

**ssc install outreg2
need to include this at start before working on data**

Read Me File for the Replication of

"Are Bigger Banks Better? Firm-Level Evidence from Germany"

The paper uses data on firms, municipalities, and banks in postwar Germany. All datasets were collected from archival sources and digitized by hand. Detailed information on the data sources is in Section V and Appendix C for the firm data, in Appendix E for the municipality data, and in Section VII for the bank data.

The replication datasets are the three Stata data files `firm_data`, `municipality_data`, and `bank_data`. The Stata do-file `replication_code` opens the datasets one after the other and replicates the estimates of Tables I to VII in the paper. Each section in the do-file replicates one table and produces a text file containing the estimates.

The do-file was created using Stata 16. The execution of the do-file requires the Stata module `outreg2`. It can be downloaded by typing `findit outreg2` into the Stata command window.

Table VIII presents a simple count of media articles, as described in the notes to the table. No code is required to replicate the numbers in Table VIII.