

# Statistical and Econometric Methods for Transportation Data Analysis

## Chapter 11 – Count Data Models

### Example 11.6

#### Count Data – Zero-Inflated Models

You are given 204 observations from a travel survey conducted in the Seattle metropolitan area. The purpose of the survey was to study the number of times (per week) commuters' delayed their departure time on their work-to-home trip to avoid traffic congestion. The data are non-negative integers and are thus well suited to the Poisson regression approach. You are estimating a parameter vector  $\beta$  such that:

$$\lambda = EXP(\beta X)$$

where  $\lambda$  is the Poisson parameter that in this case is the expected number of departure changes per week.

Recall that in Example 11.3 we used variable X2 (see next page) to eliminate people in the sample that said they never delayed (leaving just 96 observations). In this assignment, use the full 204 observations and explore various zero-inflated Poisson (ZIP) and zero-inflated negative binomial (ZINB) possibilities.

Include a discussion of your findings with the various model forms and a select and discuss what you believe to be your best model.

Variables available for your specification are (file Ex11-6.txt)

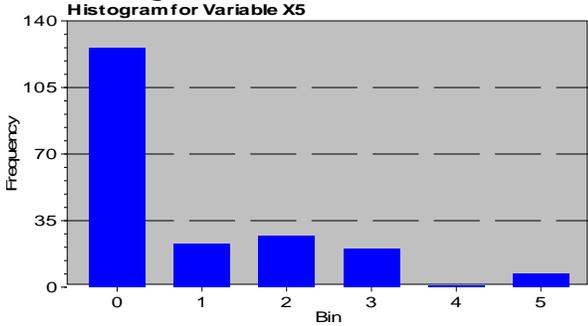
| Variable Number | Explanation   |
|-----------------|---|
| x1              | Household number  |
| x2              | Do you ever delay work-to-home departure to avoid traffic congestion? 1=yes, 0=no                                       |
| x3              | If sometimes delay, on average how many minutes do you delay?   |
| x4              | If sometimes delay, do you 1-perform additional work, 2-engage in non-work activities, or 3-do both?                    |
| x5              | If sometimes delay, how many times have you delayed in the past week?   |
| x6              | Mode of transportation used work-to-home: 1-car SOV, 2-carpool, 3-vanpool, 4-bus, 5 other.                              |
| x7              | Primary route (work-to-home): 1-I90, 2-I5, 3-SR520, 4-I405, 5-other   |
| x8              | Do you generally encounter traffic congestion on you work-to-home trip? 1=yes, 2=no                                     |
| x9              | Age: 1-(<25), 2-(26-30), 3-(31-35), 4-(36-40), 5-(41-45), 6-(46-50), 7-(>50)  |
| x10             | Gender: 1-male, 0-female  |
| x11             | Number of cars in household   |
| x12             | Number of children in household   |
| x13             | Income: 1 - less than 20000, 2 - 20000 to 29999, 3 - 30000 to 39999, 4 - 40000 to 49999, 5 - 50000 to 59999, 6 - >60000 |
| x14             | Do you have flexible work hours? 1=yes, 0=no  |
| x15             | Distance from work to home (in miles)   |
| x16             | Face LOS D or worse? 1=yes, 0=no  |
| x17             | Ratio of actual travel time to free-flow travel time  |
| x18             | Population of work zone   |
| x19             | Retail employment in work zone  |
| x20             | Service employment in work zone   |
| x21             | Size of work zone (in acres)  |

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--> RESET
--> read;nvar=21;nobs=204;file=D:Ex11-6.txt$
--> create;if(x7=3)sr520=1$
--> create;if(x7=2)I5=1$
--> create;if(x13=6)highinc=1$
--> create;if(x6=1)sov=1$
--> dstat;rhs=x5$
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Descriptive Statistics  
All results based on nonmissing observations.

| Variable | Mean           | Std.Dev.       | Minimum        | Maximum        | Cases |
|----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------|
| X5       | .862745098D+00 | .131335854D+01 | .000000000D+00 | .500000000D+01 | 204   |

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--> histogram;rhs=x5$
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--> poisson;lhs=x5
;rhs=one,sr520,x14,x15,x17
;zip
;limit=6;truncation;upper$
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Normal exit from iterations. Exit status=0.

