

Liquid Wealth and Consumption Smoothing of Typical Labor Income Shocks

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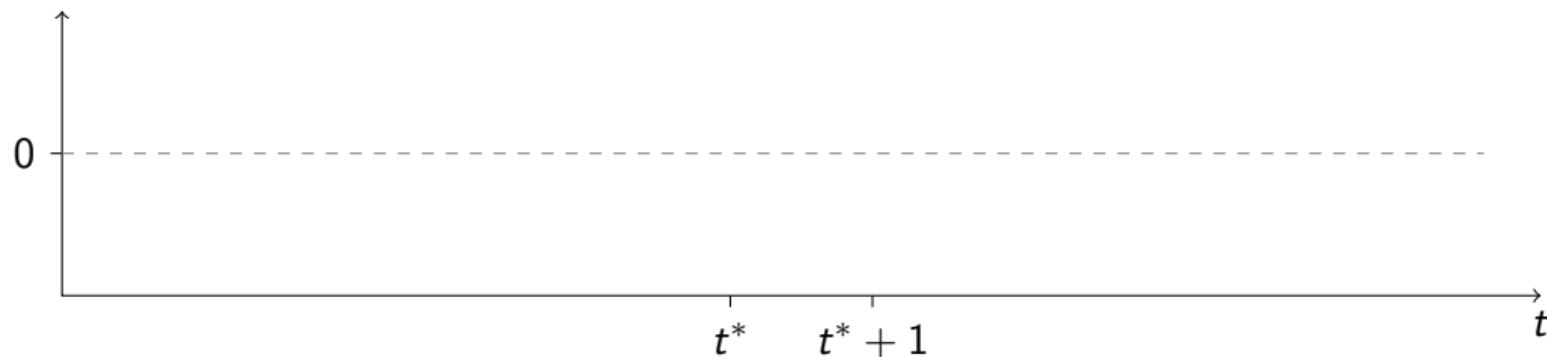
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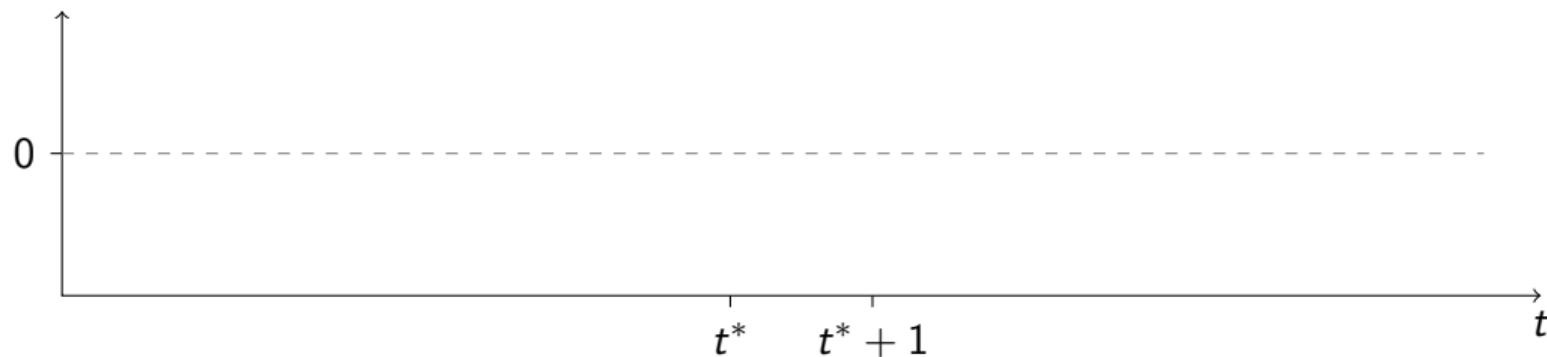


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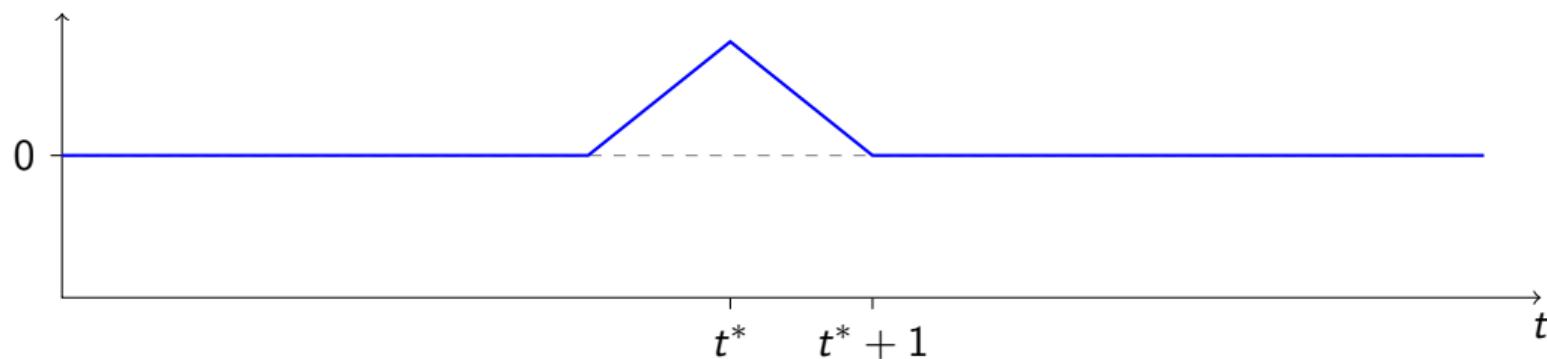


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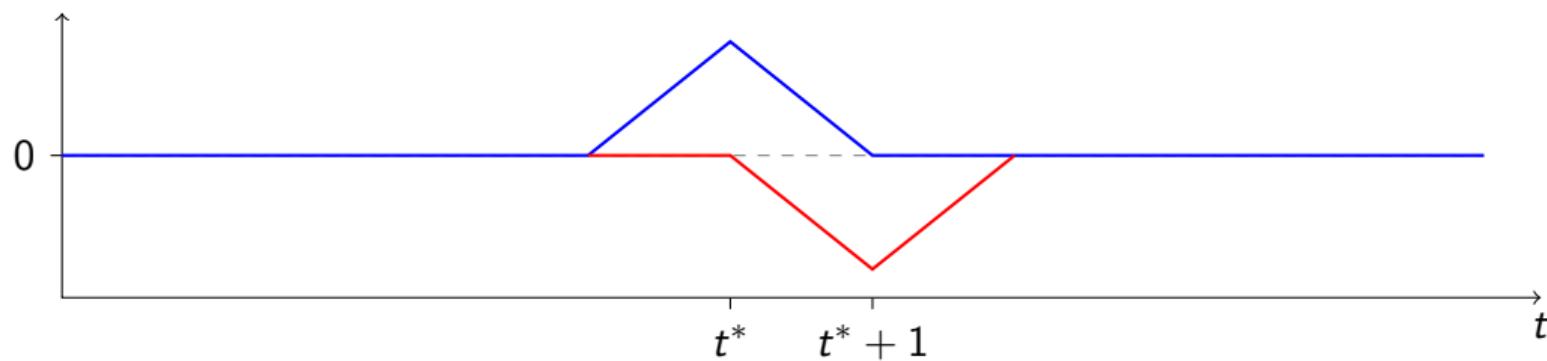


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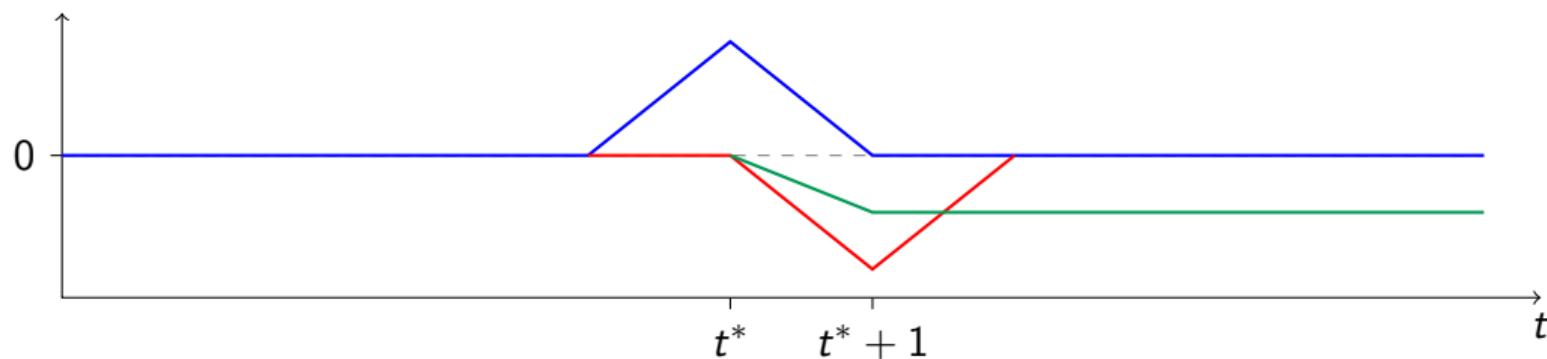


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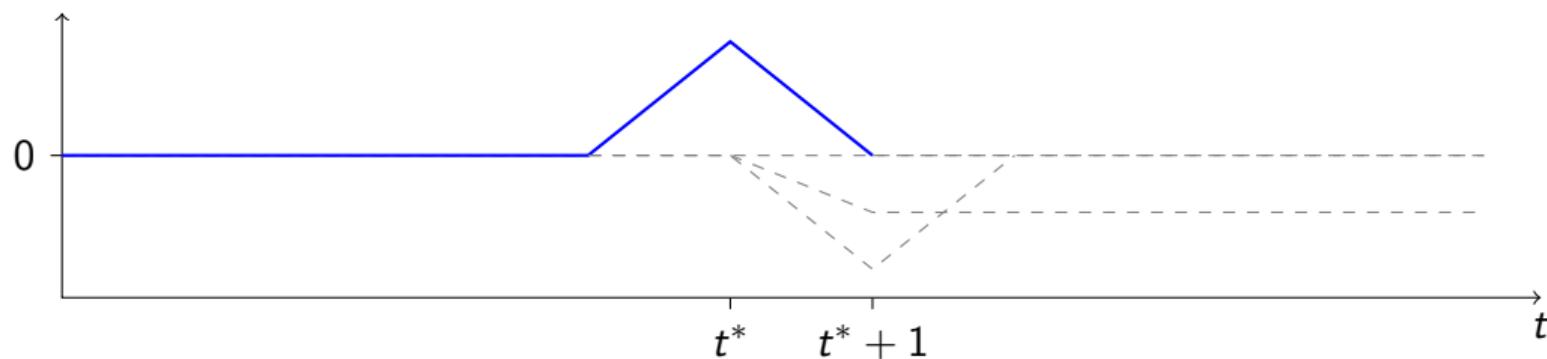


