Replicating Christensen & Timmins (2022)

Emphasis on Table 5 (Column 2), p. 2135, as part of the Institute for Replication AI Games

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Table 1: Steering and Neighborhood Effects

_	$Dependent\ variable:$				
	show		home_av		
Racial Minority	-0.1282 (0.1990)	-0.1419 (0.1987)	$0.0048 \ (0.0183)$	0.0057 (0.0183)	
ln(Price) Advert Home	N	Y	N	Y	
Racial Comp Advert Home	N	Y	N	Y	
Observations	6,580	6,555	6,588	$6,\!562$	
Adjusted R ²	-0.2196	-0.2348	-0.1670	-0.1774	

Note:

*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01

Table 2: Steering and Neighborhood Effects

	Dependent variable:				
	Number of Recommendations	Home Availability			
African American	-0.1608	-0.1690	-0.0097	-0.0087	
	(0.2713)	(0.2707)	(0.0220)	(0.0219)	
Hispanic	-0.1340	-0.1304	-0.0090	-0.0077	
	(0.2465)	(0.2474)	(0.0255)	(0.0258)	
Asian	0.1231	0.0833	0.0174	0.0178	
	(0.2477)	(0.2465)	(0.0227)	(0.0227)	
Other	1.7401**	1.6822**	-0.0893	-0.0921	
	(0.8557)	(0.8525)	(0.0632)	(0.0633)	
ln(Price) Advert Home	N	Y	N	Y	
Racial Comp Advert Home	N	Y	N	Y	
Observations	6,580	$6,\!555$	6,588	$6,\!562$	
Adjusted R^2	-0.2192	-0.2348	-0.1687	-0.1792	

Note:

*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01

We note that in *Table 5*, the authors merge tables from two different models, but only report the R2 for the second table. While these differences do not alter the direction of the results, it would have been more transparent to report the R2 separately for the two models.