

# **Welfare Eligibility Manipulation: Evidence From Georgia**

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# Motivation

- Optimal targeting of social aid is a key issue in the design public policy
  - Developed countries: targeting uses **rich administrative data**
  - Developing countries: **proxy mean tests (PMTs)** are commonly used
- in both cases, optimal design of social aid policies will need to account for **manipulation**
- existing literature **documents the existence** of both demand- and supply-side manipulation
- demand-side:
  - tax evasion [Friedberg, 2000; Saez, 2010; Kleven et al., 2011; Kleven and Waseem, 2013]
  - access to health services [Miller et al., 2013]
  - corrupt local government [Foremny et al., 2017]
- supply-side:
  - teachers changing student grades in high stakes tests [Machin et al., 2020]
  - up-coding in health insurance [Geruso and Layton, 2020]
  - corrupt local government vote-buying [Camacho and Conover, 2011; Brollo et al., 2020]

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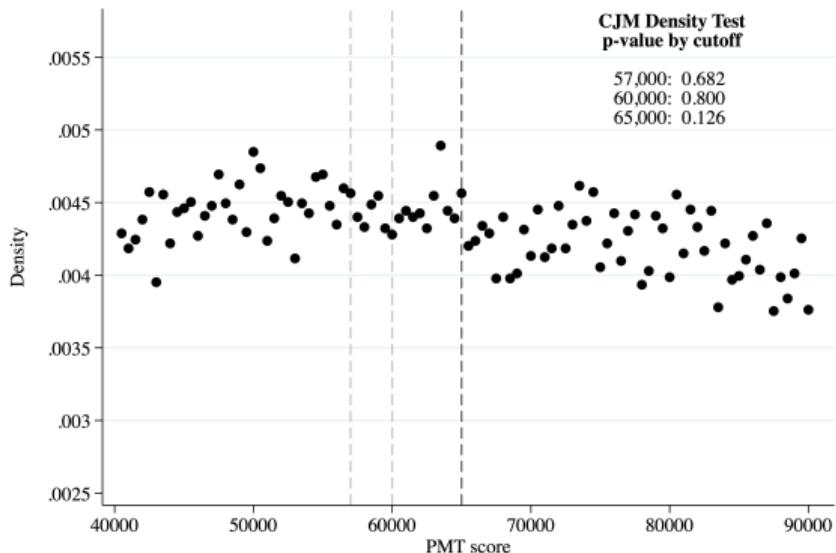
## **Evidence of Manipulation**

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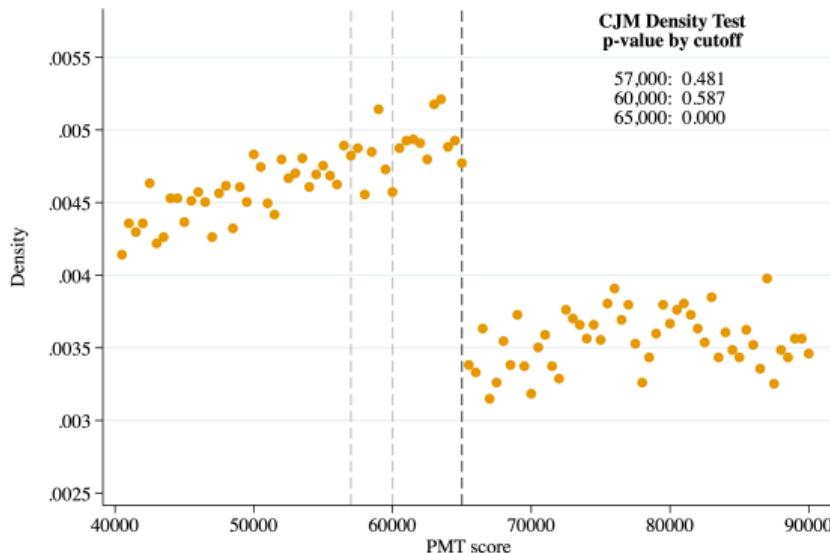
# PMT Score Distribution: Initial vs Final Scores

► The Model

► Identification



(a) First Interview

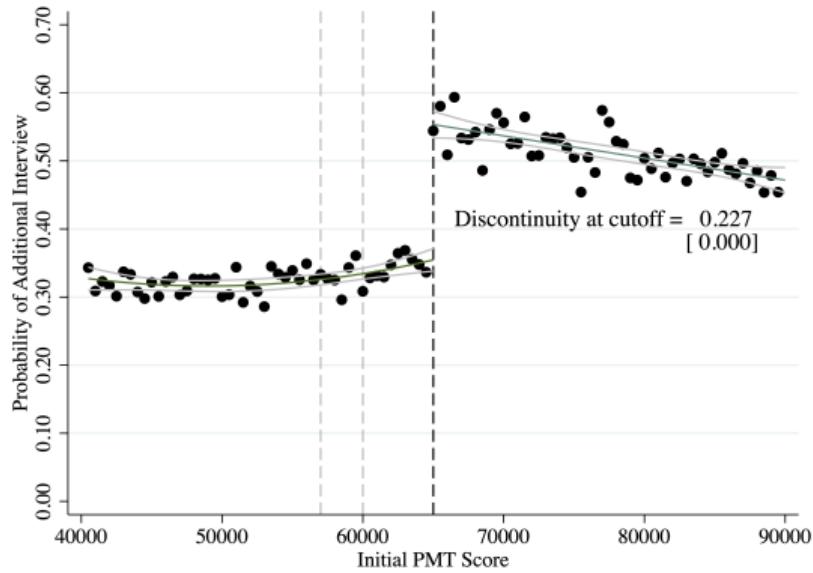


(b) Final Interview

**Notes:** Bin size of 500. Panel (a) shows the distribution of the PMT score for the first interview each household had. Panel (b) shows the distribution of the last PMT score each household received. The box in both figures contains CJM Density Test *p*-value from the [Cattaneo et al. \[2020\]](#) manipulation test using households with scores between the cutoff above and below each cutoff in the estimation, a polynomial of order 2, and data driven bandwidths, around each cutoff.