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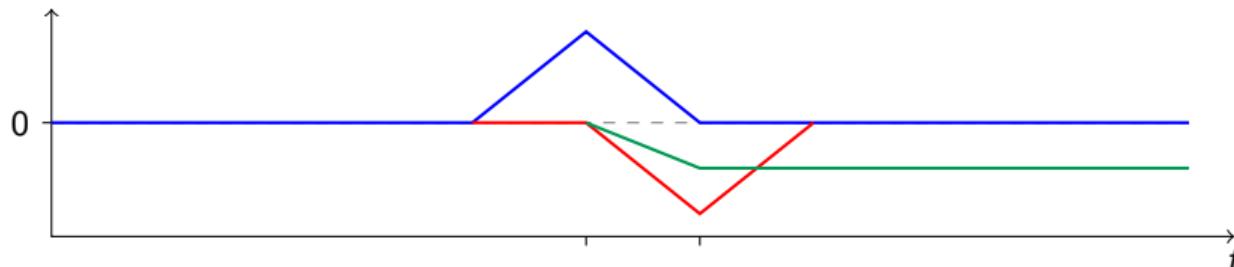
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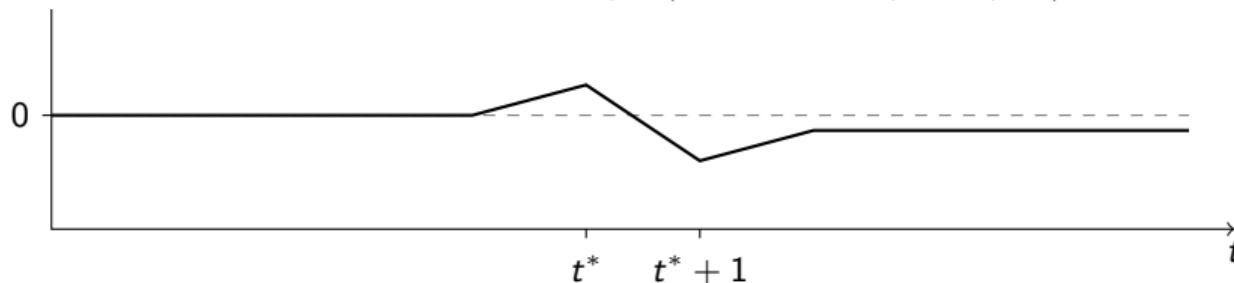
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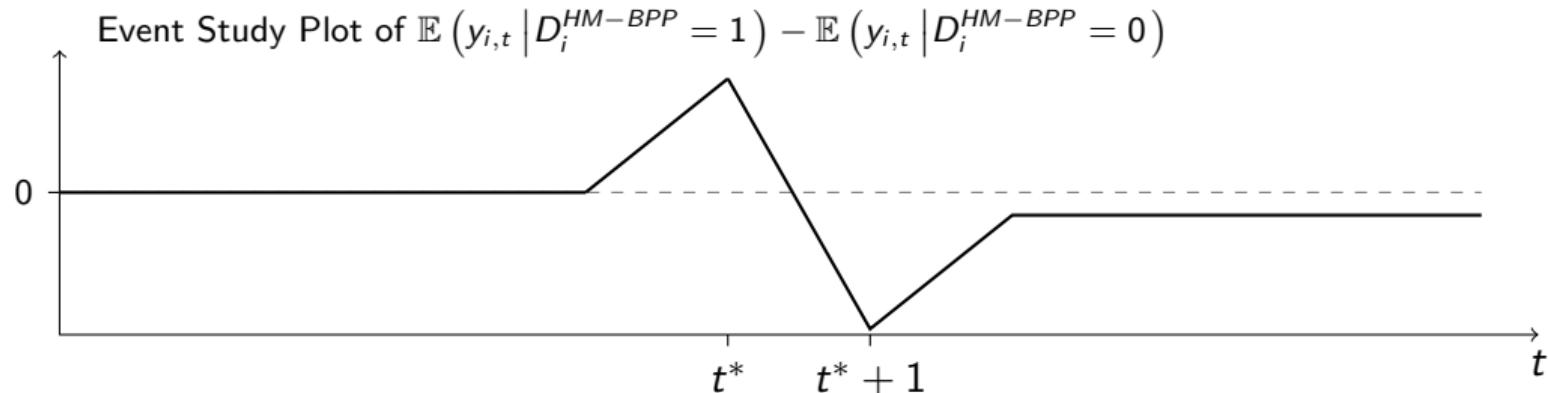
Isolated shocks



Combined shocks: Event Study Plot of $\mathbb{E} (y_{i,t} | D_i^{HM-BPP} = 1) - \mathbb{E} (y_{i,t} | D_i^{HM-BPP} = 0)$



Five Testable Predictions of HM-BPP Assumptions (“Heartbeat”)



Testable predictions for income, can be evaluated using standard event study methods:

- (1) Parallel pre-trends: No normalized difference between treatment and control before t^*
- (2) First stage: Positive difference at t^*
- (3) Negative post-trends: Negative difference at $t^* + 1$
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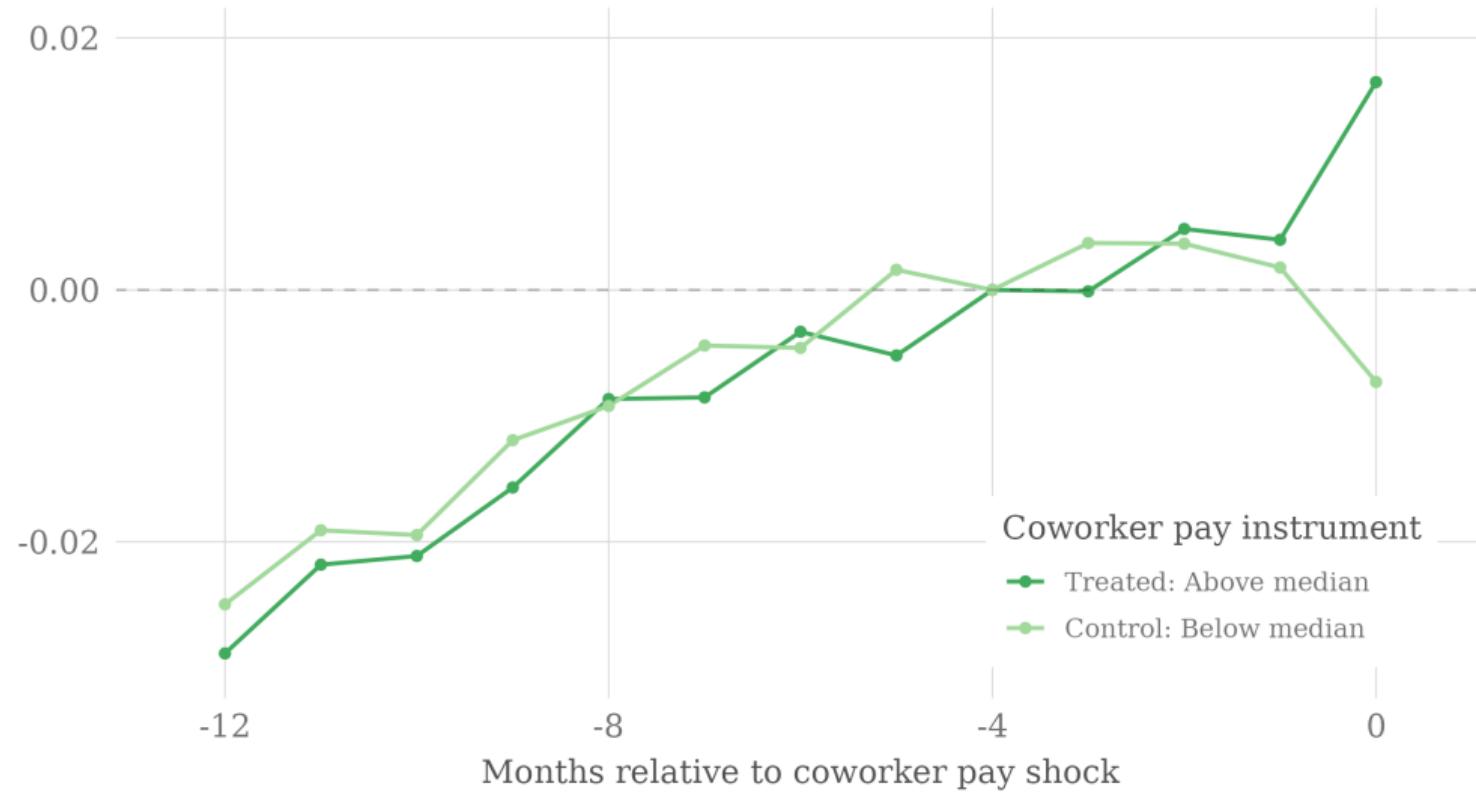
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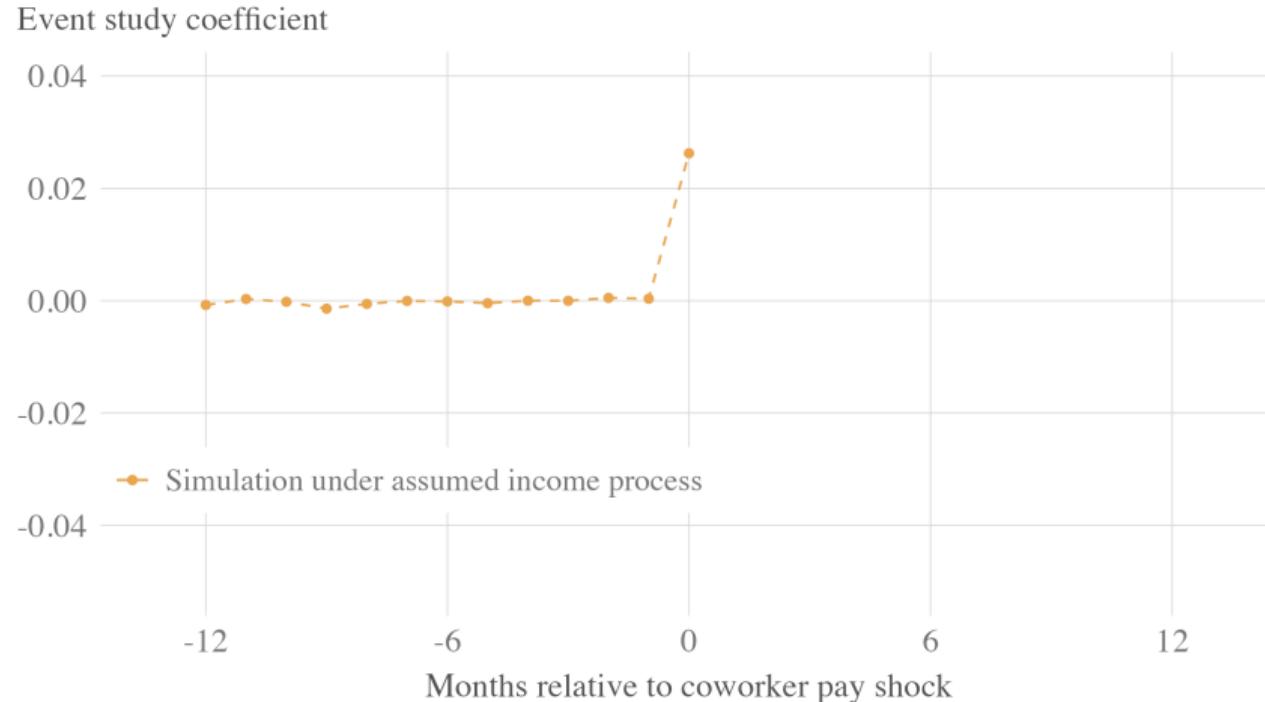
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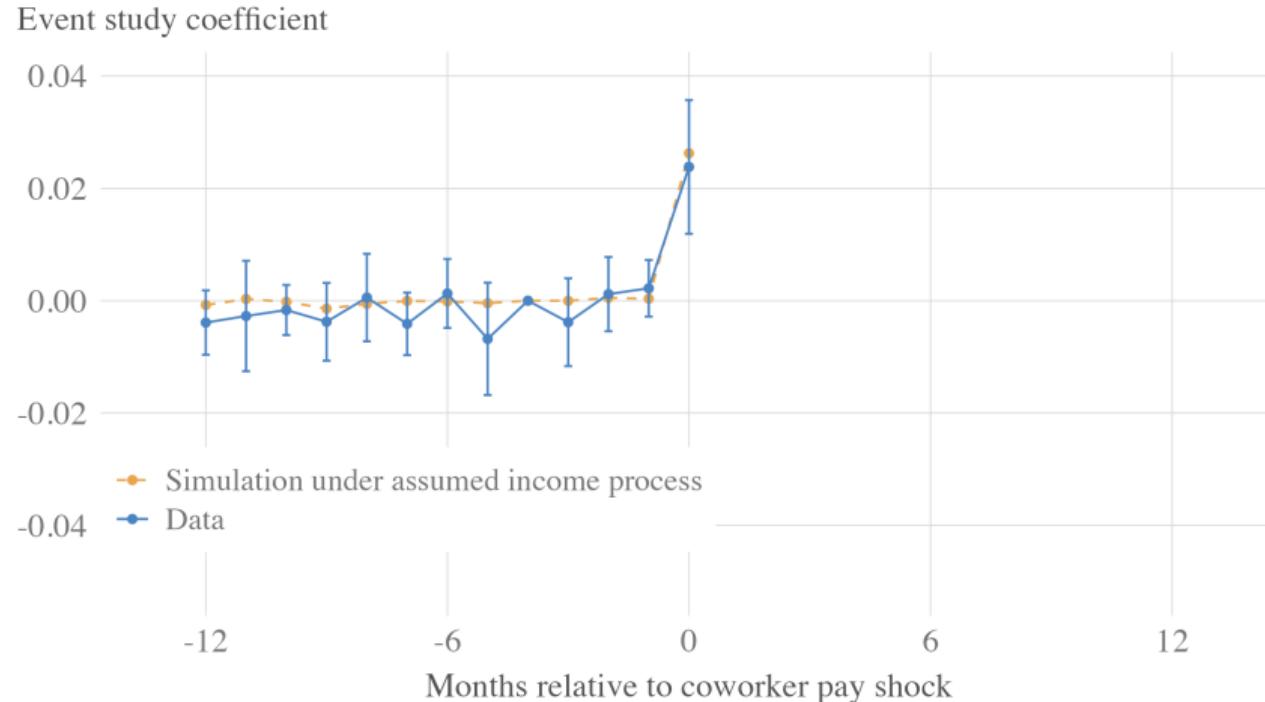


