gretl

version 1.9.7 for Mac OS X

GNU Regression, Econometrics and Time-series Library
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Installation

Gretl is distributed as a gzipped disk-image (`.dmg.gz`). Double-click to unzip it first. Once you have a `.dmg` file, double-click to mount the image, and open the image in the Finder. Then drag Gretl to somewhere suitable on your system (preferably your Applications folder). Once that is done, you can eject the disk image and delete the `.dmg` and `.dmg.gz` files.

If you already have an older version of Gretl installed, the update via dragging may fail. In that case you should open the Applications folder in the Finder, delete the Gretl item, then try the drag again.

To run gretl, double-click on the gretl program icon. You can drag this icon onto the dock if you want a quick launcher.

System requirements

This package was tested on Mac OS X 10.6.8 ("Snow Leopard") and is also known to work on OS X 10.7 ("Lion"). Hopefully it will work on later releases of OS X but it will probably not work on releases earlier than 10.4.

The package requires Apple's version of the X11 window system, which is automatically included in a current OS X installation; in older versions of OS X it is available as an optional install from the distribution DVD. It also requires the GTK+ Framework, which can be found at the following location:

http://sourceforge.net/projects/gretl/files/osx/GTK+.framework.dmg/download

Trouble-shooting

If double-clicking on the gretl icon doesn't work for you, try starting X11, opening an xterm, navigating into the bin folder inside Gretl.app, and executing gretl manually. That is, do something like:

```
cd /Applications/Gretl.app/Contents/Resources/bin
./gretl
```

Hopefully this will give you an informative error message.

If you are updating from a previous installation of gretl, it is possible that your recorded user preferences may be out of sync with current gretl. The fix for that is to delete your old preferences file. In an xterm window, do:

```
rm -f ~/.gretl2rc
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Documentation

When you start gretl, please consult the program's Help menu for documentation in various formats.

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