***The possibility of reassessment ⇒ PMT distribution is no longer smooth.***

# Reassessment Probabilities 1/2



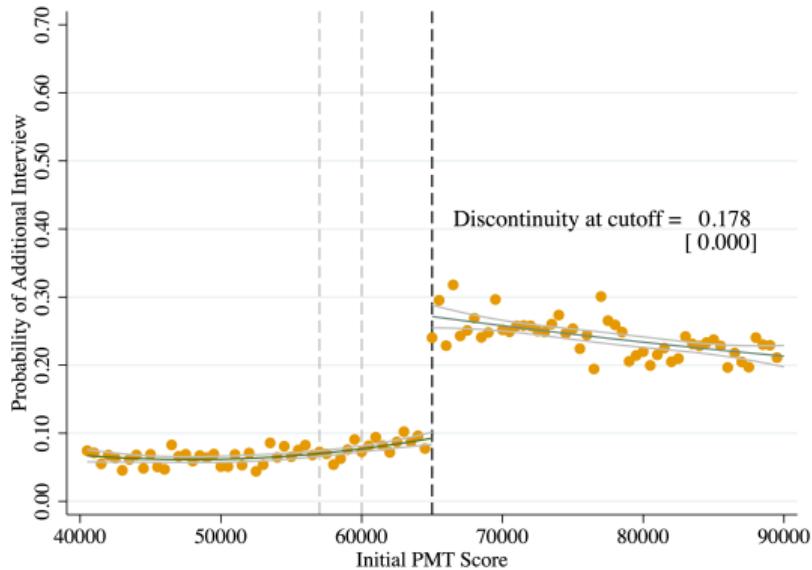
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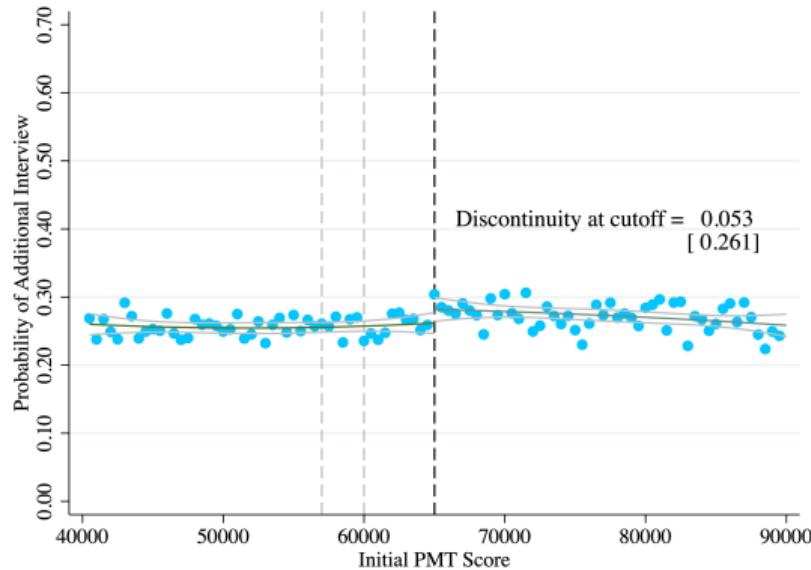
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(a) Household-Initiated Reassessment



(b) Other Reason for Reassessment

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We call HH-initiated reassessments "*manipulation attempts*".

## **Empirical Approach**

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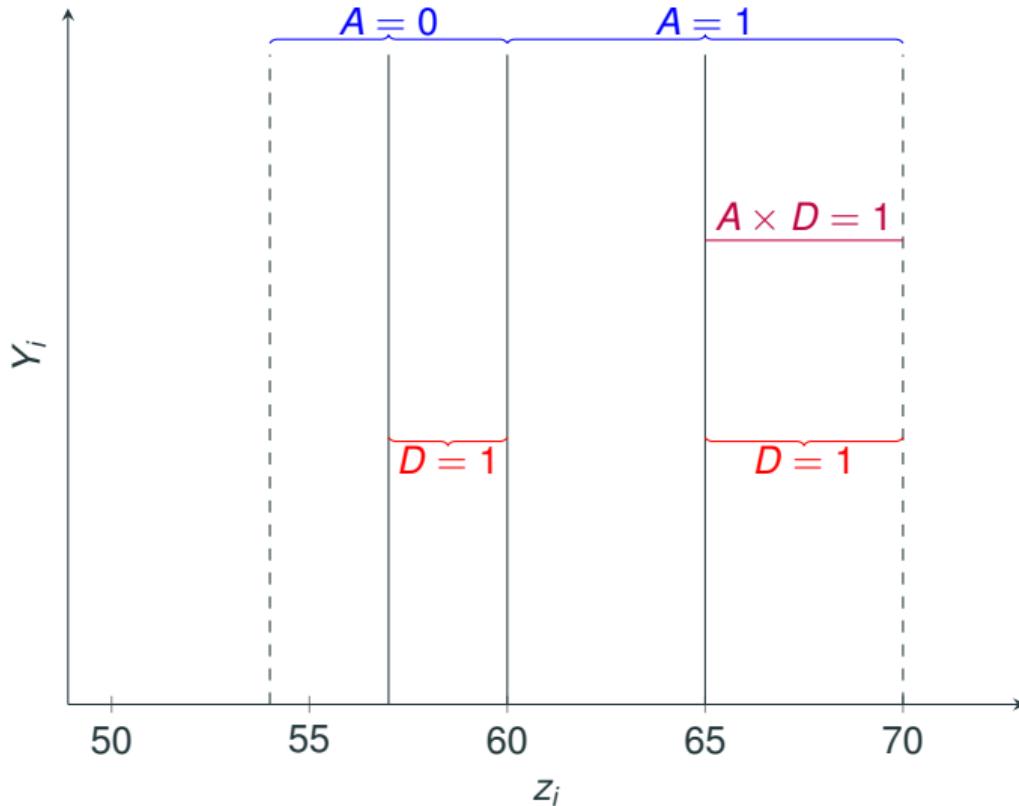
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## Our focus - sample selection for our *FDD* estimations

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- We use households with  $z_i \in [54,000, 70,000]$
- Additional filters:
  - Excluded HH whose first interview was after 2018.
  - Excluded HHs with only SA-initiated interviews.
- The idea behind *FDD*:
  - We use changes around 57,000 to account for the effects driven by  $B_0$ .
  - The remaining differences around 65,000 represent the effect of manipulation attempts.

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## Core Results

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# Summary of the results

We still have 3 questions to answer:

2. Who are the manipulators? [Compliers]
  - They are marginally poorer and are more likely to be rural
3. How do they manipulate? [ $\Delta X$ ]
  - We observe reductions in movable agricultural assets, reported salaries, and house size.
4. What are the effects of manipulation attempts?
  - Female labor market participation increases [LM - Ind, LM - HH]
    - The effect is stronger if the manipulation attempt is unsuccessful. [By success]  
⇒ successful manipulation **crowds out** LM participation in relative sense
    - Expenditure in children increases. [Expenditure]

Additional question:

5. What is impact on kids? Relates to “parental time ( $\downarrow$ ) vs money ( $\uparrow$ )” literature [Caucutt et al., 2020; Agostinelli and Sorrenti, 2021; Nicoletti et al., 2023; Mullins, 2022, ...].
  - We do not find effects on early childhood [0 to 5], or on older children and youths [Education].

