

Online Supplementary Material

Aggregate Wealth and Its Distribution as Determinants of Financial Crises

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A Data

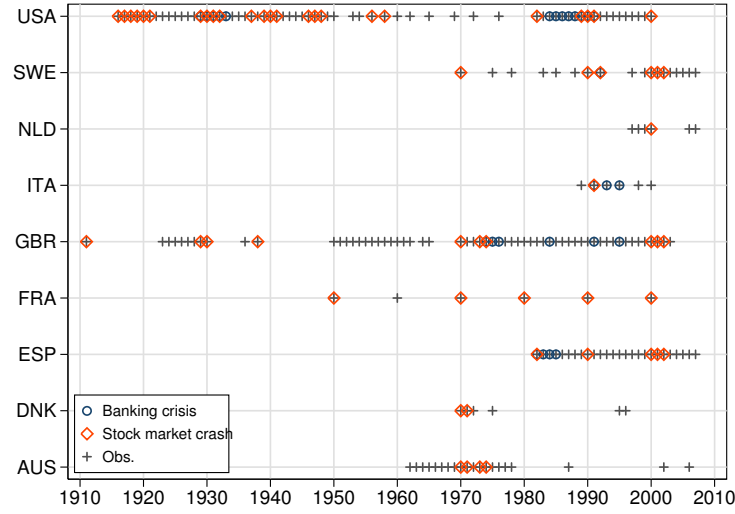


Figure A.1: CRISIS AND OBSERVATIONS TIMELINE

NOTES: Observations restricted to subsample of country-year observations with top1% wealth shares, aggregate wealth-income ratios, and finance's share of total income. SOURCES: Reinhart & Rogoff (2010)

Table A.1: NUMBER OF CRISIS EPISODES: 1870–2010, SUBSAMPLE 1

	Banking Crisis	Stock Market Crash	Both
Australia	0	4	0
Denmark	0	2	0
France	0	5	0
Italy	3	1	1
Netherlands	0	1	0
Spain	4	5	1
Sweden	1	6	1
United Kingdom	6	10	1
United States	13	24	7
TOTAL	27	58	11
Likelihood of crisis (213 Obs)	0.127	0.272	0.052

NOTES: Subsample is restricted to country-year observations with top1% wealth shares, aggregate wealth-income ratios, and finance's share of total income. SOURCES: Reinhart & Rogoff (2010)

Table A.2: SUMMARY STATISTICS: FULL SAMPLE

Variable	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min.	Max.	Obs	Countries
Top 1% Shr Net Worth	0.275	0.126	0.063	0.690	401	13
Wealth-Income ratio	4.59	1.421	1.805	8.855	1,174	12
Finance Shr of Income	0.036	0.02	0.001	0.124	1,402	15
\tilde{r}	0.001	0.117	-1.415	0.799	731	15
\hat{g}	0.018	0.052	-0.509	0.659	2,702	15
Private Sector Credit	0.724	0.404	0.114	2.022	813	15
Top Marginal Tax Rate	58.366	20.704	2	97.5	714	10

NOTES: The full sample includes all observations on all available countries for a given variable, thus exceeding the number of countries in each of our sub-samples.

Table A.3: SUMMARY STATISTICS: SUBSAMPLE 1

Variable	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min.	Max.	Obs	Countries
Top 1% Shr Net Worth	0.246	0.12	0.063	0.690	213	9
Wealth-Income ratio	4.195	0.985	2.258	8.855	213	9
Finance Shr of Income	0.047	0.011	0.011	0.079	213	9

NOTES: Subsample is restricted to country-year observations with top 1% wealth shares, aggregate wealth-income ratios, and finance's share of total income.

B Results

B.1 Five Year Averages

Table B.4: FIVE YEAR AVERAGES: LIKELIHOOD OF BANKING CRISIS

Panel A			
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Top 1% Shr Net Worth	-3.452 (4.674)	-8.960 (7.531)	-20.488* (8.040)
Wealth-Income ratio	-0.020 (0.424)	-0.623 (0.648)	-1.837 (0.973)
Top 1% Shr Net Worth \times Wealth-Income ratio	0.987 (1.539)	3.882 (2.824)	8.186** (2.351)
Finance Shr of Income	-8.678 (7.582)	-17.527*** (5.035)	-9.406 (11.715)
\tilde{r}		9.187** (3.347)	7.806 (4.480)
\hat{g}		-12.034 (7.285)	-1.229 (10.969)
Private Sector Credit			-0.026 (0.495)
Top Marginal Tax Rate			-0.009 (0.009)
Panel B			
Marginal Effects of Top 1% Shr Net Worth at Mean of Wealth-Income ratio	0.699 (2.183)	7.129 (4.315)	11.613*** (1.598)
at P25 of Wealth-Income ratio	0.135 (1.471)	5.401 (3.095)	7.564*** (1.009)
Average Marginal Effect	0.699 (2.183)	7.129* (4.315)	11.613*** (1.598)
AIC	47.5	30.9	11.5
R^2	0.506	0.582	0.683
Countries	9	9	6
Obs	72	59	45

