Predicting Per Capita Income from County Demographic Information

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Abstract

Four research questions pertaining to the prediction of per capita income are asked (1. Are there any relationships between variables included in dataset? Are these relationships expected? 2. Do crime, per capita crime, and region have any influence on per capita income? 3. Of variables included, what is the best model to predict per capita income? 4. Is it a cause for concern that not all counties and states are included in dataset?). Data used comes from Kutner et al. (2005) and includes information on 17 different variables for the 440 counties in the United States with the greatest populations. Methods used to answer research questions include exploratory data analysis, simple linear regression, all subsets regression, and stepwise regression. Results found that 1. Total income vs number of hospital beds and total income vs crimes were correlated unexpectedly, 2. Although there appears to be a (questionable) relationship between per capita income, log(crime), and region, this model cannot be used to draw reliable conclusions between variables of interest, 3. Per capita crime predicted by log(land area), percent of population between 18 and 34, log(doctors), percent of those 25+ with 12 or more years of education, percent of those 25+ with a bachelor's degree, percent of those below the poverty level, and percent unemployment was the "best" model, 4. Depending on perspective, missing states and counties may be cause for concern. Overall, main limitations included criteria prioritization used to determine "best" model for predicting per capita income and dataset used.

Introduction

Given that the way in which the United States is set-up socially, politically, and economically, it is no surprise that personal income and its predictors are a topic of interest among many disparate spheres. As a result, it is also no surprise that there is a large body of research addressing this facet of American life and livelihood. By way of adding to this already broad area of study, the present paper seeks to answer four questions pertaining to per capita income in the United States. These questions are presented below.

- 1. What relationships are found between variables included in the present dataset and are these relationships expected?
- 2. How do crime, per capita crime, and geographic region (exclusively) relate to per capita income? Further, does it matter whether total crime in a county or per capita crime is used to predict per capita income?
- 3. Based on the variables in the dataset, what is the best way to model predictions of per capita income?
- 4. Are counties and states missing from the dataset a cause for concern?

Data

Data used is known as county demographic information. This particular dataset tracks 17 different variables for the 440 United States counties with the largest populations. Data originally comes from Kutner et al. (2005). A breakdown of the variables can be found in Table 1.

Variable	Description
id	County ID number 1-440
county	Name of county
state	Abbreviation of state name
land.area	Land area (square miles)
pop	Estimated population (1990)
pop.18_34	Estimated percent of population between 18
	and 34 years old (1990)
pop.65_plus	Estimated percent of population 65 years or
	older (1990)
doctors	Number of nonfederal practicing physicians
	(1990)
hosp.beds	Includes hospital beds, bassinets, and cribs
	(1990)
crimes	Total number of serious crimes (i.e. murder,
	rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary,
	larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft) in 1990
pct.hs.grad	Percent of population 25 years or older with
	12 or more years of schooling
pct.bach.deg	Percent of population 25 years or older with a
	bachelor's degree
pct.below.pov	Estimated percent of population below
	poverty level based on income (1990)
pct.unemp	Estimated percent of population that is
	unemployed (1990)
per.cap.income	Estimated per capita income of population in
	dollars (1990)
tot.income	Estimated total income of population in
	millions of dollars (1990)
region	Geographic region (NE: northeast, NC: north-
Table 1 Decaled areas of granish	central, S: southern, W: western)

Table 1 Breakdown of variables and definitions. References Kutner et al. (2005). *Original Source*: Geospatial and Statistical Data Center, University of Virginia.

By way of a brief overview of data, Figure 1 shows numeric summaries of each variable included. For a more detailed overview, including frequency plots for state and region, and histograms of all other variables, see Section 1 of the code appendix.

id	county	state	land.area	рор	pop.18_34	pop.65_plus	doctors
Min. : 1.0	Jefferson : 7	CA : 34	Min. : 15.0	Min. : 100043	Min. :16.40	Min. : 3.000	Min. : 39.0
1st Qu.:110.8	Montgomery: 6	FL : 29	1st Qu.: 451.2	1st Qu.: 139027	1st Qu.:26.20	1st Qu.: 9.875	1st Qu.: 182.8
Median :220.5	Washington: 5	PA : 29	Median : 656.5	Median : 217280	Median :28.10	Median :11.750	Median : 401.0
Mean :220.5	Cumberland: 4	TX : 28	Mean : 1041.4	Mean : 393011	Mean :28.57	Mean :12.170	Mean : 988.0
3rd Qu.:330.2	Jackson : 4	OH : 24	3rd Qu.: 946.8	3rd Qu.: 436064	3rd Qu.:30.02	3rd Qu.:13.625	3rd Qu.: 1036.0
Max. :440.0	Lake : 4	NY : 22	Max. :20062.0	Max. :8863164	Max. :49.70	Max. :33.800	Max. :23677.0
	(Other) :410	(Other):274					
hosp.beds	crimes	pct.hs.gra	d pct.bach.deg	pct.below.pov	pct.unemp	per.cap.income	tot.income
Min. : 92.0	Min. : 563	Min. :46.	60 Min. : 8.10	Min. : 1.400	Min. : 2.200	Min. : 8899	Min. : 1141
1st Qu.: 390.8	1st Qu.: 6220	1st Qu.:73.	88 1st Qu.:15.28	1st Qu.: 5.300	1st Qu.: 5.100	1st Qu.:16118	1st Qu.: 2311
Median : 755.0	Median : 11820	Median :77.	70 Median :19.70	Median : 7.900	Median : 6.200	Median :17759	Median : 3857
Mean : 1458.6	Mean : 27112	Mean :77.	56 Mean :21.08	Mean : 8.721	Mean : 6.597	Mean :18561	Mean : 7869
3rd Qu.: 1575.8	3rd Qu.: 26280	3rd Qu.:82.	40 3rd Qu.:25.32	3rd Qu.:10.900	3rd Qu.: 7.500	3rd Qu.:20270	3rd Qu.: 8654
Max. :27700.0	Max. :688936	Max. :92.	90 Max. :52.30	Max. :36.300	Max. :21.300	Max. :37541	Max. :184230
region							
NC:108							
NE:103							
S :152							
W · 77							

Figure 1 Summaries of variables included in main, untransformed dataset.

Further, of notable interest are the histograms of land area, population, doctors, hospital beds, crimes, and total income. All six of these variables seem to have a significant right skew, as can be seen in Figure 2.

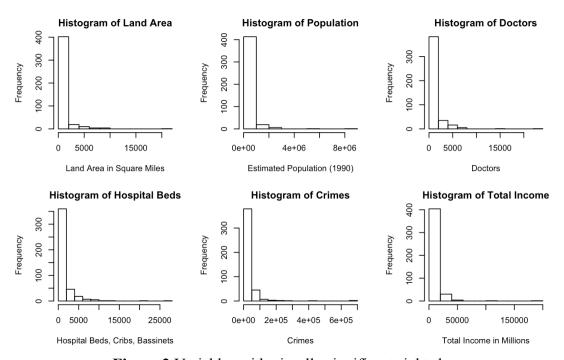


Figure 2 Variables with visually significant right skew.

In addition to the above, pairs plots of all variables were also created to check correlation (see Section 1 of code appendix).

Methods

This section will be broken down by methods used to answer each of the research questions specified above.

1. What relationships are found between variables included in the present dataset and are these relationships expected?

A pairs plot of all variables included in the data set was visually inspected for possible correlation.

Variables used: all

2. How do crime, per capita crime, and geographic region (exclusively) relate to per capita income? Further, does it matter whether total crime in a county or per capita crime is used to predict per capita income?

