

Replication files for “Place, Peers, and the Teenage Years”

This readme briefly describes the zipped replication files. More details are provided in the comments in individual programs.

1. Data

The intergenerational tax data underlying this paper cannot be freely distributed due to Australian legislation governing the use and disclosure of administrative data. However, researchers can apply to access the data. More detail on this process is available at: www.alife-research.app. At the time of writing this process involves gaining institutional ethics approval and submitting a research proposal to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Publicly available data used in the analysis to control for or subsample based on postcode characteristics are provided in two .dta files:

- `pc.density.dta`: contains the population, area (in square kilometres) and non-English speaking background populations for each postcode at the time of the 2011 Census of Population and Housing. The derived population density and fraction of the population from a non-English speaking background are also included.
- `pc.trends.dta`: contains the average total income, wage and salary income, higher education loan debt and government benefits for the postcode in the year a given financial year of birth cohort turned 24.

2. Primary Stata .do files (for output)

All charts and tables were produced using two Stata .do files:

- `Place_effects.do`: for all analysis except that discussed in Section V.
- `Peer_effects.do`: for Section V, the peer effects analysis.

3. Supplementary Stata .do and .ado files

A number of additional .do and .ado files contain code or programs. These are listed below:

- `derived_variables.do`: produces useful derived variables for addition to the core mobility files.
- `SA4_to_GCC_kids.do`: maps SA4 locations to their respective Greater Capital City areas.

- `ranks.ado`: calculates percentile income ranks for parents and children, by child birth cohort.
- `MT_errors.ado`: calculates Murphy-Topel standard errors.
- `coef2var.do`: converts coefficients on factor variables to a variable for graphing.