

Online Appendix to Simulating Collusion: Challenging Conventional Estimation Methods

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This online appendix contains summary statistics and result tables for the individual models we simulated. Linear regression, hazard rate (HR) estimation, Lasso cross-validation (CV) Regression ([Tibshirani \(1996\)](#)), and regressions corrected for Heckman Sample Selection ([Heckman \(1979\)](#)) are applied on data simulated based on Model I ([Stigler \(1964\)](#)), II ([Stigler \(1964\)](#)) and [Harrington and Wei \(2017\)](#), and III ([Stigler \(1964\)](#) and [Bos et al \(2018\)](#)).

Appendix A Summary Statistics

Table A1 Summary Statistics Population (Detected and Undetected Cartels) of Model I

| | Mean | Median | SD | Min | Max | Skew | N |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|------|------|-------|--------|
| Number of Firms n_f | 4.74 | 5 | 1.52 | 2 | 8 | -0.59 | 77'822 |
| Detection Probability σ | 0.24 | 0.25 | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.35 | -0.22 | 77'822 |
| Start | 442.35 | 427 | 308.34 | 1 | 1000 | 0.12 | 77'822 |
| End | 545.66 | 539 | 306.41 | 1 | 1000 | 0 | 77'822 |
| Duration | 104.31 | 35 | 159.45 | 1 | 1000 | 2.52 | 77'822 |
| Ln(Duration+1) | 3.30 | 3.58 | 1.91 | 0.69 | 6.91 | -0.08 | 77'822 |
| Detected | 0.47 | 0 | 0.50 | 0 | 1 | 0.12 | 77'822 |
| Times Caught | 2.12 | 1 | 2.54 | 0 | 18 | 1.30 | 77'822 |
| Repeat Offender | 0.47 | 0 | 0.50 | 0 | 1 | 0.14 | 77'822 |

For Model I, this table presents the following summary statistics of the 77'822 simulated detected and undetected cartels within a total period of 1'000 time units: the exogenous industry and enforcement characteristics, the start and end date of the cartel, the duration, if it got detected, detected repeatedly, and how often it got detected.

Table A2 Summary Statistics Population (Detected and Undetected Cartels) of Model II

| | Mean | Median | SD | Min | Max | Skew | N |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|------|------|-------|--------|
| Number of Firms n_f | 5.19 | 6 | 1.38 | 2 | 8 | -1.16 | 53'178 |
| Detection Probability σ | 0.23 | 0.25 | 0.09 | 0.10 | 0.35 | -0.10 | 53'178 |
| Start | 422.15 | 401 | 314.10 | 1 | 1000 | 0.18 | 53'178 |
| End | 574.27 | 571 | 309.25 | 1 | 1000 | -0.05 | 53'178 |
| Duration | 153.12 | 11 | 264.18 | 1 | 1000 | 2 | 53'178 |
| Ln(Duration+1) | 3.06 | 2.48 | 2.23 | 0.69 | 6.91 | 0.35 | 53'178 |
| Detected | 0.22 | 0 | 0.41 | 0 | 1 | 1.35 | 53'178 |
| Times Caught | 0.62 | 0 | 1.05 | 0 | 8 | 2.01 | 53'178 |
| Repeat Offender | 0.17 | 0 | 0.37 | 0 | 1 | 1.77 | 53'178 |

For Model II, this table presents the following summary statistics of the 53'178 simulated detected and undetected cartels within a total period of 1'000 time units: the exogenous industry and enforcement characteristics, the start and end date of the cartel, the duration, if it got detected, detected repeatedly, and how often it got detected.

Table A3 Summary Statistics Population (Detected and Undetected Cartels) of Model III

| | Mean | Median | SD | Min | Max | Skew | N |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|------|------|-------|---------|
| Number of Firms n_f | 3.62 | 4 | 1.28 | 2 | 7 | 0.16 | 809'858 |
| Fines γ (% of Profit) | 0.80 | 0.80 | 0.08 | 0.70 | 0.90 | 0.02 | 809'858 |
| Leniency (% of Fine) θ | 0.40 | 0.50 | 0.41 | 0 | 1 | 0.37 | 809'858 |
| Detection Probability σ | 0.22 | 0.20 | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.35 | 0.08 | 809'858 |
| Structured | 0.48 | 0 | 0.50 | 0 | 1 | 0.07 | 809'858 |
| Start | 416.30 | 397 | 317.51 | 1 | 1000 | 0.19 | 809'858 |
| End | 524.04 | 516 | 315.19 | 1 | 1000 | 0.02 | 809'858 |
| Duration | 108.75 | 43 | 162.41 | 1 | 1000 | 2.60 | 809'858 |
| Ln(Duration+1) | 3.50 | 3.78 | 1.79 | 0.69 | 6.91 | -0.20 | 809'858 |
| Detected | 0.53 | 1 | 0.50 | 0 | 1 | -0.11 | 809'858 |
| Times Caught | 2.38 | 1 | 2.82 | 0 | 25 | 1.64 | 809'858 |
| Repeat Offender | 0.49 | 0 | 0.50 | 0 | 1 | 0.02 | 809'858 |

For Model III, this table presents the following summary statistics of the 809'858 simulated detected and undetected cartels within a total period of 1'000 time units: the exogenous industry and enforcement characteristics, the start and end date of the cartel, the duration, if it got detected, detected repeatedly, and how often it got detected.