## Wrapping up

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We formulated 5 questions:

1. Given the structure of the programme, do we see **demand-side manipulation**?
  - We document substantial demand-side manipulation
  - Our manipulation estimates align with estimations using bunching techniques [Bunching]
2. What do manipulators **look like**?
  - Complier households are poorer and rural
3. How do manipulators **manipulate**?
  - Households take advantage of the possibility for reassessments.
  - Households change movable rural assets and declared income.
4. What are the (down-stream) **consequences** of household manipulation?
  - increased engagement in formal LM for women, though only when manipulation is not successful
  - increase in HH spending almost exclusively on children
  - HH has more money, mom works more – we dont find significant impact on kids
5. How **costly** is manipulation to the government?
  - Manipulation has a considerable financial cost to the Government [Cost]

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## **Supporting slides**

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- **Georgia:**

- 1 USD = 2.95 GEL (in December 2019)
- Median income = USD 370
- Population = 3.7 million
- Poverty = 17.1%

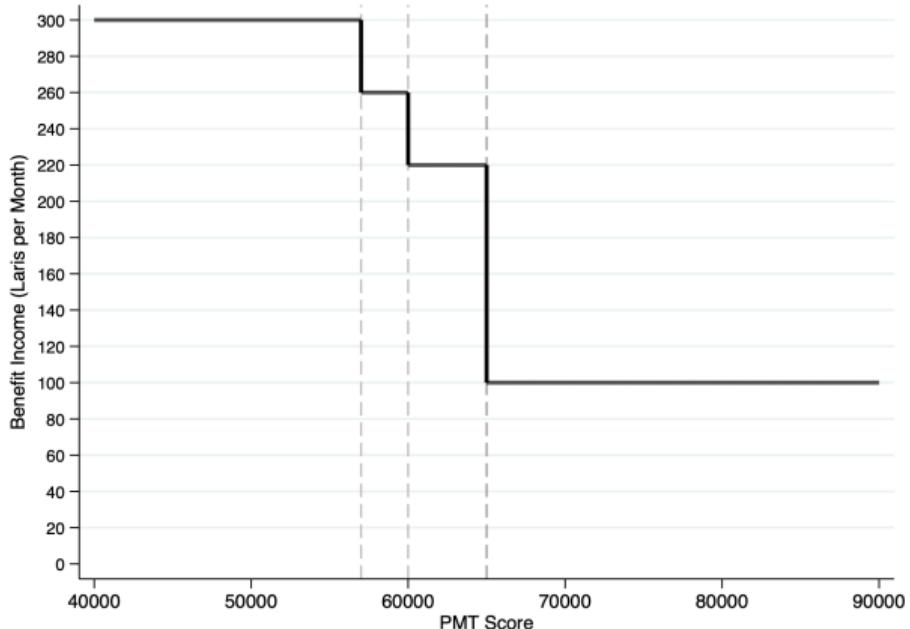
- **TSA:**

- Annual budget around 270 Million Lari per year (9% of the social security budget).
- Reaches 12% of the population.
- The transfer represents on average 31% of the total income of its beneficiaries.

# Full TSA Benefit Schedule

Institutional Context

Welfare Cost



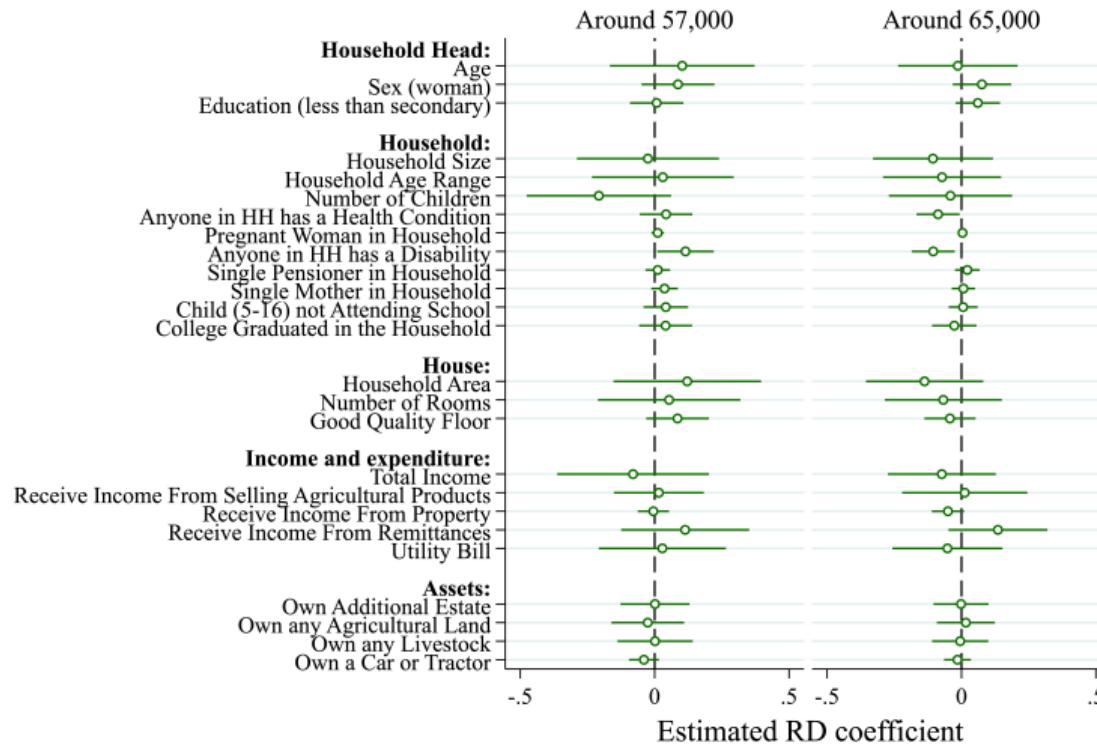
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65,001 to 100,000	0	50
100,000 or more	0	0

