

Online Data Table 2: Preferred Estimates of Causal Place Effects by County

Description

This table reports the percentage gain (or loss) in income at age 26 from spending one more year of childhood in each county in the U.S.

These causal exposure effects (referred to as “pct_causal” or “pct_pt_causal” in the codebook) are defined for 9 outcomes (referred to as “[outcome]” in the codebook):

- 1) kr26: Child’s mean percentile rank in the national household income (i.e., including own earnings and spouse earnings) distribution at age 26. This is our preferred baseline measure.
- 2) kr26_f: Mean household income rank at age 26 for female children
- 3) kr26_m: Mean household income rank at age 26 for male children
- 4) kr26_avg: Mean household income rank at age 26 - average of the male and female estimates
- 5) kir26: Child’s mean individual income rank (i.e., including only own earnings) at age 26.
- 6) kir26_f: Mean individual income rank at age 26 for female children
- 7) kir26_m: Mean individual income rank at age 26 for male children
- 8) kir26_avg: Mean individual income rank at age 26 - average of the male and female estimates
- 9) km26: Being married at Age 26

We provide the causal exposure effect estimates at two percentiles of the parent national income distribution (referred to as “[percentile]” in the codebook):

- 1) p25: Parents at the 25th percentile of the national household income distribution (among parents with children in the same birth cohort)
- 2) p75: Parents at the 75th percentile of the national household income distribution (among parents with children in the same birth cohort)

Codebook

Variable	Type	Description
cty1990	Num	County 1990 FIPS code
cty2000	Num	County 2000 FIPS code
county_name	Char	County Name
stateabbrv	Char	State Abbreviation
pct_causal_[percentile]_[outcome]	Num	Causal exposure effects as percentage gains (or losses) in income at age 26 relative to the national mean
pct_pt_causal_[percentile]_[outcome]	Num	Causal exposure effects as percentage points gains (or losses)
cz	Num	Commuting Zone Code
csa	Num	Consolidated Statistical Area Code
csa_name	Char	Consolidated Statistical Area Name