

How can I graph group means and standard deviations for ANOVA in Stata?

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In order to graph group means and standard deviations for ANOVA (Analysis of Variance) in Stata, first load the data set containing the variables of interest. Then, use the "graph bar" command to create a bar graph with the group means for each variable. Next, use the "graph twoway (bar mean) (rcap sd)" command to add error bars representing the standard deviations to the bar graph. Additionally, the "by" option can be used to create separate graphs for each group. This method allows for a visual representation of the differences in means and variability between groups, aiding in the interpretation of ANOVA results.

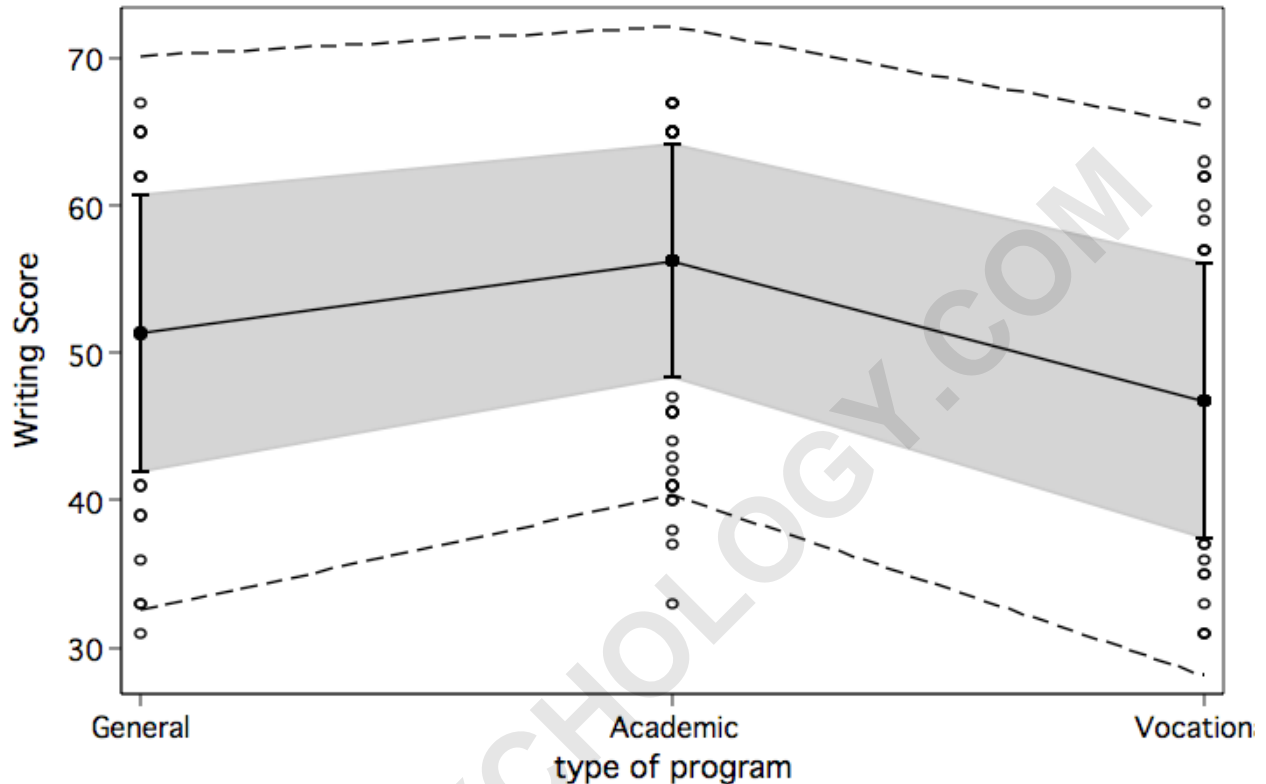
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A user-written command called `meansdplot` that will produce this type of graph. To get this program just type the following into the Stata command box and follow the instructions: search `meansdplot` (see [How can I use the search command to search for programs and get additional help?](#) for more information about using search).

For the first example, we will set the outer fence at 2 standard deviations to check for outliers. We will leave the inner fence at the default value of 1 standard deviation.

use <https://stats.idre.ucla.edu/stat/stata/notes/hsb2>,
clear

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meansdplot write prog, outer(2) xlabel(1 "General" 2
"Academic" 3 "Vocational") ylabel(30 40 50 60 70) ytitle(Writing Score)
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It is also possible to put marker labels on the values to identify the outliers. Don't worry about the labels which are all jumbled on top of one another, just look at the ones you can read clearly, like 126, 128 and 32.

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