Six linear regression models were fit. The summaries of each model, along with their diagnostic plots were assessed to determine whether there is evidence to suggest a relationship between per capita income and (per capita) crime and region. *Variables used*: per.cap.income, per.cap.crime, crime, log(crime), and region

3. Based on the variables in the dataset, what is the best way to model predictions of per capita income?

Two linear models were chosen via all-subsets and stepwise regression (on transformed data): a simple model and a model that included interaction terms. These models were compared based on Bayes Information Criterion (BIC) value, R squared value, diagnostic plots, and ease of understanding.

Variables used:

- Simple Model (all-subsets): per.cap.income, log(land.area), pop.18-34, log(doctors), pct.hs.grad, pct.bach.deg, pct.below.pov, pct.unemp
- Interaction Model (stepwise): per.cap.income, log(land.area), pop.18-34, log(doctors), pct.hs.grad, pct.bach.deg, pct.below.pov, region, pct.hs.grad:region, pct.bach.deg:region, pct.below.pov
- **4.** Are counties and states missing from the dataset a cause for concern? Simple EDA and critical thinking based on understanding of relevant concepts. *Variables used*: region, state

Results

Beginning with the first question posed in the introduction (What relationships are found between variables included in the present dataset and are these relationships expected?), there does appear to be relationships between some variables included in the dataset. While a full breakdown of scatterplots showing the correlation between variables can be found in Figure 3, of plots that showed a possible relationship between the variables graphed, total income vs hospital beds and total income vs crimes seemed the most unexpected. As there is no immediate connection between an increase in total income and an increase in hospital beds and crimes, it seems possible there is a confounding variable that affects the correlation between the former variable and the two latter variables. More information can be found in Section 1 of the code appendix.

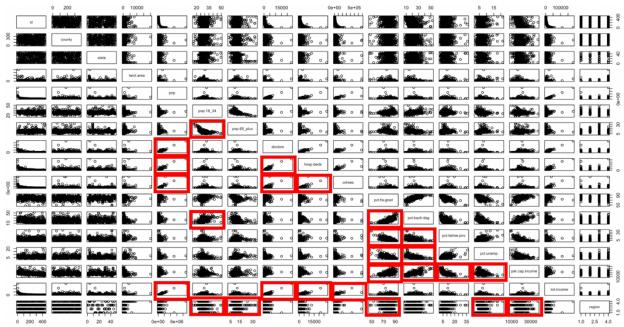


Figure 3 Pairs plots of all variables included in data set. Plots that denote a relationship between variables are highlighted in red.

Turning next to the second question presented in the introduction (How do crime, per capita crime, and geographic region (exclusively) relate to per capita income? Further, does it matter whether total crime in a county or per capita crime is used to predict per capita income?), it seems pertinent to first address the differences between two of the possible predictor variables, crime and per capita crime. Given that the response variable in question is per capita income, it makes intuitive sense that one would choose per capita crime as a predictor of crime, as opposed to total crime. This being said, two models were fit using per capita crime and region to predict per capita income. The first of these models took only per capita crime and region as predictors of per capita income, while the second model included an interaction term between per capita crime and region. Neither of the models fit showed per capita crime as a significant predictor of per capita income. Similarly, both models showed inconclusive results regarding region as an explanatory variable of per capita income, with only one region (northeast) being significant in either model. Looking more specifically at the second model, the interaction term between the two explanatory variables included in this model does not appear significant in predicting per capita income. Put more succinctly, models fit do not provide any strong evidence that per capita crime, region, or an interaction term between the two, are significant in predicting per capita income.

Note, a simple model and interaction model predicting per capita income via crime and region were also fit using log(crime) to address right skew in crime data. It was found that the simple model fit using this transformed data produced significant results for log(crime) and three of the four regions. Although this model produced significant results, based on the above discussion of total crime vs per capita crime, the results obtained do not change the final analysis regarding whether a meaningful significant relationship exists between per capita income, crime, and region. More information can be found in Section 2 of the code appendix.

Continuing to the third question of interest (Based on the variables in the dataset, what is the best way to model predictions of per capita income?), as noted in the methods section, there were two main contenders in the search for the best model for predicting per capita income. It is important to note that both models were fit on a modified version of the original dataset. This modified version did not include the following variables from the original dataset: id, county, state, pop, tot.income, or crimes. Further the modified version log transformed land.area, doctors, and hosp.beds and used these transformed variables in place of their untransformed counterparts. See Section 3 of the code appendix for more information on modified dataset. Taking the above into account, the first model used an all-subsets regression that took as its starting point all variables in the modified dataset. The equation for this model is output below.

```
expected per. cap. income
= 28748.6 - 683.89 * land. area - 300.39 * pop. 18_34 + 1000.9 * doctors - 116.8039
* pct. hs. grad + 371.01 * pct. bach. deg - 427.27 * pct. below. pov + 251.44 * pct. unemp
```