Clustered standard errors in parentheses

* $p < 0.1$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

NOTES: All variables are averaged over five year intervals. Dependent variable takes the value 1 if crisis type occurs in given country over five years. Linear probability model is estimated with two-way fixed effects (2FE), controlling for country and half-decade. Financial development is the sum of all bank deposits and stock market capitalization as a percentage of GDP, and a proxy for the rate of return on capital, r . A second proxy, \tilde{r} is the difference in first-differences of financial development. The variable \hat{g} , a proxy for growth, is the annual percentage change in GDP per capita. Private sector credit is measured as a share of GDP and the top marginal tax rate is a percentage. Panel B depicts marginal effects of wealth inequality on the crisis type when evaluated at the mean and 25th percentile of aggregate wealth.

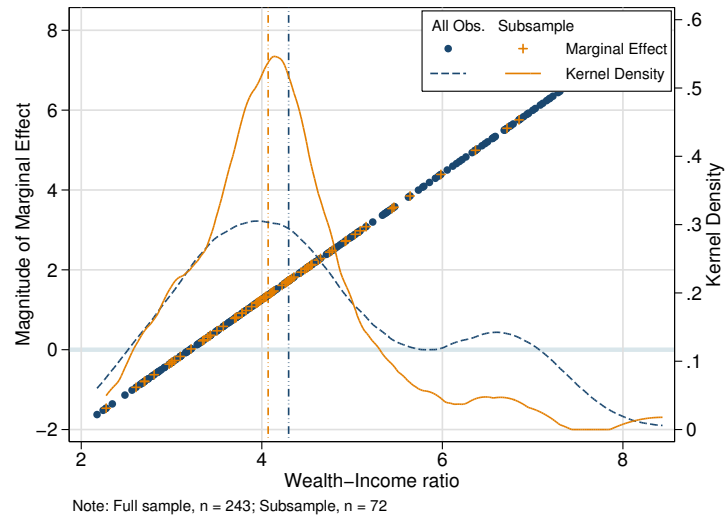
Table B.5: FIVE YEAR AVERAGES: LIKELIHOOD OF STOCK MARKET CRASH

Panel A			
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Top 1% Shr Net Worth	-6.732 (4.275)	-9.218** (3.491)	-5.906* (2.734)
Wealth-Income ratio	-0.720* (0.368)	-0.996*** (0.296)	-0.417 (0.275)
Top 1% Shr Net Worth \times Wealth-Income ratio	2.805* (1.470)	4.011** (1.274)	3.245** (1.026)
Finance Shr of Income	-0.644 (6.435)	-0.326 (4.770)	3.136 (15.122)
\tilde{r}		-3.294 (2.602)	-7.308 (5.383)
\hat{g}		9.419 (5.663)	-23.691** (5.877)
Private Sector Credit			-0.563 (0.587)
Top Marginal Tax Rate			-0.023** (0.009)
Panel B			
Marginal Effects of Top 1% Shr Net Worth at Mean of Wealth-Income ratio	5.074* (2.250)	7.406*** (2.118)	6.819** (1.743)
at P25 of Wealth-Income ratio	3.470* (1.538)	5.621*** (1.625)	5.214** (1.346)
Average Marginal Effect	5.074** (2.250)	7.406*** (2.118)	6.819*** (1.743)
AIC	30.4	31.3	8.8
R^2	0.638	0.615	0.698
Countries	9	9	6
Obs	72	59	45

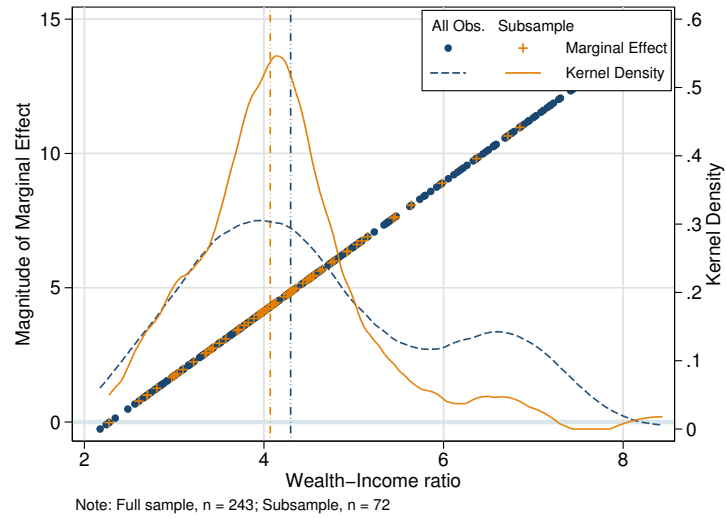
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(a) Banking Crisis



