

# Interpretation of Output – Grid and Point Stat

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# Point and Grid Stat Output Lines

- CTC - Contingency Table Counts
- CTS - Contingency Table Statistics
- CNT - Continuous Statistics
- FHO - Forecast, Hit, Observation Rates
- PCT - Contingency Table counts for Probabilistic forecasts
- PSTD – Contingency table Statistics for Probabilistic forecasts with Dichotomous outcomes
- PJC - Joint and Conditional factorization for Probabilistic forecasts
- PRC - Receiver Operating Characteristic for Probabilistic forecasts
- SL1L2 - Scalar L1L2 Partial Sums
- SAL1L2 - Scalar Anomaly L1L2 Partial Sums when climatological data is supplied
- VL1L2 - Vector L1L2 Partial Sums
- VAL1L2 - Vector Anomaly L1L2 Partial Sums when climatological data is supplied
- MPR - Matched Pair data

# Point and Grid stat output example

Header Line:

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TOTAL BASER  BASER_NCL BASER_NCU BASER_BCL BASER_BCU FMEAN
FMEAN_NCL FMEAN_NCU FMEAN_BCL FMEAN_BCU ACC  ACC_NCL
ACC_NCU ACC_BCL ACC_BCU FBIAS  FBIAS_BCL FBIAS_BCU PODY
PODY_NCL PODY_NCU PODY_BCL PODY_BCU PODN PODN_NCL PODN_NCU
PODN_BCL PODN_BCU POFD POFD_NCL POFD_NCU POFD_BCL POFD_BCU FAR
FAR_NCL FAR_NCU FAR_BCL FAR_BCU CSI  CSI_NCL CSI_NCU CSI_BCL
CSI_BCU GSS  GSS_BCL GSS_BCU HK HK_NCL HK_NCU HK_BCL HK_BCU HSS
HSS_BCL HSS_BCU ODDS ODDS_NCL ODDS_NCU ODDS_BCL ODDS_BCU
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Data Line:

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CTS    5    1.00000 0.56552  1.00000  NA    NA    0.40000 0.11762  0.76928  NA
NA      0.40000 0.11762 0.76928 NA    NA    0.40000 NA    NA    0.40000 0.11762
0.76928 NA    NA    NA  NA    NA    NA    NA    NA  NA    NA    NA    NA
0.00000 0.00000 0.43448 NA    NA    0.40000 0.11762 0.76928 NA    NA    0.00000 NA
NA    NA  NA    NA    NA    NA    0.00000 NA    NA    NA  NA    NA    NA
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# Example Contingency Table Statistics

See Appendix C of MET documentation for equations and details

- TOTAL – Count of total pairs included in the stats for this line
- BASER – base rate (e.g. sample climatological rate of event)
- ACC - accuracy
- FBIAS – frequency bias
- PODY – probability of detection (events)
- PODN – probability of detection (non-events)
- POFD – probability of false detection
- FAR – False Alarm Ratio
- CSI – Critical success index
- GSS – Gilbert Skill Score
- HK - Hanssen-Kuipers Discriminant
- HSS - Heidke Skill Score
- ODDS – Odds Ratio
- Etc., etc., etc. . .

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*\_NCL = Normal Confidence Lower*

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# Example Continuous Statistics

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- FBAR – Forecast average
- OBAR– Observation average
- ME – Mean Error
- ESTDEV– Estimated standard deviation of the error
- MAE – Mean absolute error
- MSE – Mean squared error
- BCMSE – Bias corrected mean squared error
- RMSE – Root mean squared error
- E50 – Median (50% percentile) of the error.
- Etc., etc., etc. . .

