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Bias	-26.74289	8.322486	-3.21	0.009	-45.28654	-8.199231
Intercept	10.7186	.6709541	15.98	0.000	9.22362	12.21358