(b) Stock Market Crash

Figure B.2: MARGINAL EFFECT OF WEALTH INEQUALITY ON LIKELIHOOD OF FINANCIAL CRISIS: LPM FIVE YEAR AVERAGES

B.2 Large Crisis or *Both* Banking Crisis and Stock Market Crash

Table B.6: FIVE YEAR AVERAGES: LIKELIHOOD OF LARGE CRISIS

Panel A			
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Top 1% Shr Net Worth	-4.844 (3.616)	-7.292 (5.866)	-13.221** (4.871)
Wealth-Income ratio	-0.391 (0.338)	-0.791 (0.538)	-1.320* (0.621)
Top 1% Shr Net Worth \times Wealth-Income ratio	1.604 (1.272)	3.326 (2.278)	5.831*** (1.230)
Finance Shr of Income	1.339 (3.851)	-4.357 (3.627)	5.536 (16.744)
\tilde{r}		1.933 (3.684)	-3.229 (3.159)
\hat{g}		-3.224 (4.553)	-8.441 (6.453)
Private Sector Credit			-0.290 (0.436)
Top Marginal Tax Rate			-0.007 (0.007)
Panel B			
Marginal Effects of Top 1% Shr Net Worth at Mean of Wealth-Income ratio	1.908 (2.122)	6.493 (3.912)	9.644*** (1.585)
at P25 of Wealth-Income ratio	0.990 (1.517)	5.013 (2.969)	6.760*** (1.620)
Average Marginal Effect	1.908 (2.122)	6.493* (3.912)	9.644*** (1.585)
AIC	24.4	16.4	-2.2
R^2	0.464	0.466	0.598
Countries	9	9	6
Obs	72	59	45

Clustered standard errors in parentheses

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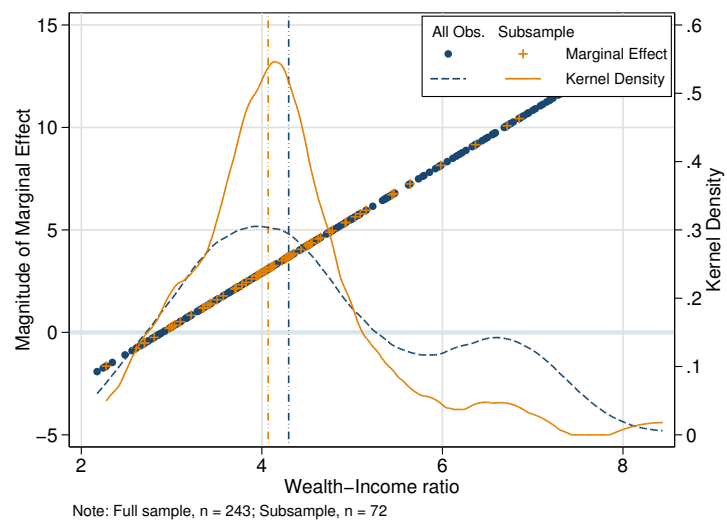


Figure B.3: MARGINAL EFFECT OF WEALTH INEQUALITY ON LIKELIHOOD OF LARGE CRISIS: LPM FIVE YEAR AVERAGES

B.3 Aggregate Wealth and Instability

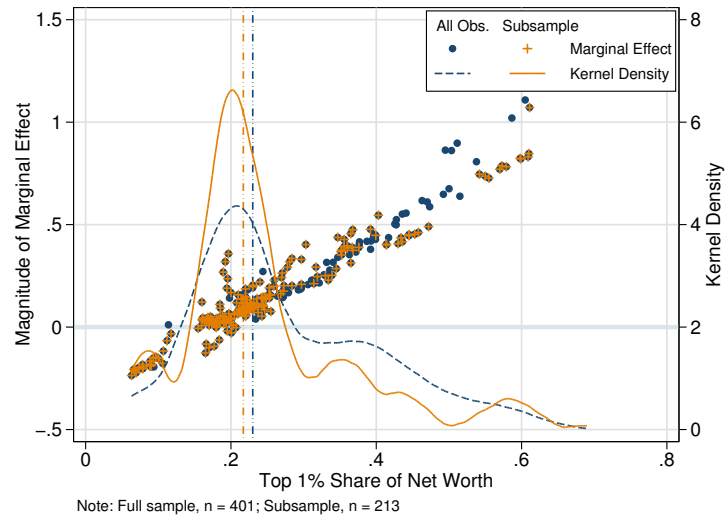
Table B.7: TEST OF NONLINEAR AGGREGATE WEALTH EFFECT ON LIKELIHOOD OF FINANCIAL CRISIS

