

This document explains how to use the .do file and datasets to replicate the results in “How do 401(k)s Affect Saving? Evidence from Changes in 401(k) eligibility,” by Alexander M. Gelber.

Several datasets are used in the do file, which are named as follows:

t3
t6
t7
t9
t12
w7
w8
w9

The .do file, AEJPol-2009-0165_dofile.do, uses these datasets to create the results in the paper.

In order to run this do file on your computer, please start by downloading the datasets above to your computer. Then replace the pathname in the .do file (~/bulk/sip96/) with the pathname that refers to the location of these datasets on your computer. A “find and replace” should be able to replace all 61 instances of this pathname in the .do file with the pathname applicable on your computer. If you do not already have the Stata programs pscore.ado, atts.ado, and winsor.ado, you should download these and install them before running the .do file.

Please note that the .do file as it stands does not create a log file, but this easily be added to the .do file.