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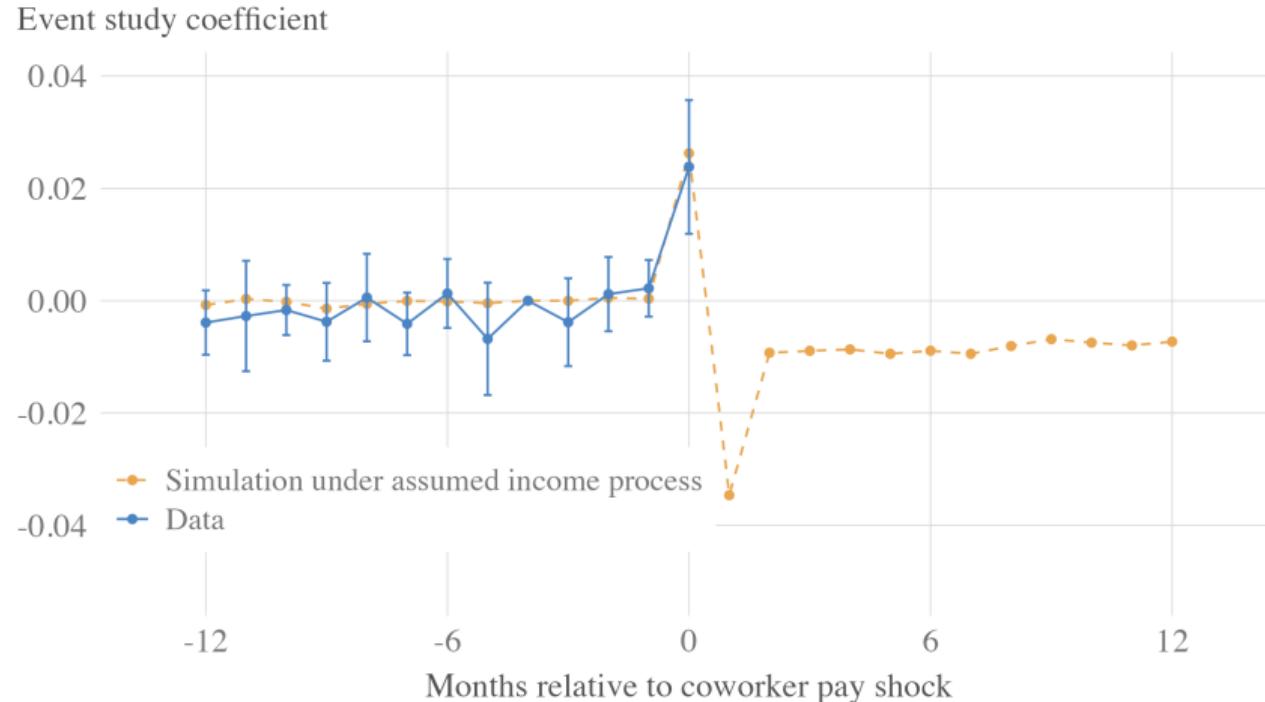
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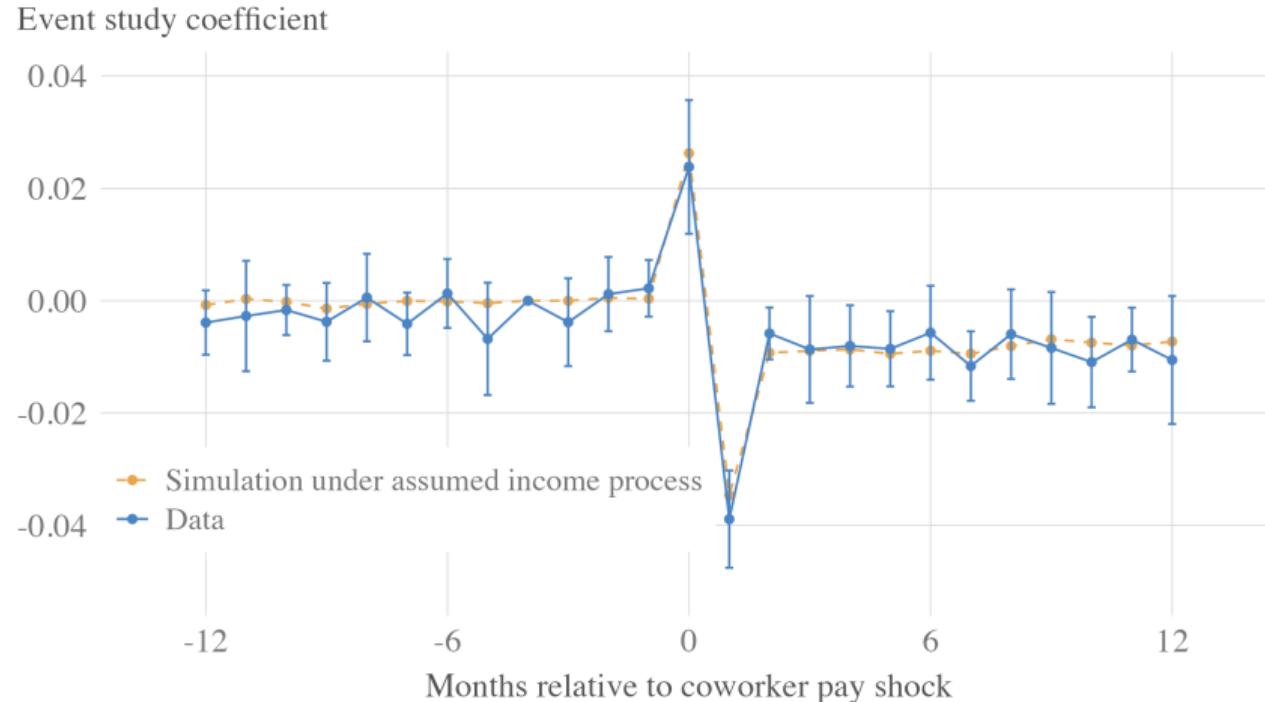
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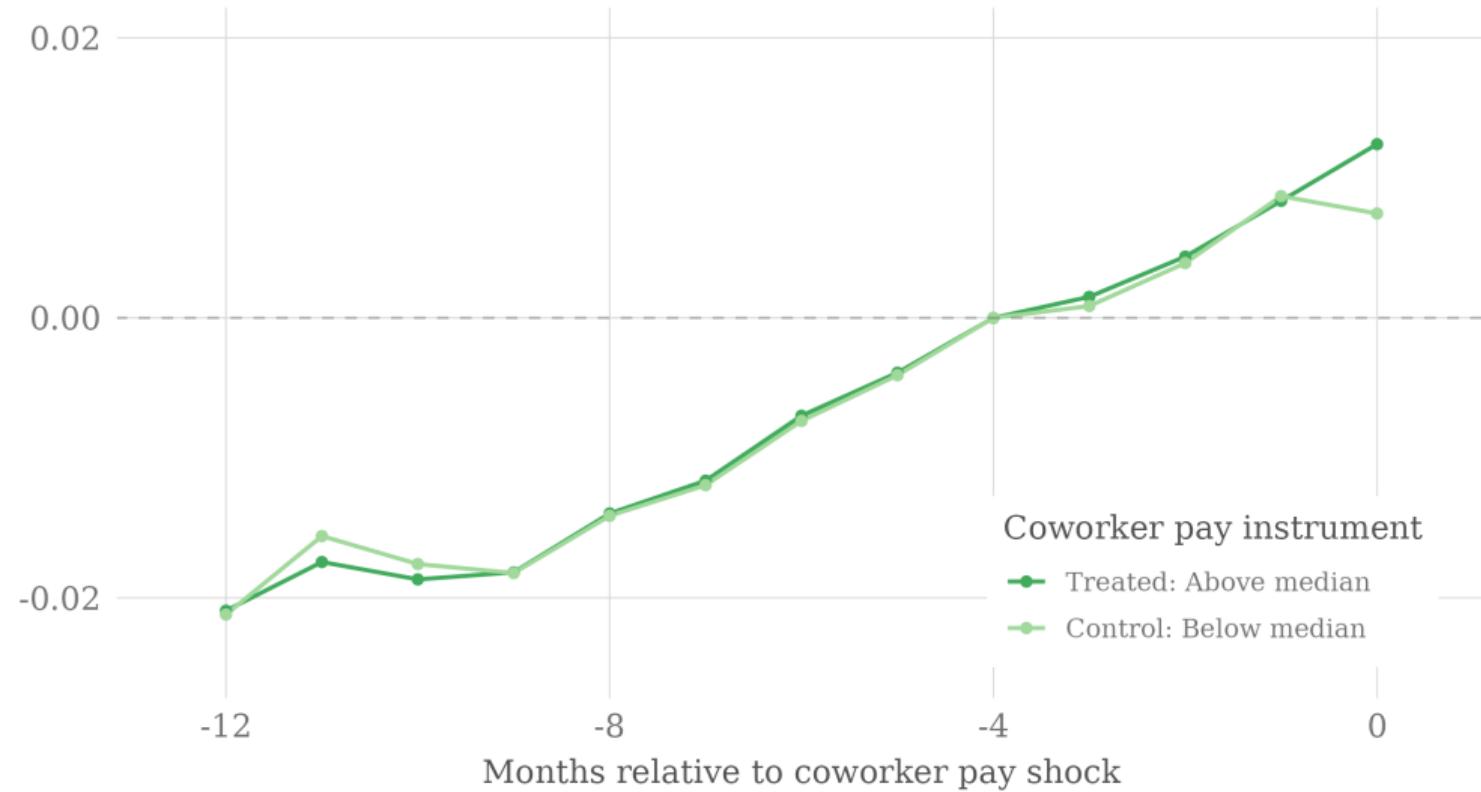
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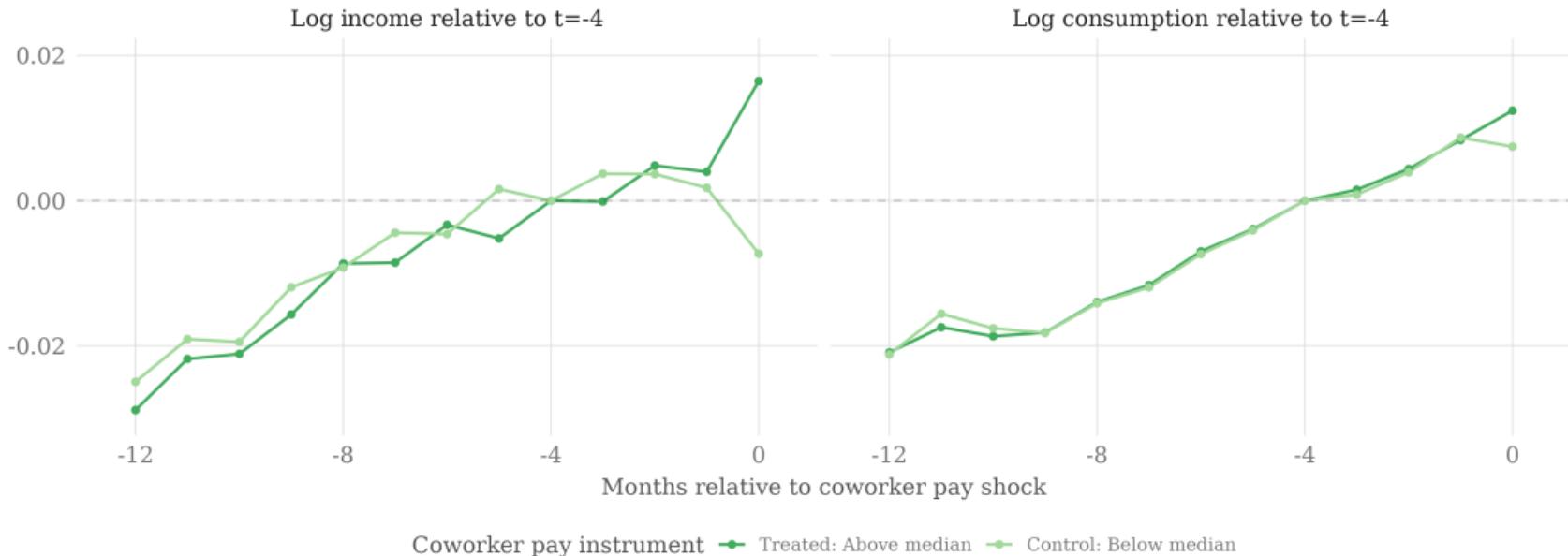
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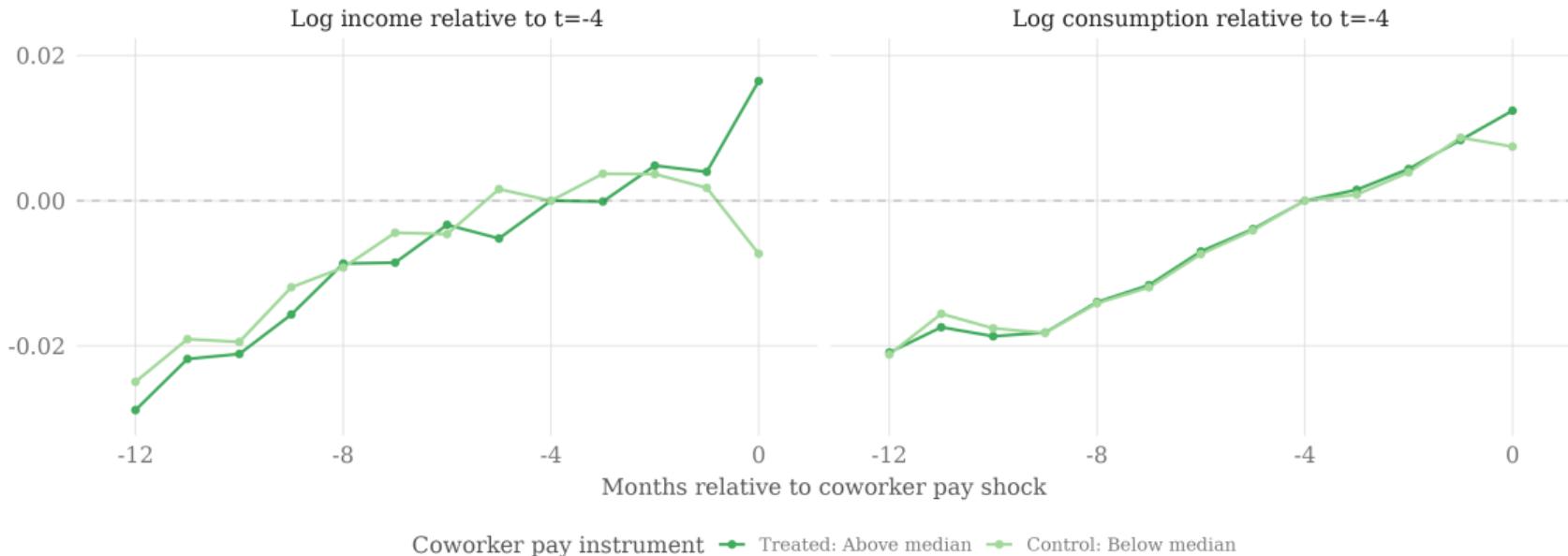
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Dependent Variable: $\Delta \text{ Log Non-Durable Consumption}$