	Banking Crisis	Stock Market Crash	Large Crisis
Top 1% Shr Net Worth $t-2$	-5.137** (1.969)	-6.680*** (1.031)	-7.568*** (1.261)
Wealth-Income ratio $t-2$	-0.631* (0.299)	-0.520** (0.197)	-0.726*** (0.176)
Wealth-Income ratio squared $t-2$	0.033* (0.015)	-0.006 (0.011)	0.015 (0.010)
Top 1% Shr Net Worth \times Wealth-Income ratio $t-2$	2.060*** (0.583)	2.406*** (0.253)	2.479*** (0.421)
Finance Shr of Income $t-2$	-8.466 (6.373)	9.461** (3.477)	2.766 (2.328)
AIC	-24.2	-101.8	-189.7
R^2	0.582	0.825	0.517
Countries	9	9	9
Obs	213	213	213

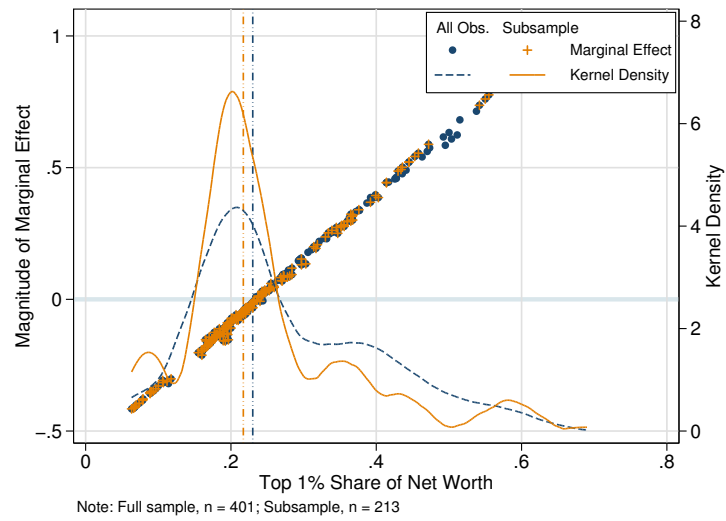
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NOTES: Dependent variable is a binary indicator if a type of financial crisis occurs for a given country and year. Linear probability model is estimated with two-way fixed effects (2FE), controlling for country and year.



(a) Banking Crisis



(b) Stock Market Crash

Figure B.4: MARGINAL EFFECTS OF NONLINEAR AGGREGATE WEALTH ON LIKELIHOOD OF FINANCIAL CRISIS

C Fixed Effect Logit

Table C.8: FIXED EFFECT LOGIT: LIKELIHOOD OF BANKING CRISIS

Panel A			
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Top 1% Shr Net Worth $t-2$	-6.966 (8.851)	-42.786 (32.020)	-75.463* (43.574)
Wealth-Income ratio $t-2$	0.126 (0.495)	-2.827 (2.052)	-5.696** (2.884)
Top 1% Shr Net Worth \times Wealth-Income ratio $t-2$	1.111 (1.626)	10.772 (9.182)	22.956* (12.134)
Finance Shr of Income $t-2$	34.281 (20.941)	22.723 (28.316)	-1.471 (42.871)
\tilde{r} $t-2$		-1.104 (2.735)	-0.861 (2.823)
\hat{g} $t-2$		-12.478 (13.092)	-13.896 (13.916)
Private Sector Credit $t-2$			-1.788 (1.554)
Top Marginal Tax Rate $t-2$			-0.068** (0.031)
Panel B			
Marginal Effects of Top 1% Shr Net Worth at Mean of Wealth-Income ratio	-0.322 (0.947)	4.8e-5 (3.9e-4)	0.022 (0.015)
at P25 of Wealth-Income ratio	-0.441 (1.133)	-2.4e-5 (3.9e-4)	0.011 (0.009)
Average Marginal Effect	-0.370 (0.811)	-2.1e-5 (3.1e-4)	0.064* (0.037)
AIC	140.5	102.3	94.3
Pseudo- R^2	0.072	0.055	0.116
Countries	7	6	5
Obs	201	141	130

Standard errors in parentheses

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NOTES: The dependent variable is a binary indicator equal to one if a crisis occurs for a country in a given year. Fixed effect logit model is estimated with country fixed effects. Coefficient estimates are reported. A proxy for the rate of return on capital, \tilde{r} is the difference in first-differences of financial development (the sum of all bank deposits and stock market capitalization as a percentage of GDP). The variable \hat{g} , a proxy for growth, is the annual percentage change in GDP per capita. Private sector credit is measured as a share of GDP and the top marginal tax rate is a percentage. Panel B depicts marginal effects of wealth inequality on the crisis type when evaluated at the mean and 25th percentile of aggregate wealth.

