# Appendix

### Robustness Results

#### Results with heteroskedasticity-robust standard errors

Table A.1: Public Servants in 1900 and Type of War Dynamic

	Public Servants per 1,000					
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Insurgents	0.155 $(0.110)$	0.047 $(0.109)$	0.083 $(0.107)$	0.170 $(0.115)$	0.017 $(0.117)$	0.065 $(0.116)$
Local Militias	$0.705^{***}$ (0.243)	0.617** (0.240)	0.521** (0.229)	0.698*** $(0.243)$	0.595** (0.236)	0.519** (0.228)
Militia recapture	$0.822^{***}$ (0.279)	0.689** (0.280)	$0.504^*$ $(0.274)$	$0.837^{***}$ $(0.282)$	0.758*** (0.273)	$0.626^{**} $ $(0.267)$
Soil Suitability $(0,1,2)$		-0.107 $(0.083)$	-0.106 $(0.082)$		$-0.195^*$ $(0.117)$	-0.190 (0.117)
Median altitude (km)		-0.097 $(0.088)$	-0.110 $(0.087)$		-0.195** (0.088)	-0.200** (0.088)
$1000 \mathrm{km}$ to closest mine c.1800		1.365 $(1.415)$	1.183 $(1.415)$		5.858*** (1.866)	5.675*** (1.867)
Km to nearest colonial city		$0.003^*$ $(0.002)$	$0.003^{**}$ $(0.002)$		$0.002 \\ (0.002)$	$0.004^*$ $(0.002)$
Km to Mexico City		$0.001 \\ (0.001)$	$0.001 \\ (0.001)$		-0.001 $(0.001)$	-0.001 $(0.001)$
Customs Office c.1800 $(0,1)$		$0.401^{***}$ $(0.102)$			$0.475^{***}$ $(0.112)$	
Alcabala collected (1000s)			0.048*** (0.008)			0.048*** (0.008)
Mean dep. var. Municipalities $R^2$	1.138 2007 0.234	1.138 2007 0.263	1.138 2007 0.273	1.198 1163 0.159	1.198 1163 0.213	1.198 1163 0.232

Note: OLS with state fixed effects and robust standard errors; (3) and (4) include only neighbors. \* sig at 10 percent; \*\* sig at 5 percent; \*\*\* sig at 1 percent.

See the text for a description of the variables and data sources.

Table A.2: Municipal Budget in 1910 and Type of War Dynamic

	Municipal Budget per capita 1910						
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
Insurgents	0.287 $(0.203)$	0.235 $(0.194)$	0.256 $(0.215)$	0.278 (0.206)	0.219 (0.196)	0.255 $(0.224)$	
Local Militias	$0.473^{***}$ $(0.153)$	$0.357^{**}$ $(0.149)$	0.237** (0.119)	$0.458^{***}$ (0.153)	$0.335^{**} (0.150)$	$0.252^{**}$ $(0.124)$	
Militia recapture	0.906*** (0.324)	0.774** (0.319)	$0.578* \ (0.329)$	$0.890^{***}$ $(0.324)$	0.728**  (0.296)	$0.605^*$ $(0.318)$	
Soil Suitability $(0,1,2)$		-0.200* (0.112)	-0.196* (0.114)		-0.341 $(0.217)$	-0.332 $(0.218)$	
Median altitude (km)		-0.090 $(0.085)$	-0.104 $(0.085)$		-0.244*** (0.091)	-0.254*** (0.091)	
$1000 \mathrm{km}$ to closest mine c.1800		1.489 $(1.290)$	1.301 $(1.262)$		3.616* (1.900)	3.326* (1.809)	
Km to nearest colonial city		-0.000 (0.001)	$0.000 \\ (0.001)$		-0.004* $(0.002)$	-0.002 $(0.002)$	
Km to Mexico City		$0.001 \\ (0.001)$	$0.001 \\ (0.001)$		$0.001 \\ (0.001)$	$0.001 \\ (0.001)$	
Customs Office c.1800 (0,1)		$0.342^{***}$ $(0.113)$			$0.425^{***}$ $(0.138)$		
Alcabala collected (1000s)			$0.041^{***} (0.007)$			0.038*** (0.007)	
Mean dep. var. Municipalities R <sup>2</sup>	1.137 1261 0.226	1.137 1261 0.251	1.137 1261 0.271	1.020 748 0.238	1.020 748 0.284	1.020 748 0.311	

Note: OLS with state fixed effects and robust standard errors; (3) and (4) include only neighbors. \* sig at 10 percent; \*\* sig at 5 percent; \*\*\* sig at 1 percent. See the text for a description of the variables and data sources.