	(1)
$\Delta \text{ Log Income}$	0.221 (0.016)
$(\Delta \text{ Log Income}) \times \text{Checking}$	

Coworker Instrument	Period-Ahead Pay Per Check
Seasonal Adjustment	Yes

Type of Income Variation Captured by Instrument

New Transitory Shock Y

Predictable Reversion of Transitory Shock

Permanent Shock

Predictable Recurring Annual Changes

Predictable Pay Schedule Variation

- Friedman (1957) would not predict this. Also responsive to Cochrane (1989).

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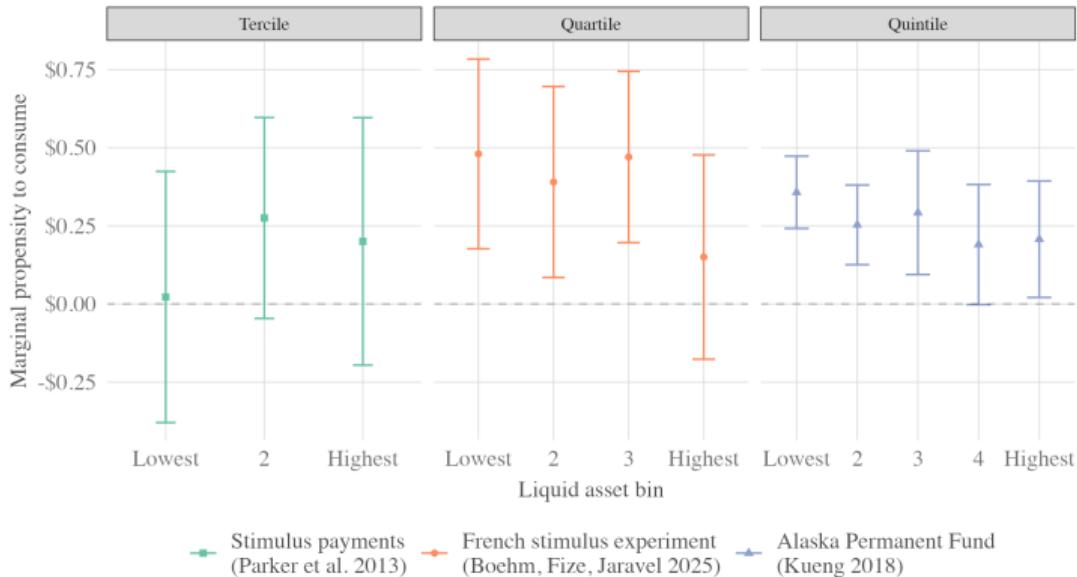
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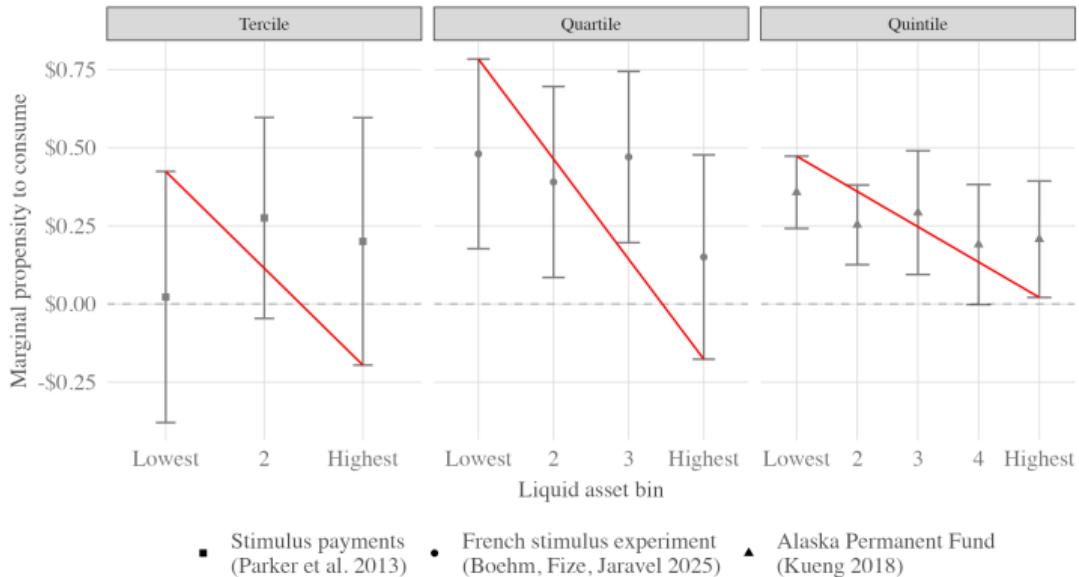
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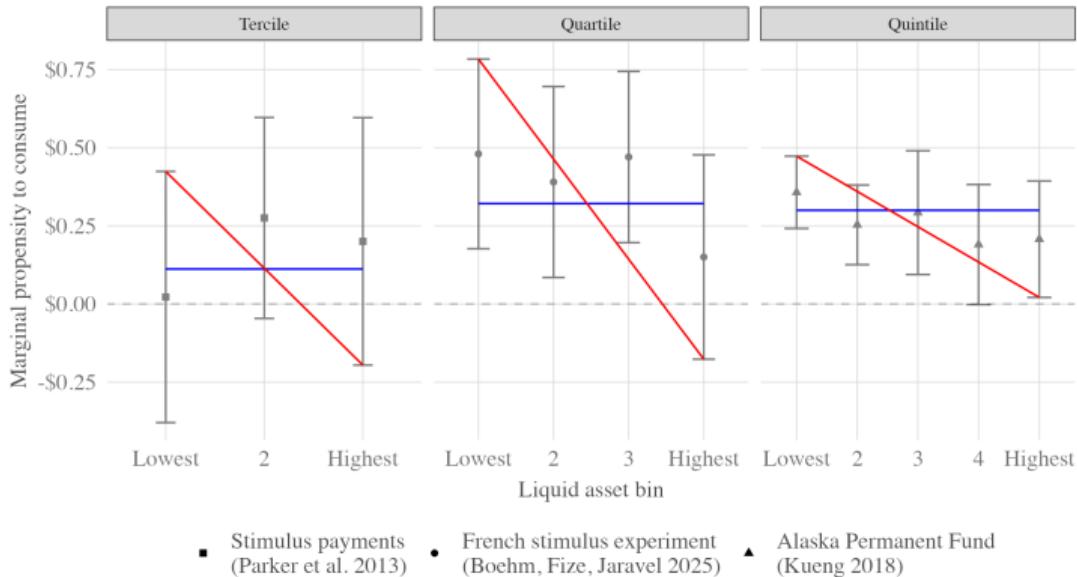
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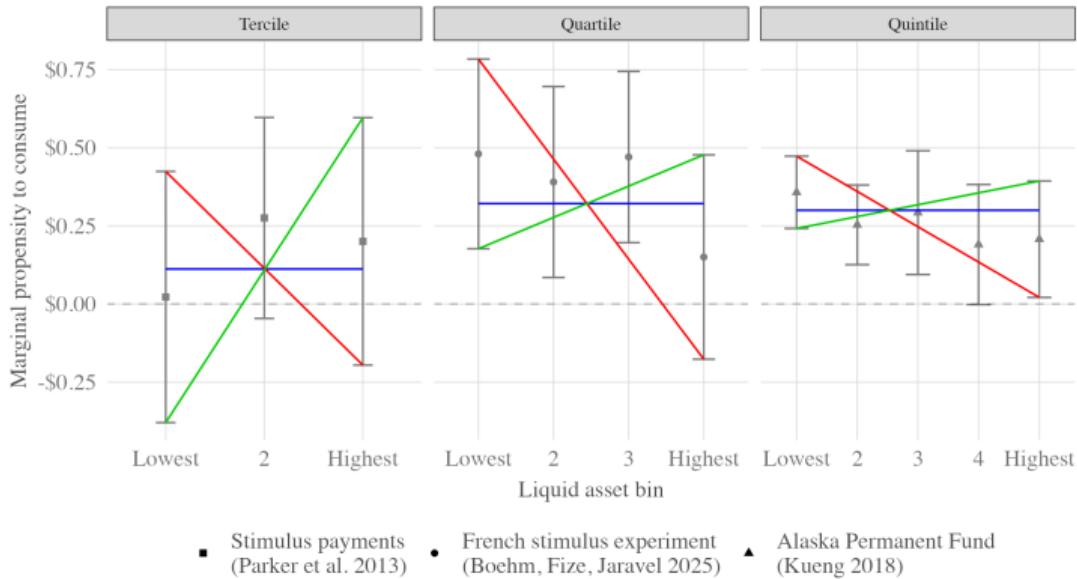
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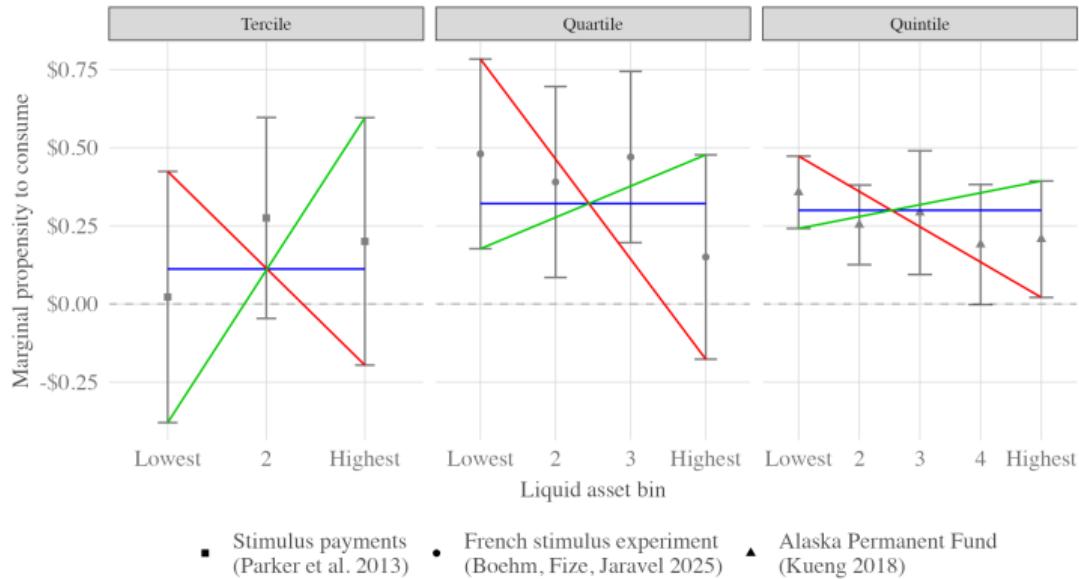