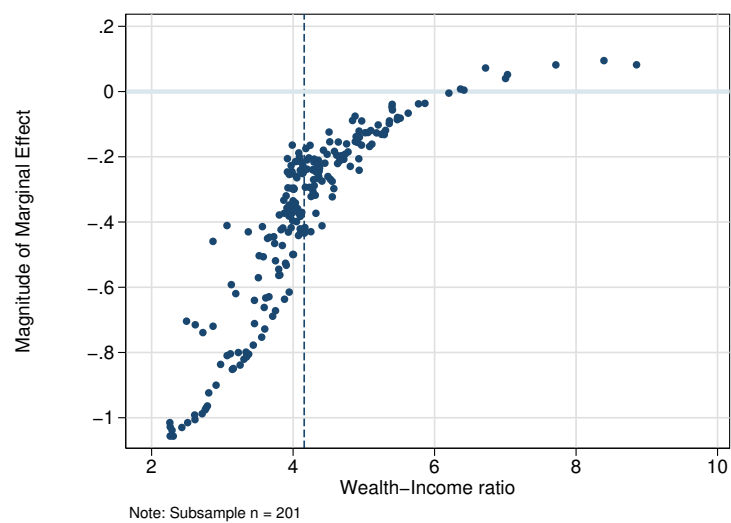
Table C.9: FIXED EFFECT LOGIT: LIKELIHOOD OF STOCK MARKET CRASH

Panel A			
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Top 1% Shr Net Worth $t-2$	-0.403 (6.036)	-154.572*** (50.103)	-118.591** (53.712)
Wealth-Income ratio $t-2$	-0.246 (0.501)	-9.227*** (2.751)	-6.990** (2.939)
Top 1% Shr Net Worth \times Wealth-Income ratio $t-2$	1.505 (1.495)	46.240*** (13.410)	36.959*** (14.330)
Finance Shr of Income $t-2$	21.232 (16.587)	36.716 (26.872)	33.731 (38.773)
\tilde{r} $t-2$		-2.379 (2.226)	-1.370 (2.341)
\hat{g} $t-2$		12.543 (12.778)	8.275 (13.401)
Private Sector Credit $t-2$			-0.199 (1.784)
Top Marginal Tax Rate $t-2$			-0.005 (0.025)
Panel B			
Marginal Effects of Top 1% Shr Net Worth at Mean of Wealth-Income ratio	0.929 (1.129)	0.030*** (0.011)	0.037** (0.015)
at P25 of Wealth-Income ratio	1.083 (0.805)	0.025** (0.012)	0.020* (0.010)
Average Marginal Effect	0.957 (1.023)	0.117*** (0.037)	0.128*** (0.049)
AIC	212.0	118.6	112.2
Pseudo- R^2	0.054	0.197	0.166
Countries	9	9	6
Obs	213	156	134

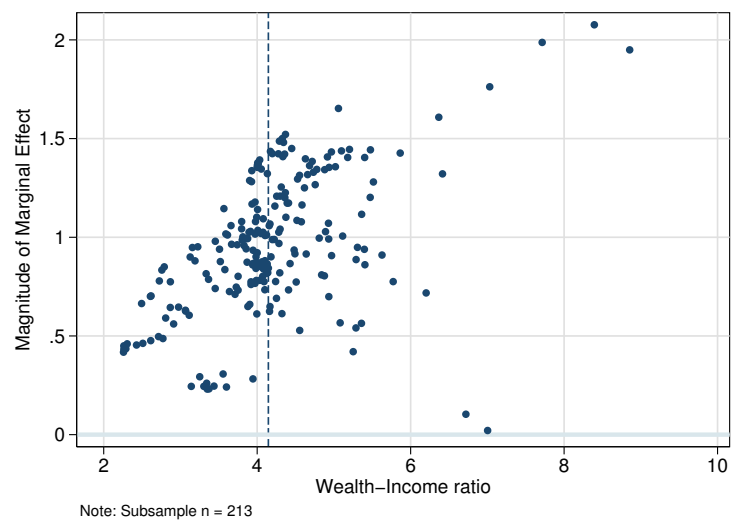
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NOTES: The dependent variable is a binary indicator equal to one if a crisis occurs for a country in a given year. Fixed effect logit model is estimated with country fixed effects. Coefficient estimates are reported. A proxy for the rate of return on capital, \tilde{r} is the difference in first-differences of financial development (the sum of all bank deposits and stock market capitalization as a percentage of GDP). The variable \hat{g} , a proxy for growth, is the annual percentage change in GDP per capita. Private sector credit is measured as a share of GDP and the top marginal tax rate is a percentage. Panel B depicts marginal effects of wealth inequality on the crisis type when evaluated at the mean and 25th percentile of aggregate wealth.