Appendix B Linear Models Results

Table B4 Linear Regression on Cartel Duration for Model I, II and III

| | Ln(Duration+1) | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| | mlrSample | mlrUndetect | mlrCartels | mlrHeck |
| Number of Firms n_f | -0.16*** (0.002) | -0.60*** (0.002) | -0.50*** (0.001) | -0.0003 (0.003) |
| Fines γ (% of Profit) | 0.06*** (0.02) | 0.03 (0.03) | 0.03 (0.02) | 0.07*** (0.02) |
| Leniency (% of Fine) θ | 0.09*** (0.004) | 1.58*** (0.01) | 0.84*** (0.004) | 0.003 (0.005) |
| Detection Probability σ | -3.66*** (0.02) | -4.31*** (0.03) | -4.67*** (0.02) | -3.24*** (0.02) |
| Structured | -0.40*** (0.004) | -0.52*** (0.005) | -0.56*** (0.003) | -0.36*** (0.004) |
| Model II | 0.53*** (0.01) | 0.28*** (0.01) | 0.23*** (0.01) | 0.67*** (0.01) |
| Model III | -0.24*** (0.02) | -0.82*** (0.02) | -0.63*** (0.02) | -0.07*** (0.02) |
| Start | -0.001*** (0.0000) | -0.001*** (0.0000) | -0.002*** (0.0000) | -0.0002*** (0.0000) |
| Times Caught | -0.002** (0.001) | -0.01*** (0.002) | 0.05*** (0.001) | -0.05*** (0.001) |
| Repeat Offender | 0.04*** (0.01) | 1.26*** (0.01) | 0.82*** (0.005) | -0.37*** (0.01) |
| IMR | | | | -0.71*** (0.01) |
| Constant | 6.38*** (0.01) | 6.98*** (0.02) | 7.08*** (0.01) | 6.06*** (0.01) |
| Observations | 475'456 | 465'402 | 940'858 | 475'456 |
| R ² | 0.14 | 0.43 | 0.42 | 0.15 |
| Adjusted R ² | 0.14 | 0.43 | 0.42 | 0.15 |

Note: This table shows the estimation results of linear cross-sectional regressions to explain cartel duration ($\ln(\text{duration}+1)$) at the industry level, for data simulated for all Models I, II, and III. Columns 2 - 5 estimate linear regression coefficients on the sample of detected cartels, the group of undetected cartels, the population of all cartels, and the sample corrected for Heckman Sample Selection, respectively. The estimated coefficients show standard errors in the sample, but do not test for the real population. Except of fines (γ), all coefficients are significant. Standard errors are in parentheses. Significance at the 1%, 5%, and 10% level is indicated by ***, **, and *, respectively.

Table B5 Hazard Rate on Cartel Duration for Model I, II and III

| | HRSample | Cartel Death | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | | HRUndetect | HRCartels | HRHeck |
| Number of Firms n_f | 0.12*** (0.002) | 0.60*** (0.002) | 0.37*** (0.001) | -0.01*** (0.002) |
| Fines γ (% of Profit) | -0.10*** (0.02) | -0.05** (0.02) | -0.05*** (0.01) | -0.11*** (0.02) |
| Leniency (% of Fine) θ | -0.05*** (0.004) | -1.26*** (0.01) | -0.57*** (0.003) | 0.02*** (0.004) |
| Detection Probability σ | 3.34*** (0.02) | 4.32*** (0.02) | 4.02*** (0.01) | 3.02*** (0.02) |
| Structured | 0.36*** (0.003) | 0.35*** (0.004) | 0.42*** (0.002) | 0.34*** (0.003) |
| Model II | -0.48*** (0.01) | -0.34*** (0.01) | -0.37*** (0.01) | -0.58*** (0.01) |
| Model III | 0.22*** (0.02) | 0.87*** (0.02) | 0.51*** (0.01) | 0.09*** (0.02) |
| Start | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0000) |
| Times Caught | 0.01*** (0.001) | -0.34*** (0.003) | -0.05*** (0.001) | 0.04*** (0.001) |
| Repeat Offender | -0.03*** (0.004) | -0.26*** (0.01) | -0.38*** (0.003) | 0.29*** (0.01) |
| IMR | | | | 0.56*** (0.01) |
| Observations | 475'456 | 465'402 | 940'858 | 475'456 |
| Log Likelihood | -2'806'284.00 | -1'445'284.00 | -4'442'193.00 | -2'804'065.00 |

Note: This table shows the estimation results of Weibull Hazard Model to explain cartel death at the industry level, for data simulated for all Models I, II, and III. The estimated coefficients show the change of risk for cartel breakdown, if the covariate increases by 1 unit, keeping all others fixed. Columns 2 - 5 use HR estimation on the sample of detected cartels, the group of undetected cartels, the population of all cartels, and the sample corrected for Heckman Sample Selection, respectively. The estimated coefficients show standard errors in the sample, but do not test for the real population. All estimators are significant.

Standard errors are in parentheses. Significance at the 1%, 5%, and 10% level is indicated by ***, **, and *, respectively.

Table B6 Sample Selection Bias Linear Regression - Models I, II and III

| Coefficients | β^s | β^l | α_{IMR} | $bias_{IMR}$ |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|--------------|
| Number of Firms n_f | -0.16 | 0 | 0.23 | -0.16 |
| Fines γ (% of Profit) | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.01 | -0.01 |
| Leniency (% of Fine) θ | 0.09 | 0 | -0.13 | 0.09 |
| Detection Probability σ | -3.66 | -3.24 | 0.61 | -0.43 |
| Start | -0.40 | -0.36 | 0 | 0 |
| Structured | 0.53 | 0.67 | 0.05 | -0.04 |
| Model II | -0.24 | -0.07 | 0.19 | -0.14 |
| Model III | 0 | 0 | 0.24 | -0.17 |
| Times Caught | 0 | -0.05 | -0.07 | 0.05 |
| Repeat Offender | 0.04 | -0.37 | -0.58 | 0.41 |
| IMR | | -0.71 | | |
| Constant | 6.38 | 6.06 | -0.45 | 0.32 |

This table shows, for the Linear Regression of the combined Models I, II, and III, the sample selection bias that we correct with the inverse Mill's ratio (IMR) following (Heckman (1979)). β^s is the estimated coefficients in the short model without IMR. β^l is the estimated coefficients in the corrected long model including IMR. α_{IMR} is the coefficient in the auxiliary regression between each variable and IMR. The last column shows the sample selection bias: $bias_{IMR} = \beta^l(IMR) * \alpha_{IMR}$.