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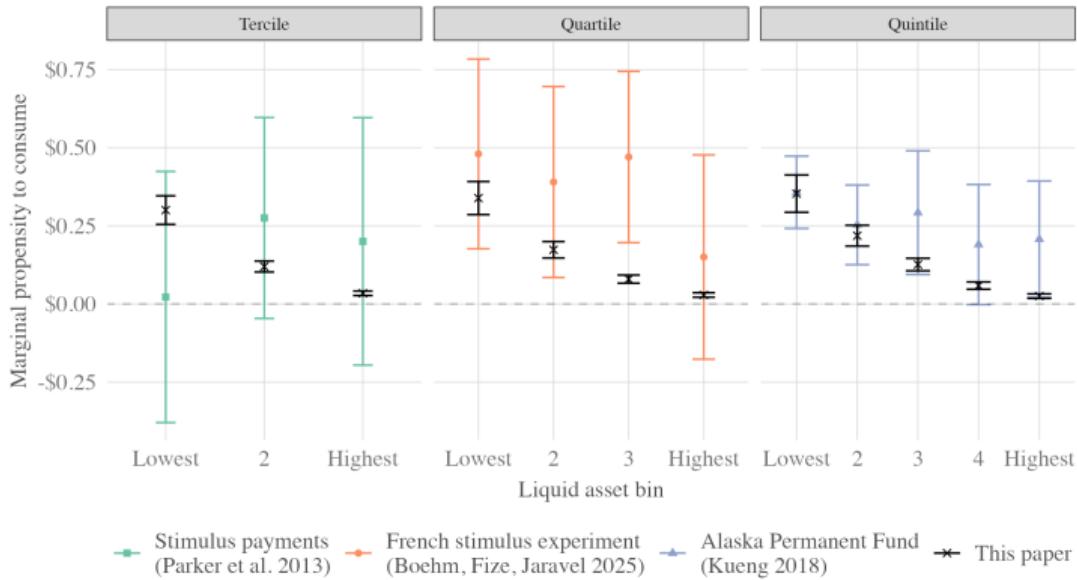
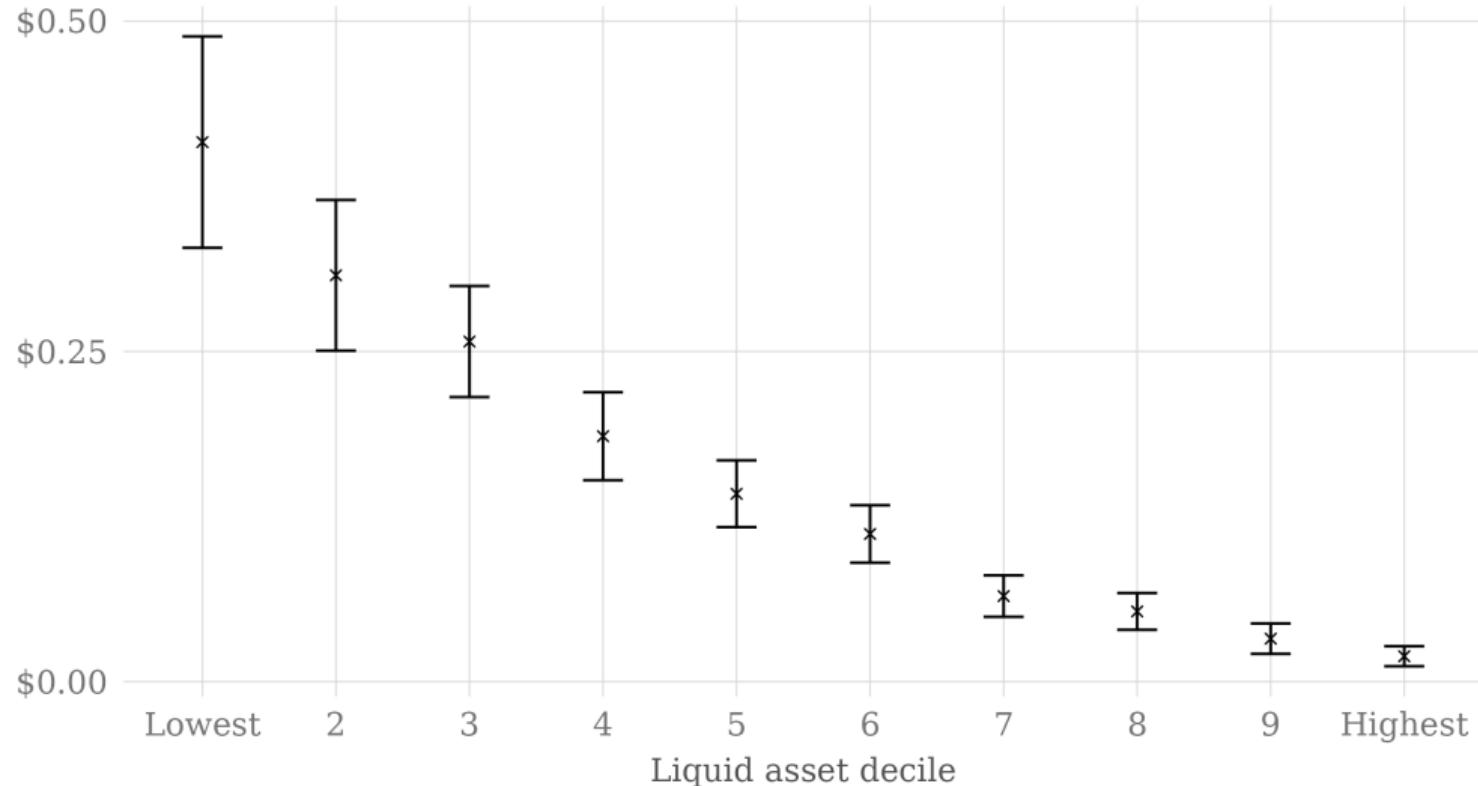


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Marginal propensity to consume



The Consumption Response to Typical Labor Income Shocks

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- (3) **Heterogeneity by predictability (*Skip for today*)**
- (4) **Quantification of welfare cost (*Skip for today*)**

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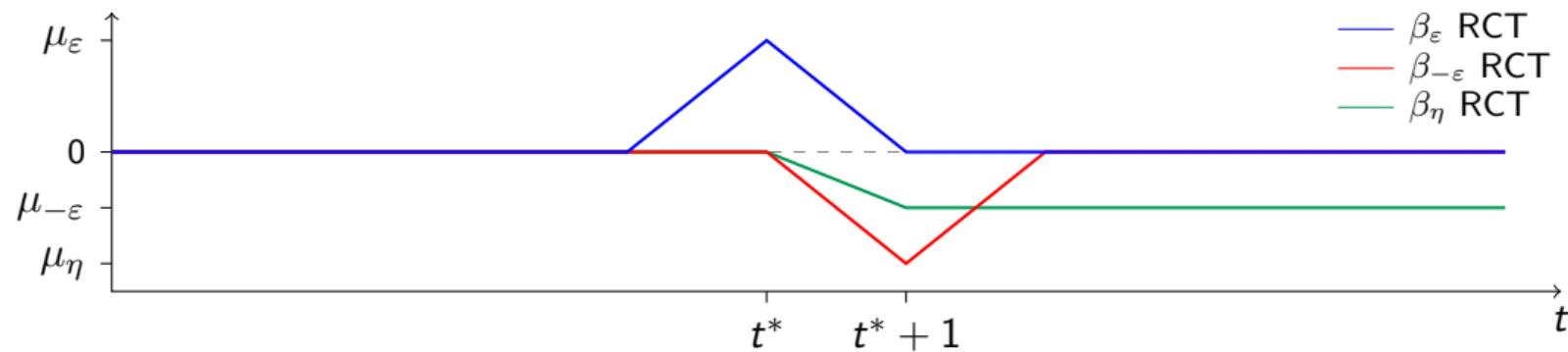
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Three Experiments



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Covariance Restrictions

Can replace IID and Consumption Exogeneity assumptions with:

$$\text{cov}(\Delta c_{it}, \eta_{i,t+1}) = \text{cov}(\Delta c_{it}, \varepsilon_{i,t+1}) = 0$$

Kaplan and Violante (2010) refers to these as "No Foresight" assumptions [Back](#)

Assumptions for Identification

- Assumption IID2:

$$(\eta_{it}^w, \varepsilon_{it}^w) \sim IID;$$

$$\eta_{i,t}^w \perp \varepsilon_{i,t}^w \quad \forall t;$$

$$(\eta_{j(i,t),t}^f, \varepsilon_{j(i,t),t}^f) \sim IID;$$

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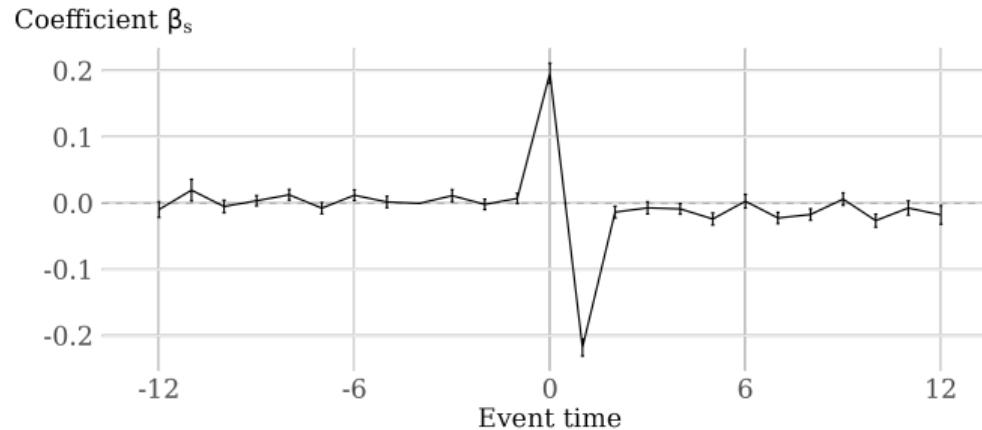
$$\zeta_{i,t} \perp (\eta_{j(i,t+1),t+s}^f, \varepsilon_{j(i,t+s),t+s}^f) \quad \forall s$$

and if $j(i, t + 1) = j(i', t + 1)$ then

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Continuous Instrument Income Event Study

