Update your copy of *StataNow™* by simply typing **update all** in the *Stata* Command Window. The 18/02/2026 releases include the following features:

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- Win, Unix. When a file on disk is open in the Do-file Editor, the Do-file Editor will now prompt you if the contents of the file have been changed outside the Do-file Editor. Click on **OK** to reload the file, click on **Cancel** to ignore the changes and leave the open file as-is, or click on **Auto** to reload the file and automatically load changed files in the future. You may uncheck checkbox **Automatically reload when a file changes on disk** in the Do-file Editor's **Advanced** settings to always be prompted

  when a file changes on disk, or you may uncheck checkbox **Watch for changes to a file on disk** to stop watching for changes to files on disk. *Stata* for Mac already supports watching for changes to a file on disk. *Stata* for Windows has an additional checkbox **Watch for changes to a file on a network drive** to allow watching for changes to files on a network drive.

BUG FIXES

- The Java Development Kit (OpenJDK) that is redistributed with *Stata* is now updated to version 21.0.10+7-LTS acquired from Azul Systems.

- **bootstrap** and commands using option **vce(bootstrap)** when data were **xtset** with a specified period between observations using option **delta()**, failed to apply the specified value of **delta()** within each bootstrap sample, instead setting the value tothe default. This has been fixed.

- In the Data Editor, **browse** mode behavior was previously inconsistent in what was allowed and what was not. Going forward, all actions that could accidentally change the data, such as typing in various fields or keyboard shortcuts, will continue to be disallowed. All actions that are taken deliberately, such as overt menu actions, will now be allowed.

- **estat aggregation**, **estat ptrends**, and **estat moderation** after **xthdidregress twfe** formed Mundlak terms by averaging over the group variable instead of the panel variable, meaning that models were fit using group fixed effects instead of panel fixed effects as documented when the group variable was different from the panel variable. This has been fixed.

- **graph twoway bar** and **graph twoway rbar** with options **colorvar()** and **colorfillonly** drew an extra outline with the fill color around bars. This has been fixed.

- *(StataNow)* **xtreg, fe** with option **absorb(***varlist***, halperin)** could declare convergence prematurely when estimating the panel and residual variances, **sigma_u** and **sigma_e**. This occurred in numerically difficult situations where there were many absorbed variables. The numerical precision for these parameters was accurate to at least four digits. The model coefficients were not affected. This has been fixed.