# Example Probability Forecast Statistics

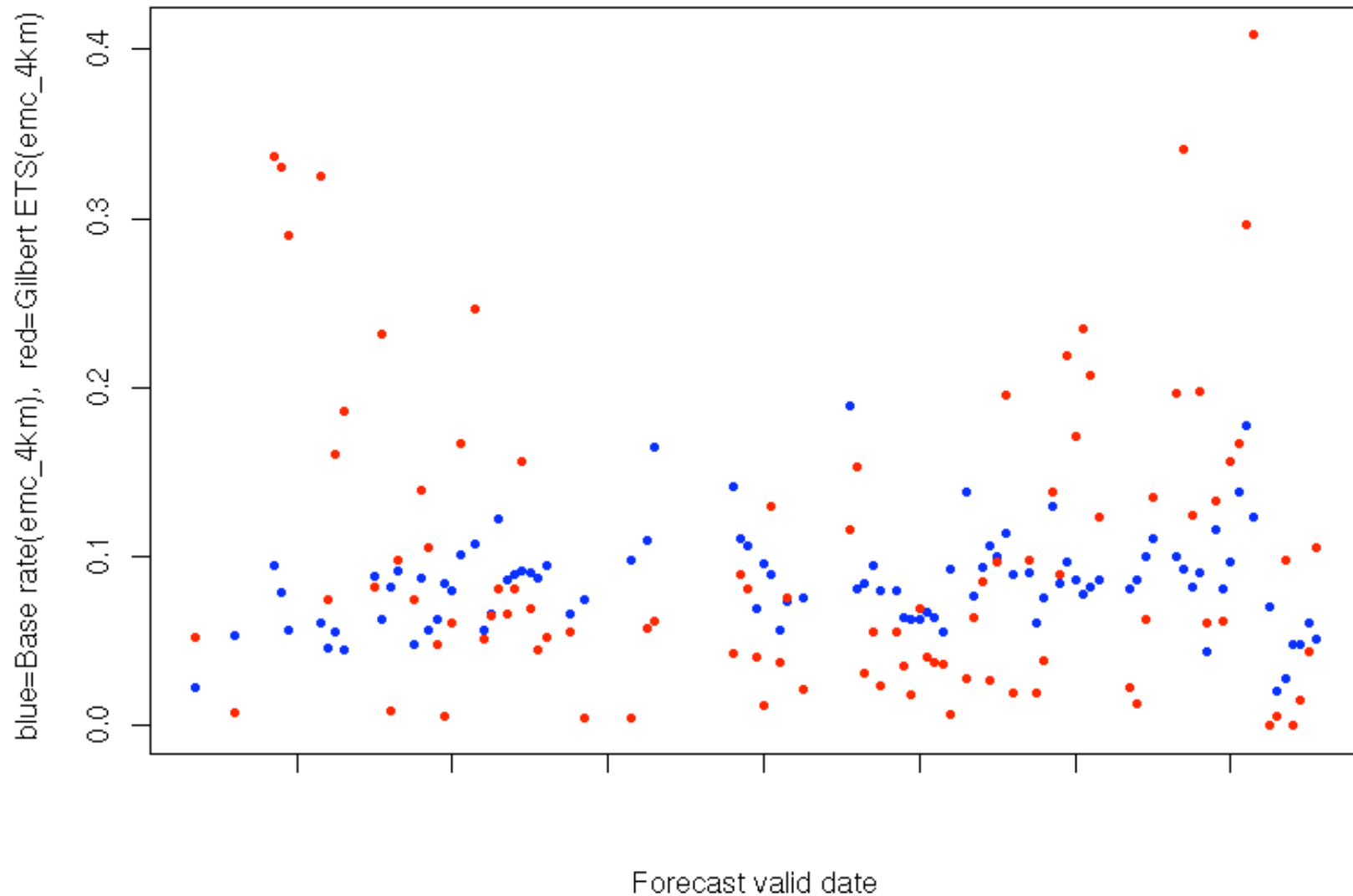
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- RELIABILITY – conditional bias
- RESOLUTION – discrimination ability of forecast
- UNCERTAINTY – variability of the observations
- ROC\_AUC - Area under the receiver operating characteristic curve
- BRIER – Brier Score
- CALIBRATION\_i - conditional probability of an event given each probability forecast
- REFINEMENT\_i – probability of each forecast category
- LIKELIHOOD\_i - conditional probability for each forecast category given the event
- BASER\_i - probability of an event for each forecast category

