

# Presentation 0501

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## Research Topic

1. During the pandemic, is the **well-being index** of home workers lower?
2. Whether the **time allocation** of home workers differed significantly from that of the control group.

# Data & variable

## Data

IPUMS Time Use data 2020 & 2021

## Well-being index variable

0 for the worst life, 10 for the best life

## Time variables

exercise time, social time, sleep time, commute time, work time, self-care time. (unit: minutes per day)

## Treatment

Distance working or not

## Control variables

Occupation, industry, family size, race, sex, ... etc.

# Empirical strategy

variables:

- ▶ Outcome var. ( $Y$ ): well-being & Time use
- ▶ Treatment ( $D$ ): Distance working or not
- ▶ Control var. ( $X$ ): occupation, industry, family size, race, sex, ... etc.

`pdslasso`

The occupation and industry are categorical data, when we put these two variable into the regression, it will be a lot of dummies, so we use LASSO here to kick off those unimportant control variables.

`psmatch`

After controlling **all** the workers' characteristics, how working from home affect well-being/Time allocation.

# Further Analysis

## Subgroup Analysis

Put interaction term into model, such as  $\text{age} \times \text{WFH}$ ,  $\text{sex} \times \text{WFH}$ .

## Mediation Analysis

$$D|X \xrightarrow{\alpha} \textit{TimeUse} \xrightarrow{\beta} \textit{WellBeing}$$

$$D|X \xrightarrow{\gamma} \textit{WellBeing}$$

To check whether if  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are significant.