**Notes:** Benefit Income-PMT score schedule for the sample median household structure of two adults, two children.

# Identification: HH Characteristics are Balanced Across Threshold

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Figure 4: Covariate Balance

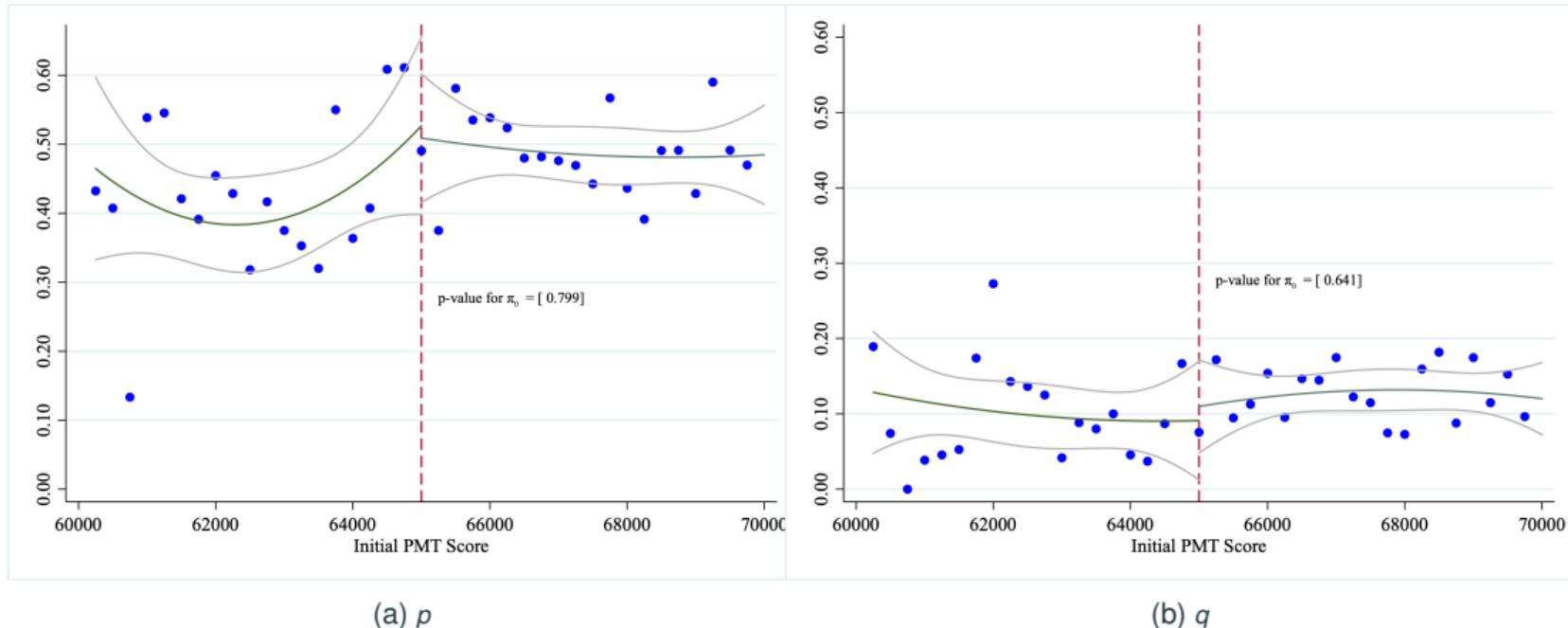


**Notes:** We present a series of estimates for  $\lambda$  from:  $X_i = \lambda D_i + g_1^D(z_{0,i}) + v_i$

# Identification: Policy Parameters are Smooth Through Threshold

▶ Identification

Figure 5: Policy parameters balance

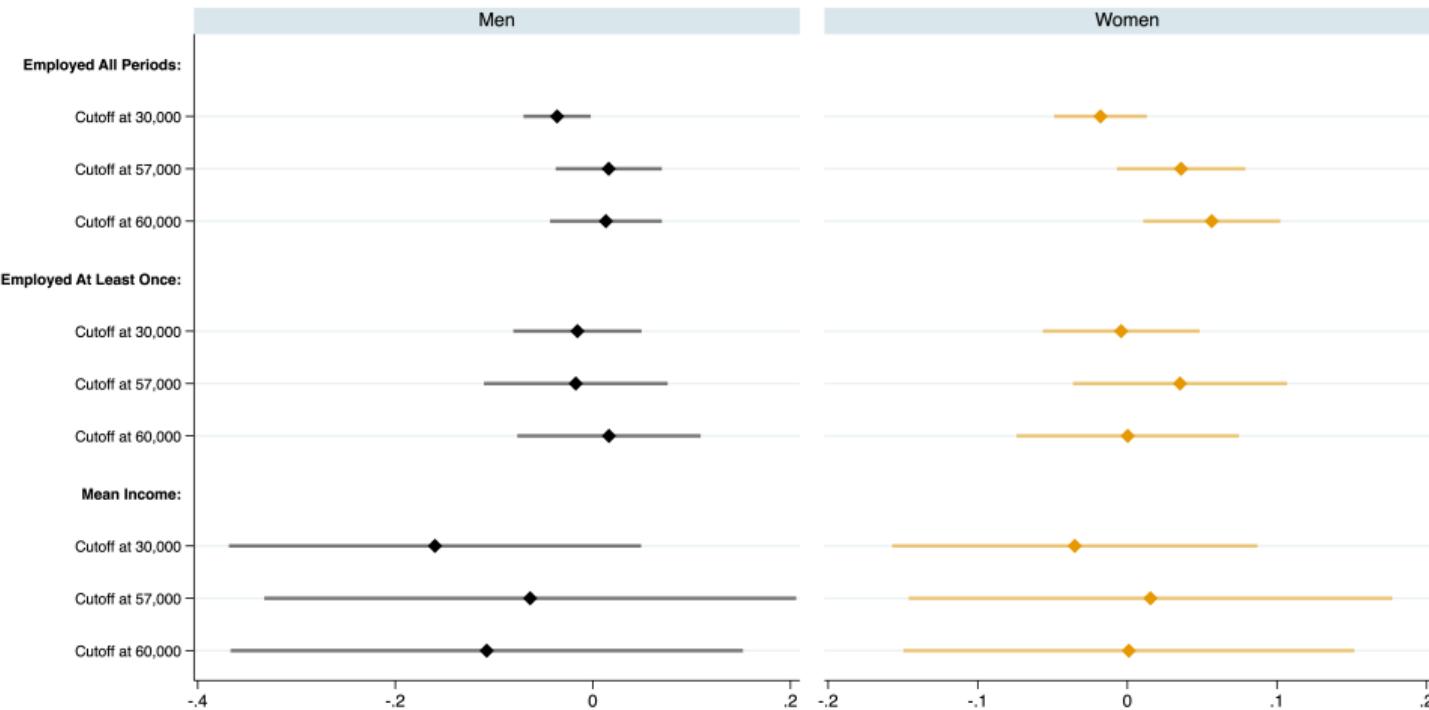


**Notes:** In each graph we present the respective  $p$ -value for the parameter  $\pi_0$  from a regression of the form  $y_i = \pi_0 D_i + g_1^D(z_{0,i}) + \epsilon_i$ , where  $D_i = 1[z_{0,i} > 65,000]$  and  $g_1^D(z_{0,i})$  is a polynomial of order 2 in  $z_{0,i}$  above and below the cutoff.

# Identification: The effect of $B_0$ is homogeneous

▶ Identification

Figure 7: The Effect of Benefit Income on Labor Market Outcomes is Homogeneous Across Cutoffs

