Economic Inequality and Campaign Participation Online Appendices

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A Measures and Data Sources

Individual Characteristics

Make Donation	Dummy variable coded one if respondent made a politi-
	cal donation in the past year. Source: 2012 Cooperative
	Congressional Election Study (Ansolabehere 2013).
Attend Meetings	Dummy variable coded one if respondent attended a po-
_	litical meeting in the past year. Source: 2012 CCES.
Work for Campaign	Dummy variable coded one if respondent did volunteer
	work for a political campaign in the past year. <i>Source</i> : 2012 CCES.
Income Quintile	Quintile within state of respondent's household income. Source: 2012 CCES.
Age	Respondent's age in years. Source: 2012 CCES.
Education	Respondent's education on six-point scale: 1. less than
	high school diploma, 2. high school graduate, 3. some
	college, 4. 2-year college degree, 5. 4-year college degree,
	6. post-graduate degree. Source: 2012 CCES.
Homeowner	Dummy variable coded one if respondent owned home,
	zero otherwise. Source: 2012 CCES.
Republican	Dummy variable coded one if respondent was Republican, zero otherwise. <i>Source</i> : 2012 CCES.
Democrat	Dummy variable coded one if respondent was Democrat,
	zero otherwise. Source: 2012 CCES.
African American	Dummy variable coded one if respondent was African American, zero otherwise. <i>Source</i> : 2012 CCES.
Latino	Dummy variable coded one if respondent was latino, zero otherwise. <i>Source</i> : 2012 CCES.
Male	Dummy variable coded one if respondent was male, zero otherwise. <i>Source</i> : 2012 CCES.
Married	Dummy variable coded one if respondent was married,
	zero otherwise. Source: 2012 CCES.
Church Attendance	Respondent's attendance at religious services on six-
	point scale: 1. never, 2. seldom, 3. few times a year,
	4. once or twice a month, 5. once a week, 6. more than
	once a week. Source: 2012 CCES.
Union Member	Dummy coded one if respondent was a union member,
	zero otherwise. Source: 2012 CCES.

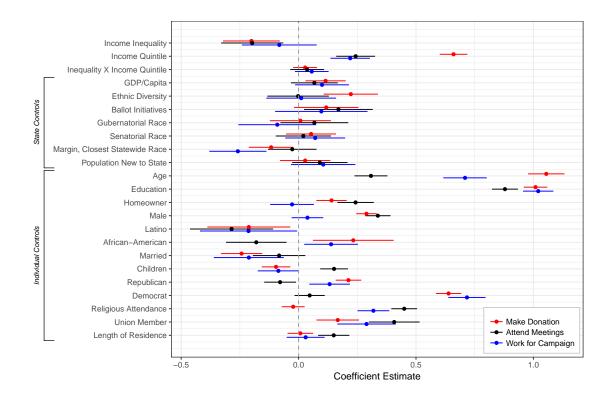
Contextual Characteristics

Income Inequality	Gini coefficient of household income as measured in
	the 2011 American Community Survey. Source: Noss
	(2012).
GDP/Capita	2011 state gross domestic product per capita, thousands
	of 2009 dollars. Source: U.S. Department of Commerce,
	Bureau of Economic Analysis.
Ethnic Diversity	Probability that two randomly selected state residents
	belong to different racial or ethnic groups, calculated
	from standardized data from the U.S. Census. <i>Source</i> :
	U.S. Census Bureau.
Ballot Initiatives	Number of initiatives appearing on the state
	ballot. Source: Initiative & Referendum In-
	stitute, University of Southern California,
	http://www.iandrinstitute.org.
Gubernatorial Race	Dummy variable coded one if there was a simultaneous
	gubernatorial election, zero otherwise.
Senatorial Race	Dummy variable coded one if there was a simultaneous
	U.S. Senate election, zero otherwise.
Margin, Statewide Races	Percentage of votes cast for winner minus percentage for
	second-place candidate in state's closest statewide race
	(governatorial, senatorial, or presidential).

B Additional Controls

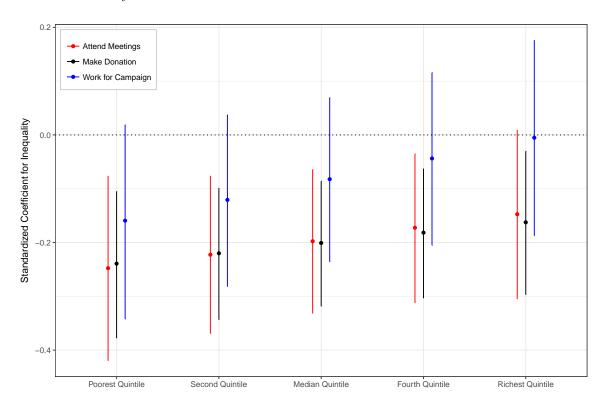
An additional argument regarding differences in political participation can be found in the works on social capital.

Figure 1: Effects of Income Inequality on Campaign Participation, Controlling for Residential Mobility



Note: The dots represent estimated change in the logged odds of the dependent variable occurring for a change of two standard deviations in the independent variable; the whiskers represent the 95% confidence intervals of these estimates.

Figure 2: Estimated Coefficients of Income Inequality by Income Quintile, Controlling for Residential Mobility



Source: Analyses presented in Figure 1. The dots represent estimated change in the logged odds of the dependent variable occurring for a change of two standard deviations in the income inequality; the whiskers represent the 95% confidence intervals of these estimates.

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