

Online Appendix

This file contains additional statistical analyses which, due to space constraints, could not be fully reported in the main text. The tables are organized as follows:

Table A: Reports alternative specifications of the central logit model (Model 3 in the main text)

- Model 3 (copied from the main text, to ease comparison)
- Model A1: A GEE specification with an AR(1) error correlation structure
- Model A2: Rare Events Logit
- Model A3: Fixed Effects

The results demonstrate that substantively equivalent findings are produced, regardless of which specification is used.

Table B: Reports estimates of the effects of the individual components of the *Media Density Index*

- Model B1: Newspapers (per capita)
- Model B2: Radios (per capita)
- Model B3: Televisions (per capita)

The results demonstrate that each of the individual components of the *Media Density Index* are statistically significant, with similar per-unit effect sizes.

Table C: Reports estimates of the effects of the *Media Density Index*, measured at lags ranging from 1 year to 10 years.

- Models C1 - C10: MDI (1-year lag) - MDI (10-year lag)

The results demonstrate that the effects of the Media Density Index are experienced in the relatively short term, and become less strong for every additional year of temporal distance from the present day.

Table A - Alternative Specifications

	Model 3	Model A1 (GEE)	Model A2 (Rare Events Logit)	Model A3 (Fixed Effects)
Media Density Index	-0.0263*** (0.0076)	-0.0258*** (0.0075)	-0.0254*** (0.0076)	-0.0452*** (0.0124)
GDP per capita	-0.0382 (0.1884)	-0.0125 (0.1921)	-0.0423 (0.1880)	-0.1728 (0.3923)
Area	-0.0889 (0.0891)	-0.0696 (0.0908)	-0.0871 (0.0889)	
Mountainous Terrain	0.1089** (0.0486)	0.1130** (0.0484)	0.1053** (0.0485)	
Population	0.2743*** (0.0710)	0.2636*** (0.0726)	0.2725*** (0.0708)	1.1642** (0.4681)
Oil Exporter	0.7556*** (0.2247)	0.7927*** (0.2370)	0.7637*** (0.2241)	0.2001 (0.5718)
Democracy	0.1805** (0.0794)	0.1946** (0.0837)	0.1763** (0.0792)	0.1701 (0.1036)
Democracy ²	-0.0073** (0.0034)	-0.0078** (0.0035)	-0.0071** (0.0033)	-0.0048 (0.0050)
Ethnic Fract.	0.2159 (0.3505)	0.1049 (0.3534)	0.1967 (0.3496)	
Religious Fract.	1.3807** (0.5395)	1.4010*** (0.5378)	1.3805** (0.5381)	
Constant	-8.4351*** (1.0831)	-8.4542*** (1.1002)	-8.3521*** (1.0804)	
Peace Years	-0.0648 (0.0821)	-0.0878 (0.0807)	-0.0636 (0.0819)	0.1037 (0.0967)
Splines(1-3)	N/S	N/S	N/S	N/S
N	5,899	5,701	5,899	2,762

Note: All independent variables lagged by one year. Robust standard errors in parentheses. N/S indicates that splines were included, but were not significant. * $p < 0.1$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

Table B - Separate components of the MDI

	Model B1	Model B2	Model B3
Newspapers	-0.0947** (0.0373)		
Radios		-0.0337*** (0.0092)	
Televisions			-0.0483** (0.0237)
GDP per capita	-0.1630 (0.1751)	-0.1673 (0.1679)	-0.2836* (0.1707)
Area	-0.0893 (0.0850)	-0.0936 (0.0849)	-0.1092 (0.0842)
Mountainous Terrain	0.1236*** (0.0479)	0.1181** (0.0506)	0.1314*** (0.0504)
Population	0.2630*** (0.0696)	0.2577*** (0.0728)	0.2652*** (0.0724)
Oil Exporter	0.7342*** (0.2312)	0.8118*** (0.2139)	0.8285*** (0.2288)
Democracy	0.1983** (0.0775)	0.2029** (0.0792)	0.2007** (0.0782)
Democracy²	-0.0080** (0.0033)	-0.0084** (0.0033)	-0.0086*** (0.0033)
Ethnic Fract.	0.1090 (0.3512)	0.4137 (0.3607)	0.3067 (0.3384)
Religious Fract.	1.1408** (0.5177)	1.3213** (0.5244)	1.0994** (0.5164)
Constant	-8.3775*** (1.0559)	-8.3967*** (1.1090)	-8.4259*** (1.0636)
Peace Years	-0.0058 (0.0785)	-0.0694 (0.0811)	-0.0488 (0.0804)
Splines(1-3)	N/S	N/S	N/S
N	5,974	6,070	6,064

Note: All independent variables lagged by one year. Robust standard errors in parentheses. N/S indicates that splines were included, but were not significant. * $p < 0.1$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

