

# Market structure, oligopsony power and productivity

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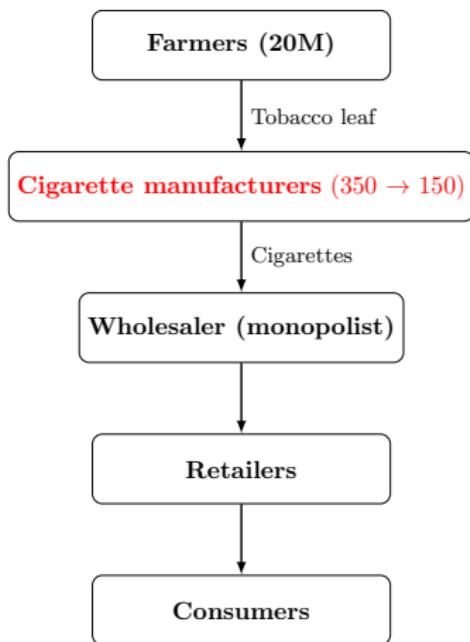
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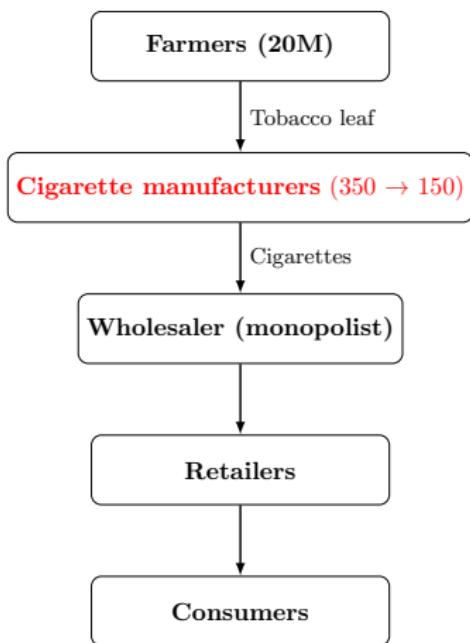
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- ▶ This paper:
  - ▶ Setting: Chinese cigarette manufacturing
  - ▶ Downstream consolidation → product price *markups* & input price *markdowns*
  - ▶ Combine both approaches to identify markups + markdowns under general class of production models

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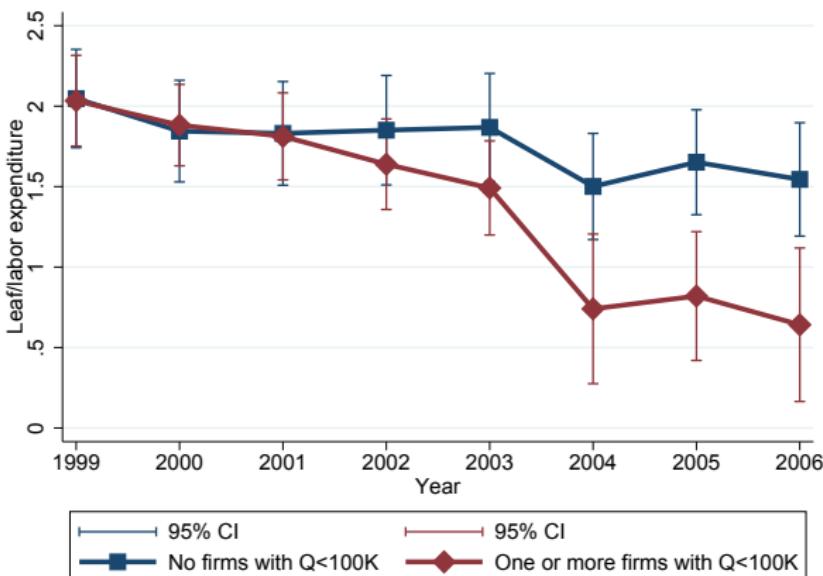


→ Data:

- ▶ NBS ASIF, firm-yr  
(N=2638)
- ▶ NBS quantity data:  
firm-product-yr

# Input revenue shares

$\frac{\text{Input expenditure}}{\text{Revenue}}$



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# Input supply

- ▶ Input prices  $W_{ft}^L, W_{ft}^M$
- ▶ Manufacturing worker wages: exogenous
- ▶ Inverse leaf supply:

$$W_{ft}^M = W^M(M_{ft}, M_{-ft}, Z_{ft}, Z_{-ft}, \zeta_{ft}, \zeta_{-ft}) \quad \forall -f \in \mathcal{F}_{it}$$

- ▶ Leaf markets  $i$ , set of competitors  $\mathcal{F}_{it}$ 
  - ▶ Baseline: prefecture-level markets
- ▶ Firm characteristics  $Z, \zeta$
- ▶ Price elasticity of supply  $\psi_{ft}^M \equiv \frac{\partial W_{ft}^M}{\partial M_{ft}} \frac{M_{ft}}{W_{ft}^M} + 1$

# firms per market

# Tobacco farming

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# Manufacturer behavior

$$\max_{W_{ft}^M} \left( P_{ft}(\mathbf{W}_{it}^M) \beta_{ft}^M M(\mathbf{W}_{it}^M, \mathbf{Z}_{it}, \zeta_{it}) - W_{ft}^M M(\mathbf{W}_{it}^M, \mathbf{Z}_{it}, \zeta_{it}) - W_{ft}^L L_{ft} \right)$$
$$\forall f \in \mathcal{F}_{it}$$

- ▶ Static Nash-Bertrand game on the leaf market ( $\sim$  Berry(1994))
- ▶ Profit maximization vs. cost minimization
  - ▶ What if they do not maximize profits?
- ▶ Exogenous product quality

# Markups

$$\mu_{ft} = \left( \frac{\alpha_{ft}^L}{\beta_{ft}^L} + \alpha_{ft}^M \psi_{ft}^M \right)^{-1}$$

Notation:  $\mu_{ft} \equiv \frac{P_{ft}}{\lambda_{ft}}$      $\alpha_{ft}^V \equiv \frac{V_{ft} W_{ft}^V}{P_{ft} Q_{ft}}$   $\forall V \in (L, M)$      $\beta_{ft}^L \equiv \frac{\partial Q_{ft}}{\partial L_{ft}} \frac{L_{ft}}{Q_{ft}}$

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# Markups: comparison to prior approaches

$$\mu_{ft} = \left( \frac{\alpha_{ft}^L}{\beta_{ft}^L} + \alpha_{ft}^M \psi_{ft}^M \right)^{-1}$$