(a) Banking Crisis



(b) Stock Market Crash

Figure C.5: MARGINAL EFFECT OF WEALTH INEQUALITY ON LIKELIHOOD OF CRISIS: LOGIT MODEL

Table C.10: FIXED EFFECT LOGIT: LIKELIHOOD OF LARGE CRISIS

Panel A			
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Top 1% Shr Net Worth $t-2$	2.264 (11.211)	-236.830* (127.471)	-6011.834 (2210388.052)
Wealth-Income ratio $t-2$	-0.830 (1.090)	-23.836** (11.444)	-1092.064 (405450.635)
Top 1% Shr Net Worth \times Wealth-Income ratio $t-2$	1.793 (2.106)	90.916** (44.482)	4933.949 (1844686.373)
Finance Shr of Income $t-2$	76.136** (34.972)	184.791** (93.213)	3469.885 (4730344.580)
\tilde{r} $t-2$		-12.249 (8.442)	-930.945 (351738.545)
\hat{g} $t-2$		17.678 (43.241)	-137.834 (358416.950)
Private Sector Credit $t-2$			-30.853 (143921.207)
Top Marginal Tax Rate $t-2$			-9.999 (4362.300)
Panel B			
Marginal Effects of Top 1% Shr Net Worth at Mean of Wealth-Income ratio	0.487 (1.997)	0.164** (0.075)	
at P25 of Wealth-Income ratio	1.068 (2.975)	0.584 (0.408)	
Average Marginal Effect	0.680 (2.233)	0.364*** (0.140)	
AIC	61.9	29.1	16.0
Pseudo- R^2	0.126	0.486	1.000
Countries	5	4	3
Obs	155	98	90

Standard errors in parentheses

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NOTES: The dependent variable is a binary indicator equal to one if a both a stock market crash and a banking crisis occur in a country in a given year. Fixed effect logit model is estimated with country fixed effects. Coefficient estimates are reported. A proxy for the rate of return on capital, \tilde{r} is the difference in first-differences of financial development (the sum of all bank deposits and stock market capitalization as a percentage of GDP). The variable \hat{g} , a proxy for growth, is the annual percentage change in GDP per capita. Private sector credit is measured as a share of GDP and the top marginal tax rate is a percentage. Panel B depicts marginal effects of wealth inequality on the crisis type when evaluated at the mean and 25th percentile of aggregate wealth.

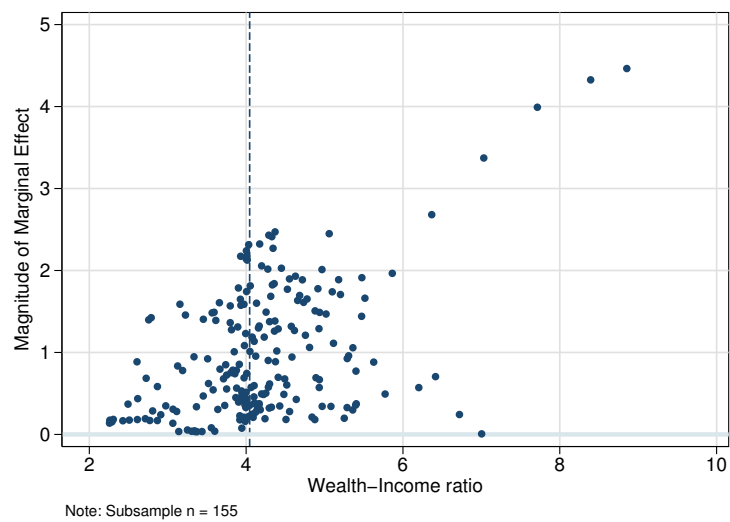


Figure C.6: MARGINAL EFFECT OF WEALTH INEQUALITY ON LIKELIHOOD OF LARGE CRISIS: LOGIT MODEL

D Income Inequality

Table D.11: LIKELIHOOD OF BANKING CRISIS WITH INCOME INEQUALITY

Panel A			
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Top 1% Shr Income $t-2$	-5.288 (7.879)	1.623 (6.373)	2.492 (10.819)
Wealth-Income ratio $t-2$	-0.040 (0.123)	0.084 (0.089)	0.143 (0.222)
Top 1% Shr Income \times Wealth-Income ratio $t-2$	1.940 (1.623)	0.233 (1.394)	-1.273 (2.482)
Finance Shr of Income $t-2$	-9.405** (3.449)	-7.214** (2.892)	-7.048 (7.334)
\tilde{r} $t-2$		-0.296* (0.139)	-0.524*** (0.126)
\hat{g} $t-2$		-2.070 (2.122)	-2.793 (1.646)
Private Sector Credit $t-2$			0.571** (0.221)
Top Marginal Tax Rate $t-2$			-0.013*** (0.004)
Panel B			
Marginal Effects of Top 1% Shr Income at Mean of Wealth-Income ratio	2.895* (1.449)	2.585 (1.485)	-2.653 (2.402)
at P25 of Wealth-Income ratio	1.478 (2.403)	2.419 (2.029)	-1.665 (3.394)
Average Marginal Effect	2.895** (1.449)	2.585* (1.485)	-2.653 (2.402)
AIC	115.8	105.1	57.1
R^2	0.346	0.260	0.320
Countries	10	10	8
Obs	393	335	271

