Data for "When Work Disappears: Manufacturing Decline and the Falling Marriage-Market Value of Young Men"

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Changes

The original version V1 of this file package erroneously contained a legacy version of the data and code for the analysis of vital statistics outcomes. These files did not correctly replicate the following results of the published paper:

- Table 2, panel B: male-female differentials in death rates
- Table 3, panel B, column 4: births per 1,000 women
- Table A4: death rates for men and death rates for women

This present file package V2 contains the correct version of the following files that permit the replication of the mortality and fertility results:

- $\bullet \ work file 9014 wwd. dta$
- ullet czone_ analysis_ wwd.do

All other files are the same in V1 and V2 of the file package.

Data files (folder /dta)

The online data archive contains the following data sets in Stata format:

- workfile9014wwd.dta provides data for 722 Commuting Zones (CZs) times 2 time periods (1990-2000, 2000-2014). This file is the basis for all tabulated regression results. Each CZ is identified by the variable czone. The variable statefip indicates the state that comprises most of the CZ's population, while the dummy variables reg_* indicate the Census division to which that state belongs (omitted category New England). Time periods are identified by their start year (yr) and an indicator for the second period (t2). The weight variable timepwt24 indicates each CZ's share in the start-of-period population of the 48 U.S. mainland states, multiplied by 1/10 of the period length (10 or 14 years). The variable d_impusch_p9 captures a CZ's exposure to growing import penetration from China, while d_impuschm_p9cen and d_impuschf_p9cen and the male and female components of that import shock. The variables d_impotch*_p9cen_lag denote the corresponding instruments using other developed countries' imports from China. All other variables with prefix "d_" are outcome variables of the regression analysis and are measured as 10-year equivalent changes. All variables with prefix "l_" are start-of-period values that are used either for descriptive statistics or as control variables. Finally, variables starting with "cum mort" measure cumulate per-decade mortality.
- czone9014_percentiles.dta provides additional data for 722 Commuting Zones (CZs) times 2 time periods (1990-2000, 2000-2014). It contains the initial levels and subsequent changes of all percentiles of the gender-specific distributions of annual wage and salary earnings in a CZ. The underlying earnings distributions include invididuals with zero earnings, and positive earnings are inflated to \$2015 using the personal consumption expenditure index.

- workfile 7090 wwd. dta provides data for 722 Commuting Zones (CZs) for two lagged time periods (1970-1980, 1980-1990). This file is used to analyze pre-exposure changes in manufacturing employment (Appendix Table 1, panel III).
- graph_bygender.dta and graph_gap.dta contain the regression estimates that are plotted in Figure 1.

Computation of results (folder /do)

The following Stata do-files compute the results of the paper:

- czone analysis wwd.do computes all tabulated regression results and descriptive statistics.
- czone_analysis_wwd_earnptile.do computes the regression results in the files graph_bygender.dta and graph_gap.dta. It uses the auxiliary file percentiles_help.do.
- figure 1. do creates the two panels of Figure 1.

Raw results (folders /log and /gph)

The folders /log and /gph contain the regression log file created by czone_analysis_wwd.do and the graphs created by figure 1.do.

Tables and figures (folder /tab-fig)

The Excel file ADH-WWD-AERi-Final-TabsFigs.xlsx provide the full set of tables and figures that are presented in the paper.

Additional documentation (folder /other)

We construct a new population-weighted crosswalk to map microdata from the 2013-2015 American Community Survey into Community Zones (CZs). This crosswalk relates the Public Use Micro Areas (PUMAs) defined by the 2010 Census to the 1990 CZs:

• cw puma2010 czone.dta

See David Dorn's web page for similar crosswalks based on earlier PUMA definitions. We also construct a crosswalk of industry codes from the 1980, 1990 and 2000 Census to 1987 SIC codes. The first three files below convert the original Census codes to a balanced industry panel whose ind1990ddx codes are a slight aggregation of the 1980 and 1990 Census codes, while the 2000 Census codes are matched with a weighted crosswalk. The final file then maps each ind1990ddx code to a 4-digit 1987 SIC code:

- \bullet cw ind1980 ind1990ddx.dta
- cw ind1990 ind1990ddx.dta

- $\bullet \ cw_ind2000_ind1990ddx.dta$
- $\bullet \ cw_ind1990ddx_sic87.dta$