Similarly, the second model also took the modified dataset as its starting point, however included interaction terms between all variables and region, interaction terms between pct.hs.grad and pct.below.pov and pct.bach.deg and pct.below.pov, and was fit using stepwise regression (based on Bayes Information Criterion). The ensuing model equation is shown below.

```
expected\ per. cap.\ income \\ = 30493.95 - 653.54*land.\ area - 291.41*pop.\ 18\_34 + 979.17*doctors - 106.827*pct.\ hs.\ grad + 321.73 \\ *pct.\ bach.\ deg - 260.61*pct.\ below.\ pov + 707.388*regionNE - 9533.428*regionS \\ + 20392.519*regionW - 54.776*pct.\ hs.\ grad:\ regionNE + 92.87*pct.\ hs.\ grad:\ regionNE + 92.87*pct.\ hs.\ grad:\ regionW + 187.64*pct.\ bach.\ deg:\ regionNE + 26.89*pct.\ bach.\ deg:\ regionS + 201.07*pct.\ bach.\ deg:\ regionW - 29.57*pct.\ below.\ pov:\ regionNE + 161.097*pct.\ below.\ pov:\ regionW - 9.59*pct.\ bach.\ deg:\ pct.\ below.\ pov:\ regionW - 9.59*pct.\ bach.\ deg:\ pct.\ below.\ pov:\ regionW - 9.59*pct.\ below.\ pov:\ regionW - 9.59
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While the model including interactions had a significantly better BIC score, it was ultimately decided that the simpler model that did not include any interaction terms was best. This decision was based on two main findings, namely that the more complex model only increased R squared by 2.85% and that the simpler model was more elegant and easily interpretable. Given the former finding, it seemed unwise to add unnecessary complexity to the final model, in turn leading to the importance of the latter finding (see Section 4 of the code appendix for more information on the above, as well as diagnostic plots for both models). One can find a breakdown of how to interpret the results of the chosen model in Table 2.

Variable	Interpretation
Intercept	Given a county with 0% land area, 0%
	population between the ages of 18 and 34, 0%
	doctors, 0% people 25 years or older with
	more than 12 years of education, 0% people
	25 years or older with a bachelor's degree,
	0% of people under the poverty level, and 0%

	unemployment, per capita income is expected to be \$28,748.60.
land.area	For every 1% increase in land area, one would
pop.18_34	expect a \$6.84 decrease in per capita income. For every 1% increase in estimated county
	population between 18 and 34 years of age, one would expect a \$300.39 decrease in per
1 4	capita income.
doctors	For every 1% increase in doctors, one would expect a \$10.01 increase in per capita income.
pct.hs.grad	For every 1% increase in those 25 years or
	older with 12 or more years of education (but
	no bachelor's degree), one would expect a
	\$116.80 decrease in per capita income.
pct.bach.deg	For every 1% increase in those 25 years or
	older with a bachelor's degree, one would
	expect a \$371.01 increase in per capita
	income.
pct.below.pov	For every 1% increase in those below the
	poverty level, one would expect a \$427.27
	decrease in per capita income.
pct.unemp	For every 1% increase in unemployment, one
	would expect a \$251.44 increase in per capita
	income.

Table 2 Interpretations of predictors included in best model.

Finally, looking at the fourth question posed in the introduction (Are counties and states missing from the dataset a cause for concern?), the author would argue that missing states and counties may be a cause for a concern. On the one hand, one could take the stance that looking at this data from the state or county level is too granular, and that aggregated forms of this data like the region variable included in the present dataset are better equipped to act as explanatory variables. From this point of view, missing states and counties would not be a cause for concern given that each of the four regions included in the dataset have relatively large sample sizes (see Section 5 of the code appendix for more information), with which regressions could be confidently computed. On the other hand, it is possible that simply looking at the 440 most populous counties fails to account for underlying relationships that may exist between predictors if more counties and states were included in the dataset.

Discussion

By way of a quick summary of the above, answers to the four questions presented in the introduction are included below, along with the reasoning behind the approach to each answer.

1. What relationships are found between variables included in the present dataset and are these relationships expected?

While a full list of all relationships found between variables included in the dataset can be seen in Figure 3, the apparent correlation between total income vs hospital beds and total income vs crimes are of special note. In comparison to the other correlations

noticed, the relationships between these variables seemed especially unexpected. The relationship noted between these variables may point to possible confounding variables. Scatterplots graphing all variables against each other were used to determine the above since this type of graph allows for easy visual assessment of correlation between variables.

2. How do crime, per capita crime, and geographic region (exclusively) relate to per capita income? Further, does it matter whether total crime in a county or per capita crime is used to predict per capita income?

Via simple linear regression it was determined that there does not seem to be a significant relationship between per capita income and (exclusively) per capita crime and region; even when an interaction term is included between the two. Although a significant relationship appeared to exist when a simple model was fit with log(crime) and region, this model did not make logical sense and was therefore discarded in favor of the above. Simple linear regression was used to answer this question because this statistical approach is relatively intuitive and easy to interpret.

3. Based on the variables in the dataset, what is the best way to model predictions of per capita income?

It was found through all subsets and stepwise regression that the best model for predicting per capita income included log(land area), percent of population between 18 and 34 years old, log(doctors), percent of population 25 years or older with twelve or more years of education, percent of population 25 years or older with a bachelor's degree, percent of population below poverty level, and percent of population unemployed as explanatory variables. These forms of regression were used to show the above, as they lessen computational strain and provide reliable results that can be tested and interpreted easily.

4. Are counties and states missing from the dataset a cause for concern? Depending on perspective, it is possible that missing states and counties are cause for concern. Simple EDA was used to answer this question to augment ease of interpretability and to allow for a more conceptual approach.

Some possible limitations to present research may include final model selection regarding the third research question and data used to conduct research. As observed above, the model chosen as "best" in regards to the third research question did not have the lowest BIC value of models fit. In turn, although the model picked is easily interpretable, it does lack some of the predictive ability of a more complex model. Additional research may look into fitting and interpreting more complex models to overcome this issue. Further, as previously noted, data used to conduct research only included information on the 440 most populous counties. Including data for only these counties may create an unrealistic picture of which variables can effectively predict per capita income. Future research would benefit from a larger dataset that includes information on more counties

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(https://stat.ethz.ch/R-manual/R-devel/library/base/html/merge.html).

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note: class materials and office hours were also used as resources

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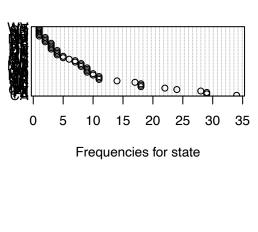
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2. https://stat.ethz.ch/R-manual/R-devel/library/base/html/merge.html
3. https://tidyr.tidyverse.org/reference/pivot_wider.html
library(Hmisc)
## Loading required package: lattice
## Loading required package: survival
## Loading required package: Formula
## Loading required package: ggplot2
## Attaching package: 'Hmisc'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
      format.pval, units
library(dplyr)
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:Hmisc':
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##
      src, summarize
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
      filter, lag
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
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##
      intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
cdi = read.csv("cdi.dat", header=TRUE, sep=" ")
lapply(cdi, summary)
## $id
##
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
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##
          110.8
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                                 330.2
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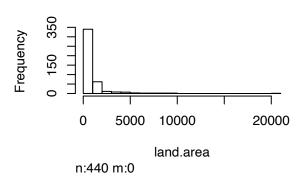
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## $state
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## ND NE NH NJ NM NV NY OH OK OR PA RI SC SD TN TX UT VA VT WA WI WV
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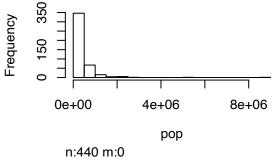
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##
## $land.area
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
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##
     15.0 451.2 656.5 1041.4 946.8 20062.0
##
##
## $pop
##
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
   100043 139027 217280 393011 436064 8863164
##
## $pop.18_34
##
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
                                            Max.
##
    16.40
          26.20
                   28.10
                           28.57
                                   30.02
                                           49.70
##
## $pop.65_plus
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
##
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
##
    3.000 9.875 11.750 12.170 13.625 33.800
##
## $doctors
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
##
##
     39.0 182.8 401.0
                           988.0 1036.0 23677.0
##
## $hosp.beds
##
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
##
     92.0 390.8
                  755.0 1458.6 1575.8 27700.0
##
## $crimes
##
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
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##
      563
             6220
                   11820
                           27112
                                   26280 688936
##
## $pct.hs.grad
##
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
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##
    46.60 73.88
                  77.70
                           77.56 82.40
                                           92.90
##
## $pct.bach.deg
##
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
                                           Max.
##
     8.10 15.28
                  19.70
                           21.08 25.32
                                          52.30
##
## $pct.below.pov
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
##
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
                                            Max.
##
    1.400 5.300
                   7.900
                           8.721 10.900 36.300
##
## $pct.unemp
##
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
                                            Max.
##
    2.200 5.100
                   6.200
                           6.597
                                   7.500 21.300
##
## $per.cap.income
##
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
                                            Max.
##
     8899 16118
                  17759
                           18561
                                   20270
                                          37541
##
## $tot.income
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
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     Min. 1st Qu. Median
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##
     1141
            2311
                    3857
                                    8654 184230
##
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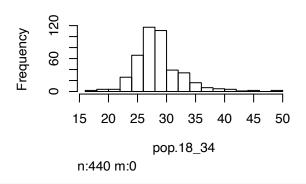
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## NC NE
            S
               W
## 108 103 152 77
which(is.na(cdi)==TRUE)
## integer(0)
#there doesn't seem to be any missing data
summary(cdi)
##
                                       state
                                                   land.area
         id
                          county
   Min. : 1.0
                   Jefferson: 7
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                     Mean : 27112
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  pct.below.pov
                     pct.unemp
                                    per.cap.income
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                                                     tot.income
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##
hist.data.frame(cdi[,3:6])
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\$region

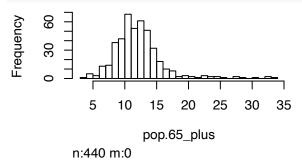


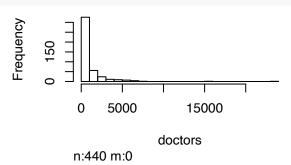


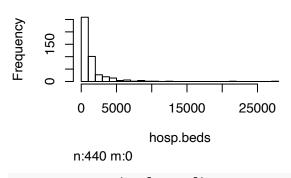


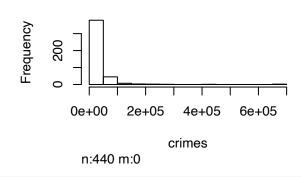


hist.data.frame(cdi[,7:10])

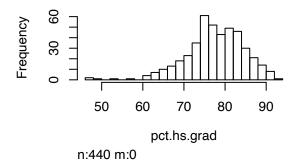


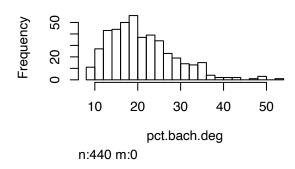


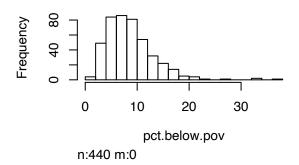


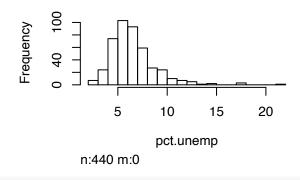


hist.data.frame(cdi[,11:14])

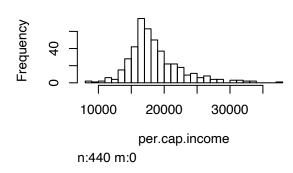


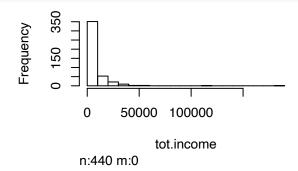


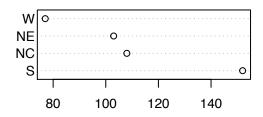




hist.data.frame(cdi[,15:17])

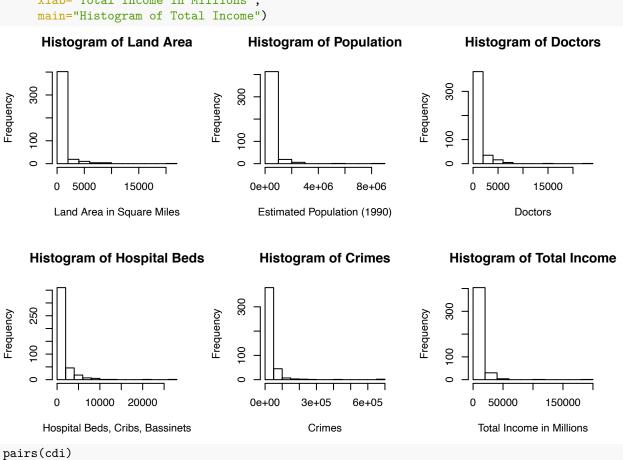






Frequencies for region

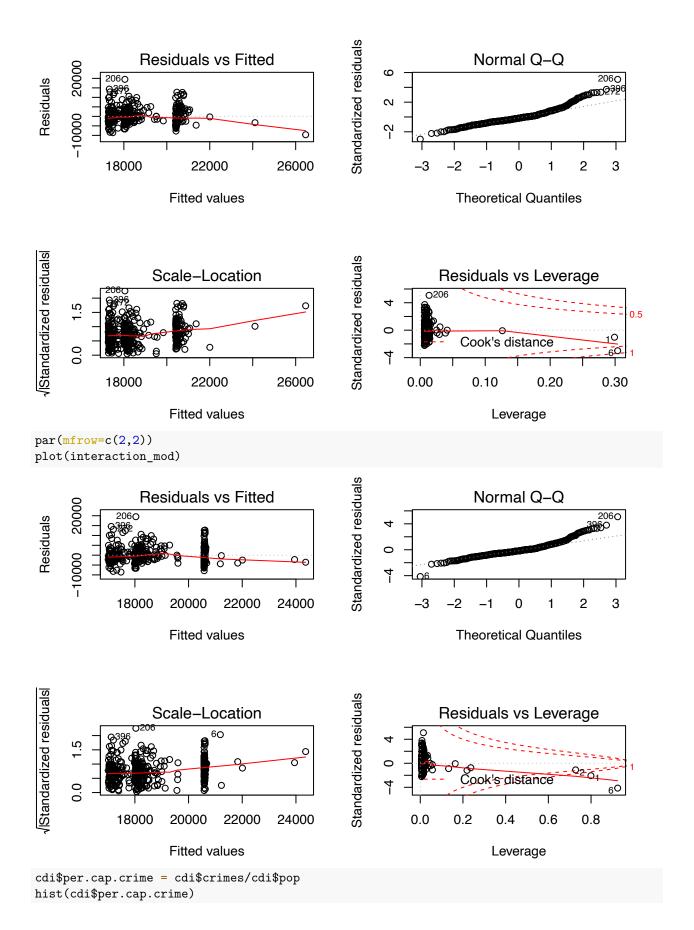
```
xlab="Estimated Population (1990)",
    main="Histogram of Population")
hist(cdi$doctors,
    xlab="Doctors",
    main="Histogram of Doctors")
hist(cdi$hosp.beds,
    xlab="Hospital Beds, Cribs, Bassinets",
    main="Histogram of Hospital Beds")
hist(cdi$crimes,
    xlab="Crimes",
    main="Histogram of Crimes")
hist(cdi$tot.income,
    xlab="Total Income in Millions",
    main="Histogram of Total Income")
```



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cor(cdi$tot.income, cdi$hosp.beds)
## [1] 0.9020615
cor(cdi$tot.income, cdi$crimes)
## [1] 0.843098
#untransformed data
simple_mod = lm(per.cap.income~crimes+region, data=cdi)
interaction_mod = lm(per.cap.income~crimes+region+crimes:region, data=cdi)
summary(simple_mod)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = per.cap.income ~ crimes + region, data = cdi)
## Residuals:
              1Q Median
      Min
                            3Q
                                   Max
## -9661.0 -2260.7 -618.3 1650.0 19492.6
##
## Coefficients:
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 1.811e+04 3.784e+02 47.846 < 2e-16 ***
## crimes
              8.915e-03 3.188e-03
                                   2.797
                                         0.00539 **
              2.286e+03 5.325e+02
## regionNE
                                   4.293 2.17e-05 ***
## regionS
             -8.606e+02 4.868e+02 -1.768
                                        0.07782 .
## regionW
             -1.428e+02 5.796e+02 -0.246 0.80548
## ---
```