- ▶  $\psi^M = 1, \beta^M = 0 \Rightarrow \mu = \frac{\beta^L}{\alpha^L}$  [De Loecker & Warzynski (2012)]
- ▶  $\psi^M = 1, \beta^M > 0 \Rightarrow \mu = \left( \frac{\alpha^L}{\beta^L} + \alpha^M \right)^{-1}$  [De Loecker & Scott (2016)]
- ▶  $\psi^L > 1, \beta^M = 0 \Rightarrow \mu = \frac{\beta^L}{\alpha^L \psi^L}$  [Morlacco (2019)]

# Identification strategy

$$\mu_{ft} = \left( \frac{\alpha_{ft}^L}{\beta_{ft}^L} + \alpha_{ft}^M \psi_{ft}^M \right)^{-1}$$

- ▶ Identification: input supply models ( $\psi$ ) + production function ( $\beta$ )
- ▶ Alternatives:
  - ▶ Product demand model ( $\mu$ ) + production function: ( $\beta$ )
  - ▶ Product demand model ( $\mu$ ) + input supply models: ( $\psi$ )

# Identification

## 1. Production function

- ▶  $Q = H(L, K)$   $\Omega$
- ▶ Timing assumptions (Ackerberg, Caves & Frazer, 2015)

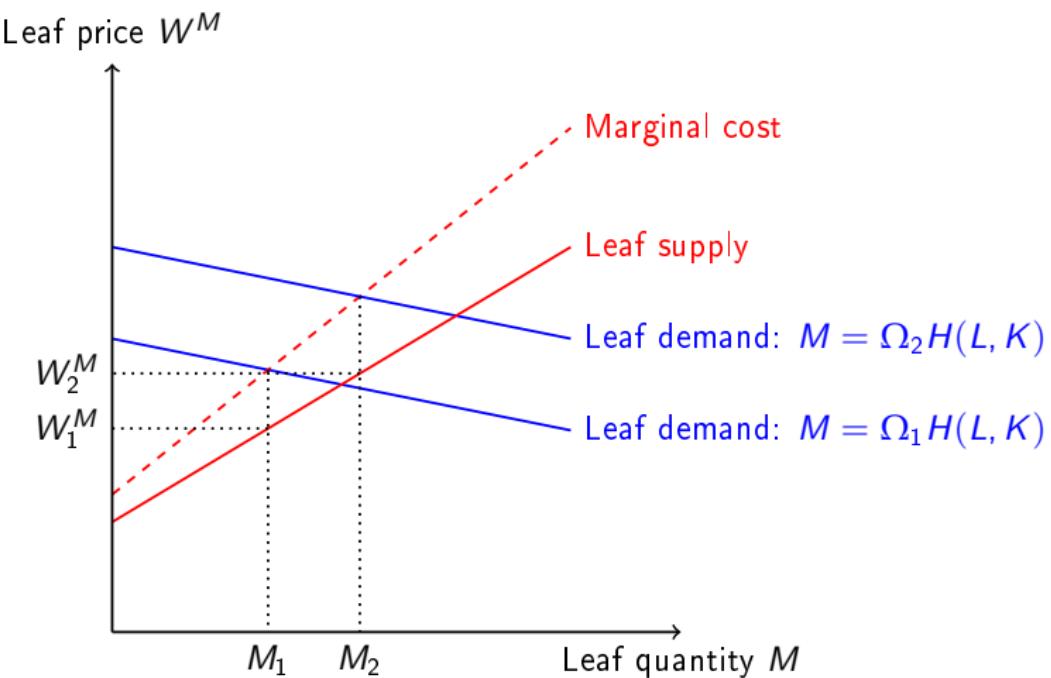
## 2. Markups

- ▶  $\mu \equiv \frac{P}{\lambda}$
- ▶ Profit maximization assumption

## 3. Inverse leaf supply function

- ▶  $W^M = W^M(M, \zeta, .)$
- ▶ Input demand shifter:  $\Omega$

# Identification of the leaf supply function



# Estimation

$$\mu_{ft} = \left( \frac{\alpha_{ft}^L}{\beta_{ft}^L} + \alpha_{ft}^M \psi_{ft}^M \right)^{-1}$$

- ▶  $\beta_{ft}^L$ : Cobb-Douglas production function

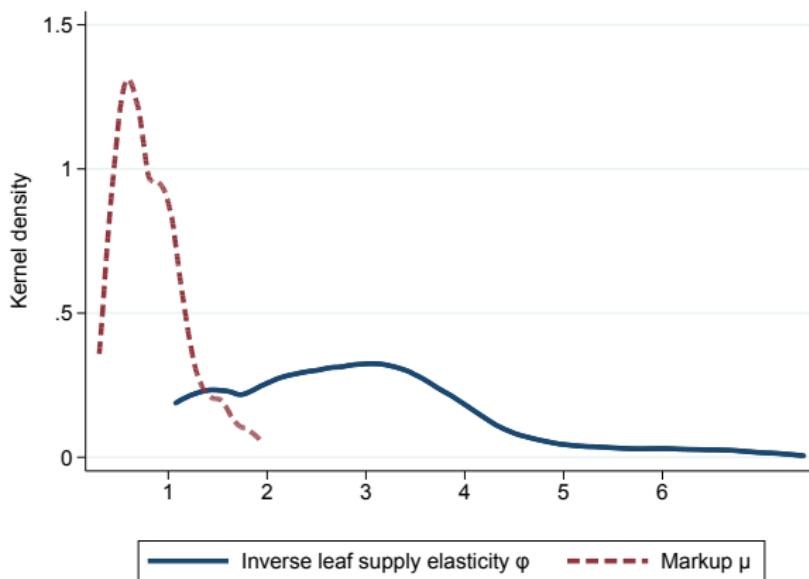
Implementation

- ▶  $\psi_{ft}^M$ : Leaf supply model

Implementation

- ▶ Bootstrap entire procedure

# Markups and markdowns



Substitutable inputs

# Consolidation effects

- ▶ Denote  $N_{it} = \sum_{f \in i} (\mathbb{I}[Q_{ft} < 100K])$  = firms forced to exit
- ▶ Size thresholds enforced in 2003
- ▶ Consolidation 'treatment':  $C_f = \mathbb{I}[N_{i,2002} > 0]$
- ▶ Difference-in-differences regression:

$$y_{ft} = \theta_0^y + \theta_1^y \mathbb{I}[t \geq 2003] + \theta_2^y C_f \mathbb{I}[t \geq 2003] + \theta_3^y t + \theta_f^y + v_{ft}^y$$

with  $y_{ft} \in \{\omega_{ft}, \ln(\psi_{ft}^M), \ln(\mu_{ft})\}$

Example with maps

treatment & control group sizes

# Consolidation effects: estimates

	log(Markdown)	log(Markup)	log(TFP)
Treatment * 1(year $\geq$ 2003)	<b>0.314</b> (0.065)	<b>-0.265</b> (0.065)	0.075 (0.082)
Observations	1,091	1,091	1,091
R-squared	0.811	0.764	0.867

**Notes:** Cobb-Douglas function in labor and capital. Controls: time trend, ownership types, product type, export dummy, firm fixed effects. Bootstrapped standard errors in parentheses. Treatment uses prefecture-level market definition.

