

Workforce Composition and Remote Work Productivity

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1 Introduction

Productivity regressions with composition share levels as controls. Tests whether remote productivity effects persist after controlling for workforce composition levels.

2 Role Composition Effects

Table 1: Role Composition Effects on Remote Work Productivity

	Dep Var: Total Productivity (Contributions Q100)							
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Panel A: OLS								
Remote \times Post	-1.23** (0.50)	-1.23** (0.50)	-1.26** (0.50)	-1.18** (0.50)	-0.99** (0.50)	-1.01** (0.50)	-1.23** (0.50)	-1.18** (0.50)
Remote \times Post \times Startup	6.21*** (1.27)	6.25*** (1.27)	6.48*** (1.29)	6.35*** (1.29)	5.78*** (1.28)	6.05*** (1.30)	6.21*** (1.27)	6.20*** (1.28)
Panel B: IV								
Remote \times Post	-9.26** (4.01)	-9.13** (4.02)	-7.32** (3.24)	-9.71** (3.86)	-9.28** (4.08)	-7.99 (7.80)	-8.41** (3.53)	-10.31** (4.85)
Remote \times Post \times Startup	12.45** (5.39)	12.96** (5.39)	13.21** (5.45)	13.42** (5.51)	11.65** (5.63)	10.52 (9.46)	11.64** (5.00)	13.85** (6.09)
N	231,305	231,305	231,305	231,305	231,305	231,305	231,305	231,305
KP rk Wald F	123.4	123.1	198.8	132.9	122.2	27.9	171.0	87.8
Admin control	-	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
Engineer control	-	-	✓	-	-	-	-	-
Finance control	-	-	-	✓	-	-	-	-
Marketing control	-	-	-	-	✓	-	-	-
Operations control	-	-	-	-	-	✓	-	-
Sales control	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	-
Scientist control	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓

Notes: The dependent variable is user productivity measured as total contributions (GitHub commits, pull requests, issues, and code reviews), winsorized at the 100th percentile. All specifications include worker-firm and time fixed effects. Composition controls are role-specific share interactions (COVID \times role share \times startup). Standard errors clustered by user in parentheses. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$.

3 Seniority Composition Effects

Table 2: Seniority Composition Effects on Remote Work Productivity

	Dep Var: Total Productivity (Contributions Q100)				
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Panel A: OLS					
Remote \times Post	-1.23** (0.50)	-0.72 (0.49)	-0.76 (0.48)	-0.69 (0.49)	-0.64 (0.48)
Remote \times Post \times Startup	6.21*** (1.27)	6.30*** (1.30)	6.46*** (1.27)	6.46*** (1.27)	6.08*** (1.30)
Panel B: IV					
Remote \times Post	-9.26** (4.01)	-10.59** (4.88)	-7.01* (4.00)	-8.83 (5.75)	-9.52*** (3.17)
Remote \times Post \times Startup	12.45** (5.39)	18.47*** (6.87)	14.67*** (5.64)	14.59** (6.64)	13.78*** (5.08)
N	231,305	165,392	169,466	166,528	165,062
KP rk Wald F	123.4	86.5	118.3	60.3	210.5
Level 1 control	-	✓	-	-	-
Level 2 control	-	-	✓	-	-
Level 3 control	-	-	-	✓	-
Level 4 control	-	-	-	-	✓

Notes: The dependent variable is user productivity measured as total contributions (GitHub commits, pull requests, issues, and code reviews), winsorized at the 100th percentile. All specifications include worker-firm and time fixed effects. Composition controls are seniority-specific share interactions (COVID \times seniority share \times startup). Standard errors clustered by user in parentheses. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$.