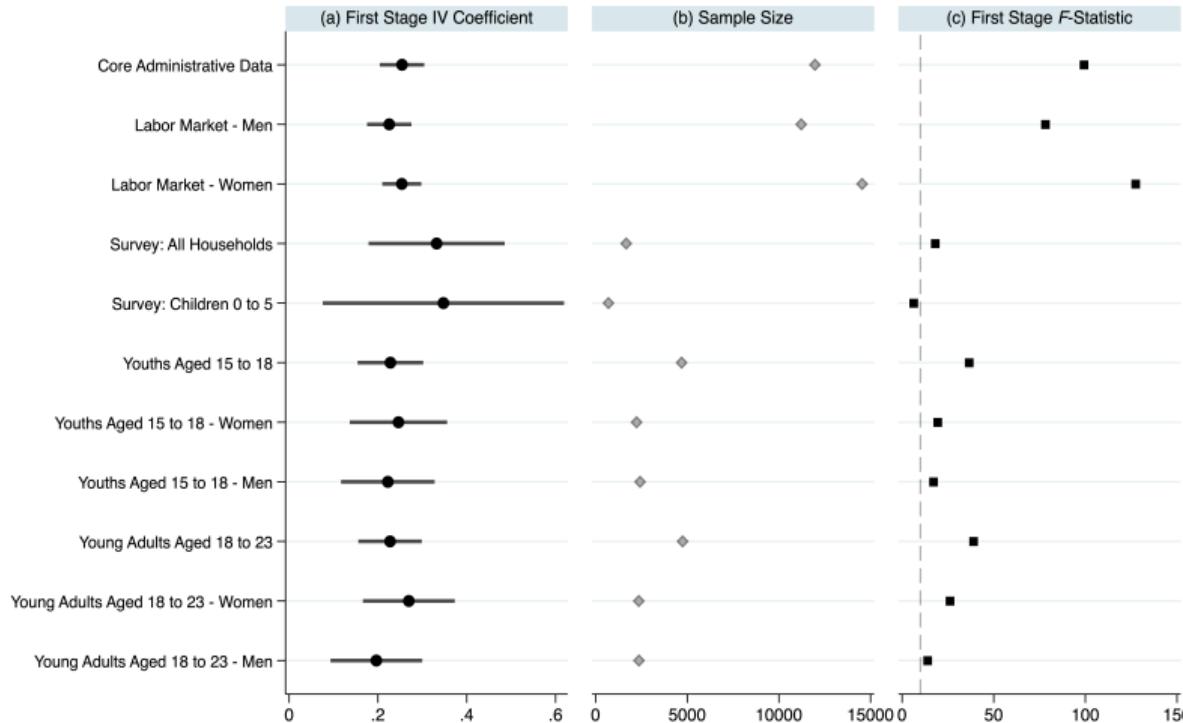


**Notes:** We plot the coefficient of the RD-IV coefficient of the effect of  $B_0$  on different outcomes for each cutoff.

# First Stage Estimates, Sample Size and Instrument Relevance

▶ Identification

Figure 8: First stage coefficients, Sample size, and F-Tests for the effect of  $A \times D$  on  $R$

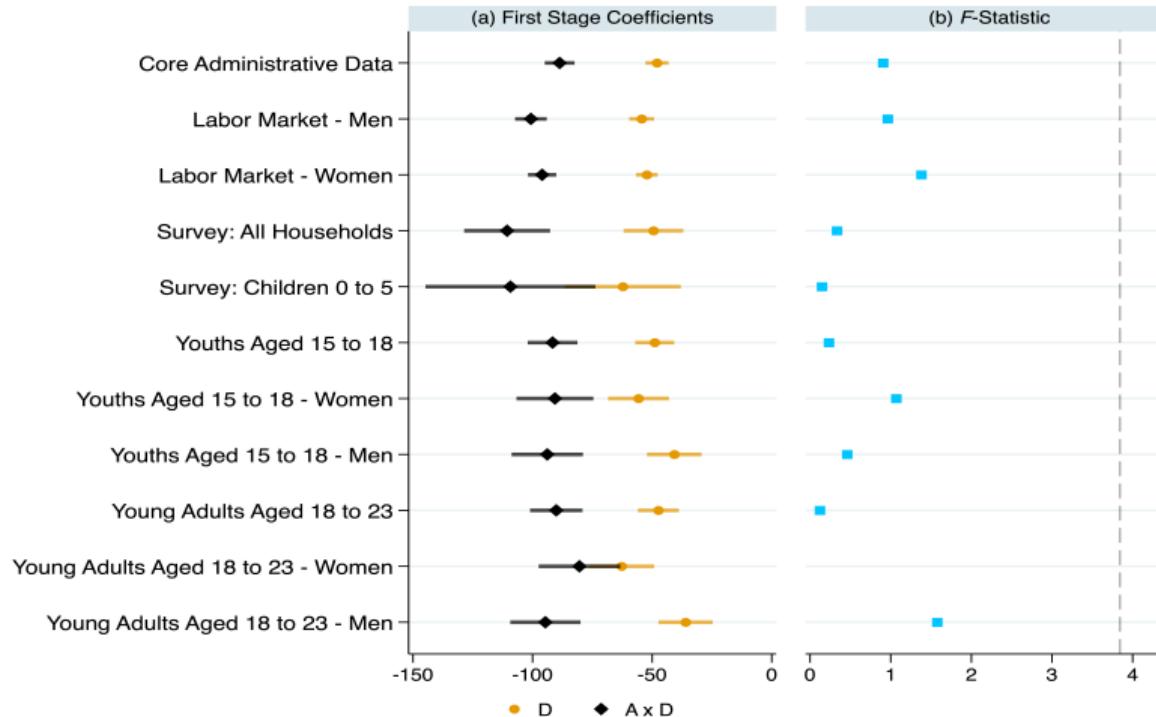


**Notes:** We plot the first stage coefficient of  $A \times D$  for the endogenous variable  $R$  for different data sets we use in the paper. Dashed line at 10

# First Stage Estimates for $B_0$

▶ Identification

Figure 9: First stage coefficients and F-Tests for the difference of the effect of  $D$  and  $A \times D$  on  $B_0$