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

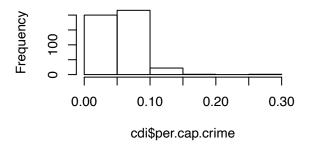
```
##
## Residual standard error: 3866 on 435 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.1011, Adjusted R-squared: 0.09288
## F-statistic: 12.24 on 4 and 435 DF, p-value: 1.946e-09
summary(interaction_mod) #interaction term does not seem to be significant
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = per.cap.income ~ crimes + region + crimes:region,
##
      data = cdi)
##
## Residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                               ЗQ
                                      Max
## -8582.4 -2225.2 -676.2 1563.4 19504.7
##
## Coefficients:
##
                    Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                   1.800e+04 4.092e+02 43.995 < 2e-16 ***
## crimes
                   1.361e-02 7.882e-03 1.726 0.0851 .
                   2.573e+03 5.736e+02 4.487 9.28e-06 ***
## regionNE
                  -1.056e+03 5.606e+02 -1.884
## regionS
                                                 0.0602 .
## regionW
                  -5.654e+01 6.372e+02 -0.089
                                                 0.9293
## crimes:regionNE -1.272e-02 9.677e-03 -1.314
                                                 0.1895
## crimes:regionS
                 6.348e-03 1.136e-02 0.559
                                                 0.5765
## crimes:regionW -4.295e-03 9.486e-03 -0.453
                                                 0.6509
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 3861 on 432 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.1099, Adjusted R-squared: 0.09543
## F-statistic: 7.616 on 7 and 432 DF, p-value: 1.122e-08
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(simple_mod)
```



