The Impact of Hukou Reform on the Rural and Urban Income Gap

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Data Description:

This dataset includes five provinces: Henan, Jiangsu, Zhejiang, Fujian and Shangdong for seven years from 1999 to 2005. The essential dependent variables, urban and rural income, were collected manually from each province's statistical yearbooks. All of the other variables are all sourced from China Data Online, including GDP per capita, fiscal revenue and expenditures, value added of primary and secondary industries, export value and investment of foreign capital. Overall the sample covers 377 counties in five provinces. 113 counties began implementing *hukou* reform in 2000, primarily in Henan province; 121 started in 2001, concentrating in Fujian and Zhejiang provinces; 56 counties in Jiangsu began implementation in 2003 and the remaining 88 counties in Shandong Province began from 2005. The urban income of Shandong province is incomplete; among the 88 counties, only around 8 have this data. The dependent variable, the disparity between growth rate of farmers and urban residents' net income, was calculated from 1999 to 2005. The key independent variable, *hukou* reform, was treated as a dummy variable, with counties that had adopted the reform coded as a one.

variable name	storage type	display format	value label	variable label
id	int	%8.0g		Unique ID for each county for each year
district	str34			County Name
pid	byte	%8.0g		Province ID (Start from 1 to 5)
province	str17	%17s		Province Name
year	int	%8.0g		Year (1999-2005)
reform	byte	%8.0g		Binary Dummy, county adopted Hukou reform=1
number_hh	long	%8.0g		Number of Households at year end (Households)
tpop_		%8.0g		Population at the Year-end (10000 persons)
rural_pop		%8.0g		Total Rural Population at the Year-end (10000 persons)
number_employ				Number of Employed Persons at Year-end (10000 persons)
number_rural_~				Number of Rural Labors (10000 persons)
gdp		%8.0g		Gross Domestic Product
primary_ind		%8.0g		Value-added of Primary Industry (100 million yuan)
second_ind		%8.0g		Value-added of Secondary Industry (100 million yuan)
fisrev		%8.0g		Local government fiscal revenue (100 million yuan)
fisexp		%8.0g		Local government fiscal expenditures (100 million yuan)
n_industry	int	%8.0g		Number of Industrial Enterprises above Designated Size (unit)
output_ind		%8.0g		Output of Industrial Enterprises above Designated Size (100 million yuan)
invest		%8.0g		Completed Investment in Capital Construction (100 million yuan)
n_stu_second		%8.0g		Students enrollment in secondary schools (10000 persons)
n_stu_primary		%8.0g		Students enrollment in primary schools (10000 persons)
r_income		%8.0g		Rural Income (yuan)
ur_income		%8.0g		Urban Income_(yuan)
rupop		%8.0g		% rural population
urpop	float	%8.0g		% urban population