Pre-trends   Announcement effects   Market definitions   Different moments   Heterogeneous effects  
Continuous treatment variable

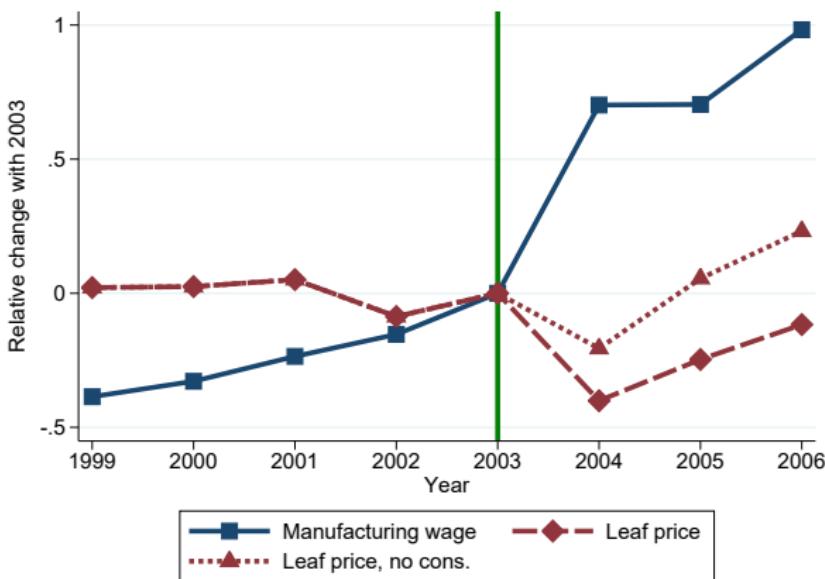
# Distributional consequences

- ▶ Rural-urban inequality in China
  - ▶ Yang (1999), Ravallion & Chen (2009)
- ▶ Manufacturing workers vs. farmers
- ▶ Back-of-the-envelope calculation of  $(\tilde{W}_{ft}^M, \tilde{P}_{ft})$ :

$$\tilde{W}_{ft}^M = \begin{cases} W_{ft}^M \exp(\theta_2^{\psi^M}) & \text{if } t \geq 2003 \text{ & } C_f = 1 \\ W_{ft}^M & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\tilde{P}_{ft} = \begin{cases} P_{ft} \exp(\theta_2^{\mu}) & \text{if } t \geq 2003 \text{ & } C_f = 1 \\ P_{ft} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# Farm income vs. manufacturing wage growth



Different market definitions

# Productive efficiency

- ▶ Productivity gains from mergers (Braguinsky et al., 2015; Grieco, Pinkse & Slade, 2017) and SOE privatization: (Hsieh & Song, 2015)
- ▶ But, TFP interpretation with endogenous input price:

$$q_{ft} = \beta^L l_{ft} + \beta^K k_{ft} + \beta^M (m_{ft} + w_{ft}^M) + \omega_{ft}$$

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Scale economies & fixed costs

# Extensions

- ▶ Substitutability of tobacco leaf
- ▶ Labor-augmenting productivity
- ▶ Nested logit supply model
- ▶ Heterogeneous product characteristics
- ▶ Translog production function

# Conclusions

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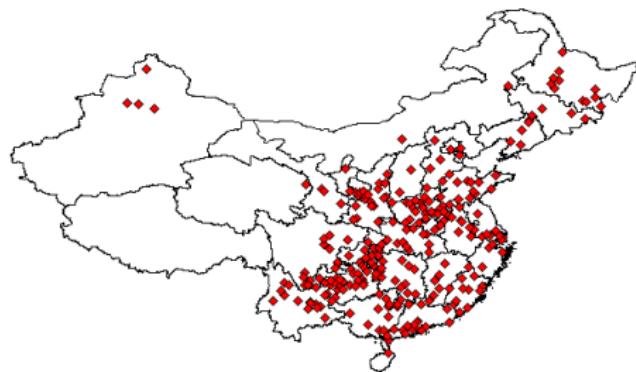
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- ▶ Identifying markups from markdowns
  - ▶ Input supply + production model, no product demand model
  - ▶ Other combinations possible, depends on research question & industry
  - ▶ Markup/markdown identification with non-substitutable inputs

# Looking ahead

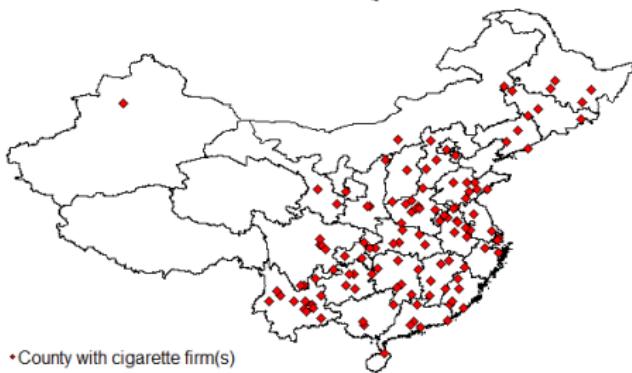
- ▶ This paper: non-substitutable inputs
- ▶ What if firms can substitute between inputs?
- ▶ Incentive to adopt factor-biased technologies depends on monopsony power
- ▶ Can identify markdowns from factor-augmenting productivity by adding supply model

## Production locations

1999:



2006:



- County with cigarette firm(s)

# Additional data

- ▶ 2000 Population census (county level)
- ▶ Brand-level product characteristics: (N=383)