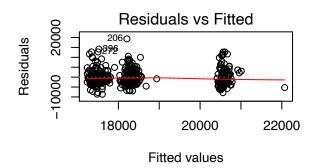
```
pcc_mod = lm(per.cap.income~per.cap.crime+region, data=cdi)
pcc_interaction_mod = lm(per.cap.income~per.cap.crime+region+per.cap.crime:region, data=cdi)
summary(pcc_mod)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = per.cap.income ~ per.cap.crime + region, data = cdi)
## Residuals:
##
     Min
             1Q Median
                           3Q
                                 Max
##
   -8634 -2300 -631 1710 19332
##
## Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
                            537.04 33.528 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept)
                18006.04
## per.cap.crime 5773.20
                            7520.41
                                     0.768
                                              0.4431
## regionNE
                 2354.70
                            541.97
                                      4.345 1.74e-05 ***
## regionS
                 -927.45
                             512.31 -1.810
                                             0.0709 .
## regionW
                  -34.92
                             586.03 -0.060
                                              0.9525
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 3898 on 435 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.08622,
                                   Adjusted R-squared: 0.07782
## F-statistic: 10.26 on 4 and 435 DF, p-value: 6.007e-08
summary(pcc_interaction_mod)
##
## lm(formula = per.cap.income ~ per.cap.crime + region + per.cap.crime:region,
##
      data = cdi)
##
## Residuals:
               1Q Median
##
      Min
                               3Q
## -8637.7 -2333.9 -629.5 1759.1 19515.6
##
## Coefficients:
##
                         Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                          18077.3
                                       895.2 20.193 <2e-16 ***
## per.cap.crime
                           4379.1
                                     15893.5 0.276
                                                       0.783
## regionNE
                           2329.0
                                      1101.4
                                             2.115
                                                       0.035 *
                                      1323.8 -0.763
## regionS
                          -1010.4
                                                       0.446
## regionW
                           -670.0
                                     1983.9 -0.338
                                                       0.736
## per.cap.crime:regionNE
                            288.4
                                     20184.7 0.014
                                                       0.989
                                     20556.1
                                               0.076
                                                       0.940
## per.cap.crime:regionS
                           1558.9
## per.cap.crime:regionW
                          10655.5
                                     32322.4
                                             0.330
                                                       0.742
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 3911 on 432 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.08648,
                                   Adjusted R-squared: 0.07168
## F-statistic: 5.842 on 7 and 432 DF, p-value: 1.713e-06
```

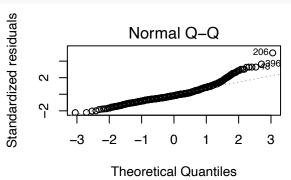
par(mfrow=c(2,2))

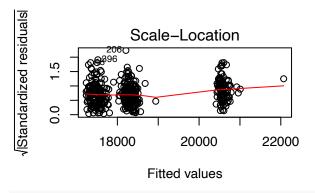
Histogram of cdi\$per.cap.crime

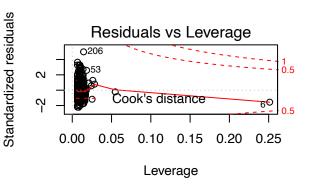


plot(pcc_mod)

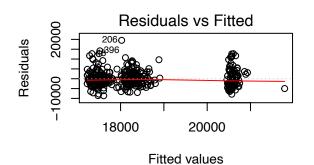


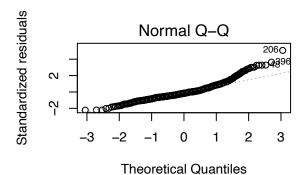


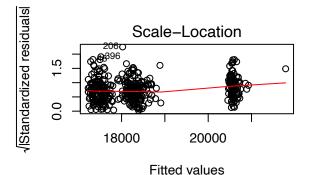


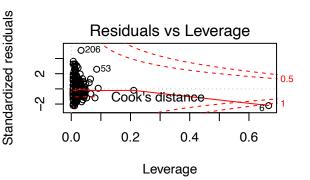


par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(pcc_interaction_mod)



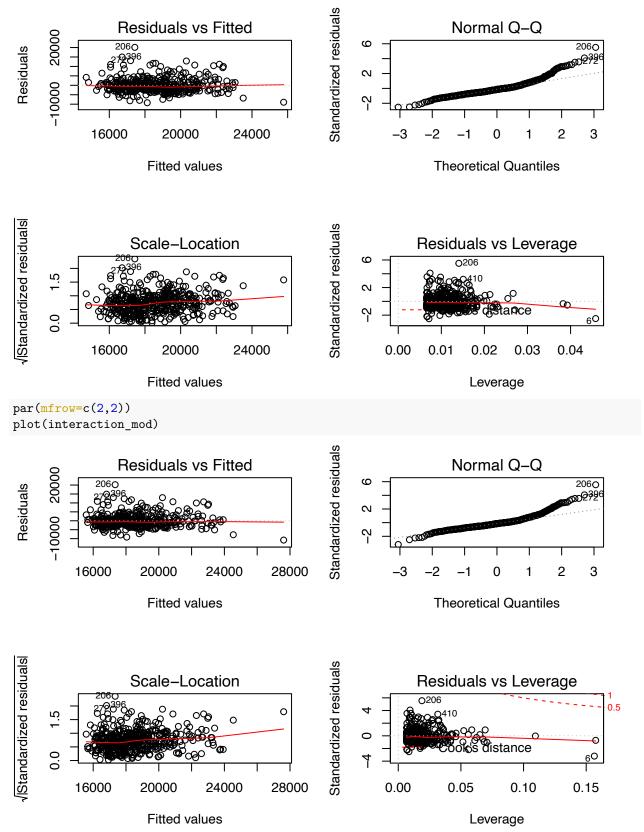






```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = per.cap.income ~ crimes + region, data = cdi_transformed)
##
## Residuals:
       Min
##
                1Q
                    Median
                                 3Q
                                        Max
##
  -9229.2 -2183.6
                   -502.4
                           1339.3 20110.9
##
## Coefficients:
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
                                      4.342 1.76e-05 ***
                 6870.8
                            1582.5
## (Intercept)
## crimes
                 1237.3
                              167.0
                                      7.411 6.61e-13 ***
## regionNE
                 2284.9
                             506.2
                                      4.514 8.21e-06 ***
## regionS
                -1354.4
                             468.3 -2.892 0.00402 **
                             558.5 -1.376 0.16968
## regionW
                 -768.2
## ---
```