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| Zero Altered Poisson      Regression Model
| Logistic distribution used for splitting model.
| ZAP term in probability is F[tau x ln LAMBDA]
| Comparison of estimated models
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| Pr[0|means]      Number of zeros      Log-likelihood
| Poisson          .56606      Act.= 126 Prd.= 115.5      -226.14085
| Z.I.Poisson      .46033      Act.= 126 Prd.= 93.9      -199.33319
| Note, the ZIP log-likelihood is not directly comparable.
| ZIP model with nonzero Q does not encompass the others.
| Vuong statistic for testing ZIP vs. unaltered model is      8.2473
| Distributed as standard normal. A value greater than
| +1.96 favors the zero altered Z.I.Poisson model.
| A value less than -1.96 rejects the ZIP model.
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| Variable                        | Coefficient      | Standard Error | b/St.Er. | P[ Z >z] | Mean of X |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Poisson/Negbin regression model |                  |                |          |          |           |
| Constant                        | -1.209309706     | .23735218      | -5.095   | .0000    |           |
| SR520                           | -.2495955115     | .76016669E-01  | -3.283   | .0010    | .13725490 |
| X14                             | -.5167564012E-01 | .55712270E-01  | -.928    | .3536    | .62254902 |
| X15                             | -.1333964424E-02 | .50948915E-02  | -.262    | .7935    | 7.1519608 |
| X17                             | .8695039383      | .14837588      | 5.860    | .0000    | 1.6107843 |
| Zero inflation model            |                  |                |          |          |           |
| Tau                             | -12.03260123     | 5.2865738      | -2.276   | .0228    |           |

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--> poisson;lhs=x5
;rhs=one,sr520,x14,x15,x17
;rh2=one,sov
;zip
;limit=6;truncation;upper$
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Zero Altered Poisson Regression Model
Logistic distribution used for splitting model.
ZAP term in probability is F[tau x Z(i) ]
Comparison of estimated models
      Pr[0|means]      Number of zeros      Log-likelihood
Poisson      .56606      Act.= 126 Prd.= 115.5      -226.14085
Z.I.Poisson  .56590      Act.= 126 Prd.= 115.4      -220.81374
Note, the ZIP log-likelihood is not directly comparable.
ZIP model with nonzero Q does not encompass the others.
Vuong statistic for testing ZIP vs. unaltered model is      1.8530
Distributed as standard normal. A value greater than
+1.96 favors the zero altered Z.I.Poisson model.
A value less than -1.96 rejects the ZIP model.
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| Variable                        | Coefficient     | Standard Error | b/St.Er. | P[ Z >z] | Mean of X |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Poisson/Negbin regression model |                 |                |          |          |           |
| Constant                        | -3.492857734    | .41471885      | -8.422   | .0000    |           |
| SR520                           | -.3855394991    | .22534217      | -1.711   | .0871    | .13725490 |
| X14                             | -.2250906578    | .14615471      | -1.540   | .1235    | .62254902 |
| X15                             | .3696268779E-01 | .17421499E-01  | 2.122    | .0339    | 7.1519608 |
| X17                             | 1.912795285     | .20605998      | 9.283    | .0000    | 1.6107843 |
| Zero inflation model            |                 |                |          |          |           |
| Constant                        | -.3772053113    | .46586747      | -.810    | .4181    |           |
| SOV                             | -2.324911731    | 1.4480426      | -1.606   | .1084    | .59313725 |

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--> poisson, lhs=x5
      ; rhs=one, sr520, x14, x15, x17
      ; zip
      ; model=N
      ; limit=6; truncation; upper$

