Codebook for `jtpa.RData`

Sources

This JTPA data was assembled from multiple sources, namely data obtained in communication with Jeffrey Smith and Petra Todd and the National JTPA Study Public Use Data. The data obtained in communication with Jeffrey Smith and Petra Todd, referred to as `jtpatrt`, was used in Section 11 of Heckman et al. (1998). We merged this data with, and cross-checked (whenever possible) against, the Background Information Form (BIF) data for experimental units (`expbif` data) and the Long Baseline Survey of ENPs and experimental control units (`reglbs2a` data).

Background variables

- `bdif`: unique identifier for individuals
- `ra_stat`: treatment group
  - `1`: experimental treatment
  - `2`: experimental control
  - `0`: eligible participant (ENP)
- `demog`: demographic group
  - `1`: adult male
  - `2`: adult female
- `enroll`: enrollment indicator (`1` if enrolled, `0` otherwise); only defined for experimental treatment group
- `sex`: sex
  - `1`: male
  - `2`: female
- `age`: age at time of random assignment (in years)
- `race`: racial group
  - `1`: white
  - `2`: black
  - `3`: non-white Hispanic
  - `4`: Asian
  - `5`: other
- `site`: site / service delivery area acronym
  - `CC`: Corpus Christi, TX
  - `IN`: Fort Wayne, IN

    - `JC`: Jersey City, NJ
    - `PR`: Providence, RI
- `sitenum`: site / service delivery area number
    - `1`: Corpus Christi, TX
    - `5`: Fort Wayne, IN
    - `6`: Jersey City, NJ
    - `15`: Providence, RI
- `single`: single indicator (`1` if single, `0` otherwise); variable was imputed by Heckman et al. (1998), so may be between `0` and `1`

Earning outcomes

- `earn_[month]`, where `[month]` ranges from `-18` to `24`: monthly total earnings; earnings for months prior to month `0` are only available for the experimental control and ENP groups
- `sum_earn_1.18i`: sum of earnings from month `1` to month `18`, mean-imputed for missing months at an individual level

References

Heckman, James J, Hidehiko Ichimura, Jeffrey Smith, and Petra Todd. 1998. "Characterizing selection bias using experimental data." *Econometrica* 66:1017-1098.