## A.2 Alcabala income at the receptoria level

Table A.3: Public Servants in 1900 and Type of War Dynamic

	Public Servants per 1,000						
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
Insurgents	0.155 (0.107)	0.047 (0.120)	0.113 (0.119)	0.170 (0.110)	0.017 (0.145)	0.087 (0.145)	
Local Militias	0.705** (0.285)	$0.617^{**} $ $(0.263)$	0.662** (0.262)	0.698** (0.279)	0.595** (0.249)	0.646** (0.251)	
Militia recapture	0.822*** (0.219)	0.689*** (0.244)	$0.778^{***}$ (0.246)	$0.837^{***}$ $(0.222)$	$0.758^{***}$ (0.255)	0.870*** (0.257)	
Soil Suitability $(0,1,2)$		-0.107 $(0.093)$	-0.106 $(0.095)$		-0.195** $(0.089)$	-0.188* (0.096)	
Median altitude (km)		-0.097 $(0.116)$	-0.108 (0.118)		$-0.195^*$ $(0.108)$	-0.204* (0.107)	
$1000 \mathrm{km}$ to closest mine c.1800		1.365 $(2.338)$	$   \begin{array}{c}     1.324 \\     (2.284)   \end{array} $		5.858* $(3.390)$	5.818* (3.223)	
Km to nearest colonial city		0.003* (0.002)	$0.003^*$ $(0.002)$		0.002 $(0.002)$	$0.003^*$ $(0.002)$	
Km to Mexico City		$0.001 \\ (0.001)$	$0.001 \\ (0.001)$		-0.001 $(0.002)$	-0.001 $(0.002)$	
Customs Office c.1800 $(0,1)$		$0.401^{***} (0.101)$			$0.475^{***} (0.105)$		
Alcabala collected (1000s)			0.007** (0.003)			0.008** (0.003)	
Mean dep. var.  Municipalities  Clusters $R^2$	1.138 2007 29 0.234	1.138 2007 29 0.263	1.138 2007 29 0.262	1.198 1163 21 0.159	1.198 1163 21 0.213	1.198 1163 21 0.210	

Note: OLS with state fixed effects and standard errors clustered at the state level. \* sig at 10 percent; \*\* sig at 5 percent; \*\*sig at 1 percent. See the text for a description of the variables and data sources.

Table A.4: Municipal Budget in 1910 and Type of War Dynamic

	Municipal Budget per capita 1910						
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
Insurgents	0.287 (0.173)	0.235* (0.131)	0.283* (0.164)	0.278 (0.170)	0.219* (0.120)	0.276 (0.169)	
Local Militias	$0.473^{***}$ $(0.121)$	$0.357^{***}$ $(0.118)$	0.406*** (0.114)	$0.458^{***}$ (0.123)	0.335** (0.130)	0.404*** (0.115)	
Militia recapture	0.906*** (0.283)	$0.774^{**}$ (0.277)	$0.850^{**}$ $(0.329)$	0.890*** (0.280)	$0.728^{***}$ (0.242)	$0.845^{**}$ $(0.322)$	
Soil Suitability $(0,1,2)$		-0.200* (0.101)	-0.198* (0.109)		-0.341 $(0.221)$	-0.331 $(0.225)$	
Median altitude (km)		-0.090 $(0.141)$	-0.099 $(0.147)$		-0.244 $(0.183)$	-0.257 $(0.191)$	
$1000 \mathrm{km}$ to closest mine c.1800		1.489* (0.849)	$1.394^*$ $(0.732)$		3.616* (1.869)	3.411** (1.533)	
Km to nearest colonial city		-0.000 $(0.002)$	$0.000 \\ (0.002)$		-0.004 $(0.004)$	-0.003 (0.004)	
Km to Mexico City		0.001* (0.001)	$0.001^*$ $(0.001)$		$0.001 \\ (0.001)$	0.001 $(0.001)$	
Customs Office c.1800 $(0,1)$		$0.342^*$ $(0.174)$			$0.425^*$ $(0.220)$		
Alcabala collected (1000s)			$0.006^*$ $(0.003)$			$0.006^*$ $(0.003)$	
Mean dep. var. Municipalities	1.137 1261	1.137 1261	1.137 1261	1.020 748	1.020 748	1.020 748	
Clusters $R^2$	$     \begin{array}{r}       24 \\       0.226     \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{r}       24 \\       0.251     \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{r}       24 \\       0.249     \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{r}       16 \\       0.238     \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{r}       16 \\       0.284     \end{array} $	$\frac{16}{0.278}$	

Note: OLS with state fixed effects and standard errors clustered at the state level. \* sig at 10 percent; \*\* sig at 5 percent; \*\* sig at 1 percent. See the text for a description of the variables and data sources.