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Zero Altered Neg.Binomial Regression Model
Logistic distribution used for splitting model.
ZAP term in probability is F[tau x ln LAMBDA]
Comparison of estimated models
      Pr[0|means]      Number of zeros      Log-likelihood
Poisson      .56606      Act.= 126 Prd.= 115.5      -226.14085
Neg. Bin.    .61350      Act.= 126 Prd.= 125.2      -220.68452
Z.I.Neg_Bin  .42579      Act.= 126 Prd.= 86.9      -198.31463
Note, the ZIP log-likelihood is not directly comparable.
ZIP model with nonzero Q does not encompass the others.
Vuong statistic for testing ZIP vs. unaltered model is      4.1446
Distributed as standard normal. A value greater than
+1.96 favors the zero altered Z.I.Neg_Bin model.
A value less than -1.96 rejects the ZIP model.
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| Variable                        | Coefficient      | Standard Error | b/St.Er. | P[ Z >z] | Mean of X |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Poisson/Negbin regression model |                  |                |          |          |           |
| Constant                        | -1.132160907     | .27064664      | -4.183   | .0000    |           |
| SR520                           | -.2347356955     | .77650707E-01  | -3.023   | .0025    | .13725490 |
| X14                             | -.3953279550E-01 | .51871475E-01  | -.762    | .4460    | .62254902 |
| X15                             | -.2433312602E-02 | .45159412E-02  | -.539    | .5900    | 7.1519608 |
| X17                             | .8299799896      | .18034207      | 4.602    | .0000    | 1.6107843 |
| Alpha                           | .1575228125      | .12823113      | 1.228    | .2193    |           |
| Zero inflation model            |                  |                |          |          |           |
| Tau                             | -15.58052825     | 7.7538129      | -2.009   | .0445    |           |

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--> poisson;lhs=x5
;rhs=one,sr520,x14,x15,x17
;rh2=one,sov
;zip=normal
;limit=6;truncation;upper$
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|--|-------------|-------|-----------------|-------|----------------|
| Zero Altered Poisson Regression Model                    |             |       |                 |       |                |
| Normal distribution used for splitting model.            |             |       |                 |       |                |
| ZAP term in probability is F[tau x Z(i) ]                |             |       |                 |       |                |
| Comparison of estimated models                           |             |       |                 |       |                |
|  | Pr[0 means] |       | Number of zeros |       | Log-likelihood |
| Poisson  | .56606      | Act.= | 126 Prd.=       | 115.5 | -226.14085     |
| Z.I.Poisson  | .57118      | Act.= | 126 Prd.=       | 116.5 | -220.81374     |
| Note, the ZIP log-likelihood is not directly comparable. |             |       |                 |       |                |
| ZIP model with nonzero Q does not encompass the others.  |             |       |                 |       |                |
| Vuong statistic for testing ZIP vs. unaltered model is   |             |       |                 |       | 1.8530         |
| Distributed as standard normal. A value greater than     |             |       |                 |       |                |
| +1.96 favors the zero altered Z.I.Poisson model.         |             |       |                 |       |                |
| A value less than -1.96 rejects the ZIP model.           |             |       |                 |       |                |

| Variable                        | Coefficient     | Standard Error | b/St.Er. | P[ Z >z] | Mean of X |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Poisson/Negbin regression model |                 |                |          |          |           |
| Constant                        | -3.492857740    | .41471885      | -8.422   | .0000    |           |
| SR520                           | -.3855394981    | .22534217      | -1.711   | .0871    | .13725490 |
| X14                             | -.2250906487    | .14615471      | -1.540   | .1235    | .62254902 |
| X15                             | .3696268826E-01 | .17421499E-01  | 2.122    | .0339    | 7.1519608 |
| X17                             | 1.912795283     | .20605998      | 9.283    | .0000    | 1.6107843 |
| Zero inflation model            |                 |                |          |          |           |
| Constant                        | -.2357815939    | .28973879      | -.814    | .4158    |           |
| SOV                             | -1.295511133    | .71119258      | -1.822   | .0685    | .59313725 |