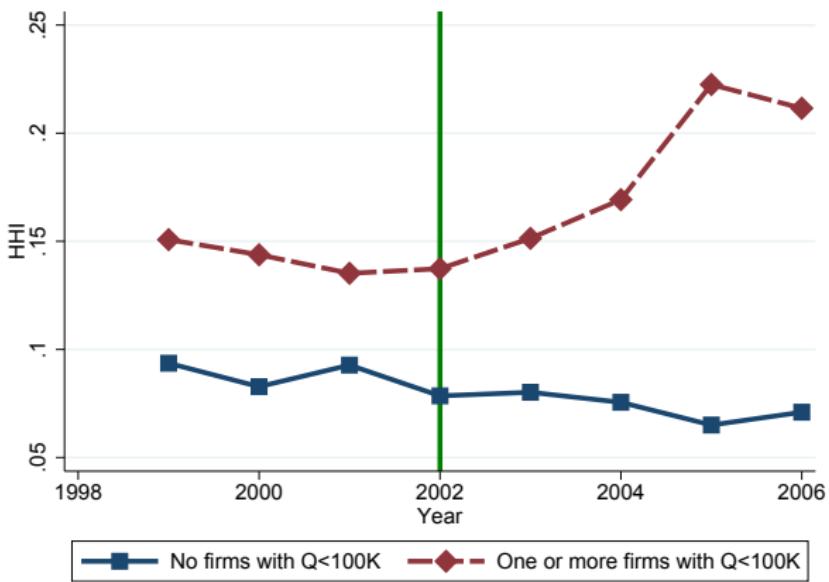
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## Ownership consolidation

- ▶ Consolidation was centrally planned
  - ▶ May 2, 2002 statement by the *State Tobacco Monopoly Administration*:
    - ▶ "*The problem of scattering in the organizational structure of enterprises is still very serious*"
    - ▶ "*For enterprises with an output of less than 100K cases [...] bankruptcies and reemployment programs will be implemented*"
    - ▶ "*Increasing the concentration of cigarette production and increasing the economies of scale of the tobacco industry.*"

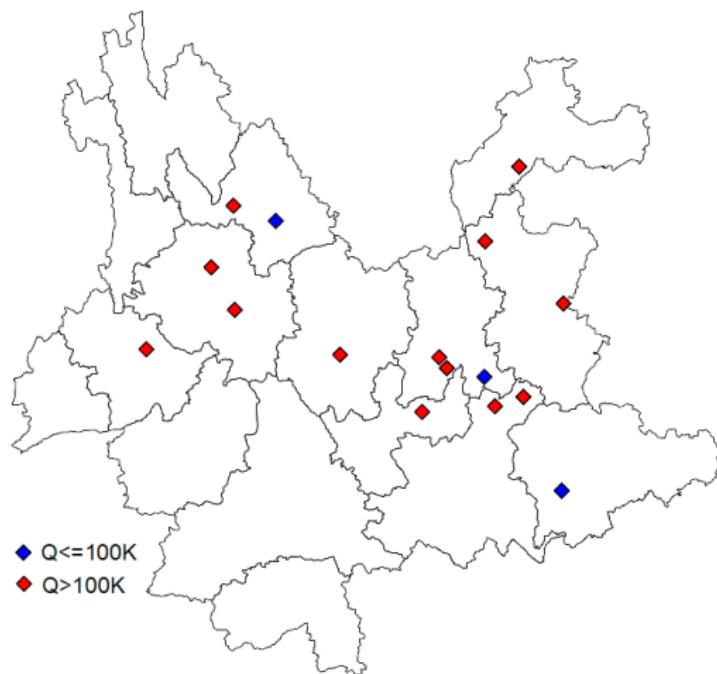
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## First stage

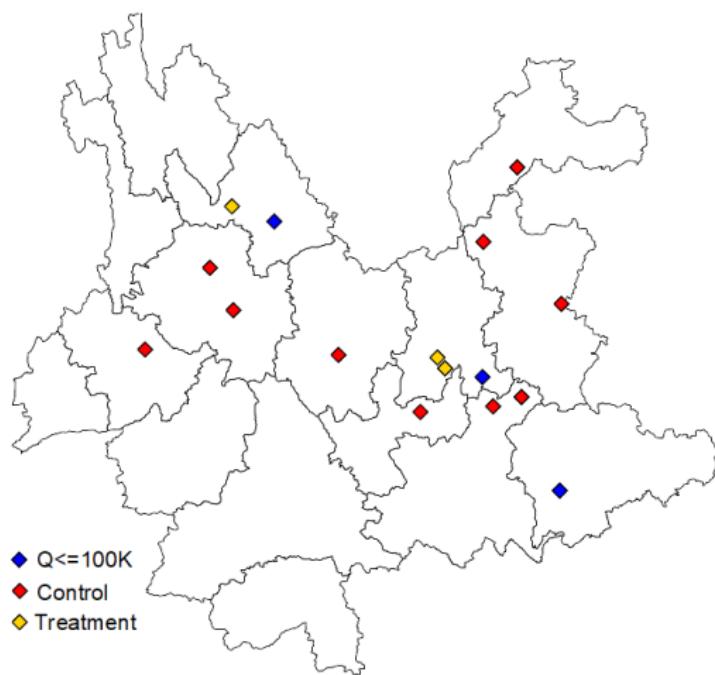


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# Consolidation in other Chinese industries

- ▶ 2003: creation of SASAC: energy, telecom, steel (and much more)
- ▶ Recent 'mega-mergers':
  - ▶ Railroads (CNR & CSR, 2015)
  - ▶ Logistics & transportation (Sinotrans - CMG, 2015)
  - ▶ Raw materials: (CNCR-Sinograin, cotton, 2017)
  - ▶ Seaports: consolidate into provincial firms: Zhejiang (2015), other provinces (2016-current.)