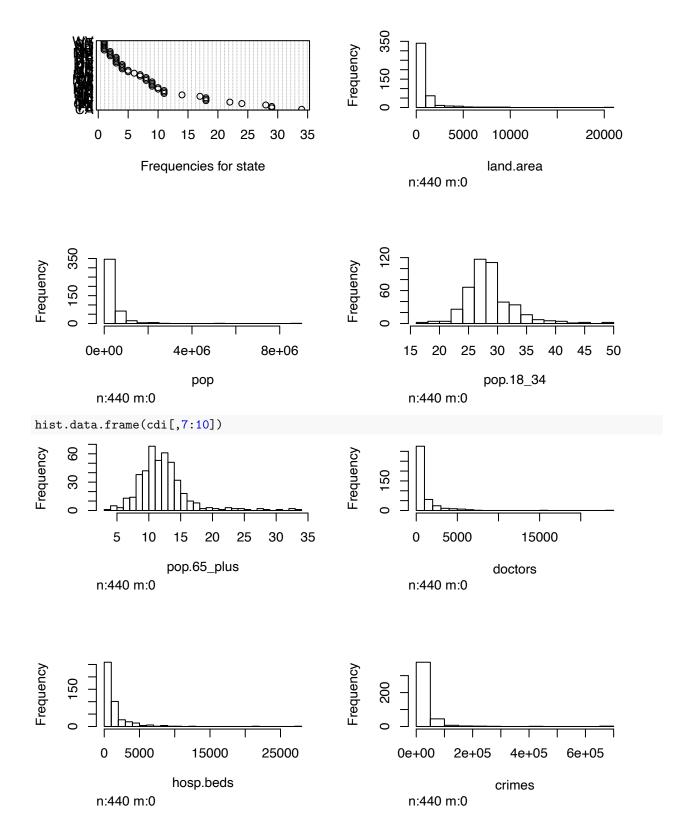
```
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 3676 on 435 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.1875, Adjusted R-squared: 0.1801
## F-statistic: 25.1 on 4 and 435 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
summary(interaction_mod) #interaction term does not seem to be significant
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = per.cap.income ~ crimes + region + crimes:region,
      data = cdi_transformed)
##
## Residuals:
     Min
             1Q Median
                          3Q
                                Max
## -10810 -2127 -533
                       1187 20202
##
## Coefficients:
                  Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                  9634.8 2888.0 3.336 0.000923 ***
## (Intercept)
## crimes
                              310.3 3.024 0.002648 **
                    938.1
                             4262.1 -1.066 0.286870
## regionNE
                   -4544.8
                   -2595.4
## regionS
                              4201.9 -0.618 0.537117
## regionW
                   -4784.6
                              4846.6 -0.987 0.324093
## crimes:regionNE
                     738.8
                               457.8 1.614 0.107313
                                      0.321 0.748223
## crimes:regionS
                     141.8
                               441.4
## crimes:regionW
                     426.0
                               499.8
                                      0.852 0.394467
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 3676 on 432 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.1931, Adjusted R-squared: 0.1801
## F-statistic: 14.77 on 7 and 432 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(simple_mod)
```



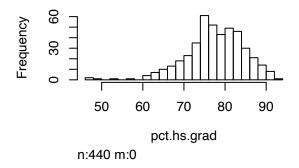
Untransformed Data:/ Looking at the simple linear model of per capita income vs crime and region, it appears that for every additional crime committed, one would expect a 8.915e-03 dollar increase in per capita

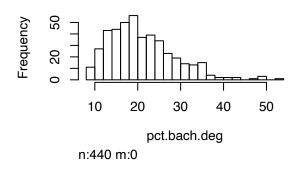
income. When the same regression is run using per capita crime in place of crime, the per capita crime coefficient is not counted as significant. Further, including interactions between the two predictors included in each model does not seem to be significant. Since the response variable is per capita, it would follow that one would want the predictor variable to also be per capita. Therefore, of the two basic models fit (predicting per capita income by crime or per capita crime), it seems that the model using per capita crime more aptly captures the true relationship (or lack thereof) between per capita income and crime rate. This being said, looking at the diagnostic plots of all four models fit above, there seems to be other underlying relationships that the models do not account for (variance is not constant in residual and standardized residual plots). / Transformed Data:/ Of models fit on the transformed data, the simple linear model predicting per capita income by log of total crime and region seems to produce the most significant results, with all of the predictors (barring regionW) having p-values < .05. Of the six models fit (on untransformed and transformed data), this model is the only one that shows a significant relationship between (almost all of) the predictors of interest and per capita income. Note, diagnostic plots of models fit on transformed data seem to adhere to model assumptions relatively well.

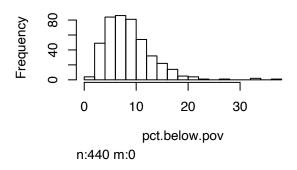
```
##
## Attaching package: 'MASS'
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##
       select
library(dplyr)
library(car)
## Loading required package: carData
##
## Attaching package: 'car'
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##
       recode
library(leaps)
hist.data.frame(cdi[,3:6])
```

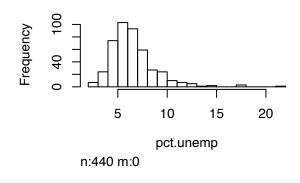


hist.data.frame(cdi[,11:14])

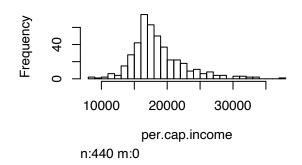


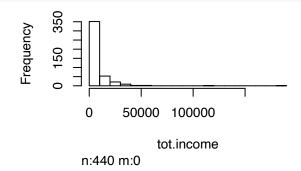


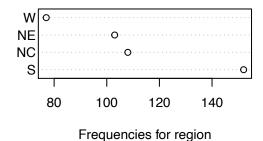


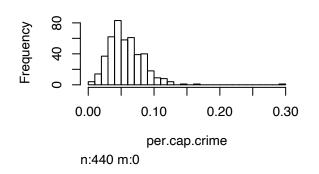


hist.data.frame(cdi[,15:18])

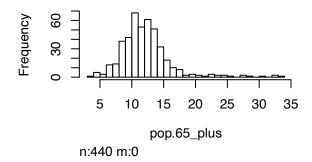


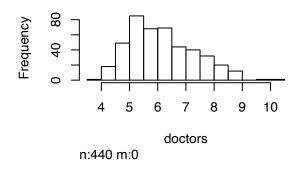


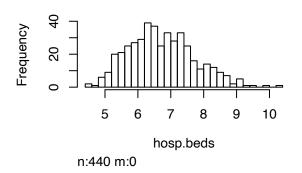


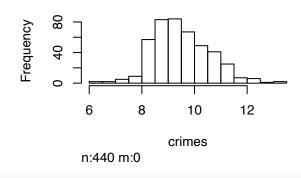


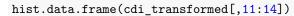
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hosp.beds = log(hosp.beds),
          crimes = log(crimes),
         tot.income = log(tot.income))
hist.data.frame(cdi_transformed[,3:6])
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hist.data.frame(cdi_transformed[,7:10])
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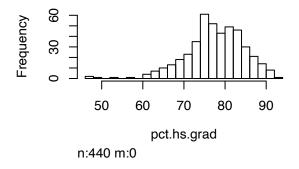