Table B7 Sample Selection Bias Linear Regression - Model I

| Coefficients | β^s | β^l | α_{IMR} | $bias_{IMR}$ |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|--------------|
| Number of Firms n_f | -0.12 | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.10 |
| Start | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Detection Probability σ | -2.93 | -3.11 | -0.27 | 0.18 |
| Times Caught | 0.04 | -0.03 | -0.10 | 0.07 |
| Repeat Offender | 0.21 | -0.18 | -0.57 | 0.39 |
| IMR | | -0.68 | | |
| Constant | 5.79 | 5.87 | 0.11 | -0.07 |

This table shows, for the Linear Regression of Model I, the sample selection bias that we correct with the IMR following (Heckman (1979)). β^s is the estimated coefficients in the short model without IMR. β^l is the estimated coefficients in the corrected long model including IMR. α_{IMR} is the coefficient in the auxiliary regression between each variable and IMR. The last column shows the sample selection bias: $bias_{IMR} = \beta^l(IMR) * \alpha_{IMR}$.

Table B8 Sample Selection Bias Linear Regression - Model II

| Coefficients | β^s | β^l | α_{IMR} | $bias_{IMR}$ |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|--------------|
| Number of Firms n_f | -0.16 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.07 |
| Start | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Detection Probability σ | -1.43 | -1.67 | -0.46 | 0.25 |
| Times Caught | 0.07 | -0.17 | -0.44 | 0.24 |
| Repeat Offender | 0.27 | 0.18 | -0.16 | 0.09 |
| IMR | | -0.54 | | |
| Constant | 6.26 | 6.56 | 0.56 | -0.30 |

This table shows, for the Linear Regression of Model II, the sample selection bias that we correct with the IMR following (Heckman (1979)). β^s is the estimated coefficients in the short model without IMR. β^l is the estimated coefficients in the corrected long model including IMR. α_{IMR} is the coefficient in the auxiliary regression between each variable and IMR. The last column shows the sample selection bias: $bias_{IMR} = \beta^l(IMR) * \alpha_{IMR}$.

Table B9 Sample Selection Bias Linear Regression - Model III

| Coefficients | β^s | β^l | α_{IMR} | $bias_{IMR}$ |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|--------------|
| Number of Firms n_f | -0.18 | -0.01 | 0.25 | -0.17 |
| Fines γ (% of Profit) | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.01 | -0.01 |
| Leniency (% of Fine) θ | 0.10 | 0.01 | -0.13 | 0.09 |
| Start | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Structured | -0.40 | -0.36 | 0.06 | -0.04 |
| Detection Probability σ | -3.85 | -3.31 | 0.79 | -0.54 |
| Times Caught | -0.01 | -0.05 | -0.06 | 0.04 |
| Repeat Offender | 0.01 | -0.37 | -0.56 | 0.38 |
| IMR | | -0.68 | | |
| Constant | 6.25 | 6.02 | -0.33 | 0.23 |

This table shows, for the Linear Regression of Model II, the sample selection bias that we correct with the IMR following (Heckman (1979)). β^s is the estimated coefficients in the short model without IMR. β^l is the estimated coefficients in the corrected long model including IMR. α_{IMR} is the coefficient in the auxiliary regression between each variable and IMR. The last column shows the sample selection bias: $bias_{IMR} = \beta^l(IMR) * \alpha_{IMR}$.

Table B10 Linear Regression and HR for Cartel Duration on Model I - ICC on Stigler - Detection independent of Collusion

| | Ln(Duration+1) | | | | Cartel Death | | HRHeck |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | mlrSample | mlrUndetect | mlrCartels | mlrHeck | HRUndetect | HRCartels | |
| N Firms n_f | -0.12*** (0.005) | -0.57*** (0.01) | -0.39*** (0.004) | -0.02*** (0.01) | 0.79*** (0.01) | 0.30*** (0.003) | 0.01* (0.01) |
| Start | -0.001*** (0.0000) | -0.001*** (0.0000) | -0.002*** (0.0000) | -0.0002*** (0.0001) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0001) |
| Detection Prob. σ | -2.93*** (0.08) | -1.60*** (0.08) | -2.61*** (0.06) | -3.11*** (0.08) | 1.42*** (0.06) | 2.73*** (0.05) | 2.94*** (0.07) |
| Times Caught | 0.04*** (0.004) | -0.01 (0.01) | 0.13*** (0.003) | -0.03*** (0.01) | -0.56*** (0.02) | -0.13*** (0.003) | 0.02 (0.005) |
| Repeat Offender | 0.21*** (0.02) | 2.06*** (0.03) | 1.20*** (0.02) | -0.18*** (0.03) | -0.19*** (0.05) | -0.59*** (0.01) | 0.08*** (0.02) |
| IMR | | | | -0.68*** (0.03) | | | 0.53*** (0.03) |
| Constant | 5.79*** (0.03) | 6.13*** (0.05) | 5.81*** (0.03) | 5.87*** (0.03) | | | |
| Observations | 36'615 | 41'207 | 7'822 | 36'615 | 41'207 | 7'822 | 36'615 |
| R ² | 0.10 | 0.47 | 0.50 | 0.11 | | | |
| Adjusted R ² | 0.10 | 0.47 | 0.50 | 0.11 | | | |
| Log Likelihood | | | | | -218'572.00 | -114'465.60 | -218'383.30 |

Note: This table shows the estimation results of linear cross-sectional regressions to explain cartel duration (ln(duration+1)) and the estimation results of a Weibull Hazard Model to explain cartel death, both at the industry level, for data simulated for Model I. Columns 2 - 5 estimate linear regression coefficients, while columns 6 - 9 estimate HR coefficients, both on the sample of detected cartels, the group of undetected cartels, the population of all cartels, and the sample corrected for Heckman Sample Selection, respectively. The estimated coefficients show standard errors in the sample, but do not test for the real population. The estimated HR coefficients show the change of risk for cartel breakdown if the covariate increases by 1 unit, keeping all others fixed.

Standard errors are in parentheses. Significance at the 1%, 5%, and 10% level is indicated by ***, **, and *, respectively.