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# Number of manufacturers per input market

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Province

# Firms	Mean	Std. Dev.
1	0.05	0.19
2	0.02	0.15
3	0.03	0.17
4	0.04	0.21
> 4	0.86	0.34
N	2638	

Prefecture

# Firms	Mean	Std. Dev.
1	0.27	0.45
2	0.25	0.43
3	0.20	0.40
4	0.15	0.35
> 4	0.09	0.28
N	2638	

County

# Firms	Mean	Std. Dev.
1	0.65	0.48
2	0.25	0.43
3	0.08	0.26
4	0.02	0.13
> 4	0.01	0.08
N	2638	

# Treatment & control group sizes

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	% of firms	% of revenue
Firms producing less than 100K cases	50.4	8.1
Treatment* (province-level)	86.1	89.2
Treatment (prefecture-level)	38.8	38.3
Treatment (county-level)	14.9	11.7

**Note:** \*Firms with competitors producing less than 100K cases in same county/prefecture/province

# Heterogeneous effects

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 log(Markdown)
 

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(.)*# firms under 100K	<b>1.379</b> (0.607)
(.)*log(output)	<b>-0.364</b> (0.096)
(.)*log(unemployment rate)	<b>0.457</b> (0.215)
(.)*log(immigrant share)	<b>0.832</b> (0.268)

Treatment * I(year ≥ 2003)	-0.808 (0.756)	4.925 (1.134)	2.326 (0.813)	3.948 (1.017)
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Observations	779	771	779	771
R-squared	0.338	0.470	0.336	0.327

# Comparison to literature

Paper	Industry	Input	Input price / MRP
Goolsbee & Syverson (2019)	Universities	Professors	0.83
Ransom & Sims (2010)	Schools	Teachers	0.75-0.82
Hirsch et al. (2010)	All	Employees	0.78
Ransom & Oaxaca (2010)	Grocery stores	Clerks	0.70 - 0.74
Morlacco (2019)	French mfg	Materials	0.61
This paper	Cigarettes	Tob. leaf	0.43

Note: I report the average price of an input over its marginal revenue product, which I calculate based on the reported labor supply elasticity.

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# Overidentifying restrictions

**Dep. var.:  $\log(\text{leaf m.share}) - \log(\text{outside option m.share})$**

Instruments:	TFP	TFP & consolidation treatment
Leaf price	3.671 (0.862)	3.659 (1.793)
Observations	1,091	1,091
1st stage F-stat	418.5	87.97
Sargan $\chi^2$		4.332
Sargan test p-value		0.115
R-squared	0.053	0.147

**Notes:** Controls: export dummy and share of revenue, cigarette price,

time trend, product type, prefecture dummy, ownership type. Market shares at province-level.

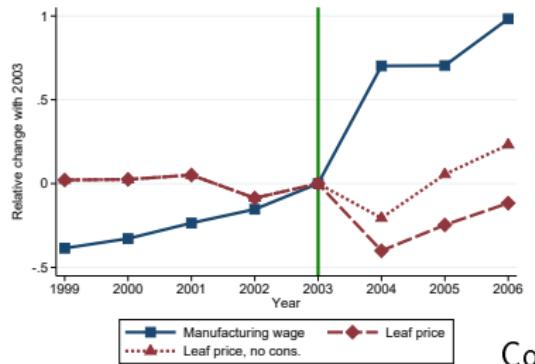
Instrument: TFP (column 1), TFP and consolidation treatment dummies at both province and county

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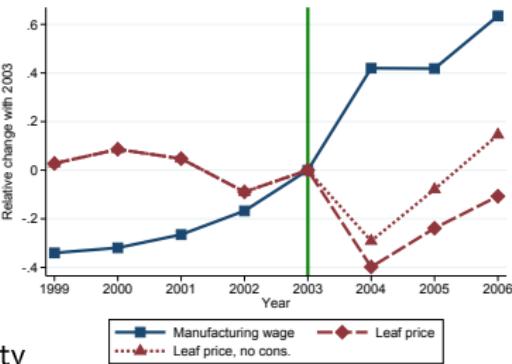
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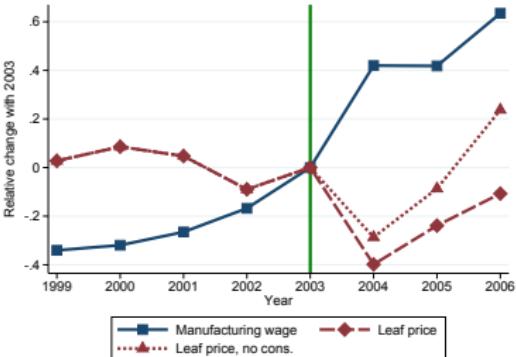
## Province



## Prefecture



## County



# Scale economies

- ▶ Other scale economies: duplicated fixed costs, distributions costs, ...

$$FC_{ft} = P_{ft} Q_{ft} - M_{ft} W_{ft}^M - L_{ft} W_{ft}^L - \Pi_{ft}$$

Dependent variable:	$\log(FC)$	$\log(\text{Capital})$
Treatment * 1(year $\geq$ 2003)	0.269 (0.241)	0.043 (0.192)
Observations	743	763
R-squared	0.154	0.079
Level	Prefect.-yr	Prefect.-yr

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# Leaf supply model

- ▶ Farmer  $j$  sells to cigarette manufacturer  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{it}$  in market  $i$
- ▶ Outside option:  $f = 0$  with zero mean utility
- ▶  $U_{jft} = \gamma^W W_{ft}^M + \gamma^Z \mathbf{Z}_{ft} + \zeta_{ft} + \nu_{jft}$
- ▶ Denote leaf market share as  $S_{ft} = \frac{M_{ft}}{\sum_{r \in \mathcal{F}_{it}} M_{frt}}$

## Assumption

The preference shocks  $\nu_{jft}$  follow a type-I extreme value distribution

$$S_{ft} = \frac{\exp(\gamma^W W_{ft}^M + \gamma^Z \mathbf{Z}_{ft} + \zeta_{ft})}{\sum_{r \in \mathcal{F}_{it}} \exp(\gamma^W W_{rt}^M + \gamma^Z \mathbf{Z}_{rt} + \zeta_{rt})}$$

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# Leaf supply: estimation

$$\log(S_{ft}) - \log(S_{0t}) = \gamma^W W_{ft}^M + \gamma^Z Z_{ft} + \zeta_{ft} - \zeta_{0t}$$

- ▶ Need instrument for  $W_{ft}^M$  due to  $\zeta_{ft}$
- ▶ Use productivity shocks  $\hat{\omega}_{ft}$  as instrument
  - ▶ Assumption:  $\omega_{ft}$  does not enter  $U(\cdot)$
  - ▶ Violation examples
  - ▶ Can use consolidation treatment as IV → overid. restrictions
- ▶ Markdown:

$$\psi_{ft}^M = \left( \gamma^M W_{ft}^M (1 - S_{ft}) \right)^{-1}$$

# Leaf supply: estimates

	log(Leaf ms*)		log(Labor ms*)	
	OLS	IV	OLS	IV
Input price	-0.172 (0.097)	3.671 (0.862)	-0.0001 (0.001)	-0.029 (0.068)
R-squared	0.863	0.119	0.904	0.793
1st stage F-statistic	—	79.14	—	21.89
Observations	1,091	1,091	1,091	1,091

**Notes:** \* $\log(\text{Input market share}) - \log(\text{Outside option market share})$ . Province-level markets. RHS: leaf price per pack in 1000 RMB & wage per employee/year in 1000 RMB. Controls: prefecture dummies, ownership dummies, and cigarette prices, unit wages.