Table C - Alternative Lags of MDI

	Model C1	Model C2	Model C3	Model C4	Model C5	Model C6	Model C7	Model C8	Model C9	Model C10
MDI (1-year lag)	-0.0263*** (0.0076)									
MDI (2-year lag)		-0.0230*** (0.0073)								
MDI (3-year lag)			-0.0215*** (0.0077)							
MDI (4-year lag)				-0.0203** (0.0085)						
MDI (5-year lag)					-0.0187** (0.0086)					
MDI (6-year lag)						-0.0183** (0.0091)				
MDI (7-year lag)							-0.0166* (0.0093)			
MDI (8-year lag)								-0.0157 (0.0101)		
MDI (9-year lag)									-0.0141 (0.0110)	
MDI (10-year lag)										-0.0137 (0.0115)
GDP per capita	-0.0382 (0.1884)	-0.1445 (0.1958)	-0.1939 (0.2015)	-0.2027 (0.2082)	-0.1851 (0.2112)	-0.2224 (0.2172)	-0.2267 (0.2179)	-0.2457 (0.2342)	-0.2894 (0.2422)	-0.3167 (0.2424)
Area	-0.0889 (0.0891)	-0.1091 (0.0942)	-0.1237 (0.0939)	-0.1023 (0.0932)	-0.0853 (0.0959)	-0.0947 (0.0934)	-0.1212 (0.0966)	-0.1375 (0.0961)	-0.1305 (0.0948)	-0.1227 (0.0942)
Mountainous Terrain	0.1089** (0.0486)	0.1194** (0.0509)	0.1217** (0.0513)	0.1142** (0.0517)	0.1319** (0.0558)	0.1300** (0.0559)	0.1215** (0.0568)	0.1336** (0.0581)	0.1336** (0.0580)	0.1324** (0.0579)
Population	0.2743*** (0.0710)	0.2897*** (0.0734)	0.2844*** (0.0738)	0.2626*** (0.0738)	0.2433*** (0.0756)	0.2464*** (0.0709)	0.2567*** (0.0789)	0.2464*** (0.0836)	0.2264*** (0.0854)	0.2070** (0.0873)
Oil Exporter	0.7556*** (0.2247)	0.8337*** (0.2346)	0.8666*** (0.2346)	0.8609*** (0.2398)	0.8617*** (0.2434)	0.8928*** (0.2445)	0.9220*** (0.2483)	0.9444*** (0.2723)	0.9401*** (0.2779)	0.9302*** (0.2829)
Democracy	0.1805** (0.0794)	0.2079*** (0.0788)	0.1967** (0.0795)	0.2058** (0.0818)	0.2182*** (0.0811)	0.2346*** (0.0840)	0.2425*** (0.0852)	0.2503*** (0.0898)	0.2493*** (0.0905)	0.2467*** (0.0912)
Democracy ²	-0.0073** (0.0034)	-0.0083** (0.0033)	-0.0079** (0.0034)	-0.0083** (0.0035)	-0.0093*** (0.0034)	-0.0099*** (0.0036)	-0.0104*** (0.0036)	-0.0106*** (0.0037)	-0.0106*** (0.0038)	-0.0104*** (0.0038)
Ethnic Fract.	0.2159 (0.3505)	0.2430 (0.3612)	0.2959 (0.3585)	0.4255 (0.3492)	0.4819 (0.3530)	0.4345 (0.3539)	0.5050 (0.3644)	0.4131 (0.3698)	0.4157 (0.3696)	0.4037 (0.3715)
Religious Fract.	1.3807** (0.5395)	1.3818** (0.5487)	1.3388** (0.5608)	1.2153** (0.5726)	1.2694** (0.5633)	1.1950** (0.5641)	1.1575** (0.5830)	1.1272* (0.5851)	1.0432* (0.5858)	0.9914* (0.5839)
Constant	-8.4351*** (1.0831)	-8.8236*** (1.0869)	-8.5545*** (1.1160)	-8.4465*** (1.0800)	-8.3942*** (1.0761)	-8.3712*** (1.0646)	-8.3824*** (1.1605)	-8.1225*** (1.2444)	-7.8149*** (1.2653)	-7.5141*** (1.2936)
Peace Years	-0.0648 (0.0821)	-0.0497 (0.0835)	-0.0666 (0.0801)	-0.0485 (0.0811)	-0.0621 (0.0809)	-0.0431 (0.0838)	-0.0318 (0.0885)	-0.0360 (0.0986)	0.0110 (0.1010)	0.0562 (0.1030)
Splines(1-3)	N/S	N/S	N/S	N/S	N/S	N/S	N/S	N/S	N/S	N/S
N	5,899	5,790	5,648	5,502	5,353	5,204	5,055	4,908	4,764	4,623

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