Table B11 Linear Regression and HR for Cartel Duration on Model II - ICC on Stigler - Detection depends on number of Firms

| | mlrSample | Ln(Duration+1) | | | mlrHeck | HRSample | Cartel Death | | HRHeck |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------|--------|
| | | mlrUndetect | mlrCartels | mlrCartels | | | HRUndetect | HRCartels | |
| N Firms n_f | -0.16*** (0.01) | -0.97*** (0.01) | -0.72*** (0.01) | -0.09*** (0.01) | 0.11*** (0.01) | 0.56*** (0.01) | 0.07*** (0.01) | | |
| Start | -0.002*** (0.0001) | -0.002*** (0.0000) | -0.002*** (0.0000) | -0.001*** (0.0001) | 0.002*** (0.0001) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.002*** (0.0001) | | |
| Detection Prob. σ | -1.43*** (0.14) | -0.86*** (0.09) | -1.17*** (0.08) | -1.67*** (0.14) | 1.20*** (0.12) | 0.67*** (0.06) | 1.35*** (0.12) | | |
| Times Caught | 0.07*** (0.02) | 0.75*** (0.02) | 0.68*** (0.01) | -0.17*** (0.03) | -0.04*** (0.02) | -1.52*** (0.03) | 0.10*** (0.03) | | |
| Repeat Offender | 0.27*** (0.04) | -0.54*** (0.06) | -0.31*** (0.03) | 0.18*** (0.04) | -0.28*** (0.03) | 1.26*** (0.08) | -0.21*** (0.03) | | |
| IMR | | | | -0.54*** (0.06) | | | 0.33*** (0.05) | | |
| Constant | 6.26*** (0.05) | 8.82*** (0.05) | 7.60*** (0.04) | 6.56*** (0.06) | | | | | |
| Observations | 11'733 | 41'445 | 53'178 | 11'733 | 11'733 | 41'445 | 53'178 | 11'733 | |
| R ² | 0.17 | 0.51 | 0.56 | 0.17 | | | | | |
| Adjusted R ² | 0.16 | 0.51 | 0.56 | | | | | | |
| Log Likelihood | | | | | -77'014.56 | -120'764.40 | -209'666.50 | -76'995.30 | |

Note: This table shows the estimation results of linear cross-sectional regressions to explain cartel duration (ln(duration+1)) and the estimation results of a Weibull Hazard Model to explain cartel death, both at the industry level, for data simulated for Model II. Columns 2 - 5 estimate linear regression coefficients, while columns 6 - 9 estimate HR coefficients, both on the sample of detected cartels, the group of undetected cartels, the population of all cartels, and the sample corrected for Heckman Sample Selection, respectively. The estimated coefficients show standard errors in the sample, but do not test for the real population. The estimated HR coefficients show the change of risk for cartel breakdown if the covariate increases by 1 unit, keeping all others fixed.

Standard errors are in parentheses. Significance at the 1%, 5%, and 10% level is indicated by ***, **, and *, respectively.

Table B12 Linear Regression and HR for Cartel Duration on Model III - ICC on Harrington et al.

| | Ln(Duration+1) | | | Cartel Death | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | mlrSample | mlrUndetect | mlrCartels | mlrHeck | HRSample | HRUndetect |
| N Firms n_f | -0.18*** (0.002) | -0.56*** (0.003) | -0.49*** (0.002) | -0.01** (0.003) | 0.13*** (0.002) | 0.37*** (0.001) |
| Fines γ (% of Profit) | 0.06*** (0.02) | 0.02 (0.03) | 0.02 (0.02) | 0.07*** (0.02) | -0.10*** (0.02) | -0.05*** (0.01) |
| Leniency (% Fine) θ | 0.10*** (0.004) | 1.59*** (0.01) | 0.87*** (0.004) | 0.01 (0.005) | -0.05*** (0.004) | -0.59*** (0.003) |
| Start | -0.001*** (0.0000) | -0.001*** (0.0000) | -0.002*** (0.0000) | -0.0002*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0000) |
| Structured | -0.40*** (0.004) | -0.52*** (0.005) | -0.56*** (0.003) | -0.36*** (0.004) | 0.37*** (0.003) | 0.44*** (0.002) |
| Detection Prob. σ | -3.85*** (0.02) | -4.83*** (0.03) | -5.16*** (0.02) | -3.31*** (0.03) | 3.51*** (0.02) | 4.43*** (0.02) |
| Times Caught | -0.01*** (0.001) | -0.004*** (0.002) | 0.04*** (0.001) | -0.05*** (0.001) | 0.01*** (0.001) | -0.05*** (0.001) |
| Repeat Offender | 0.01** (0.01) | 1.16*** (0.01) | 0.76*** (0.005) | -0.37*** (0.01) | -0.01 (0.005) | -0.35*** (0.01) |
| IMR | | | | -0.68*** (0.01) | | 0.54*** (0.01) |
| Constant | 6.25*** (0.02) | 6.04*** (0.03) | 6.53*** (0.02) | 6.02*** (0.02) | | |
| Observations | 427'108 | 382'750 | 809'858 | 427'108 | 427'108 | 809'858 |
| R ² | 0.14 | 0.43 | 0.41 | 0.14 | | |
| Adjusted R ² | 0.14 | 0.43 | 0.41 | 0.14 | | |
| Log Likelihood | | | | | -2'509'783.00 | -3'867'860.00 |
| | | | | | | -2'507'956.00 |

Note: This table shows the estimation results of linear cross-sectional regressions to explain cartel duration (ln(duration+1)) and the estimation results of a Weibull Hazard Model to explain cartel death, both at the industry level, for data simulated for Models IIIa and IIIb. Columns 2 - 5 estimate linear regression coefficients, while columns 6 - 9 estimate HR coefficients, both on the sample of detected cartels, the group of undetected cartels, the population of all cartels, and the sample corrected for Heckman Sample Selection, respectively. The estimated coefficients show standard errors in the sample, but do not test for the real population. The estimated HR coefficients show the change of risk for cartel breakdown if the covariate increases by 1 unit, keeping all others fixed. Standard errors are in parentheses. Significance at the 1%, 5%, and 10% level is indicated by ***, **, and *, respectively.