recapture ).0817\*\*\* -0.590\*\*\* -9.062\*\*\* 51.13\*\*\*0.145\*\*17.83\*\*-0.0428Militia No conflict neighbors Local militias 0.0341\*\*\*-0.310\*\*\*-4.290\*\*\* 12.93\*\*58.11\*\*\* 0.0758-0.0995Local militias recapture 0.0476\*\*\*-0.280\*\*\* 0.0696Militia 0.0567-6.9844.907Insurgents Table A.5: Tests for differences in means from Table 1 0.0297\*\*\*0.324\*\*\*-1.875\*\*\* -10.85\*\* 0.149\*\*10.03-0.0671Local militias recapture 0.0520\*\*\*41.10\*\*0.266\*\*\*0.212\*\*28.69\*\*\* .7.187\*\*\* -0.192\*Militia Insurgents recapture -0.284\*\*\* -0.617\*\*\*.9.137\*\*\* 0.193\*\*\*253.0\*\*\* 0.305\*\*\*73.05\*\*\* -0.249\*\*0.0043623.78\*\*\* 48.08\*\* 0.143\*\*0.0143-2.415 $1000 \mathrm{km}$  to closest mine c.1800 Local militias No conflict -0.341\*\*\* 0.145\*\*68.14\*\*\*260.0\*\*\* -0.337\*\*\* -4.365\*\*\*0.236\*\*\*Customs Office c.1800 (0,1) Km to nearest colonial city Alcabala collected (1000s) Median altitude (km) Km to Mexico City Soil suitability Insurgents -0.351\*\*\*-1.950\*\*\* 0.141\*\*\* 44.37\*\*\* 211.9\*\* -0.09270.0928\* $1000 \mathrm{km}$  to closest mine c.1800 Km to nearest colonial city Customs Office c.1800(0,1)Alcabala collected (1000s) Soil suitability (0,1,2) Median altitude (km) Km to Mexico City

 $^*p < 0.1, ^{**}p < 0.05, ^{***}p < 0.01$ 

#### B Cleaning Census data

The Constitution of 1824 declared Mexico a Federal Republic with 20 states and 3 territories (INEGI 1997). During the 19th century both state boundaries and municipal boundaries changed. The raw 1900 census has 2,773 municipalities, which we match to the 2,456 municipal codes of 2010 as follows.

- The 1900 census has 2,773 municipalities from 29 states. Baja California and Baja California Sur are omitted because in the 1900 data these territories only have state-level data available. Sinaloa was a state but we do not have data for it.
- Of the 2773 municipalities, 53 are duplicate observations in their state and municipality names (24 unique municipal names) but have different values for some variables. We map 5 of the 24 municipal names to separate municipalities in 2010 with similar names, matching the larger municipality in 1900 to the larger municipality in 2010 in terms of population. This leaves 43 observations (19 distinct municipal names) which are duplicates. We add them up assuming they represent observations from the same municipality, which leaves a sample of 2,750 unique municipal observations.
- A preliminary merge is able to match 1,121 of the 2,750 municipalities with 2010 municipal and state names; 1,629 municipalities from 1900 are unmatched, and 1,337 municipalities from 2010 are unmatched (the 2010 data has 2,458 municipalities).
- After cleaning the names of municipalities to match the name they have in 2010 (some are simple spelling changes or typos, while other municipalities changed names completely), 2,683 of the 2,750 municipalities from 1900 are matched with counterparts in 2010.
  - This leaves 67 municipalities which got lost from 1900 to 2010. These "lost" municipalities could be the consequence of municipalities that disappeared all together from 1900 to 2010, or that we simply could not track.
  - This leaves 434 municipalities in 2010 that do not have a counterpart in 1900. These
    municipalities may be the result of splits from 1900 municipal definitions, municipalities

that did not exist at all in 1900, or municipalities that did exist in 1900 but that were left out of the census.

- Next, we generate new observations for 1900 to identify municipalities that exist in 2010 but not in 1900 because they split from identifiable 1900-municipalities.
  - In doing this, and by removing the states not available in the 1900 census, (39 modern municipalities) we reduce the number of unidentified 2010 municipalities from 440 to 28. Of the 67 unmatched municipalities from 1900, 63 are from Oaxaca, 2 are from Sonora and 2 from Campeche.
  - In summary, there are 2,683 municipalities from 1900 matched to 2010: 28 municipalities from 2010 were not matched to historical data, and 67 municipalities from 1900 were not found in the modern data.
- Of the 2,683 municipalities that are matched from 1900, 294 split into 2-4 municipalities by 2010. In these cases, we keep only the 2010 municipality that maintains the same name as in 1900, or in the case that none of the split municipalities share the name, we take the municipality that is larger in 2010.
- Of these 2,683 municipalities, 997 of them are consolidated into groupings of two or more municipalities by 2010.
- Because of these changes in political divisions, and keeping with the criteria for splits outlined above, the 2,683 municipalities from 1900 represent 2,064 unique municipal codes in 2010.

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