

**README** for “Upping the Ante: The Equilibrium Effects of Unconditional Grants to Private Schools”

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This document guides users interested in replicating results from the above paper. We describe each folder and its contents below.

**Data:** This folder contains the data required to replicate the analysis in the paper. There are 3 files:

- data\_school\_panel.dta: This file contains school level variables used in analysis.
  - Unique identifier: mauza\_code-school\_code-round
- data\_teacher.dta: This file contains teacher level variables and school level variables generated from teacher roster data.
  - Unique identifier: mauza\_code-school\_code-teacher\_id-round
- data\_school\_LassoCleaned: This file contains all variables used in the post double selection Lasso results.
  - Unique identifier: mauza\_code-school\_code

**Do:** Contains do-files for replicating the analyses in the paper. There are three files that produce all the analysis in the paper. The list of do-files is given below:

- 0\_programs: This do-file contains all the macros and program needed to run the analysis do files.
- 1\_tables\_main.do: This do-file produces Tables 1-8 in the paper.
- 2a\_tables\_appendix.do: This do-file produces Tables B1-B20 in the online appendix. Tables that include panels where post double selection Lasso technique is used are produced using file 2b described below.
- 2b\_tables\_appendix\_pdslasso.do: This do-file creates a dataset that can be used to implement the post-double selection Lasso procedure (data\_school\_LassoCleaned.data) and then uses the dataset to run this procedure to check the robustness of our main results.
- lassoClean.do: used in file 2b. This file is part of the package provided with NBER Duflo Machine Learning lecture.

**Output:** This folder contains the results from running the do-files above. Each generated file corresponds to a table number in the main paper (Tables 1-8) or the online appendix (Tables B1-B20). These raw table files are either in .xml or .tex formats; we stitch together panels in TeX for tables that have multiple panels and do some additional formatting in Excel for some tables. After processing, these are all compiled in “AER\_Tables.tex” or the “excel\_tables\_AppendixB.xlsx” to get the final formatted tables available in the paper. The folder also has an excel file with the IRR calculations shown in the paper (“IRR\_calculations.xlsx”).