Appendix C Lasso Results

Table C13 Sample Selection Bias Lasso Regression - Models I

| Coefficients | β^s | β^l | α_{IMR} | $bias_{IMR}$ |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|--------------|
| Number of Firms n_f | 0.26 | 0.16 | -0.22 | 0.11 |
| n_f^3 | -0.01 | 0 | 0.01 | 0 |
| Detection Probability σ | -4.01 | -4.25 | -0.50 | 0.24 |
| σ^3 | 3.93 | 5.97 | 4.30 | -2.04 |
| $n_f\sigma$ | 0.12 | 0.04 | -0.17 | 0.08 |
| Start | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Times Caught | 0.02 | -0.02 | -0.09 | 0.04 |
| Repeat Offender | 0.18 | -0.05 | -0.48 | 0.23 |
| IMR | | -0.47 | | |
| Constant | 5.09 | 5.54 | 0.95 | -0.45 |

This table shows, for the Lasso CV Linear Regression of Model I, the sample selection bias that we correct with the IMR following (Heckman (1979)). β^s is the estimated coefficients in the short model without IMR. β^l is the estimated coefficients in the corrected long model including IMR. α_{IMR} is the coefficient in the auxiliary regression between each variable and IMR. The last column shows the sample selection bias: $bias_{IMR} = \beta^l(IMR) * \alpha_{IMR}$.

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Table C14 Sample Selection Bias Lasso Regression - Models II

| Coefficients | β^s | β^l | α_{IMR} | $bias_{IMR}$ |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|--------------|
| Number of Firms n_f | 0.33 | 0.27 | -0.20 | 0.05 |
| n_f^3 | -0.01 | -0.01 | 0.01 | 0 |
| Detection Probability σ | -2.34 | -2.64 | -1.09 | 0.30 |
| σ^3 | 3.19 | 4.81 | 5.96 | -1.62 |
| $n_f\sigma$ | 0.11 | 0.08 | -0.13 | 0.04 |
| Start | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Times Caught | 0.04 | -0.08 | -0.42 | 0.11 |
| Repeat Offender | 0.21 | 0.17 | -0.15 | 0.04 |
| IMR | | -0.27 | | |
| Constant | 5.32 | 5.71 | 1.44 | -0.39 |

This table shows, for the Lasso CV Linear Regression of Model II, the sample selection bias that we correct with the IMR following (Heckman (1979)). β^s is the estimated coefficients in the short model without IMR. β^l is the estimated coefficients in the corrected long model including IMR. α_{IMR} is the coefficient in the auxiliary regression between each variable and IMR. The last column shows the sample selection bias: $bias_{IMR} = \beta^l(IMR) * \alpha_{IMR}$.

Table C15 Sample Selection Bias Lasso Regression - Models III

| Coefficients | β^s | β^l | α_{IMR} | $bias_{IMR}$ |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|--------------|
| Number of Firms n_f | 0.40 | 0.19 | -0.46 | 0.21 |
| n_f^3 | -0.01 | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.01 |
| Detection Probability σ | -5.44 | -9.09 | -8.03 | 3.65 |
| σ^2 | 11.03 | 22.02 | 24.20 | -10.99 |
| σ^3 | -6.74 | -20.94 | -31.27 | 14.20 |
| $n_f\sigma$ | -0.83 | -0.36 | 1.02 | -0.46 |
| γ^3 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0 |
| Leniency (% of Fine) θ | -0.22 | -0.14 | 0.17 | -0.08 |
| $n_f\theta$ | 0.11 | 0.06 | -0.11 | 0.05 |
| Structured | -0.39 | -0.37 | 0.04 | -0.02 |
| Start | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Times Caught | -0.01 | -0.04 | -0.07 | 0.03 |
| Repeat Offender | -0.04 | -0.26 | -0.48 | 0.22 |
| IMR | | -0.45 | | |
| Constant | 5.41 | 6.18 | 1.68 | -0.76 |

This table shows, for the Lasso CV Linear Regression of Model III, the sample selection bias that we correct with the IMR following (Heckman (1979)). β^s is the estimated coefficients in the short model without IMR. β^l is the estimated coefficients in the corrected long model including IMR. α_{IMR} is the coefficient in the auxiliary regression between each variable and IMR. The last column shows the sample selection bias: $bias_{IMR} = \beta^l(IMR) * \alpha_{IMR}$.

Table C16 Sample Selection Bias Lasso Regression - Models I, II and III

| Coefficients | β^s | β^l | α_{IMR} | $bias_{IMR}$ |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|--------------|
| Number of Firms n_f | 0.16 | 0.02 | -0.23 | 0.14 |
| n_f^3 | -0.01 | 0 | 0.01 | -0.01 |
| Detection Probability σ | -8.44 | -11.34 | -4.81 | 2.90 |
| σ^2 | 14.02 | 26.38 | 20.47 | -12.36 |
| σ^3 | -8.44 | -25.83 | -28.81 | 17.40 |
| $n_f\sigma$ | -0.07 | 0.09 | 0.28 | -0.17 |
| Fines γ (% of Profit) | 1.77 | 1.66 | -0.17 | 0.10 |
| γ^3 | -1.43 | -1.34 | 0.14 | -0.09 |
| Leniency (% of Fine) θ | 0.03 | -0.05 | -0.14 | 0.08 |
| $n_f\theta$ | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0 | 0 |
| Structured | -0.37 | -0.36 | 0.02 | -0.01 |
| Model II | 0.54 | 0.65 | 0.18 | -0.11 |
| Model III | -0.67 | -0.44 | 0.37 | -0.23 |
| Start | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Times Caught | 0 | -0.04 | -0.07 | 0.04 |
| Repeat Offender | 0.02 | -0.30 | -0.53 | 0.32 |
| IMR | | -0.60 | | |
| Constant | 6.25 | 6.75 | 0.82 | -0.49 |

This table shows, for the Lasso CV Linear Regression of the combined Models I, II, and III, the sample selection bias that we correct with the IMR following (Heckman (1979)). β^s is the estimated coefficients in the short model without IMR. β^l is the estimated coefficients in the corrected long model including IMR. α_{IMR} is the coefficient in the auxiliary regression between each variable and IMR. The last column shows the sample selection bias: $bias_{IMR} = \beta^l(IMR) * \alpha_{IMR}$.