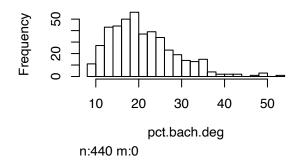


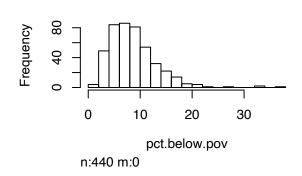


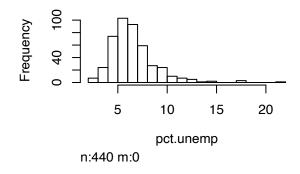




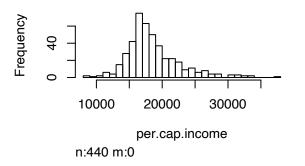


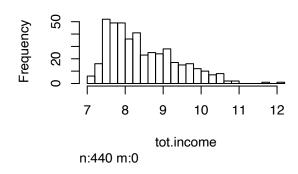


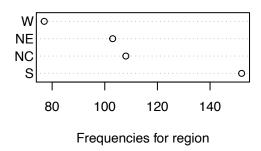


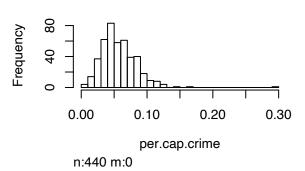


hist.data.frame(cdi_transformed[,15:18])









cor(cdi_transformed\$pct.hs.grad, cdi_transformed\$pct.bach.deg)

[1] 0.7077867

summary(cdi\$state)

```
## AL AR AZ CA CO CT DC DE FL GA HI ID IL IN KS KY LA MA MD ME MI MN MO MS MT NC
## 7 2 5 34 9 8 1 2 29 9 3 1 17 14 4 3 9 11 10 5 18 7 8 3 1 18
## ND NE NH NJ NM NV NY OH OK OR PA RI SC SD TN TX UT VA VT WA WI WV
## 1 3 4 18 2 2 22 24 4 6 29 3 11 1 8 28 4 9 1 10 11 1

cdi_transformed = cdi_transformed %>%
    mutate(id = NULL, #removed since does not add to analytical ability of dataset
        county = NULL, #removed since does not add to analytical ability of dataset
        state = NULL, #removed since some states had very few or no observations
        pop = NULL, #removed since per capita income = total income/population
        tot.income = NULL, #removed since per capita income = total income/population
```

crimes=NULL) #removed since per capita crime was added to dataset

(apply(cdi_transformed, 2, function(x) {which(is.infinite(x))}))

integer(0)

pairs(cdi_transformed)

```
t.bach.d
                                                     t.below.p
                                                            ct.unem
                                                                   .cap.inco
                                                                                 r.cap.crir
   3 7
                 5 25
                                5 8
                                             10 50
                                                            5
                                                              20
                                                                         1.0 3.5
colnames(cdi_transformed[ ,c(which(vif(lm(per.cap.income~.,
       data=cdi_transformed))[,1]>5))])
## [1] "doctors"
                     "hosp.beds"
#signs of multicollinearity
cor(cdi_transformed$pct.bach.deg, cdi_transformed$pct.hs.grad)
```

5 30

10000

0.00

[1] 0.7077867

20 45

4 8

50 90

Note, while the correlation between pct.bach.deg and pct.hs.grad is quite high (.7078), both variables were left in the transformed dataset. This decision was made under the assumption that pct.bach.deg acts as a subset of pct.hs.grad, allowing the two variables to behave similar to factors of education.

```
#simple model
cdi_subsets_mod = regsubsets(per.cap.income~.-region,
                              data=cdi_transformed,
                              nvmax = 12)
coef(cdi_subsets_mod, which.min(summary(cdi_subsets_mod)$bic))
##
     (Intercept)
                      land.area
                                    pop.18_34
                                                     doctors
                                                                pct.hs.grad
##
      28748.6035
                      -683.8873
                                    -300.3892
                                                   1000.9013
                                                                  -116.8039
##
    pct.bach.deg pct.below.pov
                                    pct.unemp
        371.0053
                      -427.2673
                                     251.4416
##
#checking BIC value for simple model
BIC(lm(per.cap.income~land.area+
         pop.18_34+
         doctors+
         pct.hs.grad+
```

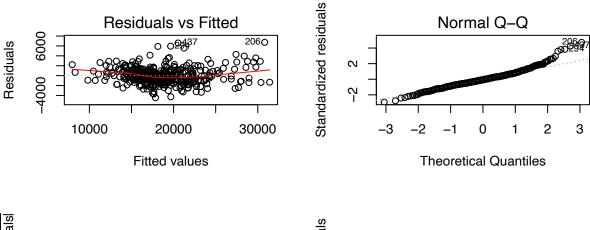
```
pct.bach.deg+
          pct.below.pov+
          pct.unemp,
        data=cdi_transformed))
## [1] 7847.685
#checking for collinearity in simple model
which(vif(lm(per.cap.income~., data=cdi_transformed))>5)
## [1] 4 5
subsets_mod = lm(per.cap.income~land.area+
          pop.18_34+
          doctors+
          pct.hs.grad+
          pct.bach.deg+
          pct.below.pov+
          pct.unemp,
        data=cdi_transformed)
which(vif(subsets_mod)>5)
## named integer(0)
#checking model assumptions for simple model
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(subsets_mod)
                                                     Standardized residuals
                                                                         Normal Q-Q
     10000
                 Residuals vs Fitted
                                       2060
                                                                                               2060
Residuals
                                                          \alpha
                                         000
     -5000
                                                          Ŋ
              10000
                           20000
                                                                                            2
                                                                                                 3
                                        30000
                      Fitted values
                                                                       Theoretical Quantiles
/Standardized residuals
                                                     Standardized residuals
                   Scale-Location
                                                                    Residuals vs Leverage
      1.5
                                                                                        <sub>337</sub>3030
                                                                                   0 0
                                                                             s distance
      0.0
              10000
                           20000
                                        30000
                                                              0.00
                                                                         0.04
                                                                                     0.08
                                                                                                0.12
                      Fitted values
                                                                             Leverage
#summary of simple model
summary(subsets_mod)
```