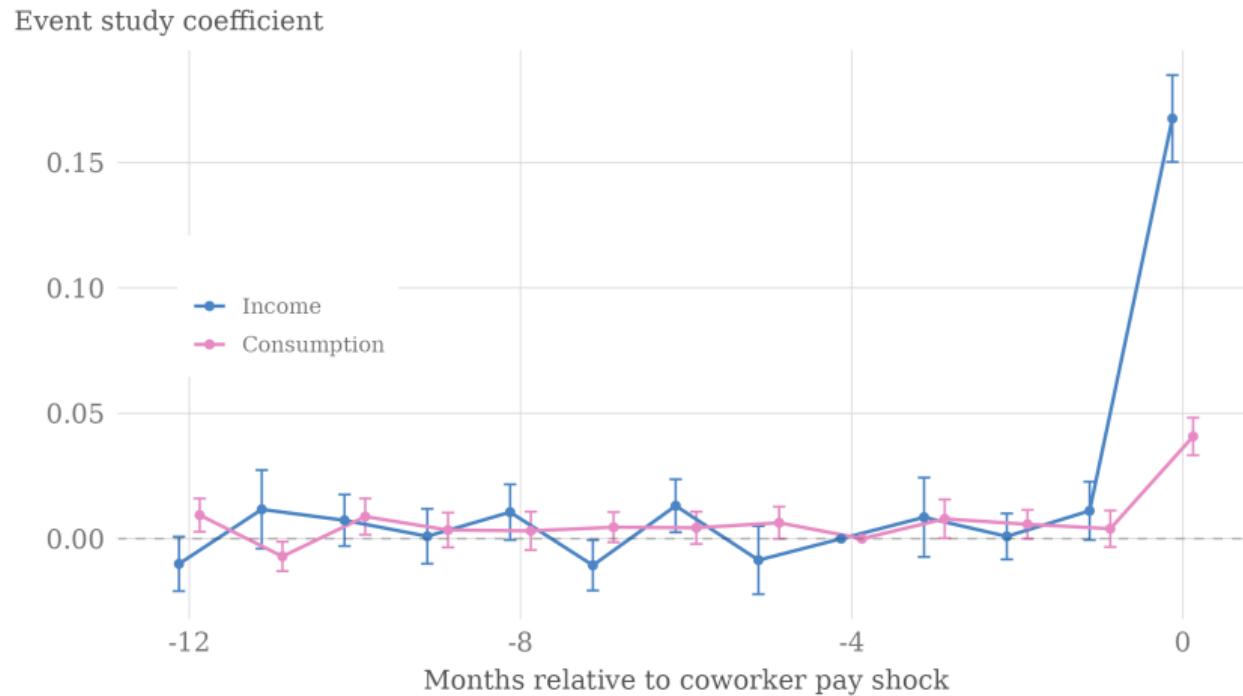
Figure: Dynamic DiD Around Continuous Instrument Realization



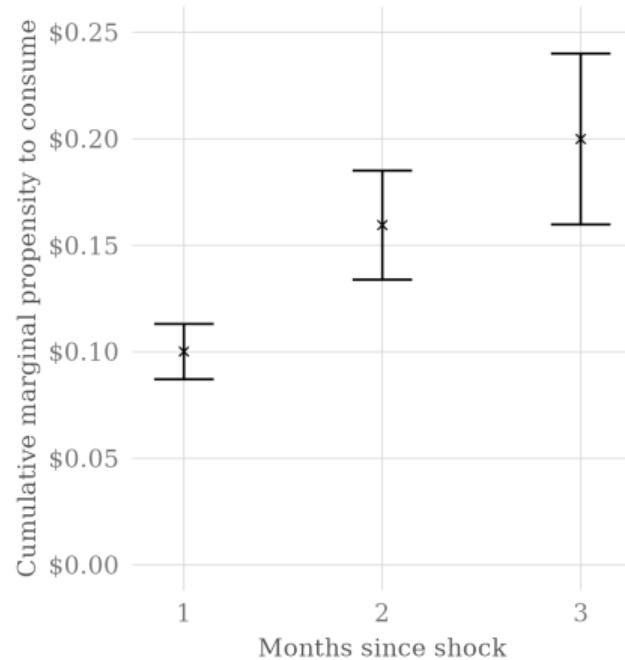
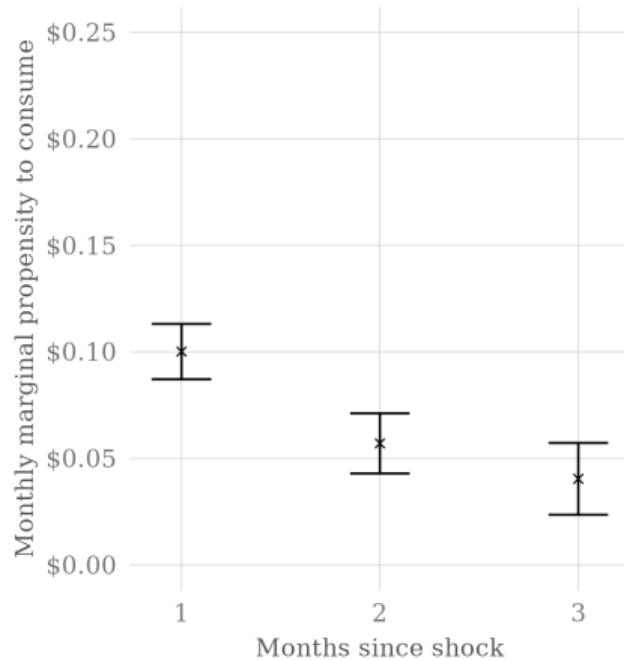
Binary income and consumption event study



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Dynamic and Cumulative MPCs



Estimating a Dynamic Consumption Response

We extend the consumption function to allow for a response to lagged transitory shocks:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta c_{i,t} &= \beta_\eta \eta_{i,t} + \beta_{\varepsilon,0} \varepsilon_{i,t} + \beta_{\varepsilon,1} \varepsilon_{i,t-1} + \beta_{\varepsilon,2} \varepsilon_{i,t-2} + \beta_{\varepsilon,3} \varepsilon_{i,t-3} + \zeta_{i,t} \\ \beta_{\varepsilon,3} &= -(\beta_{\varepsilon,0} + \beta_{\varepsilon,1} + \beta_{\varepsilon,2})\end{aligned}$$

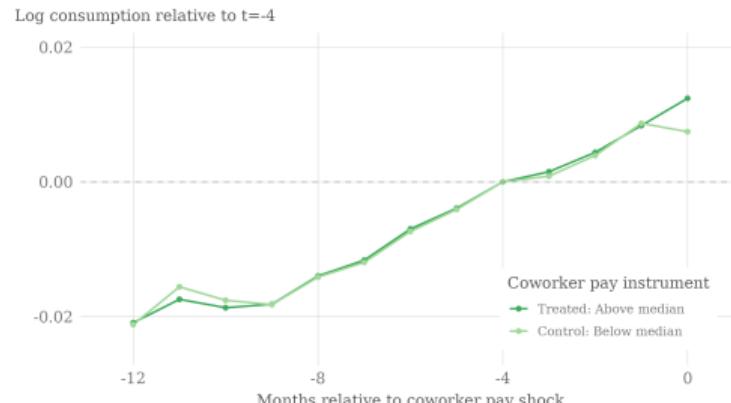
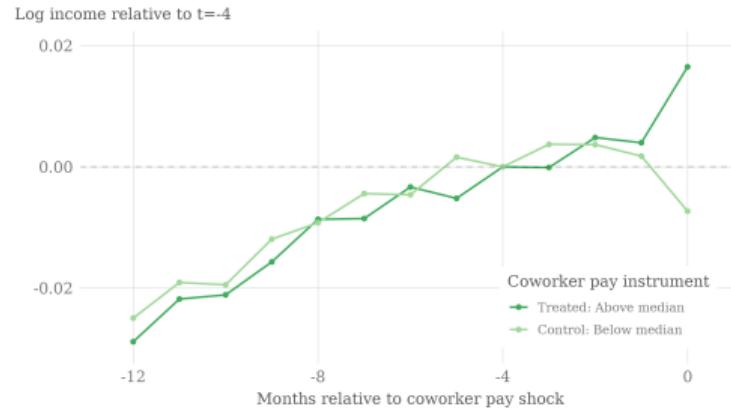
The constraint on $\beta_{\varepsilon,3}$ limits the impact of a transitory shock to three periods. Under assumptions IID and CE, the coefficients are identified as follows:

$$\beta_{\varepsilon,0} = \frac{\text{cov}(\Delta c_{i,t}, -\Delta y_{i,t+1})}{\text{cov}(\Delta y_{i,t}, -\Delta y_{i,t+1})}$$

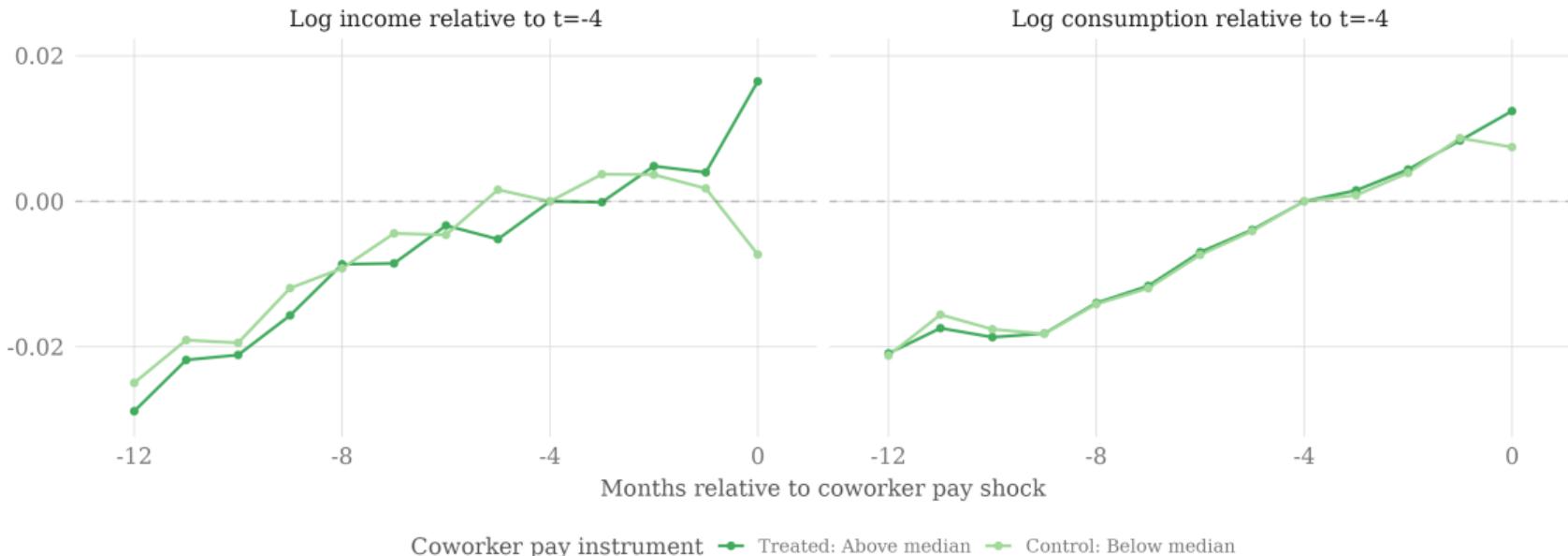
$$\beta_{\varepsilon,1} = \frac{\text{cov}(\Delta c_{i,t}, \Delta y_{i,t-1} + \Delta y_{i,t-2} + \Delta y_{i,t-3})}{\text{cov}(\Delta y_{i,t}, -\Delta y_{i,t+1})}$$

$$\beta_{\varepsilon,2} = \frac{\text{cov}(\Delta c_{i,t}, \Delta y_{i,t-2} + \Delta y_{i,t-3})}{\text{cov}(\Delta y_{i,t}, -\Delta y_{i,t+1})}$$

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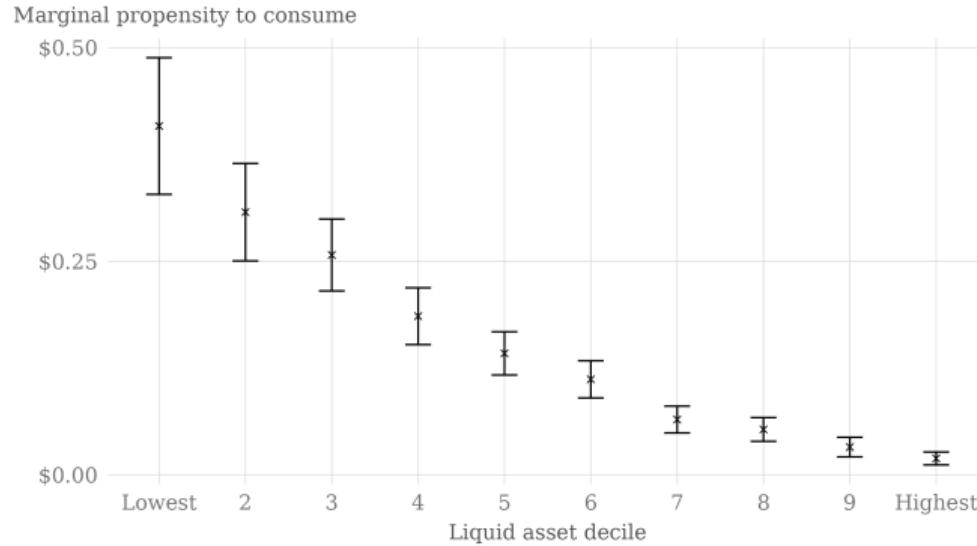