# Example of Appendix C info

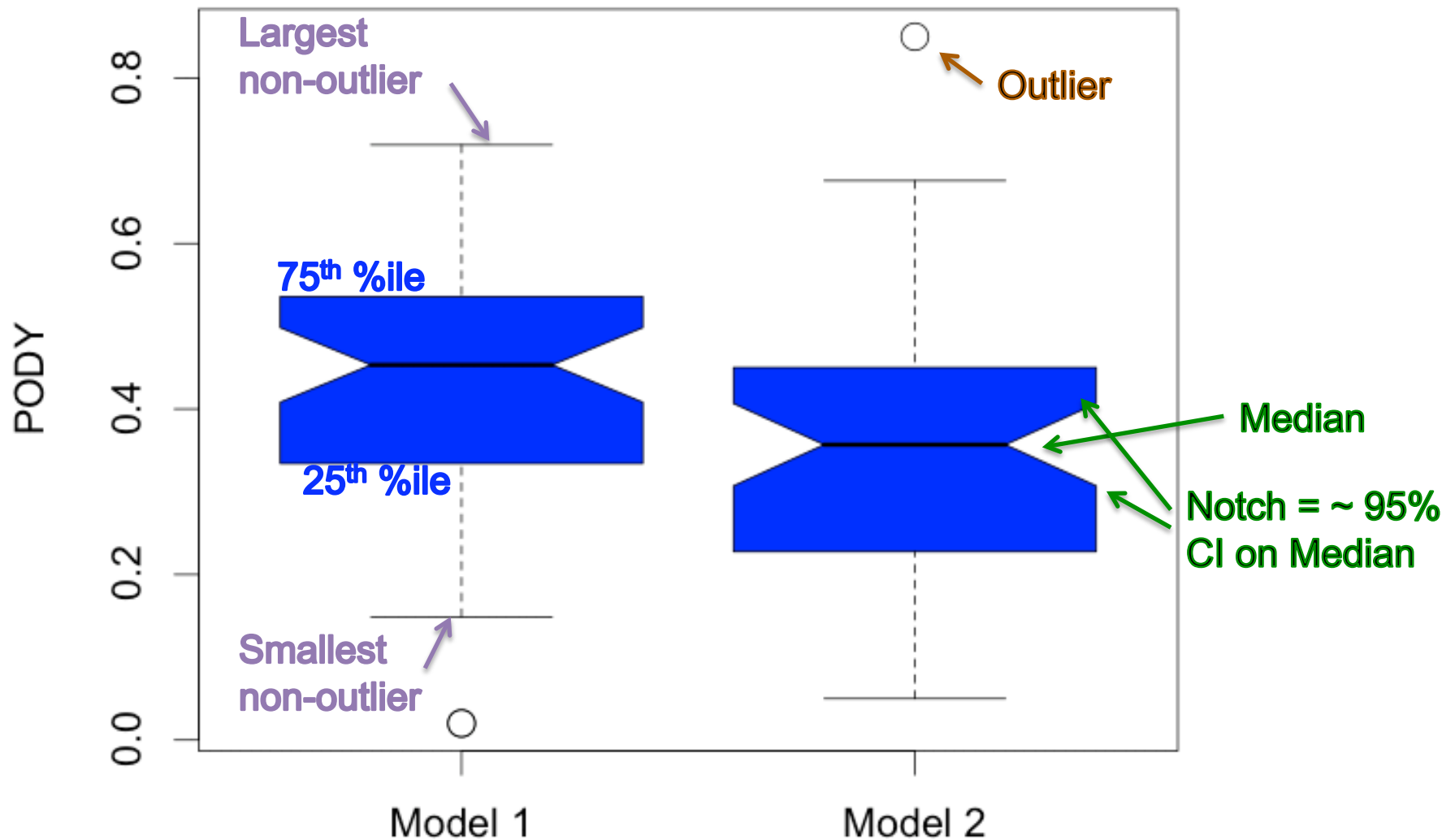
- **Accuracy** - for a 2x2 contingency table is defined as  $\frac{n_{11} + n_{00}}{T}$
- That is, it is the proportion of forecasts that were either hits or correct rejections – the fraction that were correct.
- Accuracy ranges from 0 to 1; a perfect forecast would have an accuracy value of 1.
- Accuracy should be used with caution, especially for rare events, because it can be strongly influenced by large values of  $n_{00}$ .