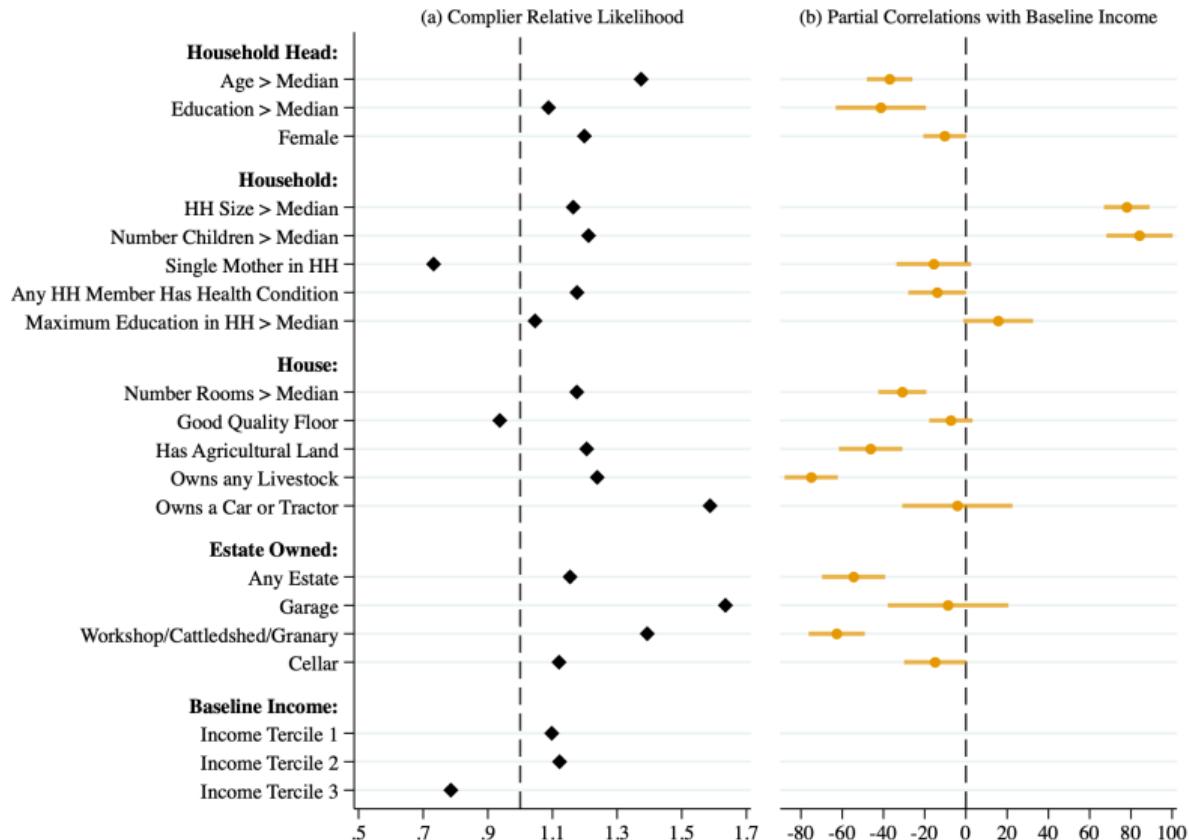


**Notes:** In Panel A we plot the first stage coefficients of  $D$  and  $A \times D$  for the endogenous variable  $B_0$  for different data sets we use in the paper. Panel B represents the F test for the null hypothesis  $H_0 : \gamma_1 + \gamma_3 = 3\gamma_1$  following equation 1. Dashed line at  $1.96^2$

# Who are the *manipulators* (IV Compliers)?

► Characterising Compliers

► Results

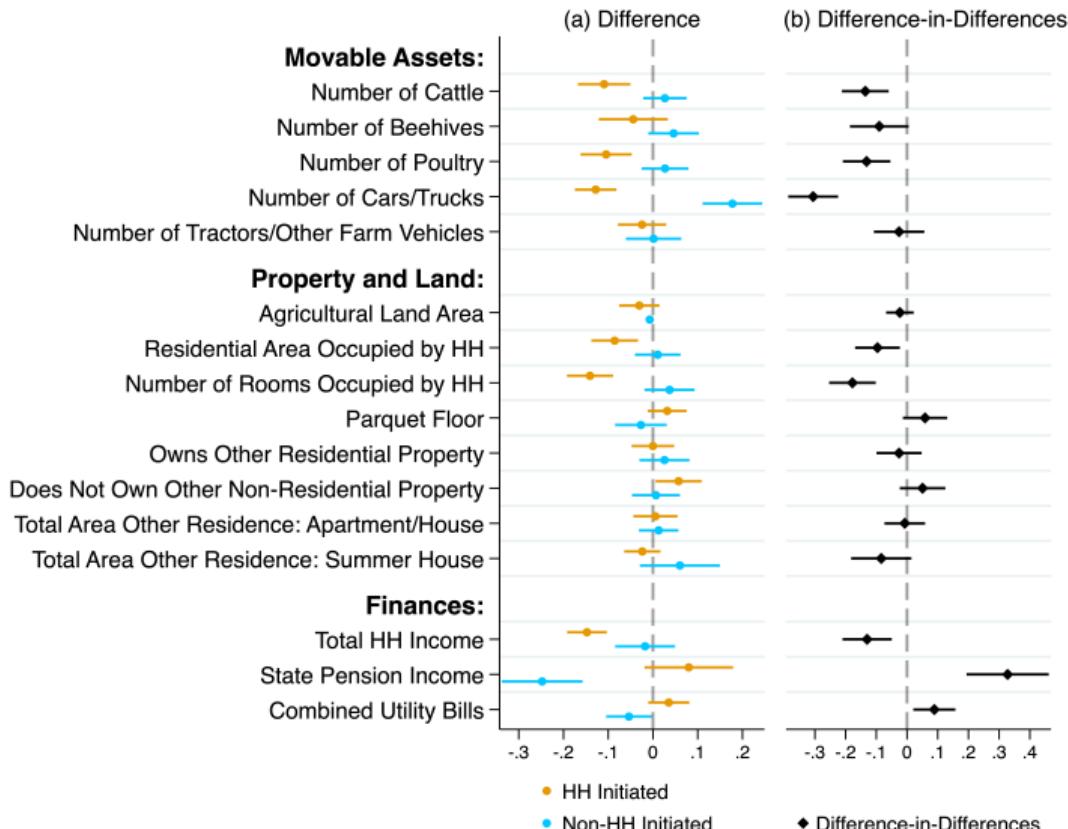


Manipulators are:

- marginally poorer.
- more likely to have movable (agricultural) assets.

# How do *manipulators* manipulate?

► Results



Manipulators reduce:

- movable agricultural assets
- living space
- salaries

# Formal Labour Market – Admin Data I

► Results

Table 1: Welfare Eligibility Manipulation Leads to Increased Formal Labor Market Engagement for Women

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Men			Women		
	Employed At Least Once	Employed All Periods	Mean Income	Employed At Least Once	Employed All Periods	Mean Income
<b>OLS</b>						
Repeat Interview	-0.027** (0.012)	0.009 (0.007)	-24.637*** (7.264)	-0.011 (0.010)	0.004 (0.006)	-2.920 (3.348)
<b>CW-OLS</b>						
Repeat Interview	-0.010 (0.013)	0.012 (0.008)	-14.898* (7.774)	-0.009 (0.010)	0.007 (0.006)	-1.344 (3.578)
<b>2SLS</b>						
Repeat Interview	-0.112 (0.311)	0.202 (0.186)	-127.498 (186.933)	0.312* (0.181)	0.257** (0.110)	64.521 (75.602)
SW F-Statistic: R.I.	20.435	20.435	20.435	44.620	44.620	44.620
$\bar{Y}_0$	0.256	0.072	105.716	0.179	0.052	43.963
Observations	11,220	11,220	11,220	14,544	14,544	14,544

**Notes:** \*\*\* denotes significance at 1%, \*\* at 5%, and \* at 10%. Initial benefit is measured in 100s of Laris.

*Manipulation attempts lead to an increase in female labor market participation.*

# Formal Labour Market – Admin Data II

► Results

Table 2: Household Level Analysis of Labor Market Engagement Reflects What we Find at the Individual Level

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
	At Least One Adult Employed at Least Once	All Adults Employed at Least Once	At Least One Adult Employed All Periods	All Adults Employed All Periods	Mean Labor Income of Household
<b>OLS</b>					
Repeat Interview	-0.069*** (0.012)	0.009 (0.007)	-0.009 (0.009)	0.007 (0.004)	-55.305*** (8.805)
<b>CW-OLS</b>					
Repeat Interview	-0.064*** (0.014)	0.014* (0.008)	-0.004 (0.010)	0.012*** (0.005)	-51.457*** (9.660)
<b>2SLS</b>					
Repeat Interview	0.131 (0.269)	0.032 (0.139)	0.439** (0.202)	0.023 (0.057)	26.746 (194.333)
SW F-Stat: Repeat Interview	30.216	30.216	30.216	30.216	30.216
$\bar{Y}_0$	0.371	0.074	0.130	0.021	156.997
Observations	11,695	11,695	11,695	11,695	11,695

Notes: \*\*\* denotes significance at 1%, \*\* at 5%, and \* at 10%. Initial benefit is measured in 100s of Laris.