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# Production model

$$q_{ft} = h(l_{ft}, k_{ft}) + \omega_{ft}$$

$$\omega_{ft} = g(\omega_{ft-1}, C_{ft}), \quad C_{ft} \in \{0, 1\}$$

- ▶ Baseline: Cobb-Douglas

$$h(L_{ft}, K_{ft}) = \beta^L l_{ft} + \beta^K k_{ft}$$

- ▶ Alternative: Translog

$$h(L_{ft}, K_{ft}) = \beta^L l_{ft} + \beta^K k_{ft} + \beta^{LK} l_{ft} k_{ft} + \beta^{2L} l_{ft}^2 + 2\beta^{2K} k_{ft}^2$$

# Production function: estimation

- ▶ Use ACF(2015)
- ▶ Challenges:
- ▶ Product & input differentiation
  - ▶ De Loecker et al. (2016):  $q_{ft} = \tilde{h}(l_{ft}, k_{ft}) + A(w_{ft}^L, p_{ft}) + \omega_{ft}$
- ▶ Latent markdowns & TFP inversion
  - ▶ Control for input market shares & prices in 1st stage
- ▶ Technology heterogeneity: cfr. extension

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# Production function: moment conditions

- ▶ Cobb-Douglas:

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{\xi_{ft}(\beta^I, \beta^K) \begin{pmatrix} l_{ft-1} \\ k_{ft} \end{pmatrix}\right\} = 0$$

- ▶ Translog:

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{\xi_{ft}(\beta^L, \beta^K, \beta^{LK}, \beta^{L2}, \beta^{K2}) \begin{pmatrix} l_{ft-1} \\ k_{ft} \\ l_{ft-1}k_{ft} \\ l_{ft-1}^2 \\ k_{ft}^2 \end{pmatrix}\right\} = 0$$

# Production function: results

	log(Output)	
log(Labor)	0.320 (0.226)	0.404 (0.096)
log(Capital)	0.761 (0.140)	0.699 (0.107)
Returns to scale	1.081 (0.191)	1.104 (0.079)
Observations	823	1,108
Method	ACF	IV
R-squared	0.989	0.887

**Notes:** Bootstrapped standard errors in parentheses

# Production function: non-iid input prices

- ▶ Leaf demand:  $M_{ft} = \frac{\Omega_{ft}}{\beta^M} H(L_{ft}, K_{ft})$
- ▶ Labor demand?
  - ▶  $I_{ft} = I(\beta, w, k, p, \psi_{ft}^M, \omega_{ft})$
  - ▶ In order to invert  $\omega$ , need to control for  $\psi^M$ .
  - ▶ Logit supply model  $\rightarrow$  suffices to include  $S_{ft}, W_{ft}^M$
  - ▶ Include consolidation  $C_{ft}$  due to TFP law of motion
- ▶ Inversion of  $\omega$  from input demand?
- ▶ First stage: derivation

$$q_{ft} = \Phi(I_{ft}, k_{ft}, w_{ft}, c_{ft}, p_{ft}, s_{ft}) + \varepsilon_{ft}$$

- ▶ Use third-order polynomial in  $I$  and  $k$ , linear in other variables

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# Substitutability of tobacco leaf

$$Q_{ft} = \left( \left( \beta^M M_{ft}^{\frac{\sigma^M - 1}{\sigma^M}} + \beta^L L_{ft}^{\frac{\sigma^M - 1}{\sigma^M}} \right)^{\frac{\sigma^M}{\sigma^M - 1}} \right)^{\beta^{ML}} K_{ft}^{\beta^K} \Omega_{ft}$$

$$l_{ft} - m_{ft} = \sigma^M (\ln(W_{ft}^M) - \ln(W_{ft}^L)) - \sigma^M (\ln(\beta^M) - \ln(\beta^L)) + \sigma^M \ln(1 + \psi_{ft}^M)$$

# Substitutability of tobacco leaf

	log(Materials/Labor)	log(Capital/Labor)
log(Labor wage)	0.146 (0.281)	0.909 (0.222)
Observations	1,091	1,091
R-squared	0.283	0.478
1st stage F-stat	64.58	64.58

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# Factor-augmenting productivity

- Doraszelski (2017) with endogenous input prices:

$$H(L_{ft}, K_{ft}) = \left( \beta^K K_{ft}^{\frac{\sigma^K - 1}{\sigma^K}} + \beta^L (L_{ft} \Omega_f^L)^{\frac{\sigma^K - 1}{\sigma^K}} \right)^{\frac{\sigma^K}{\sigma^K - 1}} \exp(\omega_{ft})$$

$$k_{ft} - l_{ft} = \sigma^K (\ln(W_{ft}^L) - \ln(W_{ft}^K)) + \sigma^K (\ln(\beta^K) - \ln(\beta^L)) + (1 - \sigma^K)(\omega_{ft}^L)$$

$$\mu_{ft} = \left( \frac{\alpha_{ft}^L}{\beta_{ft}^L \Omega_f^L} \psi_{ft}^L + \alpha_{ft}^M \psi_{ft}^M \right)^{-1}$$

# Factor-augmenting productivity

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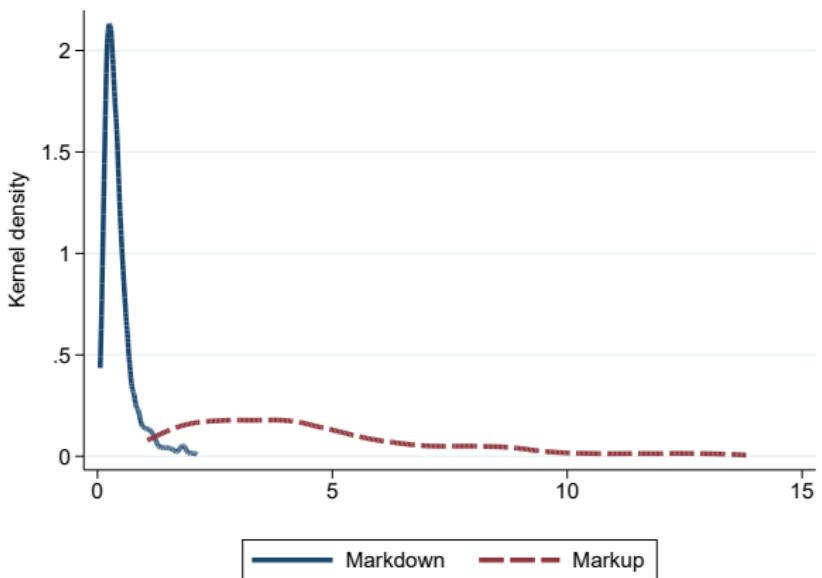
$\log(\text{LAP}^*)$	
Treatment * 1(year $\geq$ 2003)	0.228 (0.089)
Observations	1,091
R-squared	0.662

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**Notes:** \*Labor-augmenting productivity. Dependent variables in logs. Markup re-calculated with labor-augmenting productivity taken into account.