Table C17 Lasso CV Regression and HR for Cartel Duration on Model I - ICC on Stigler - Detection independent of Collusion

| | Ln(Duration+1) | | | | Cartel Death | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | LasSample | LasUndetec | LasCartels | LasHeck | HRLasSample | HRLasUnd | HRLasCartels | HRLasHeck |
| Start | -0.001*** (0.0000) | -0.001*** (0.0000) | -0.002*** (0.0000) | -0.0004*** (0.0001) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0001) | 0.001*** (0.0001) |
| N Firms n_f | -1.37*** (0.14) | 4.87*** (0.17) | 2.50*** (0.09) | 0.16*** (0.02) | 1.04*** (0.12) | 12.61*** (1.42) | -1.49*** (0.07) | -0.14*** (0.02) |
| n_f^2 | 0.43*** (0.04) | -1.29*** (0.04) | -0.64*** (0.02) | | -0.33*** (0.03) | -1.56*** (0.25) | 0.38*** (0.02) | |
| n_f^3 | -0.04*** (0.003) | 0.09*** (0.003) | 0.04*** (0.002) | -0.005*** (0.0004) | 0.03*** (0.002) | 0.07*** (0.01) | -0.02*** (0.001) | 0.004*** (0.0004) |
| Detection Prob. σ | -5.04*** (2.38) | -17.14*** (2.25) | -12.64*** (1.71) | -4.25*** (0.36) | 4.97*** (2.05) | 18.48*** (2.12) | 12.14*** (1.38) | 3.72*** (0.31) |
| σ^2 | 4.74 (10.82) | 26.19** (10.53) | 13.83* (7.93) | | -6.61 (9.34) | -15.51* (9.02) | -15.50** (6.41) | |
| σ^3 | -2.64 (15.46) | -34.76*** (15.51) | -17.19 (11.53) | 5.97*** (1.49) | 5.93 (13.35) | 22.24* (13.29) | 18.06* (9.30) | -4.94*** (1.29) |
| $n_f \sigma$ | 0.12** (0.06) | 1.69*** (0.07) | 1.39*** (0.04) | 0.04 (0.06) | -0.06 (0.05) | -2.31*** (0.16) | -1.12*** (0.03) | 0.005 (0.05) |
| Times Caught | 0.02*** (0.004) | 0.03*** (0.01) | 0.12*** (0.003) | -0.02*** (0.01) | -0.02*** (0.004) | -0.49*** (0.02) | -0.12*** (0.003) | 0.01 (0.004) |
| Repeat Offender | 0.17*** (0.02) | 1.75*** (0.03) | 0.99*** (0.02) | -0.05* (0.02) | -0.19*** (0.02) | -0.23*** (0.05) | -0.51*** (0.01) | -0.03 (0.02) |
| IMR | | | | -0.47*** (0.03) | | | | 0.33*** (0.03) |
| Constant | 7.03*** (0.24) | 1.06*** (0.28) | 3.17*** (0.17) | 5.54*** (0.09) | | | | |
| Observations | 36'615 | 41'207 | 7'822 | 36'615 | 36'615 | 41'207 | 7'822 | 36'615 |
| R ² | 0.12 | 0.49 | 0.53 | 0.13 | | | | |
| Adjusted R ² | 0.12 | 0.49 | 0.53 | 0.13 | | | | |
| Log Likelihood | | | | | -218'190.40 | -113'185.60 | -348'310.50 | -218'178.10 |

Note: This table shows the estimation results of Lasso CV linear cross-sectional regressions to explain cartel duration (ln(duration+1)) and the estimation results of a Lasso CV Weibull Hazard Model to explain cartel death, both at the industry level, for data simulated for Model I. Columns 2 - 5 estimate linear regression coefficients, while columns 6 - 9 estimate HR coefficients, both on the sample of detected cartels, the group of undetected cartels, the population of all cartels, and the sample corrected for Heckman Sample Selection, respectively. The estimated coefficients show standard errors in the sample, but do not test for the real population. The estimated HR coefficients show the change of risk for cartel breakdown if the covariate increases by 1 unit, keeping all others fixed.

Standard errors are in parentheses. Significance at the 1%, 5%, and 10% level is indicated by ***, **, and *, respectively.

Table C18 Lasso CV Regression and HR for Cartel Duration on Model II - ICC on Stigler - Detection depends on number of Firms

| | Ln(Duration+1) | | Cartel Death | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | LasSample | LasUndetec | LasCartels | LasHeck | |
| | | | HRLasSample | HRLasUnd | HRLasCartels |
| | | | | | HRLasHeck |
| Start | -0.002*** (0.0001) | -0.002*** (0.0000) | -0.002*** (0.0001) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.002*** (0.0001) |
| N Firms n_f | -1.98*** (0.24) | 8.53*** (0.18) | 1.37*** (0.20) | 7.67*** (1.48) | -0.26*** (0.03) |
| n_f^2 | 0.61*** (0.06) | -2.16*** (0.04) | -0.43*** (0.05) | -0.55*** (0.26) | 1.08*** (0.03) |
| n_f^3 | -0.06*** (0.01) | 0.15*** (0.003) | 0.04*** (0.004) | -0.0004 (0.01) | 0.01*** (0.001) |
| Detection Prob. σ | -2.36*** (0.61) | -5.81*** (0.51) | 4.17 (3.61) | 5.79*** (2.11) | 1.84*** (0.55) |
| σ^2 | | | -11.18 (16.44) | 0.25 (9.01) | -5.39 (7.83) |
| σ^3 | 3.12 (2.52) | -2.29 (1.64) | 12.46 (23.52) | 1.97 (13.27) | -4.34* (2.29) |
| $n_f \sigma$ | 0.13 (0.10) | 0.97*** (0.08) | 0.01 (0.09) | -0.94*** (0.16) | 0.04 (0.09) |
| Times Caught | 0.02 (0.02) | 0.62*** (0.02) | -0.01 (0.02) | -1.30*** (0.03) | 0.03 (0.03) |
| Repeat Offender | 0.20*** (0.03) | -0.44*** (0.05) | -0.22*** (0.03) | 1.07*** (0.08) | -0.21*** (0.03) |
| IMR | | | | | 0.12** (0.06) |
| Constant | 7.99*** (0.30) | -2.81*** (0.26) | -0.25 (0.19) | 5.71*** (0.16) | |
| Observations | 11'733 | 41'445 | 53'178 | 11'733 | 53'178 |
| R ² | 0.20 | 0.54 | 0.59 | 0.20 | 11'733 |
| Adjusted R ² | 0.20 | 0.54 | 0.59 | 0.19 | |
| Log Likelihood | | | -76'836.46 | -118'987.30 | -207'949.80 |
| | | | | | -76'867.61 |