Clustered standard errors in parentheses in Panel A

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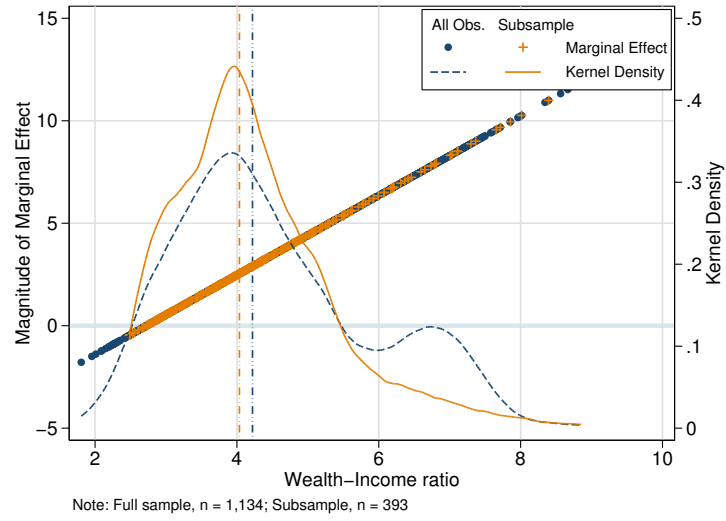
Table D.12: LIKELIHOOD OF STOCK MARKET CRASH WITH INCOME INEQUALITY

Panel A			
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Top 1% Shr Income $t-2$	-0.951 (4.074)	-4.728 (5.942)	-7.596 (9.811)
Wealth-Income ratio $t-2$	0.023 (0.057)	0.000 (0.089)	-0.004 (0.175)
Top 1% Shr Income \times Wealth-Income ratio $t-2$	0.053 (0.900)	0.812 (1.297)	1.654 (2.009)
Finance Shr of Income $t-2$	-1.464 (3.039)	-1.995 (3.751)	-6.405 (7.277)
\tilde{r} $t-2$		-0.070 (0.195)	-0.207 (0.278)
\hat{g} $t-2$		1.279 (1.402)	0.598 (1.672)
Private Sector Credit $t-2$			-0.023 (0.219)
Top Marginal Tax Rate $t-2$			-0.002 (0.005)
Panel B			
Marginal Effects of Top 1% Shr Income at Mean of Wealth-Income ratio	-0.729 (2.111)	-1.376 (2.527)	-0.910 (3.689)
at P25 of Wealth-Income ratio	-0.767 (2.120)	-1.958 (2.699)	-2.194 (4.388)
Average Marginal Effect	-0.729 (2.111)	-1.378 (2.527)	-0.910 (3.689)
AIC	166.2	185.8	155.9
R^2	0.531	0.438	0.396
Countries	10	10	8
Obs	393	335	271

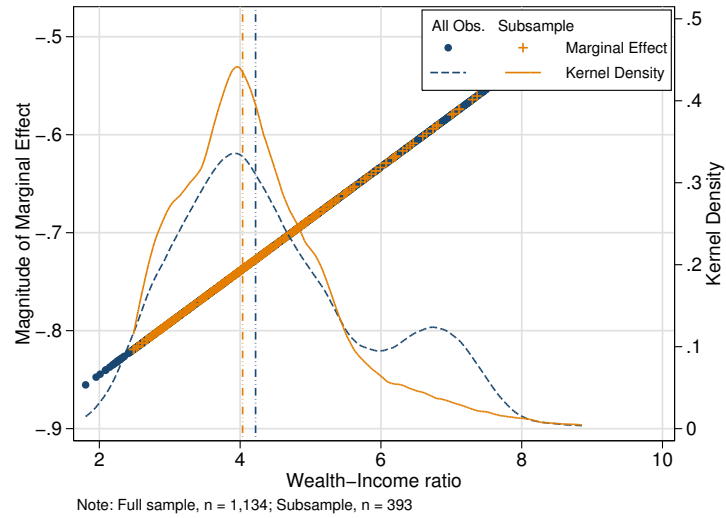
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NOTES: Dependent variable is a binary indicator of crisis type for given country and year. Linear probability model is estimated with two-way fixed effects (2FE), controlling for country and year. A proxy for the rate of return on capital, \tilde{r} is the difference in first-differences of financial development (the sum of all bank deposits and stock market capitalization as a percentage of GDP). The variable \hat{g} , a proxy for growth, is the annual percentage change in GDP per capita. Private sector credit is measured as a share of GDP and the top marginal tax rate is a percentage. Panel B depicts marginal effects of wealth inequality on the crisis type when evaluated at the mean and 25th percentile of aggregate wealth.



