```
* Round the CIs of the RSP
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```
clonevar RSPLowRnd = RSPLow
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```
clonevar RSPUpRnd = RSPUp
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```
replace RSPLowRnd = round(RSPLowRnd,0.001)
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```
replace RSPUpRnd = round(RSPUpRnd,0.001)
```

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* Compare CI's of the RSP relative to national observed performance
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gen RSP_NS = "No dif"
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```
replace RSP_NS = "Met" if RSPLowRnd > Perf_NationRnd
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```
replace RSP_NS = "Not met" if RSPUpRnd < Perf_NationRnd
```

```
* Count number of states meeting, not meeting, and no different from NS
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```
egen RSP_Met=total(RSP_NS=="Met" & pickone)
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```
egen RSP_NotMet=total(RSP_NS=="Not met" & pickone)
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```
egen RSP_NotDif=total(RSP_NS=="No dif" & pickone)
```

```
* Count number of states that must engage in a PIP
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```
gen RSP_Pip = ""
```

```
replace RSP_Pip = "No PIP" if RSP_NS == "Met"
```

```
replace RSP_Pip = "No PIP" if RSP_NS == "No dif"
```

```
replace RSP_Pip = "PIP" if RSP_NS == "Not met"
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* ESTIMATE OBSERVED PERFORMANCE THAT WAS NEEDED TO HAVE AVOIDED A PIP
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* For states that did not meet the national standard, this is a rough estimate
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* of the performance that would have been needed to have avoided a PIP.
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* Performance at this level would put the RSP confidence limit directly on the
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* NS line, thus making the state's performance no different than the national
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* standard.
```

```
sort state
```

```
gen double Child_Need = exp(xb-(1.96*rese))/(1+exp(xb-(1.96*rese))) if RSP_NS=="Not met"
```

```
by state: egen double Num_Need = total(Child_Need) if RSP_NS=="Not met"
```

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by state: gen Perf_Need = Num_Need / Den_State
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gen Perf_Need_Change = Perf_Need - Perf_State
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```
gen Num_Need_Change = Num_Need - Num_State
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* MISC
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```

\* Ranks based on observed and RSP. Sort DESCENDING, so highest value (i.e.,  
\* best performance) gets a ranking of 1

```
gsort -Perf_State  
generate Rank_Obs = sum(pickone)  
gsort -RSP  
generate Rank_RSP = sum(pickone)
```

\* Create variable holding median age on first day to include in output. The  
\* coded age values are identical to the actual age (e.g., a coded value of 6  
\* represents an actual age of 6).

```
sort state  
by state: egen MedAge = median(ChildAge)
```

\* Save

```
cd "C:\cfsr3\Performance modeled"  
save "CFSR 3 - RSP for perm (FD 24 or more) - `CurrentCohort' `MyState'.dta", replace
```

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\* REPORTING

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\* Export to excel the state's results

```
outsheet TwelveMoCohort stateabb RSP RSPLowRnd RSPUppRnd Perf_NationRnd RSP_NS RSP_Pip ///  
Den_State Num_State Perf_State ///  
Perf_Need Perf_Need_Change Num_Need_Change ///  
MedAge ///
```

```
if (stateabb == "`"MyState"' & pickone==1) using "RSP_Perm12FD24_more_Summary `CurrentCohort' `MyState'.csv", comma nolabel replace
```

```
log close
```