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# Substitutable inputs model



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# Translog PF: output elasticities, markdowns and markups

	Labor	Capital
Output elasticity	0.353 (0.226)	0.690 (0.140)
	Markdown	Markup
Mean	2.428 (1.280)	1.143 (0.230)

# Translog PF: treatment effects

	log(Markdown)	log(Markup)	log(TFP)
Treatment *1(year≥2003)	0.291 (0.061)	-0.247 (0.061)	0.078 (0.083)
R-squared	0.799	0.751	0.866
Observations	1,091	1,091	1,091

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# Nested logit

- ▶ Manufacturers now grouped into nests  $g$
- ▶ Farmers  $j$  choose  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{it}^g$ , elasticity  $\sigma$

$$U_{jft} = \underbrace{\gamma^W W_{ft}^M + \gamma^Z Z_{ft}}_{\delta_{ft}} + \zeta_{jt} + (1 - \sigma) v_{jft}$$

- ▶ Input market share:

$$S_{ft} = \frac{\exp(\frac{\delta_{ft}}{1-\sigma})}{D_{gt}^\sigma [\sum_g D_{gt}^{1-\sigma}]} \text{ with } D_{gt} \equiv \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}_{it}^g} \exp(\frac{\delta_{ft}}{1-\sigma})$$

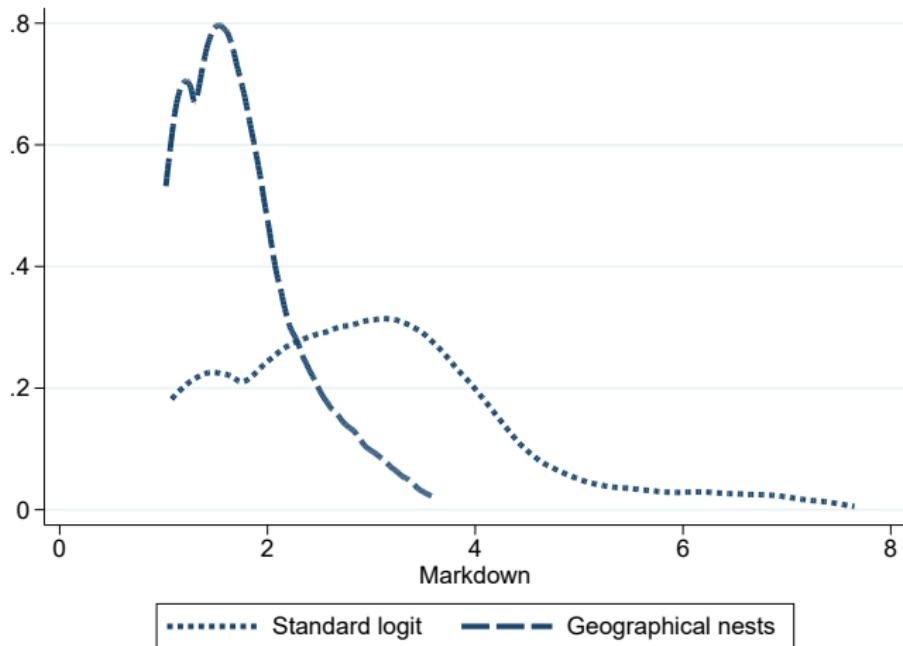
- ▶ Markdown:

$$\psi_{ft}^M = \left( \gamma^W W_{ft}^M \left( \frac{1}{1-\sigma} - \frac{\sigma}{1-\sigma} S_{fgt} - S_{ft} \right) \right)^{-1} + 1$$

- ▶ Nests: ownership types, counties within prefectures

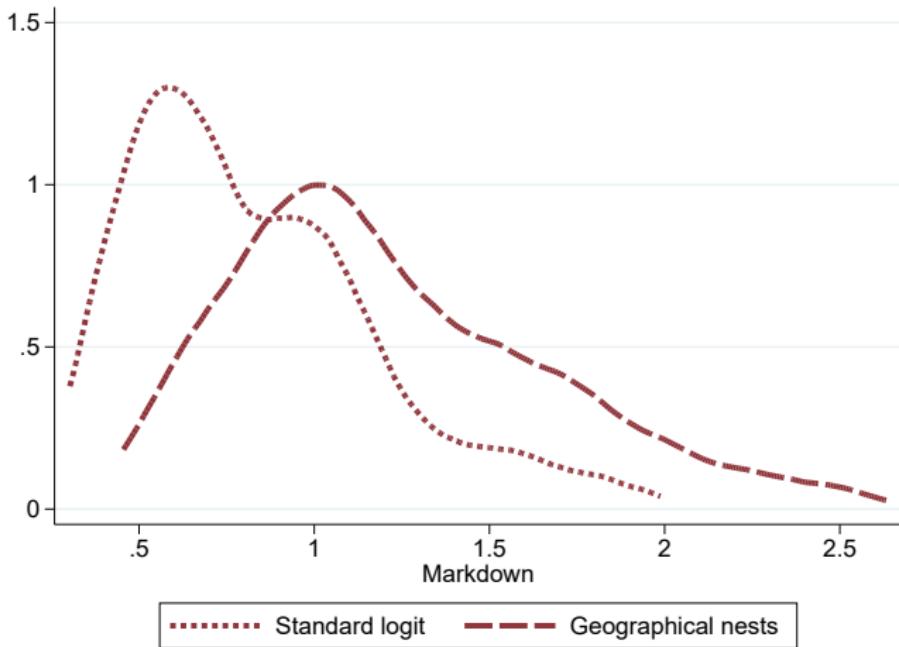
# Nested logit

(a) Markdowns



# Nested logit

(b) Markups



# Heterogeneous product characteristics

## Treatment vs. control group

	Leaf mass	Filter dens.	Rod dens.	Paper	Ventilation
Treatment	0.00468 (0.00299)	-0.00215 (0.00371)	-0.000249 (0.00585)	-0.0107 (0.0225)	-1.423 (0.494)
Observations	189	189	189	189	189
R-squared	0.842	0.703	0.515	0.561	0.777
Unit	mg	mg/ml	mg/ml	CORESTA*	%