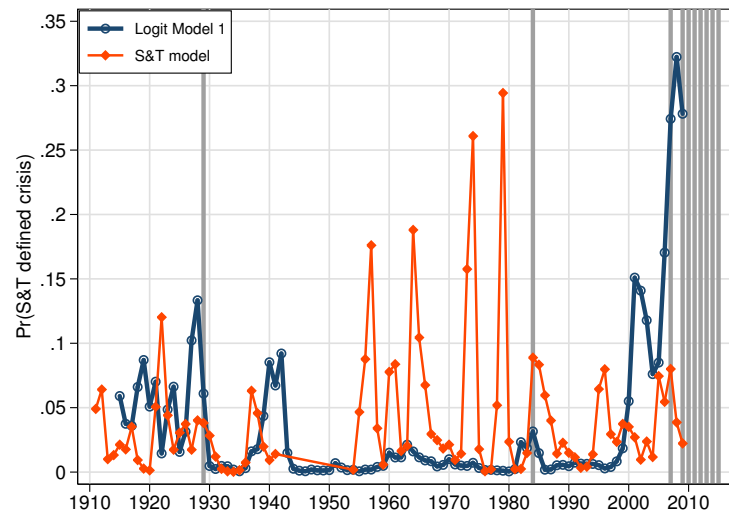
(a) Banking Crisis



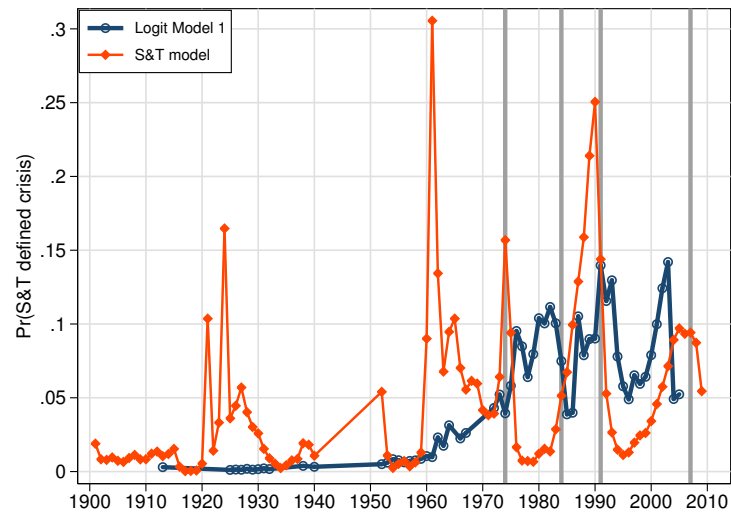
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Figure D.7: MARGINAL EFFECT OF INCOME INEQUALITY ON LIKELIHOOD OF FINANCIAL CRISIS: LPM

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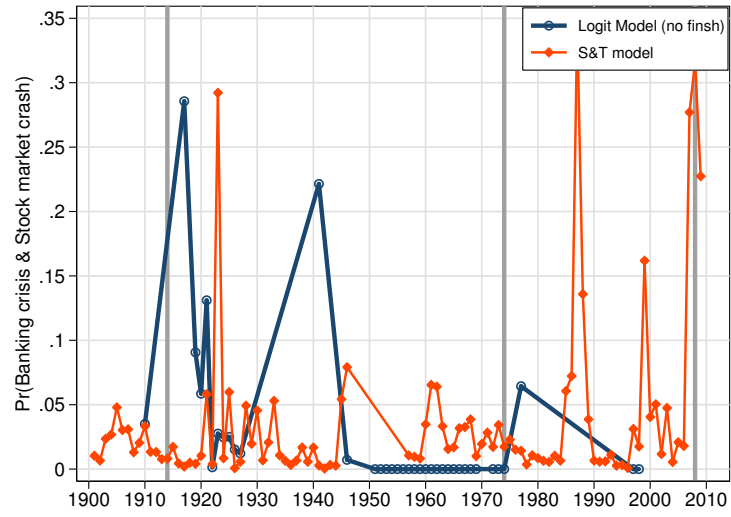


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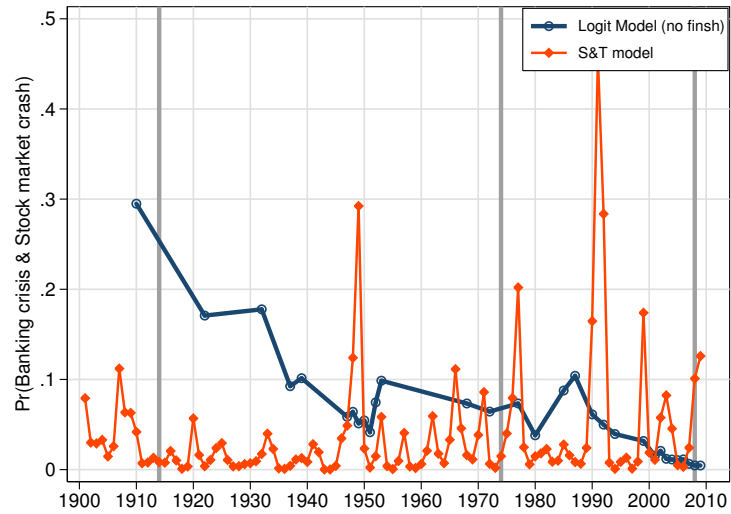


(b) United Kingdom

Figure E.8: PREDICTED PROBABILITIES OF S&T DEFINED CRISIS



(a) Denmark



(b) Sweden

Figure E.9: PREDICTED PROBABILITIES OF LARGE CRISIS

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