Additional Exhibits

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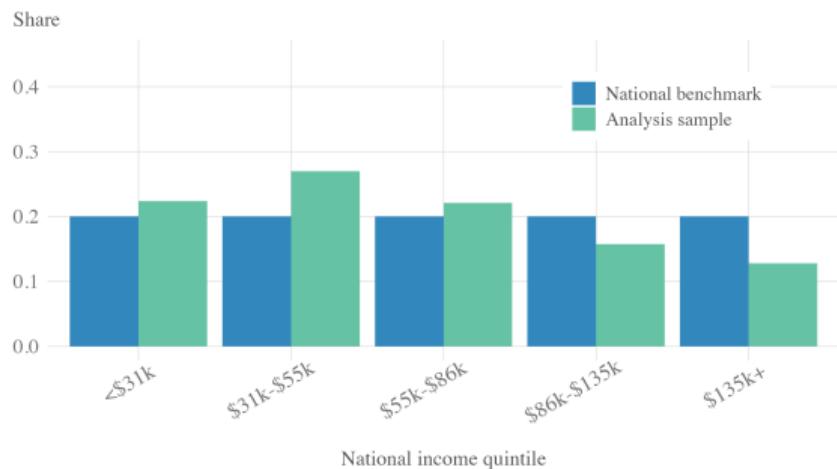


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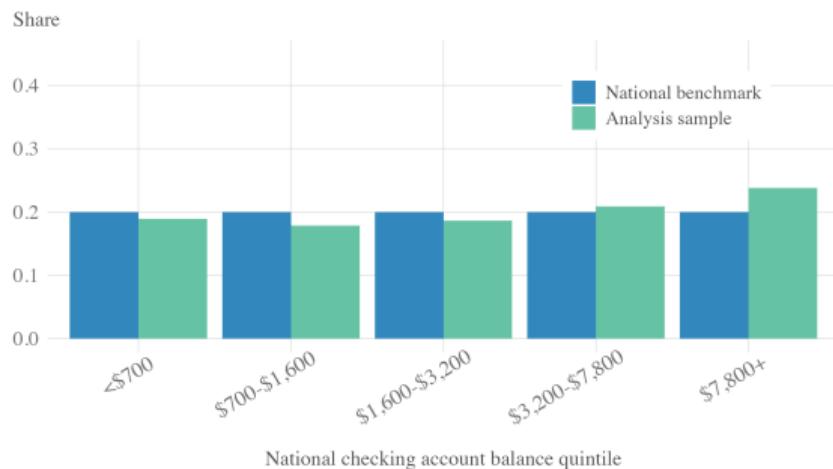


Distribution of Income and Checking Balance in Public Data vs Analysis Sample

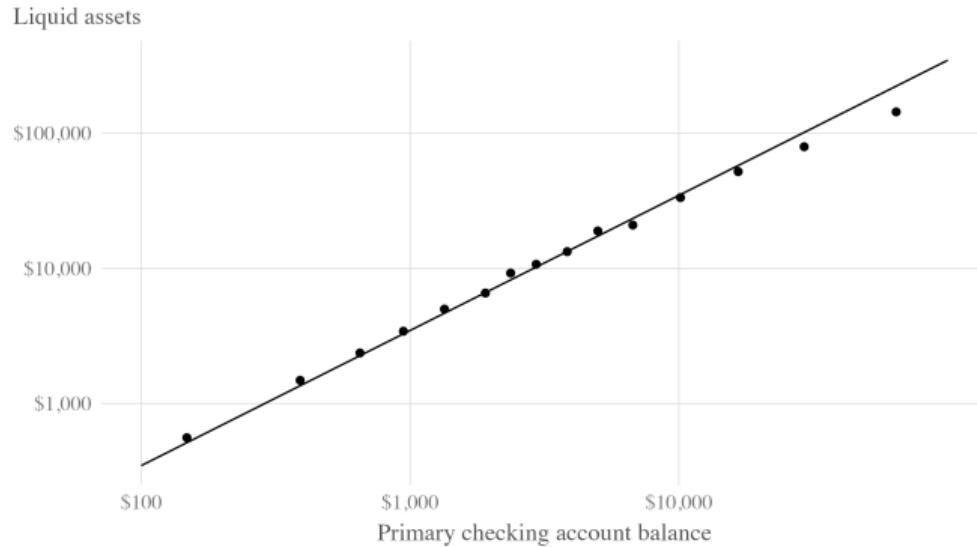
(a) Income



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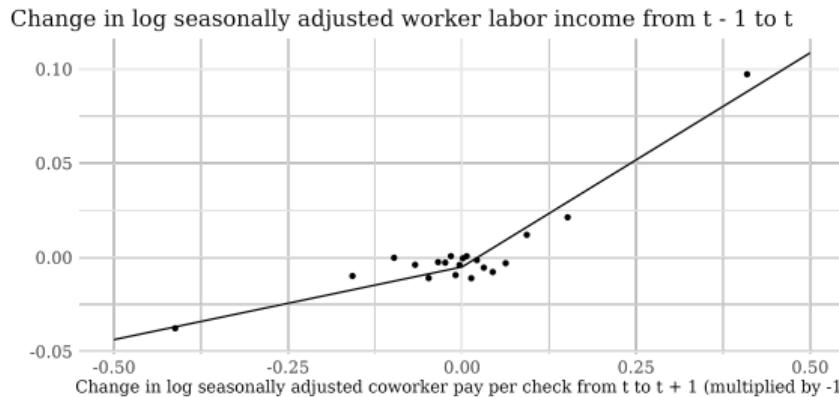


Liquid Assets and Checking Account Balances

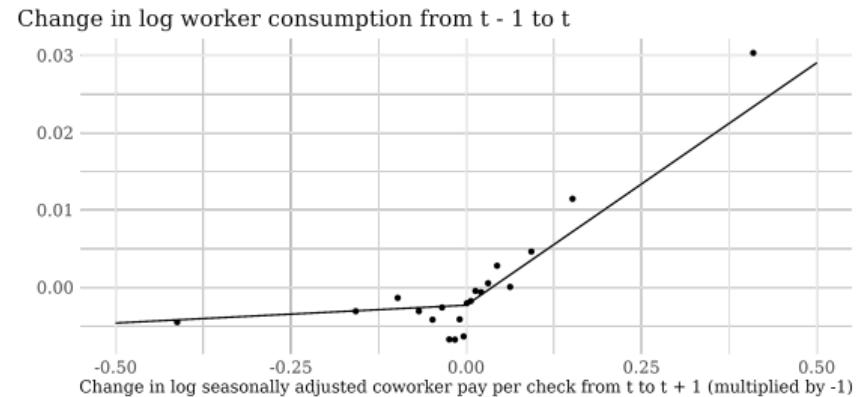


First Stage and Reduced Form Binscatters

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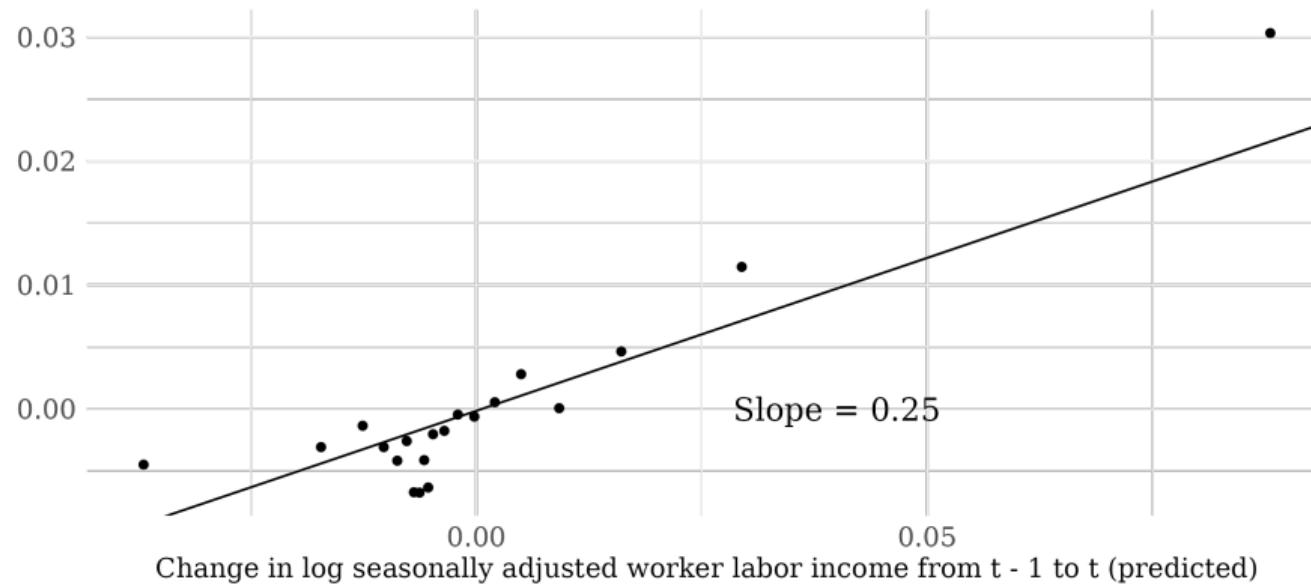
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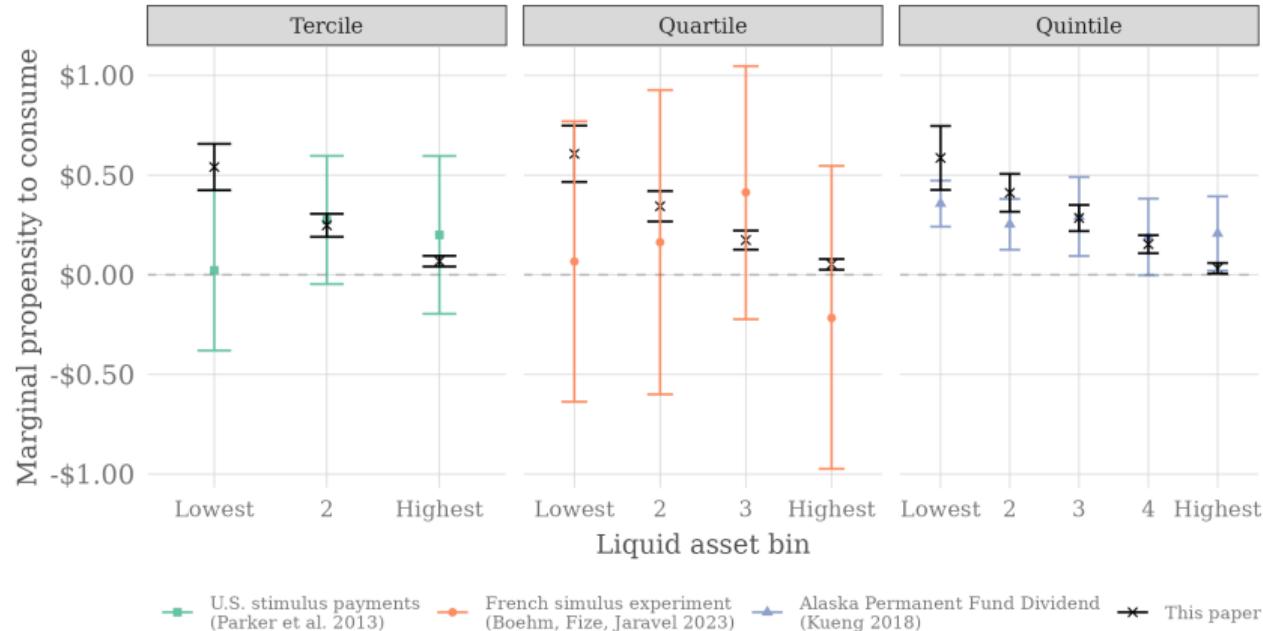
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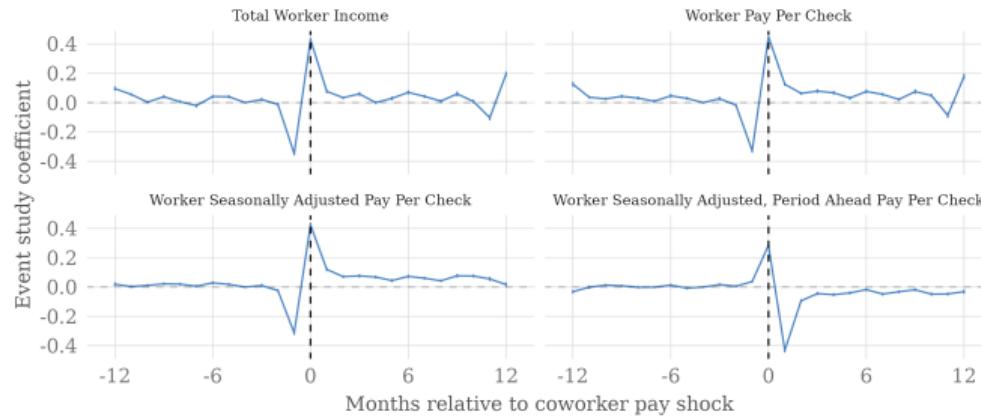
Change in log worker consumption from $t - 1$ to t



