**Table 1**Removed Observations

| Key variable | Description                                                               | impacted observations |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| income       | Negative or o income implausible.                                         | 5                     |
| income       | Low income obs due to no common support (no eligible hh. with low income) | 350                   |
| total wealth | extreme negative outliers                                                 | 20                    |
| hequity      | negative equity outliers (even if it is possible)                         | 20                    |

*Note:* Summary table for removed observations and the reasoning.

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| Variable Transformations               |           |                 |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                      |  |
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| Variable                               | abbrev.   | Туре            | Transformations                                                                                   | Notes                                                                                                                |  |
| Treatment                              |           |                 |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                      |  |
| Eligibility                            | e401      | Binary          | -                                                                                                 | Treatment. 1 if any HH-member works in firm that offers 401k.                                                        |  |
| Outcome Vars                           |           |                 |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                      |  |
| Financial Assets                       | tfa       | cont.           | log (same name), quantiles. Adjusted according to Benjamin due to db. log (same name), quantiles. |                                                                                                                      |  |
| Net Financial Assets                   | nettfa    | cont.           | Adjusted according to Benjamin due to defined benefit pension.                                    |                                                                                                                      |  |
| Net Non-401(k) Assets                  | netn401   | cont.           | log (same name), quantiles.                                                                       |                                                                                                                      |  |
| Total Wealth                           | tw        | cont.           | log (same name), quantiles. Adjusted according to Benjamin due to defined benefit pension.        | Most important outcome variable. Log-Transformation might impact results in a relevant way (negative wealth values). |  |
| Confounders                            |           |                 |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                      |  |
| Participation                          | p401      | Binary          | -                                                                                                 | 1 if $a401 > 0$ . Most relevant binary covariate.                                                                    |  |
| Assets 401k                            | a401      | cont.           | log (same name), quantile.                                                                        |                                                                                                                      |  |
| Income                                 | inc       | cont.           | log (same name), quantiles, dummies for intervals (i1-7, from paper).                             | Most relevant continuous covariate.                                                                                  |  |
| Age                                    | age       | factor          | stdized, $age^2$ , $age^3$ , dummies for age groups (a1-5, from paper)                            |                                                                                                                      |  |
| Family Size                            | fsize     | factor          | dummified                                                                                         |                                                                                                                      |  |
| married                                | marr      | binary          |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                      |  |
| Participation in IRA                   | pira<br>: | binary          | 1 ( ) (1                                                                                          |                                                                                                                      |  |
| IRA account<br>Defined Benefit Pension | ira<br>db | cont.<br>binary | log (same name), quantile.                                                                        | 1 if employer offers DB pension plan.                                                                                |  |

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| Home Owner               | hown                    | binary |                                                       |                                                                                                              |  |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| House Value              | hval                    | cont.  | dummy for right censoring. log (same name), quantile. |                                                                                                              |  |
| Home Mortgage            | hmort                   | cont.  | dummy for mortgage, log (same name), quantile         |                                                                                                              |  |
| Home Equity              | hequity                 | cont.  | dummy for right censoring. log (same name), quantile  |                                                                                                              |  |
| Two earners              | twoearn                 | binary | · • • • •                                             |                                                                                                              |  |
| Dummies for education    | nohs, hs,<br>smcol, col | binary |                                                       | no high-school, high-school, some college, college                                                           |  |
| Years of Education       | educ                    | factor | stdized, usually drop for analysis                    |                                                                                                              |  |
| Gender (male)            | male                    | binary |                                                       | Question: is it really 1=m? because 80% of respondents are 0, and they are the home/flat owner - check this. |  |
| Non-observed confounders |                         |        |                                                       |                                                                                                              |  |

*Note:* Summary table for all relevant base variables in the data set. Shows all created transformations and main features of data.