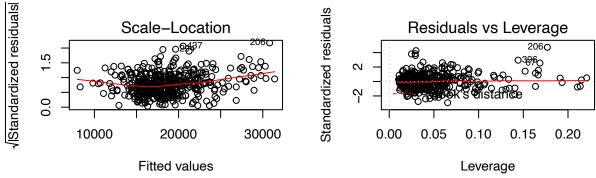
```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = per.cap.income ~ land.area + pop.18 34 + doctors +
      pct.hs.grad + pct.bach.deg + pct.below.pov + pct.unemp, data = cdi_transformed)
##
##
## Residuals:
               10 Median
                               30
      Min
                                      Max
## -5688.4 -1015.1 -123.4
                            892.2 8260.0
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                           1944.84 14.782 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept)
                28748.60
## land.area
                 -683.89
                              99.76 -6.855 2.47e-11 ***
## pop.18_34
                              23.21 -12.942 < 2e-16 ***
                 -300.39
## doctors
                 1000.90
                              83.92 11.926 < 2e-16 ***
## pct.hs.grad
                 -116.80
                              22.60 -5.168 3.63e-07 ***
                              19.31 19.214 < 2e-16 ***
## pct.bach.deg
                  371.01
## pct.below.pov -427.27
                              26.28 -16.258 < 2e-16 ***
## pct.unemp
                  251.44
                              45.47
                                      5.530 5.56e-08 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 1713 on 432 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8248, Adjusted R-squared: 0.822
## F-statistic: 290.6 on 7 and 432 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Based on the above diagnostic plots, one can see that model assumptions are met for the most part by the simple (non-interaction) model. Residuals are centered around 0 with relatively constant variance above and below the x-axis. The normal q-q plot shows a pretty straight line, with slight deviation around tails. Standardized residuals seem somewhat centered around 1 and all except one point are in the acceptable [-2,2] range. The leverage plot does not denote any points with exceptionally high Cook's distance values (all points have values < .5).

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = per.cap.income ~ land.area + pop.18_34 + doctors +
       pct.hs.grad + pct.bach.deg + pct.below.pov + region + pct.hs.grad:region +
##
##
       pct.bach.deg:region + pct.below.pov:region + pct.bach.deg:pct.below.pov,
##
       data = cdi_transformed)
##
## Coefficients:
##
                  (Intercept)
                                                  land.area
##
                    30493.952
                                                   -653.641
##
                    pop.18_34
                                                   doctors
```

```
-291.409
                                                    979.173
##
##
                  pct.hs.grad
                                              pct.bach.deg
                      -106.827
##
                                                    321.733
                pct.below.pov
##
                                                   regionNE
##
                      -260.607
                                                    707.388
##
                       regionS
                                                    regionW
##
                     -9533.428
                                                  20392.519
                                       pct.hs.grad:regionS
##
         pct.hs.grad:regionNE
##
                       -54.776
                                                     92.873
##
                                     pct.bach.deg:regionNE
          pct.hs.grad:regionW
##
                      -283.267
                                                    187.640
         pct.bach.deg:regionS
##
                                      pct.bach.deg:regionW
##
                        26.891
                                                    201.069
       pct.below.pov:regionNE
##
                                     pct.below.pov:regionS
##
                       -29.571
                                                    161.097
##
        pct.below.pov:regionW
                                pct.bach.deg:pct.below.pov
##
                      -219.626
                                                     -9.588
#checking BIC value for interaction model
BIC(cdi_sw_t_mod)
## [1] 7831.622
#checking for collinearity in interaction model
which(vif(cdi_sw_t_mod)[,1]>5)
##
                  pct.hs.grad
                                             pct.bach.deg
##
                                                         5
##
                pct.below.pov
                                                    region
##
                             6
                                                         7
##
           pct.hs.grad:region
                                      pct.bach.deg:region
##
##
         pct.below.pov:region pct.bach.deg:pct.below.pov
##
                                                        11
#checking model assumptions for interaction model
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(cdi_sw_t_mod)
```





#summary of interaction model summary(cdi_sw_t_mod)

```
##
## Call:
   lm(formula = per.cap.income ~ land.area + pop.18_34 + doctors +
       pct.hs.grad + pct.bach.deg + pct.below.pov + region + pct.hs.grad:region +
##
##
       pct.bach.deg:region + pct.below.pov:region + pct.bach.deg:pct.below.pov,
       data = cdi_transformed)
##
##
##
  Residuals:
##
       Min
                                 3Q
                1Q
                    Median
                                        Max
   -4460.0
                      -95.3
##
            -919.5
                              759.2
                                     6727.8
##
##
  Coefficients:
##
                                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                               30493.952
                                            5098.626
                                                       5.981 4.75e-09 ***
## land.area
                                                     -5.855 9.62e-09 ***
                                -653.641
                                             111.633
## pop.18_34
                                -291.409
                                              23.441 -12.432
                                                             < 2e-16 ***
## doctors
                                 979.173
                                              86.659
                                                      11.299
                                                              < 2e-16 ***
## pct.hs.grad
                                -106.827
                                              65.250
                                                      -1.637 0.102337
## pct.bach.deg
                                 321.733
                                              42.879
                                                       7.503 3.75e-13 ***
## pct.below.pov
                                              80.260
                                                      -3.247 0.001260 **
                                -260.607
## regionNE
                                 707.388
                                            6082.532
                                                       0.116 0.907472
## regionS
                               -9533.428
                                            5546.773
                                                      -1.719 0.086400 .
## regionW
                                                       3.155 0.001722 **
                               20392.519
                                            6464.088
## pct.hs.grad:regionNE
                                 -54.776
                                              80.428
                                                      -0.681 0.496210
## pct.hs.grad:regionS
                                  92.873
                                              73.408
                                                       1.265 0.206516
## pct.hs.grad:regionW
                                -283.267
                                              80.297
                                                      -3.528 0.000465 ***
```

```
## pct.bach.deg:regionNE
                                187.640
                                            51.710
                                                     3.629 0.000320 ***
## pct.bach.deg:regionS
                                 26.891
                                            45.461
                                                     0.592 0.554486
## pct.bach.deg:regionW
                                            52.591
                                201.069
                                                     3.823 0.000152 ***
## pct.below.pov:regionNE
                                -29.571
                                            94.345
                                                    -0.313 0.754108
## pct.below.pov:regionS
                                161.097
                                            75.687
                                                     2.128 0.033880 *
## pct.below.pov:regionW
                                           108.255
                                                    -2.029 0.043111 *
                               -219.626
## pct.bach.deg:pct.below.pov
                                                    -3.762 0.000192 ***
                                 -9.588
                                             2.548
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 1570 on 420 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8569, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8505
## F-statistic: 132.4 on 19 and 420 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Looking at the diagnostic plots above, it appears that assumptions are relatively well met by the more complex interaction model. Residuals seem centered around 0 with relatively constant variance around the x-axis. The normal q-q plot shows a pretty straight line with variance around the tails (especially on the upper tail, suggesting data may be skewed right). Standardized residuals center loosely around 1 and most points fall within the acceptable [-2,2] range (visually, there seems to be two points that fall outside of this range). The leverage plot does not show any points with exceptionally high leverage, with all points having Cook's distance values < .5.

```
##
   NC NE
            S
                W
## 108 103 152
              77
table(cdi$state)
##
## AL AR AZ CA CO CT DC DE FL GA HI ID IL IN KS KY LA MA MD ME MI MN MO MS MT NC
                 8
                    1
                       2 29
                              9
                                 3
                                    1 17 14
         5 34
              9
                                             4
                                                3
                                                   9 11 10
                                                            5 18
                                                                 7
## ND NE NH NJ NM NV NY OH OK OR PA RI SC SD TN TX UT VA VT WA WI WV
      3 4 18 2 2 22 24 4
                              6 29
                                    3 11
                                          1
                                             8 28
                                                  4 9
table(cdi$state, cdi_transformed$region)
```

```
##
     KY 0 0
              3
                 0
##
    LA O O
              9
                 0
##
    MA
        0 11
              0
                 0
##
    MD
        0
           0 10
                 0
##
    ME O
           5
              0
                 0
##
    MI 18
           0
              0
                 0
##
        7
           0
    MN
              0
                 0
##
    МО
        8
           0
              0
                 0
##
    MS
        0
           0
              3
                 0
##
    MT
        0
           0
              0
                 1
##
    NC
        0
           0 18
                 0
##
    ND
        1
           0
              0
                 0
##
    NE
        3
           0
              0
                 0
##
    NH
        0
           4
              0
                 0
##
    NJ
        0 18
              0
                 0
##
    NM
                 2
        0
           0
              0
##
    NV
        0 0
              0
                 2
##
    NY 0 22
              0
                 0
##
    OH 24
           0
              0
                 0
##
        0
           0
    OK
              4
                 0
##
    OR O
           0
              0
                 6
##
    PA
        0 29
              0
                 0
##
    RI
        0 3
              0
                 0
##
    SC
        0
           0 11
                 0
##
    SD
        1
           0
              0
                 0
##
    TN
        0
           0
              8
                 0
##
     ΤX
        0
           0 28
                 0
##
     UT
        0
           0
              0
                 4
##
     VA
        0
           0
              9
                 0
##
     VT
        0
           1
              0
                 0
##
        0
           0
              0 10
     WA
##
    WI 11
           0
              0
                 0
##
    WV
        0
           0
              1
                 0
```