Note: This table shows the estimation results of Lasso CV linear cross-sectional regressions to explain cartel duration (ln(duration+1)) and the estimation results of a Lasso CV Weibull Hazard Model to explain cartel death, both at the industry level, for data simulated for Model II. Columns 2 - 5 estimate linear regression coefficients, while columns 6 - 9 estimate HR coefficients, both on the sample of detected cartels, the group of undetected cartels, the population of all cartels, and the sample corrected for Heckman Sample Selection, respectively. The estimated coefficients show standard errors in the sample, but do not test for the real population. The estimated HR coefficients show the change of risk for cartel breakdown if the covariate increases by 1 unit, keeping all others fixed. Standard errors are in parentheses. Significance at the 1%, 5%, and 10% level is indicated by ***, **, and *, respectively.

Table C19 Cartel Duration with CV Lasso on Model III - ICC on Harrington et al.

| | Ln(Duration+1) | | LasCartels | | LasHeck | Cartel Death | | HRLasCartels | HRLasHeck |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| | LasSample | LasUndetec | LasCartels | LasHeck | | HRLasUnd | HRLasCartels | | |
| Start | -0.001*** (0.0000) | -0.001*** (0.0000) | -0.002*** (0.0000) | -0.0004*** (0.0000) | | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | |
| N Firms n_f | 0.41*** (0.01) | -0.40*** (0.06) | 0.58*** (0.04) | 0.19*** (0.01) | | -0.33*** (0.01) | -0.73*** (0.03) | -0.14*** (0.01) | |
| n_f^2 | | -0.13*** (0.02) | -0.22*** (0.01) | | | 0.08*** (0.01) | 0.22*** (0.01) | | |
| n_f^3 | -0.01*** (0.0002) | 0.01*** (0.001) | 0.01*** (0.001) | -0.01*** (0.0003) | | -0.02*** (0.001) | -0.01*** (0.001) | 0.005*** (0.0002) | |
| Fines γ (% of Profit) | 1.40*** (0.31) | | 0.04*** (0.02) | | | -0.54*** (0.26) | -0.06*** (0.01) | | |
| γ^3 | -0.70*** (0.16) | 0.02* (0.01) | | 0.03*** (0.01) | | 0.23* (0.14) | | -0.05*** (0.01) | |
| Leniency (% Fine) θ | -0.22*** (0.01) | 1.06*** (0.02) | -0.60*** (0.01) | -0.14*** (0.01) | | 0.14*** (0.01) | 0.50*** (0.01) | 0.08*** (0.01) | |
| $n_f\theta$ | 0.11*** (0.004) | 0.12*** (0.005) | 0.42*** (0.003) | 0.06*** (0.005) | | -0.07*** (0.004) | -0.31*** (0.002) | -0.03*** (0.004) | |
| Structured | -0.39*** (0.004) | -0.49*** (0.004) | -0.54*** (0.003) | -0.37*** (0.004) | | 0.37*** (0.003) | 0.42*** (0.002) | 0.35*** (0.003) | |
| Detection Prob. σ | -3.09*** (0.12) | -8.71*** (0.78) | -11.16*** (0.10) | -9.09*** (0.66) | | 2.83*** (0.11) | 9.44*** (0.09) | 7.12*** (0.57) | |
| σ^2 | | -60.58*** (3.67) | | 22.02*** (3.04) | | 47.40*** (3.06) | | -14.55*** (2.59) | |
| σ^3 | 9.32*** (0.46) | 121.65*** (5.49) | 21.48*** (0.39) | -20.94*** (4.44) | | -7.71*** (0.39) | -21.25*** (0.31) | 11.95*** (3.79) | |
| $n_f\sigma$ | -0.83*** (0.03) | 2.69*** (0.03) | 0.56*** (0.02) | -0.36*** (0.03) | | 0.72*** (0.02) | -0.30*** (0.01) | 0.29*** (0.03) | |
| Times Caught | -0.01*** (0.001) | 0.05*** (0.002) | 0.07*** (0.001) | -0.04*** (0.001) | | 0.01*** (0.001) | -0.06*** (0.001) | 0.03*** (0.001) | |
| Repeat Offender | -0.04*** (0.01) | 1.00*** (0.01) | 0.62*** (0.005) | -0.26*** (0.01) | | 0.03*** (0.005) | -0.27*** (0.004) | 0.20*** (0.01) | |
| IMR | | | | -0.45*** (0.01) | | | | 0.36*** (0.01) | |
| Constant | 4.52*** (0.16) | 7.19*** (0.09) | 6.05*** (0.05) | 6.18*** (0.06) | | | | | |
| Observations | 427'108 | 382'750 | 809'858 | 427'108 | | 427'108 | 809'858 | 427'108 | |
| R ² | 0.15 | 0.45 | 0.45 | 0.15 | | | | | |
| Adjusted R ² | 0.15 | 0.45 | 0.45 | 0.15 | | | | | |
| Log Likelihood | | | | | | -2'507'443.00 | -1'183'409.00 | -3'841'901.00 | -2'506'846.00 |

Note: This table shows the estimation results of Lasso CV linear cross-sectional regressions to explain cartel duration (ln(duration+1)) and the estimation results of a Lasso CV Weibull Hazard Model to explain cartel death, both at the industry level, for data simulated for Models IIIa and IIIb combined. Columns 2 - 5 estimate linear regression coefficients, while columns 6 - 9 estimate HR coefficients, both on the sample of detected cartels, the group of undetected cartels, the population of all cartels, and the sample corrected for Heckman Sample Selection, respectively. The estimated coefficients show standard errors in the sample, but do not test for the real population. The estimated HR coefficients show the change of risk for cartel breakdown if the covariate increases by 1 unit, keeping all others fixed. Standard errors are in parentheses. Significance at the 1%, 5%, and 10% level is indicated by ***, **, and *, respectively.

