I skipped lines with salutation, “hope you are doing great” and best wishes; I just want to focus on the content now

1. **China**

Ishan already has NBS data on 2003-2012. We may contact Kyle Meng to get the longest existing panel of reliable data – 1998-2007

<https://www.kylemeng.com>

[kmeng@bren.ucsb.edu](mailto:kmeng@bren.ucsb.edu)

“I am writing to you to ask about the firm-level microdata from China that you use in Zhang et al. (2018). I am (Y) and I write on behalf of my research team (put names and affiliation). In our current project, we study how economies recover from natural disasters, namely earthquakes. We aim to use firm-level microdata since we want to explore heterogeneous recovery across firms. China is of particular interest to us since it was repeatedly hit by earthquakes.

We already possess NBS Chinese microdata for 2003-2007. In Zhang et al. (2018) you use a longer panel that also includes 1998-2002. We will greatly appreciate it if you could share this data with us or provide us with any information that will help us access this earlier data.”

1. **Japan**

We may send a letter directly to METI (Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry).

[qqcebd@meti.go.jp](mailto:qqcebd@meti.go.jp) (this is an official email for data inquiries that is provided on all METI data pages)

“I am writing to you to request access to the Census of Manufacture microdata for academic purposes. This email address was indicated as a point of contact on the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry website. I am (Y) and I write on behalf of my research team (put names and our affiliations). In our project, we study how economies recover from natural disasters, namely earthquakes. We aim to use plant-level microdata since we want to explore heterogeneous recovery across firms. Japan is of particular interest to us since it was repeatedly hit by earthquakes. The results of the study can help to improve economic policies related to natural disasters in Japan.

We will greatly appreciate it if you could provide us with any information that will help us access Census of Manufacture microdata. Please, feel free to ask us any questions regarding our project or data use.”

It is a bit complicated to find people who worked with this data outside Japanese institutions. But, for example, there is a person in USC, whose name is Robert Dekle, we can try to contact him. He mostly collaborated with people from Japanese institutions

<https://dornsife.usc.edu/cf/faculty-and-staff/faculty.cfm?pid=1003203>

[dekle@usc.edu](mailto:dekle@usc.edu)

“I am writing to you to ask about the Japanese Manufacturing Census microdata that you use in Dekle et al. (2015). I am (Y) and I write on behalf of my research team (put names and affiliation). In our current project, we study how economies recover from natural disasters, namely earthquakes. We aim to use firm-level microdata since we want to explore heterogeneous recovery across firms. Japan is of particular interest to us since it was repeatedly hit by earthquakes. Moreover, the product-level disaggregation and annual coverage of Japanese data make it even more relevant for our purposes.

As far as we know, it may be difficult to get access to data from Japan for researchers outside Japan and Japanese institutions. That is why we will greatly appreciate it if you could provide us with any information or advice that will help us access Japanese Manufacturing Census.”

1. **Philippines**

I recently found an official form: <https://psa.gov.ph/content/data-request-form>. Some rules: <http://psada.psa.gov.ph/index.php/access-conditions>

There is a “Purpose of Request” that we can fill in similarly. Requesting Census of Manufacturing Establishments and Census of Philippine Business and Industry should be done as separate instances.

“I am writing to you to request access to the Census of Philippine Business and Industry for recent years for academic purposes. I am (Y) and I write on behalf of my research team (put names and affiliation). In our current project, we study how economies recover from natural disasters, namely earthquakes. We aim to use firm-level microdata since we want to explore heterogeneous recovery across firms. The Philippines are of particular interest to us since they were repeatedly hit by earthquakes as well as other disasters, such as tropical cyclones and floods. The results of the study can help to improve disaster resilience of the Philippines.

We will greatly appreciate it if you could provide us with any information that will help us access Census of Philippine Business and Industry microdata. Please, feel free to ask us any questions regarding our project or data use.”

1. **Iran**

We may send a letter directly to Statistical Center of Iran that conducts Annual Survey of Iranian Manufacturing Enterprises. The only email I found is [info@sci.org.ir](mailto:info@sci.org.ir) but it’s not directly indicated as inquiry email. We should probably write to them not a request but more of a question. I could not find any instruction on data access

“I am writing to you to ask about access to the Annual Survey of Iranian Manufacturing Enterprises microdata. I am (Y) and I write on behalf of my research team (put names and affiliation). In our current project, we study how economies recover from natural disasters, namely earthquakes. We aim to use establishment-level microdata since we want to explore heterogeneous recovery across firms. Iran is of particular interest to us since it was repeatedly hit by earthquakes. The results of the study can help to improve earthquakes resilience of Iran.

We would like to know whether it is possible for external researchers to access Statistical Center of Iran microdata, and what our next steps are. Please, feel free to ask us any questions regarding our project or data use.”

