

Incumbency advantage upon removal of single-term limits: Mexican municipal elections

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Abstract

En route

1 Introduction

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2 A hypothesis perhaps

Hypothesis 1: Presidents are more likely to fast-track bills when the committee chair with jurisdiction over the bill belongs to the president's party than otherwise.

Figure 1: The president rules game

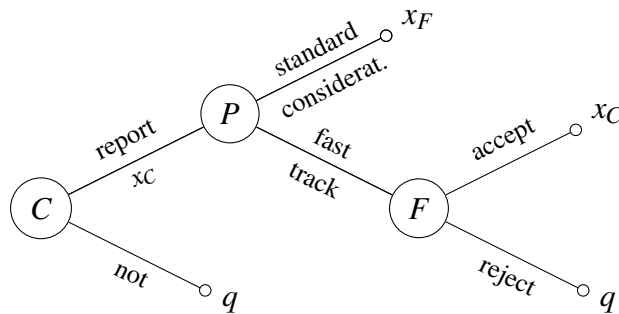
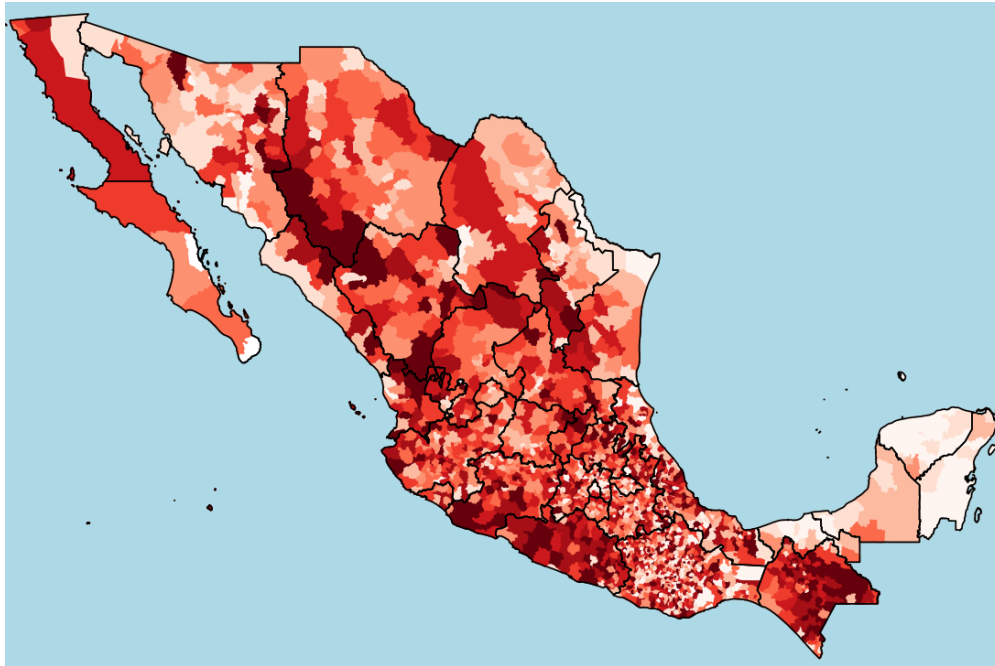


Figure 2: Population-weighted altitude deviations in municipalities



3 Incumbents running v. open seats

Party	incumbent on the ballot				open seat, party			
	lost	won	sum	(N)	lost	won	sum	(N)
pan	34	66	100	(182)	61	39	100	(2230)
pri	30	70	100	(143)	46	54	100	(4193)
prd	35	65	100	(26)	63	37	100	(1226)
morena	82	18	100	(93)	88	12	100	(316)
other	55	45	100	(91)	80	20	100	(1022)
total	45	55	100	(535)	57	43	100	(8987)

4 Regression model

5 Discussion

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References

Table 1

	<i>Dependent variable:</i>		
	PAN	Residual PRI	Left
	(1)	(2)	(3)
vote share (lagged)	−0.187*** (0.011)	−0.035*** (0.013)	−0.339*** (0.013)
party incumbent	0.224*** (0.013)	0.171*** (0.014)	0.165*** (0.018)
other-party incumbent	−0.021** (0.010)	−0.011 (0.009)	0.005 (0.010)
party open seat	0.162*** (0.004)	0.124*** (0.004)	0.130*** (0.005)
governor	−0.009* (0.005)	0.028*** (0.004)	0.008 (0.006)
population (10k)	0.002 (0.001)	0.002** (0.001)	0.006*** (0.001)
elevation (pop. weighed)	−0.003 (0.003)	−0.00005 (0.003)	−0.031*** (0.003)
sd.elev	−0.143*** (0.034)	−0.038 (0.031)	−0.080** (0.035)
post reform	0.085*** (0.005)	−0.156*** (0.005)	0.047*** (0.006)
elev x sd.elev	0.105*** (0.024)	−0.017 (0.022)	0.085*** (0.025)
Intercept	−0.041*** (0.005)	−0.036*** (0.007)	−0.062*** (0.004)
Observations	8,314	8,314	8,314
R ²	0.213	0.293	0.183
Residual Std. Error (df = 8303)	0.163	0.152	0.169
F Statistic (df = 10; 8303)	225.2***	344.3***	185.6***

Note:

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