

STATA log for CER Cost of Brexit estimate, Q2 2018

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. net from "https://web.stanford.edu/~jhain/Synth"
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Synthetic Control Methods for Comparative Case Studies

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Also see the homepage for the paper that describes the method.

PACKAGES you could -net describe-:

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synth      Synthetic Control Methods
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```
. net install synth, all replace force  
checking synth consistency and verifying not already installed...
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the following files will be replaced:

```
c:\ado\plus\s\synth.ado  
c:\ado\plus\s\synth_ll.ado  
c:\ado\plus\l\synth_mata_subr.mlib  
c:\ado\plus\s\synth.sthlp  
smoking.dta  
c:\ado\plus\s\synthopt.plugin
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installing into c:\ado\plus\...  
installation complete.
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copying into current directory...  
  copying smoking.dta  
ancillary files successfully copied.
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. import excel "P:\JOHN\Cost of Brexit\Final tests\2018q2\Rich countries\Rich countries 2009  
on\Rich countries input data 2009q1 on.xlsx", sheet("Sheet1") firstrow
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. encode country, gen(ncountry)
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. tsset ncountry dateid  
  panel variable: ncountry (strongly balanced)  
  time variable: dateid, 57 to 94  
  delta: 1 unit
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. synth realgdp realgdp invratio schooling industry inflation openness realgdppercap, trunit(22)  
trperiod(87) nested mspeperiod(71(1)86) keep(finalmodel) fig
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Synthetic Control Method for Comparative Case Studies

First Step: Data Setup

Data Setup successful

Treated Unit: United Kingdom

Control Units: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United States

Dependent Variable: realgdp

MSPE minimized for periods: 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86

Results obtained for periods: 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83

84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94

Predictors: realgdp invratio schooling industry inflation openness realgdppercap

Unless period is specified

predictors are averaged over: 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83

84 85 86

Second Step: Run Optimization

Nested optimization requested

Starting nested optimization module

Optimization done

Optimization done

Third Step: Obtain Results

Loss: Root Mean Squared Prediction Error

RMSPE | .2576809

Unit Weights:

Co_No | Unit_Weight
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Australia | 0

Austria | 0

Belgium	0
Canada	0
Denmark	0
Finland	0
France	0
Germany	.282
Greece	.018
Iceland	.095
Ireland	0
Italy	0
Japan	0
Luxembourg	.105
Netherlands	0
New Zealand	0
Norway	0
Portugal	0
Spain	0
Sweden	0
Switzerland	0
United States	.499

Predictor Balance:

	Treated	Synthetic
realgdp	4.296553	4.297661
invratio	.1572137	.1887101
schooling	12.34082	12.63127
industry	.2398946	.2400632
inflation	.4755044	.3628338
openness	54.14789	74.41919
realgdpperc	.2047782	.2406368