*Total income does not significantly increase at the household level.*

Table 3: Successful Welfare Manipulation Attempts Crowd out Female Labor Force Participation

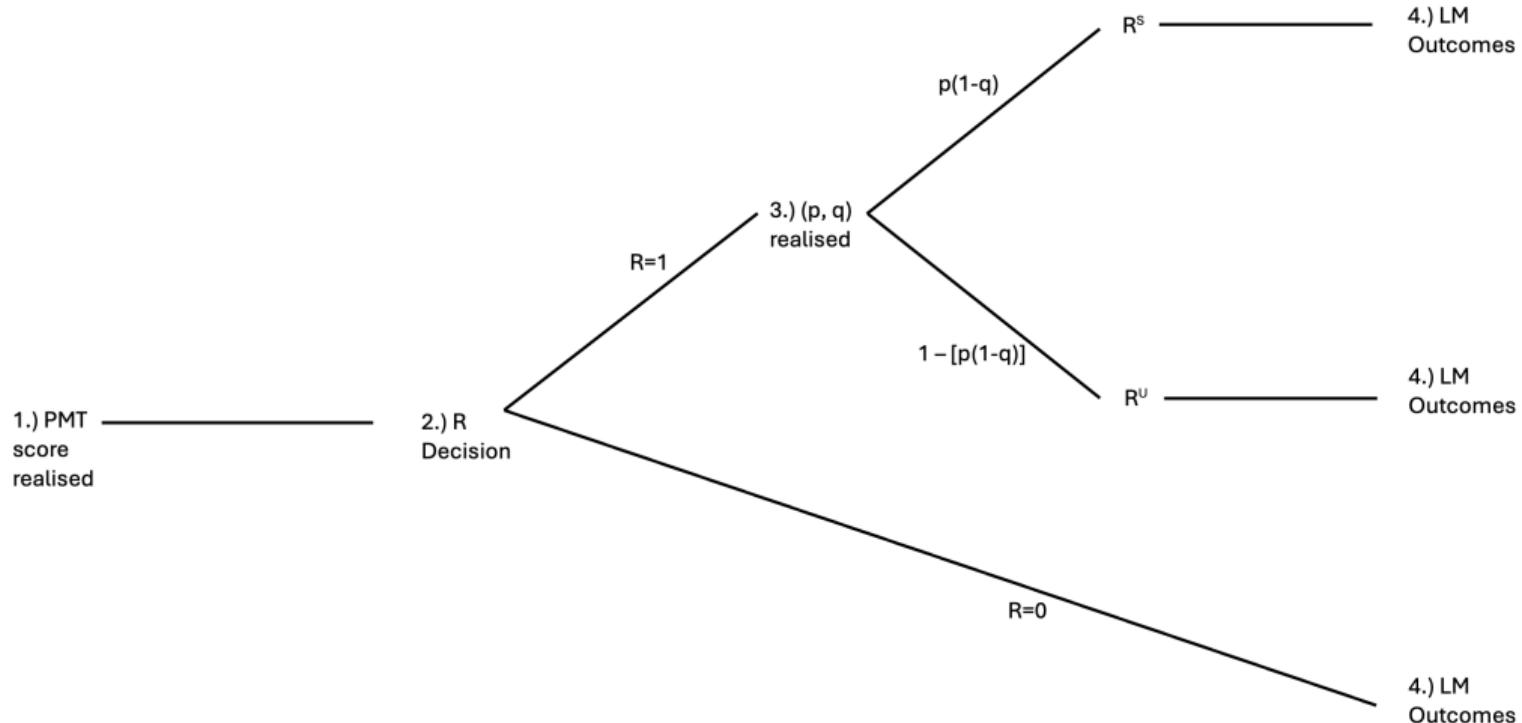
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Men			Women		
	Employed At Least Once	Employed All Periods	Mean Income	Employed At Least Once	Employed All Periods	Mean Income
<b>(a) Unsuccessful Manipulation Attempts</b>						
<b>2SLS</b>						
Repeat Interview	-0.046 (0.547)	0.416 (0.342)	-38.626 (328.086)	0.468* (0.255)	0.375** (0.156)	119.573 (106.478)
SW F-Statistic: R.I.	9.281	9.281	9.281	33.717	33.717	33.717
$\bar{Y}_0$	0.261	0.071	110.120	0.183	0.055	47.250
Observations	10,434	10,434	10,434	13,485	13,485	13,485
<b>(b) Successful Manipulation Attempts</b>						
<b>2SLS</b>						
Repeat Interview	-0.200 (0.441)	0.343 (0.264)	-134.008 (264.137)	0.316 (0.358)	0.296 (0.210)	8.906 (147.866)
SW F-Statistic: R.I.	27.158	27.158	27.158	27.701	27.701	27.701
$\bar{Y}_0$	0.261	0.071	110.120	0.183	0.055	47.250
Observations	10,130	10,130	10,130	13,244	13,244	13,244

Notes: \*\*\* denotes significance at 1%, \*\* at 5%, and \* at 10%.

# Thinking More About Success of Manipulations

► Results

► Success I



# Expenditure – Survey Data

► Results

Table 5: Welfare Eligibility Manipulation Attempts Lead to Significant Increases in Child-Related Expenditure

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
	Children								
	Total	Food	Food Outside of House	Alcohol Tobacco	Adult Clothing	Total	Clothing	Education	Childcare
<b>OLS</b>									
Repeat Interview	-40.523 (33.057)	-11.749 (9.162)	-0.647** (0.293)	-3.983 (2.689)	-3.041*** (0.811)	-2.133 (2.423)	0.440 (1.878)	-1.848* (1.068)	-0.725 (0.494)
<b>CW-OLS</b>									
Repeat Interview	-40.229 (35.897)	-12.754 (9.584)	-0.716** (0.301)	-3.906 (2.776)	-3.091*** (0.839)	-2.785 (2.538)	0.267 (1.925)	-2.267* (1.176)	-0.784 (0.539)
<b>2SLS</b>									
Repeat Interview	96.333 (330.187)	-49.255 (139.620)	0.516 (4.691)	-51.534 (50.765)	0.064 (12.353)	87.949* (47.617)	55.881* (31.343)	25.879 (17.387)	6.188 (9.904)
SW F-Statistic: R.I.	8.771	8.771	8.771	8.771	8.771	8.771	8.771	8.771	8.771
$\bar{Y}_0$	422.331	142.361	0.667	17.681	5.916	30.909	23.806	6.187	0.915
Observations	1,670	1,670	1,670	1,670	1,670	1,670	1,670	1,670	1,670

**Notes:** \*\*\* denotes significance at 1%, \*\* at 5%, and \* at 10%. Each column summarizes the results for the respective outcome variable following the system of equations ?? and ?? using information from the household survey. All estimations control for the first PMT first score above and below the cutoff, first monthly household benefit awarded, , and region-by-quarter and interview time fixed effects. The CW-OLS calculation follows [Buller et al. \[2020\]](#).