Table C20 Cartel Duration with CV Lasso on Model I, II and III

| | Ln(Duration+1) | | | Cartel Death | | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | LasSample | LasUndetec | LasCartels | LasHeck | HRLasSample | HRLasUnd | HRLasCartels | HRLasHeck |
| N Firms n_f | 0.26*** (0.05) | 0.45*** (0.05) | | 0.02** (0.01) | -0.28*** (0.04) | 1.15*** (0.05) | | -0.01 (0.01) |
| n_f^2 | -0.03** (0.01) | -0.30*** (0.01) | -0.11*** (0.001) | | 0.04*** (0.01) | 0.02** (0.01) | 0.07*** (0.001) | |
| n_f^3 | -0.01*** (0.001) | 0.02*** (0.001) | -0.001*** (0.0002) | -0.003*** (0.0002) | 0.003** (0.001) | -0.002*** (0.001) | 0.003*** (0.0001) | 0.002*** (0.0001) |
| γ^2 | | | | 1.66*** (0.38) | | | | -0.64* (0.33) |
| γ^3 | 0.03*** (0.01) | 0.02 (0.01) | 0.03*** (0.01) | -1.34*** (0.32) | -0.05*** (0.01) | -0.03** (0.01) | -0.03*** (0.01) | 0.48* (0.27) |
| Leniency (% Fine) θ | 0.03*** (0.01) | 0.66*** (0.02) | -0.55*** (0.01) | -0.05*** (0.01) | -0.05*** (0.01) | -2.69*** (0.03) | 0.44*** (0.01) | 0.03** (0.01) |
| $n_f\theta$ | 0.02*** (0.004) | 0.21*** (0.005) | 0.40*** (0.003) | 0.02*** (0.004) | -0.001 (0.004) | 0.29*** (0.01) | -0.28*** (0.002) | -0.002 (0.003) |
| Detection Prob. σ | -5.43*** (0.11) | -18.35*** (0.14) | -13.46*** (0.08) | -11.34*** (0.62) | 4.77*** (0.09) | 23.45*** (0.15) | 11.52*** (0.07) | 9.07*** (0.53) |
| σ^2 | | | | 26.38*** (2.88) | | | | -18.72*** (2.46) |
| σ^3 | 11.91*** (0.42) | 24.02*** (0.50) | 23.64*** (0.35) | -25.83*** (4.21) | -10.07*** (0.36) | -29.63*** (0.43) | -22.95*** (0.27) | 16.65*** (3.60) |
| $n_f\sigma$ | -0.09*** (0.02) | 2.19*** (0.02) | 1.26*** (0.01) | 0.09*** (0.02) | 0.10*** (0.02) | -2.97*** (0.02) | -0.93*** (0.01) | -0.07*** (0.02) |
| Structured | -0.37*** (0.004) | -0.51*** (0.005) | -0.51*** (0.003) | -0.36*** (0.004) | 0.35*** (0.003) | 0.35*** (0.004) | 0.40*** (0.002) | 0.34*** (0.003) |
| Model II | 0.54*** (0.01) | 0.30*** (0.01) | 0.36*** (0.01) | 0.65*** (0.01) | -0.48*** (0.01) | -0.39*** (0.01) | -0.40*** (0.01) | -0.57*** (0.01) |
| Model III | -0.30*** (0.01) | -0.90*** (0.01) | -0.90*** (0.01) | -0.44*** (0.08) | 0.24*** (0.01) | 0.62*** (0.01) | 0.73*** (0.01) | 0.21*** (0.07) |
| Start | -0.001*** (0.0000) | -0.001*** (0.0000) | -0.002*** (0.0000) | -0.0003*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0000) | 0.001*** (0.0000) |
| Times Caught | -0.001 (0.001) | 0.05*** (0.002) | 0.07*** (0.001) | -0.04*** (0.001) | 0.005*** (0.001) | -0.35*** (0.003) | -0.07*** (0.001) | 0.04*** (0.001) |
| Repeat Offender | 0.02*** (0.01) | 1.06*** (0.01) | 0.69*** (0.004) | -0.30*** (0.01) | -0.02*** (0.004) | -0.21*** (0.01) | -0.32*** (0.003) | 0.24*** (0.01) |
| IMR | | | | -0.60*** (0.01) | | | | 0.48*** (0.01) |
| Constant | 5.95*** (0.06) | 7.57*** (0.07) | 7.83*** (0.02) | 6.75*** (0.05) | | | | |
| Observations | 475'456 | 465'402 | 940'858 | 475'456 | 475'456 | 465'402 | 940'858 | 475'456 |
| R ² | 0.15 | 0.45 | 0.46 | 0.15 | | | | |
| Adjusted R ² | 0.15 | 0.45 | 0.46 | | | | | |
| Log Likelihood | | | | | -2'804'453.00 | -1'432'521.00 | -4'409'298.00 | -2'803'121.00 |

Note: This table shows the estimation results of Lasso CV linear cross-sectional regressions to explain cartel duration (ln(duration+1)) and the estimation results of a Lasso CV Weibull Hazard Model to explain cartel death, both at the industry level, for data simulated for Models I, II, IIIa, and IIIb combined. Columns 2 - 5 estimate linear regression coefficients, while columns 6 - 9 estimate HR coefficients, both on the sample of detected cartels, the group of undetected cartels, the population of all cartels, and the sample corrected for Heckman Sample Selection, respectively. The estimated coefficients show standard errors in the sample, but do not test for the real population. The estimated HR coefficients show the change of risk for cartel breakdown if the covariate increases by 1 unit, keeping all others fixed. Standard errors are in parentheses. Significance at the 1%, 5%, and 10% level is indicated by ***, **, and *, respectively.