Heterogeneity in Quarterly MPCs by Liquid Assets



Income Event Study Around Realizations of Different Worker Instruments



Summary Statistics for Main Analysis Sample

Panel A: Household-Level Variables	Raw Data			Winsorized Data		
	Mean	Median	Std. Dev	Mean	Median	Std. Dev
Household Labor Income	\$5,281	\$3,918	\$10,177	\$4,801	\$3,918	\$3,277
Nondurable Consumption	\$2,389	\$1,740	\$7,800	\$2,094	\$1,740	\$1,521
Checking Account Balance	\$9,220	\$2,415	\$30,073	\$6,548	\$2,415	\$9,790
Checking Buffer Ratio	11.7	1.3	1,560.7	5.1	1.3	9.0
Panel B: Job-Level Variables						
Job Labor Income	\$4,117	\$3,198	\$9,142	\$3,715	\$3,198	\$2,482
Coworker Labor Income	\$3,685	\$3,360	\$2,616	\$3,524	\$3,360	\$1,416
Number of Households:	1,327,214					
Number of Household-Employer-Months:	27,881,033					

First Stage for Various Specifications

<i>Dependent Variable: $\Delta \text{ Log Income}$</i>				
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
$\Delta \text{ Log Instrument}$	0.153 (0.007)	0.369 (0.011)	0.508 (0.007)	0.713 (0.006)
Coworker Instrument	Period-Ahead Pay Per Check	Pay Per Check	Pay Per Check	Total Pay
Seasonal Adjustment	Yes	Yes	No	No
Type of Income Variation Captured by Instrument				
New Transitory Shock	Y	Y	Y	Y
Predictable Reversion of Transitory Shock		Y	Y	Y
Permanent Shock		Y	Y	Y
Predictable Recurring Annual Changes			Y	Y
Predictable Pay Schedule Variation				Y

Summary Statistics for Distribution of Shock Sizes in First Stage Regression

Statistic	Coworker	Instrumented Worker
Mean	-0.002	0.001
Median	-0.001	0.001
5th Percentile	-0.209	-0.031
25th Percentile	-0.041	-0.005
75th Percentile	0.037	0.007
95th Percentile	0.202	0.032
Standard Deviation	0.171	0.026
Mean (Absolute Value)	0.085	0.013
Median (Absolute Value)	0.039	0.006

First-Stage for Multiple Datasets

Periodicity	Data Source	First stage	
		Coef	(SE)
Paycheck	Bank account	0.15	(0.007)
	Payroll	0.17	(0.01)
	Time clock	0.14	(0.005)
Monthly	Bank account	0.71	(0.006)
	Payroll	0.63	(0.01)
	Time clock	0.80	(0.002)
Quarterly	Bank account	0.58	(0.008)
	Payroll	0.90	(0.01)
	Time clock	0.81	(0.004)
	Tax, WA, Lachowska et al. (2022)	0.56 to 0.65	(0.01 to 0.02)
	Tax, 7 states, CWBH	0.42 to 0.61	(0.01 to 0.03)

Monthly and Cumulative MPCs

	Month 1	Month 2	Month 3
Monthly MPC	0.100 (0.007)	0.057 (0.007)	0.040 (0.009)
Cumulative MPC	0.100 (0.007)	0.159 (0.013)	0.200 (0.020)

Consumption Elasticity Using Various Expenditure Categories

<i>Dependent Variable: $\Delta \log$</i>	(1)	(2)
Nondurable Consumption		
$\Delta \log \text{ Income}$	0.218 (0.015)	0.273 (0.019)
$(\Delta \log \text{ Income}) \times \text{Checking}$		-0.509 (0.050)
Strict Nondurables		
$\Delta \log \text{ Income}$	0.151 (0.011)	0.191 (0.014)
$(\Delta \log \text{ Income}) \times \text{Checking}$		-0.381 (0.040)
Non-Work Related		
$\Delta \log \text{ Income}$	0.262 (0.020)	0.305 (0.022)
$(\Delta \log \text{ Income}) \times \text{Checking}$		-0.542 (0.061)
Groceries		
$\Delta \log \text{ Income}$	0.221 (0.016)	0.252 (0.019)
$(\Delta \log \text{ Income}) \times \text{Checking}$		-0.624 (0.060)

Quarterly MPX and MPC Estimates Using Method of Laibson, Maxted, and Moll (2022)

	Estimate
Estimated Nondurable MPX	0.20 (0.02)
Implied Total MPX	0.72 (0.07)
Implied Notional MPC	0.23 (0.02)

Impact of Income on Consumption - With Time-by-Location Fixed Effects

<i>Dependent Variable: $\Delta \log \text{Non-Durable Consumption}$</i>						
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
$\Delta \log \text{Income}$	0.221 (0.015)	0.274 (0.018)	0.218 (0.014)	0.267 (0.006)	0.211 (0.014)	0.260 (0.017)
$(\Delta \log \text{Income}) \times \text{Checking}$		-0.475 (0.047)		-0.475 (0.021)		-0.475 (0.046)
Coworker Instrument	Period-Ahead Pay Per Check					
Seasonal Adjustment	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Fixed Effects	None	None	State-by-year	State-by-year	State-by-quarter	State-by-quarter
FEs Interacted with Assets	No	No	No	Yes	No	No

Impact of Income on Consumption - Asset Level Control

<i>Dependent Variable: $\Delta \log \text{Non-Durable Consumption}$</i>					
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
$\Delta \log \text{Income}$	0.221 (0.015)	0.289 (0.022)	0.193 (0.010)	0.205 (0.009)	0.116 (0.003)
$(\Delta \log \text{Income}) \times \text{Checking level}$		-0.526 (0.059)	-0.343 (0.026)	-0.367 (0.023)	-0.150 (0.006)
Coworker Instrument	Period-Ahead Pay Per Check	Period-Ahead Pay Per Check	Pay Per Check	Pay Per Check	Total Pay
Seasonal Adjustment	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Type of Income Variation Captured by Instrument					
New Transitory Shock	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Predictable Reversion of Transitory Shock			Y	Y	Y
Permanent Shock			Y	Y	Y
Predictable Recurring Annual Changes				Y	Y
Predictable Pay Schedule Variation					Y

MPC by Asset Buffer Quartile and Average MPC

	Quartile 1	Quartile 2	Quartile 3	Quartile 4	All
MPC	0.339 (0.027)	0.173 (0.013)	0.079 (0.007)	0.029 (0.004)	0.100 (0.007)
<i>Inputs</i>					
Elasticity	0.482 (0.038)	0.317 (0.025)	0.183 (0.015)	0.105 (0.014)	0.221 (0.015)
Mean Nondurable Consumption	\$2,633	\$2,579	\$2,434	\$1,911	\$2,389
Mean Labor Income	\$3,750	\$4,724	\$5,612	\$7,037	\$5,281
<i>Liquid Asset Statistics</i>					
Median Checking Account Balance	\$485	\$1,536	\$3,739	\$13,353	\$2,415
Median Checking Account Buffer	0.28	0.82	2.21	12.13	1.31

MPC by Asset Level Quartile

	Quartile 1	Quartile 2	Quartile 3	Quartile 4	All
MPC	0.335 (0.034)	0.177 (0.015)	0.086 (0.007)	0.035 (0.004)	0.100 (0.007)
<i>Inputs</i>					
Elasticity	0.520 (0.053)	0.328 (0.028)	0.196 (0.016)	0.101 (0.012)	0.221 (0.015)
Mean Nondurable Consumption	\$1,873	\$2,286	\$2,507	\$2,890	\$2,389
Mean Labor Income	\$2,911	\$4,251	\$5,715	\$8,246	\$5,281
<i>Liquid Asset Statistics</i>					
Median Checking Account Balance	\$404	\$1,471	\$3,802	\$15,340	\$2,415
Median Checking Account Buffer	0.30	0.82	2.00	9.58	1.31

MPC by Asset Buffer Decile

	Decile 1	Decile 2	Decile 3	Decile 4	Decile 5	Decile 6	Decile 7	Decile 8	Decile 9	Decile 10
MPC	0.408 (0.041)	0.308 (0.029)	0.257 (0.021)	0.186 (0.017)	0.142 (0.013)	0.112 (0.011)	0.065 (0.008)	0.053 (0.007)	0.033 (0.006)	0.019 (0.004)
<i>Inputs</i>										
Elasticity	0.519 (0.052)	0.459 (0.043)	0.423 (0.035)	0.333 (0.030)	0.277 (0.025)	0.237 (0.024)	0.153 (0.019)	0.144 (0.019)	0.107 (0.019)	0.092 (0.018)
Mean Nondurable Consumption	\$2,670	\$2,610	\$2,599	\$2,591	\$2,560	\$2,517	\$2,417	\$2,262	\$2,033	\$1,635
Mean Labor Income	\$3,395	\$3,891	\$4,271	\$4,640	\$4,989	\$5,334	\$5,698	\$6,114	\$6,680	\$7,795
<i>Liquid Asset Statistics</i>										
Median Checking Account Balance	\$260	\$600	\$956	\$1,405	\$1,994	\$2,813	\$4,104	\$6,442	\$11,164	\$25,566
Median Checking Account Buffer	0.15	0.32	0.51	0.74	1.08	1.59	2.49	4.38	9.47	35.80

Monthly and Quarterly MPCs by Asset Buffer Quantiles

Terciles / Quartiles / Quintiles			Deciles	
	Monthly	Quarterly	Monthly	Quarterly
Tercile 1	0.300 (0.023)	0.540 (0.059)	Decile 1	0.408 (0.041)
Tercile 2	0.120 (0.009)	0.248 (0.029)	Decile 2	0.308 (0.029)
Tercile 3	0.034 (0.004)	0.068 (0.014)	Decile 3	0.257 (0.021)
Quartile 1	0.339 (0.027)	0.607 (0.072)	Decile 4	0.186 (0.017)
Quartile 2	0.173 (0.013)	0.344 (0.039)	Decile 5	0.142 (0.013)
Quartile 3	0.079 (0.007)	0.174 (0.024)	Decile 6	0.112 (0.011)
Quartile 4	0.029 (0.004)	0.052 (0.014)	Decile 7	0.065 (0.008)
Quintile 1	0.353 (0.030)	0.586 (0.082)	Decile 8	0.053 (0.007)
Quintile 2	0.218 (0.017)	0.411 (0.048)	Decile 9	0.033 (0.006)
Quintile 3	0.126 (0.010)	0.285 (0.033)	Decile 10	0.019 (0.004)
Quintile 4	0.059 (0.006)	0.153 (0.023)		0.023 (0.015)
Quintile 5	0.025 (0.004)	0.032 (0.014)		

Impact of Income on Consumption Using Worker Rather than Coworker Instrument

Dependent Variable: $\Delta \log \text{Non-Durable Consumption}$						
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
$\Delta \log \text{Income}$	0.155 (0.004)	0.169 (0.004)	0.114 (0.002)	0.126 (0.002)	0.112 (0.001)	0.120 (0.001)
$(\Delta \log \text{Income}) \times \text{Checking}$		-0.273 (0.010)	-0.244 (0.005)	-0.271 (0.006)	-0.232 (0.004)	-0.237 (0.004)
Worker Instrument	Period-Ahead Pay Per Check	Period-Ahead Pay Per Check	Pay Per Check	Pay Per Check	Total Pay	OLS: Worker all Labor Income
Seasonal Adjustment	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Type of Income Variation Captured by Instrument						
New Transitory Shock	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Predictable Reversion of Transitory Shock			Y	Y	Y	Y
Permanent Shock			Y	Y	Y	Y
Predictable Recurring Annual Changes				Y	Y	Y
Predictable Pay Schedule Variation					Y	Y

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