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# Heterogeneous product characteristics

Correlations with markups, markdowns and productivity

	log(Markup)	log(Markdown)	log(TFP)	log(Leaf price)
Ventilation	0.0149 (0.0281)	0.0261 (0.0303)	-0.00883 (0.0573)	-0.00520 (0.0631)
Rod density	4.685 (6.984)	-0.253 (7.524)	1.224 (14.24)	0.0983 (15.67)
Filter density	22.46 (6.346)	-8.990 (6.836)	-9.010 (12.93)	4.338 (14.24)
Leaf weight	11.66 (3.651)	-5.984 (3.933)	-9.399 (7.441)	-6.184 (8.193)
Paper permeability	1.981 (1.355)	-1.391 (1.459)	-0.786 (2.761)	2.931 (3.040)
Observations	137	137	137	137
R-squared	0.687	0.700	0.488	0.501

Standard errors in parentheses

Estimated pre-treatment period, 1999-2002

Controls: province dummies

# Pre-trends

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	log(Markdown)	log(Markup)	log(TFP)
Treatment*Year	0.089 (0.084)	-0.077 (0.093)	-0.054 (0.042)
Year	-0.046 (0.082)	0.095 (0.090)	0.042 (0.030)
R-squared	0.316	0.095	0.404
Observations	756	756	756

# Announcement effects

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	log(Markdown)	log(Markup)	log(TFP)
Treatment * 1( $year \geq 2000$ )	0.011 (0.083)	-0.161 (0.064)	-0.081 (0.065)
Treatment * 1( $year \geq 2001$ )	0.164 (0.046)	-0.008 (0.055)	-0.065 (0.089)
Treatment * 1( $year \geq 2002$ )	0.144 (0.057)	-0.128 (0.060)	0.067 (0.106)

**Notes:** I re-estimate the difference-in-differences model from equation (17). In contrast with the main specification, I define the start of the treatment effect to take place in 2000, 2001 and 2002 in panels (a), (b) and (c). The specific size thresholds were announced in 2002.

# Other market definitions

	log(Markdown)	log(Markup)	log(TFP)
Province	0.299 (0.063)	-0.255 (0.064)	0.074 (0.082)
Prefecture	0.405 (0.071)	-0.245 (0.074)	0.107 (0.069)
County	0.788 (0.134)	-0.413 (0.111)	0.084 (0.103)

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# Alternative treatment measures

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	log(Markdown)	log(Markup)	log(TFP)
<i>(a) Share of firms</i>			
Treatment * 1(year $\geq$ 2003)	0.795 (0.144)	-0.349 (0.154)	0.353 (0.203)
<i>(b) Employment share treated</i>			
Treatment * 1(year $\geq$ 2003)	0.270 (0.261)	-0.353 (0.272)	0.482 (0.291)

# Different moments

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	log(Markdown)	log(Markup)	log(TFP)
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(a) Median			
Treatment * 1(year $\geq$ 2003)	0.149 (0.022)	-0.140 (0.051)	-0.033 (0.052)
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(b) L-weighted avg.			
Treatment * 1(year $\geq$ 2003)	0.296 (0.064)	-0.240 (0.068)	-0.057 (0.106)
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# Markups - derivation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Marginal cost: } \lambda_{ft} &= \frac{\partial(W_{ft}^L L_{ft})}{\partial Q_{ft}} + \frac{\partial(M_{ft} W_{ft}^M)}{\partial Q_{ft}} \\
 &= \frac{W_{ft} L_{ft}}{Q_{ft} \beta^L} + \frac{\partial(W_{ft}^M)}{\partial Q_{ft}} M_{ft} + W_{ft}^M \frac{\partial(\frac{Q_{ft}}{\Omega_{ft}^M})}{\partial Q_{ft}} \\
 &= \frac{W_{ft}^L L_{ft}}{Q_{ft} \beta^L} + \frac{W_{ft}^M}{\Omega_{ft}^M} \left( \frac{\partial W_{ft}^M}{\partial Q_{ft}} \frac{Q_{ft}}{W_{ft}^M} + 1 \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Markup: } \mu_{ft} \equiv \frac{P_{ft}}{\lambda_{ft}} = \frac{1}{(\mu_{ft}^L)^{-1} + \alpha_{ft}^M \psi_{ft}}$$

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# Labor demand: derivation

$$\min_{L_{ft}} \left( W_{ft}^L L_{ft} + W_{ft}^M M_{ft} - \lambda_{ft} (Q(L_{ft}, M_{ft}, K_{ft}, \Omega_{ft}, \beta_{ft}^M) - Q_{ft}) \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow W_{ft}^L + \frac{\partial W_{ft}^M}{\partial M_{ft}} \frac{\partial M_{ft}}{\partial Q_{ft}} \frac{\partial Q_{ft}}{\partial L_{ft}} M_{ft} + W_{ft}^M \frac{\partial M_{ft}}{\partial Q_{ft}} \frac{\partial Q_{ft}}{\partial L_{ft}} - \lambda_{ft} \frac{\partial Q_{ft}}{\partial L_{ft}} = 0$$

Assuming  $H_{ft}(L_{ft}, K_{ft}) = L_{ft}^{\beta_L} K_{ft}^{\beta_K}$ :

$$\Rightarrow L_{ft} = \left( \frac{\left( \frac{P_{ft}}{\mu_{ft}} - \frac{W_{ft}^M \psi_{ft}}{\beta_{ft}^M} \right) \beta^L K_{ft}^{\beta_K} \Omega_{ft}}{W_{ft}^L} \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\beta^L}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow l_{ft} = \left( \frac{1}{1-\beta^L} \right) \left( \log \left( \frac{P_{ft}}{\mu_{ft}} - \frac{W_{ft}^M \psi_{ft}}{\beta_{ft}^M} \right) + \omega_{ft} - w_{ft}^L + \beta^K k_{ft} \right)$$

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