1. **Turkey**

This is an official email for Company Accounts database: [sektor@tcmb.gov.tr](mailto:sektor@tcmb.gov.tr)

“I am writing to you to request access to the Company Accounts microdata for academic purposes. This email address was indicated as a point of contact on the Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey website. I am (Y) and I write on behalf of my research team (put names and our affiliations). In our project, we study how economies recover from natural disasters, namely earthquakes. We aim to use firm-level microdata since we want to explore heterogeneous recovery across firms. Our main focus is a manufacturing sector. Turkey is of particular interest to us since it was repeatedly hit by earthquakes. The results of the study can help to improve economic policies related to natural disasters in Turkey.

We would like to know whether it is possible for external researchers to access Company Accounts microdata, and what our next steps are. Please, feel free to ask us any questions regarding our project or data use.”

1. **Pakistan**

We may send a letter directly to the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics that conducts Census of Manufacturing Industries. This is more of an informational email not inquiry one: [pbs@pbs.gov.pk](mailto:pbs@pbs.gov.pk)

“I am writing to you to ask about access to the Census of Manufacturing Industries microdata. This email address was indicated as a point of contact on the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics website. I am (Y) and I write on behalf of my research team (put names and affiliation). In our current project, we study how economies recover from natural disasters, namely earthquakes. We aim to use firm-level microdata since we want to explore heterogeneous recovery across firms. Pakistan is of particular interest to us since it was repeatedly hit by earthquakes. The results of the study can help to improve disaster resilience of Pakistan.

We would like to know whether it is possible for external researchers to access Census of Manufacturing Industries microdata, and what our next steps are. Please, feel free to ask us any questions regarding our project or data use.”

1. **Chile**

There are four direct contacts for accessing Encuesta Nacional Industrial Anual from <http://pnre.ine.cl/index.php/catalog/5647#page=accesspolicy&tab=study-desc>

Sergio Fontalva Urrutia - [sergio.fontalva@ine.cl](mailto:sergio.fontalva@ine.cl)

Pedro Ruz Zúñiga - [pedro.ruz@ine.cl](mailto:pedro.ruz@ine.cl)

Leonel Bello - [leonel.bello@ine.cl](mailto:leonel.bello@ine.cl)

Jenny Nuñez, Fono - [jenny.nunez@ine.cl](mailto:jenny.nunez@ine.cl)

I collected these contacts from a Spanish website, but we hopefully still can write in English.   
If not, I can make a draft if there is someone who can proofread

“I am writing to you to request access to the Encuesta Nacional Industrial Anual microdata for academic purposes. This email address was indicated as a point of contact on the Instituto Nacional de Estadísticas website. I am (Y) and I write on behalf of my research team (put names and affiliation). In our current project, we study how economies recover from natural disasters, namely earthquakes. We aim to use establishment-level microdata since we want to explore heterogeneous recovery across firms. Chile is of particular interest to us since it was repeatedly hit by earthquakes. The results of the study can help to improve earthquakes resilience of Chile.

We will greatly appreciate it if you could provide us with any information that will help us access Encuesta Nacional Industrial Anual microdata. Please, feel free to ask us any questions regarding our project or data use.”

1. **Papua New Guinea**

There is no evidence that PNG disseminates its microdata at all, so let’s write a general letter to the National Statistical Office of PNG - [info@nso.gov.pg](mailto:info@nso.gov.pg)

“I am writing to you to ask about access to the Census of Business Activity microdata for academic purposes. This email address was indicated as a point of contact on the National Statistical Office of Papua New Guinea website. I am (Y) and I write on behalf of my research team (put names and affiliation). In our current project, we study how economies recover from natural disasters, namely earthquakes. We aim to use firm-level microdata since we want to explore heterogeneous recovery across firms. Papua New Guinea is of particular interest to us since it was repeatedly hit by earthquakes. The results of the study can help to improve earthquakes resilience of Papua New Guinea.

We know about the existence of Pacific Data Hub Microdata Library, but we could not find any open access data at that site. We would like to know whether it is generally possible for researchers to access Census of Business Activity microdata, and what our next steps are if that’s possible. Please, feel free to ask us any questions regarding our project or data use.”

1. **Argentina**

Again, the following email I found on a Spanish website, but hopefully we can send a letter in English: [ces@indec.gob.ar](mailto:ces@indec.gob.ar). There is also a form on the website that we may alternatively use: <https://www.indec.gob.ar/indec/web/Institucional-Indec-Contacto>

“I am writing to you to ask about access to the Annual Industrial Survey microdata for academic purposes. This email address was indicated as a point of contact on the Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Censos de la República Argentina website. I am (Y) and I write on behalf of my research team (put names and affiliation). In our current project, we study how economies recover from natural disasters, namely earthquakes. We aim to use firm-level microdata since we want to explore heterogeneous recovery across firms. Argentina is of particular interest to us since it was repeatedly hit by earthquakes. The results of the study can help to improve disasters resilience of Argentina.

We know that historical data from 1992-1996 and 1998-2001 was previously used by researchers but we could not locate it. We would like to know how to access it and whether there is more recent firm-level microdata available. Please, feel free to ask us any questions regarding our project or data use.”