

# **1 Appendix: Province-month panel results**

Table 1: Difference-in-differences specifications for monthly patent applications

	(1)	(2)	(3)
Treatment x Post	−0.058 (0.042)	0.088 (0.070)	0.077 (0.083)
Ln Full-time employment		1.168 (0.656)	1.499* (0.726)
Ln Median wage		0.941** (0.375)	0.726 (0.402)
CPI		−0.012* (0.006)	0.001 (0.008)
Ln +1 Business insolvencies		−0.036 (0.028)	−0.029 (0.026)
Ln Intl. exports		−0.042 (0.080)	−0.045 (0.121)
Ln Intl. imports		0.088 (0.077)	0.092 (0.080)
Ln Retail sales		−0.297 (0.435)	0.204 (0.501)
Ln Wholesale sales		−0.036 (0.177)	−0.082 (0.167)
Ln Manufacturing sales		0.059 (0.144)	−0.023 (0.176)
Ln +1 Foreign patent parties		0.192*** (0.022)	0.188*** (0.021)
Ln International travellers			−0.108*** (0.018)
Ln Arriving vehicles			0.012** (0.005)
Ln Electric power generation			0.038 (0.116)
Ln Average actual hours			−0.461 (0.285)
New housing price index			−0.005** (0.002)
Ln Food services receipts			−0.220 (0.177)
Ln Average job tenure			−0.900 (0.530)
Explained variable	ln(Patents + 1)		
N	1968	1968	1968
Adj. $R^2$	0.942	0.952	0.952
Adj. within $R^2$	0.000	0.168	0.177
RMSE	0.314	0.285	0.283

Notes: Clustered standard errors at the province and monthly level shown in parentheses. All specifications include fixed effects for provinces and monthly. \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*  $p < 0.1$ .