*Manipulation attempts lead to higher expenditure on children.*

# Early Childhood Investments

► Results

Table 6: There is no Strong Evidence of a Reduced Form Effect for Early Childhood Investments

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
	Administrative Data		Survey Data				
	Full Vaccines	Full exc. DTaP/ IPV/ Hib/ HepB	Any Health Check-ups	Number of Health Check-ups	Screen-time	Time Spent Together – Total	Time Spent Together – Reading
<b>OLS</b>							
Repeat Interview	-0.014 (0.020)	-0.029 (0.022)	-0.047 (0.046)	-0.170 (0.450)	-5.533 (6.069)	-7.714 (5.906)	1.023 (2.088)
<b>CW-OLS</b>							
Repeat Interview	-0.019 (0.023)	-0.029 (0.025)	-0.051 (0.047)	-0.415 (0.461)	-4.305 (6.146)	-10.343* (5.868)	0.190 (2.060)
<b>2SLS</b>							
Repeat Interview	0.015 (0.327)	-0.190 (0.395)	0.567 (0.557)	3.445 (5.628)	-20.803 (83.031)	7.604 (74.238)	-4.377 (28.642)
SW F-Stat: Repeat Interview	12.390	12.390	3.554	3.554	3.554	3.554	3.554
$\bar{Y}_0$	0.197	0.281	0.805	5.252	64.299	74.119	15.678
Observations	3,148	3,148	701	701	701	701	701

Notes: \*\*\* denotes significance at 1%, \*\* at 5%, and \* at 10%.

We find no effects on younger children.

# Mid- and Late-Period Childhood Skill Investments

► Results

Table 7: Household Manipulation Attempts Lead to no Changes in High School Attendance or in University Attendance

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	High School			University		
	All	Males	Females	All	Males	Females
<b>OLS</b>						
Repeat Interview	-0.007 (0.014)	-0.017 (0.022)	0.002 (0.019)	-0.033* (0.020)	-0.039 (0.028)	-0.031 (0.032)
<b>CW-OLS</b>						
Repeat Interview	-0.003 (0.015)	-0.013 (0.024)	0.018 (0.020)	-0.033 (0.022)	-0.033 (0.030)	-0.030 (0.035)
<b>2SLS</b>						
Repeat Interview	0.248 (0.361)	0.299 (0.581)	0.312 (0.427)	-0.045 (0.342)	-0.724 (0.688)	0.318 (0.393)
SW F-Stat: Repeat Interview	15.630	7.229	9.046	23.614	6.055	20.969
$\bar{Y}_0$	0.810	0.776	0.846	0.287	0.221	0.354
Observations	6,764	3,502	3,251	4,749	2,366	2,357

Notes: \*\*\* denotes significance at 1%, \*\* at 5%, and \* at 10%.

We find no effects on older children.

- We characterize compliers by calculating the ratio of the first stage coefficient on the instrument for each binary (or binarized) characteristic to the overall first stage coefficient.
- By Bayes' rule this ratio of first stage estimates yields the complier relative likelihood of a given characteristic:

$$\text{FS Ratio} = \frac{P[R_{1i} > R_{0i} | x_{1i} = 1]}{P[R_{1i} > R_{0i}]} = \frac{P[x_{1i} = 1 | R_{1i} > R_{0i}]}{P[x_{1i} = 1]} = \text{Complier Rel. Likelihood}$$

- predict the treatment variable with all key exogenous variables, and split the sample into 5 quintiles based on the predicted treatment index.
- For each quintile, we run a separate first stage equation, in order to estimate the proportion of compliers in each quintile.
  - The mechanics are the same as when we characterise compliers
- then re-weight our core sample so that the proportion of compliers in each quintile matches the proportion of the estimation sample for the quintile.
  - quintiles with few compliers will receive lower weights, and quintiles with a higher proportion of compliers will receive higher weights.

Table 8: Existing Bunching Estimates are Consistent With Our FDD Approach

	(1)
[1] First Generation Bunching Approach à la Chetty et al. [2011]; Foremny et al. [2017]	0.133 [0.050]
[2] Second Generation Bunching Approach à la Zwiers [2021]	0.114 [0.031]
[3a] FDD Approach: Welfare Manipulation Attempt	0.254 (0.026)
[3b] FDD Approach: Successful Welfare Manipulation Attempt	0.117 (0.018)

*If we estimate the size of the bunching (manipulation) using literature's methods, we find estimates consistent with our estimations of manipulation attempts.*

Table 9: The Direct Costs Associated With Manipulation Are Substantial

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**(a) The Cost of Manipulation**

*Additional Benefit Payments*

[1] Additional Households at Higher Benefit Level	403
[2] Additional Monthly Benefit Payments (Lari)	106,150

*Additional Interview Costs*

[3] Additional Visits to Households	38
[4] Additional Visit Costs	3,116
[5] Total Additional Costs (Lari) Due to Manipulation	109,266

**(b) Baseline Costs as a Benchmark**

[6] Number of Households at Baseline	4,854
[7] Total Baseline Benefit Costs (Lari)	441,800
[8] Cost of Manipulation as a Percentage of Baseline Costs	24.73%

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*Without manipulation the Government could have increased benefits to households above 65,000 by 25%, reducing the incentives to manipulate.*

An individual will choose to engage in welfare eligibility manipulation if the expected value of manipulation ( $V_R$ ) exceeds that of accepting their initial benefit level ( $V_A$ ):

$$E(V_R) > E(V_A). \quad (2)$$

When requesting a repeat interview, the individual may receive a higher benefit level  $B^+$  with exogenously determined probability  $p$ , or may receive the same benefit level as their initial allocation  $B^0$ . The cost of requesting a repeat interview is  $C$ . Then:

$$E(V_R) = p(1 - q)U(B^+) + (1 - p)(1 - q)U(B^0) + qU(B^-) - C. \quad (3)$$

$$E(V_A) = U(B^0). \quad (4)$$

Rearranging yields, we know that a given household will request a reassessment if:

$$p(1 - q)\Delta U^+ - q\Delta U^- > C. \quad (5)$$

# Identification in FDD

We start from Equation 1c:

$$Y_i = \theta_R R_i + \theta_B B_{0,i} + \theta_3 A_i + g_Y^{D,A}(z_{0,i}) + X_i' \theta + \mu_{Y,i}$$

We take expectations of  $Y$  with respect to our instruments ( $D, A \times D$ ), we can identify  $\theta_B$  by subtracting  $Y^{10} - Y^{00}$ :

$$\theta_B = \frac{Y^{10} - Y^{00}}{B_0^{10} - B_0^{00}}$$

Now, using variation around 65,000, by subtracting  $Y^{11} - Y^{01}$ :

$$Y^{11} - Y^{01} = \theta_R(R^{11} - R^{01}) + \theta_B(B^{11} - B^{01})$$

Under the assumption that the effect of 1 additional Lari is the same around 57,000 and 65,000, after reorganizing, we get:

$$\theta_R = \frac{(Y^{11} - Y^{01}) - (Y^{10} - Y^{00}) \times \left( \frac{B_0^{11} - B_0^{01}}{B_0^{10} - B_0^{00}} \right)}{R^{11} - R^{01}}$$