# Example Scatter Plot

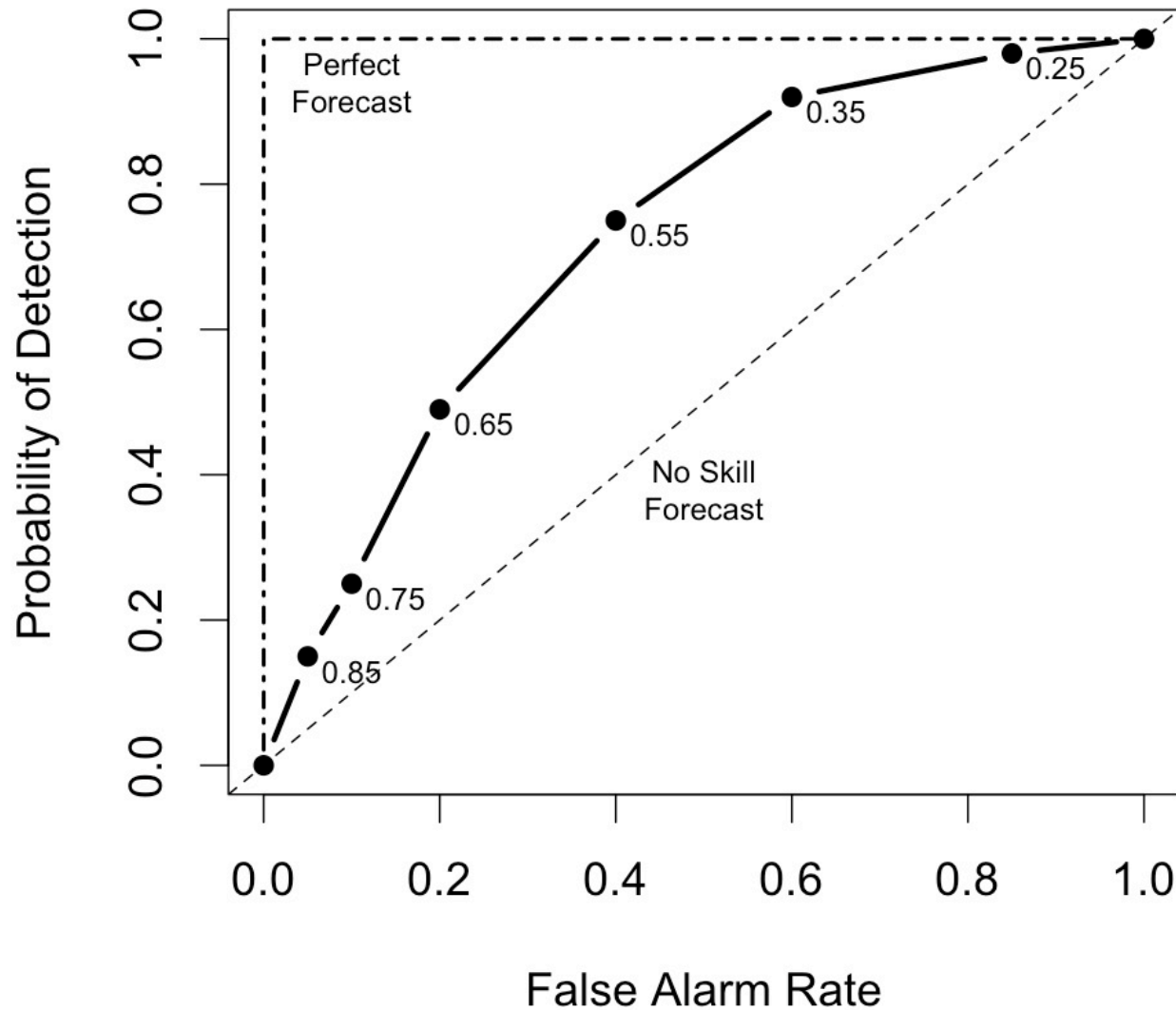




# Example Box (and Whisker) Plot

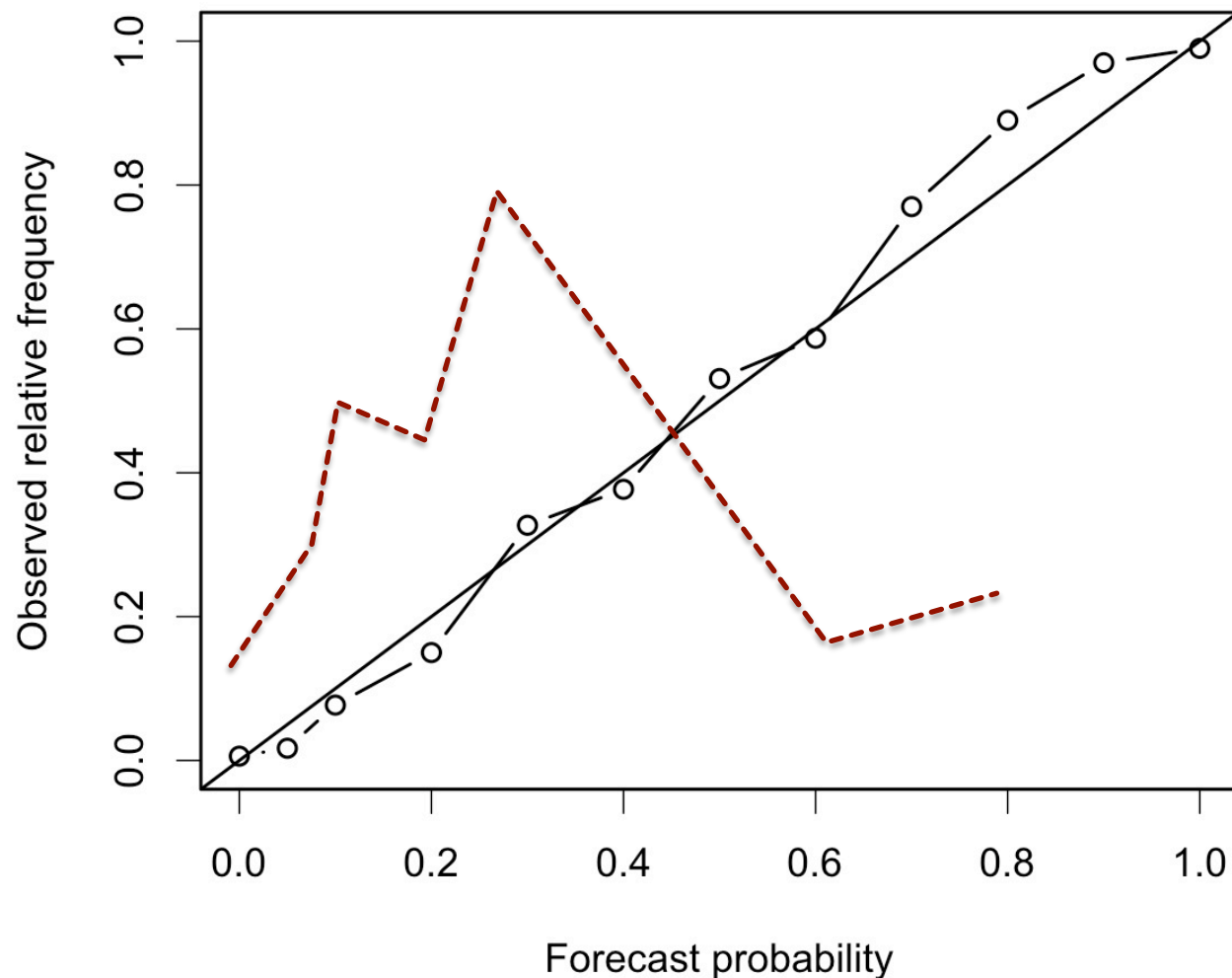


# Example Receiver Operating Characteristic Plot



Create with  
points from  
PRC line type.

# Example Reliability Diagram



A measure of conditional bias.

Do the forecast and observed probabilities match?

One to one line (solid) shows perfect reliability.

Forecast 1 (the line with dots) has good reliability.

Forecast 2 (the dashed line) has very poor reliability.

Information from PJC line type.