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| **Appendix 1: Definitions of variables** | |
| Variable | Dependent and key explanatory variables |
| Unfair1 | How fair do you think income distribution is in (country)? Coded as 1 if the respondent answers very unfair or unfair; otherwise 0. |
| Unfair2 | Considering all the effort that you and your family members have made in the past, do you think the income that your family currently receives is fair or not fair? Coded as 1 if the respondent answers very unfair or unfair; otherwise 0. |
|  | I’m going to name a number of institutions. For each one, please tell me how much trust do you have in them? Is it a great deal of trust, quite a lot of trust, not very much trust not very much trust, or none at all? Coded as 1 if a great deal of trust or quite a lot of trust; otherwise 0. |
| Trustpre | The president (for presidential system) or Prime Minister (for parliamentary system) |
| Trustcourt | The courts |
| Trustgovt | The national government |
| Trustparty | Political parties |
| Trustparli | Parliament |
| Trustcivil | Civil service |
| Trustmilit | The military(or armed forces) |
| Trustpolice | The police |
| Trustgovtl | Local government |
| Ptrust | A composite index of political trust constructed using analysis with a higher value indicating a higher level of political trust |
| Corruption | How widespread do you think corruption and bribe-taking are in the national government [in capital city]? Scaled from 0 (Hardly anyone is involved) to 3 (Almost everyone is corrupt). |
| Corruptexp | Have you or anyone you know personally witnessed an act of corruption or bribe-taking by a politician or government official in the past year? Coded as 1 if yes; otherwise 0. |
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| **Appendix 1: Definitions of variables (continued)** | |
| Variable | Control variables |
| Gender | Gender of the respondent. If male, then Gender = 1; if female, then Gender = 0. |
| Age | Age of the respondent. |
| Married | If the respondent is married, then Married = 1; otherwise Married = 0. |
| Edu | Years of schooling. |
| Employed | Employment status, Coded as 1 if the respondent is employed; otherwise 0. |
| Income1 | Coded as 1 if household income is in the fourth quintile; otherwise 0. |
| Income2 | Coded as 1 if household income is in the third quintile; otherwise 0. |
| Income3 | Coded as 1 if household income is in the second quintile; otherwise 0. |
| Income4 | Coded as 1 if household income is in the first quintile (top 20%); otherwise 0.  (baseline group = the fifth quintile, the lowest 20%) |
| Interest | Political interest (very interested or interested = 1; otherwise = 0). |
| Info | How often do you follow news about politics and government? Scaled from 0 (practically never) to 4 (everyday). |
| Internet | How often do you use the internet? Scaled from 0 (never) to 7 (several hours a day). |
| Partisan | Coded as 1 if the respondent feels close to a political party; otherwise 0. |
| Efficacy | Political efficacy, a composite index constructed by the answers of the respondent to whether agrees or disagrees with the following statements? “I think I have the ability to participate in politics.”, “Sometimes politics and government seems so complicated that a person like me can’t really understand what is going on.”, and “People like me don’t have any influence over what the government does.” (scaled from 0 to 3, a higher value of the index represents a higher degree of political efficacy). |
| Class | Self-perceived social class. Scaled from 1 (poorest) to 10 (richest). |
|  | Country-level control variables |
| WGI | An index of government quality constructed with World Bank’s Governance Indicators. (Scaled from -15, lowest level, to 15, highest level). |
| GINI | Gini coefficient |
| GDP | GDP per capita |
| U | Unemployment rate |
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| **Appendix 2. Descriptive statistics: dependent and key explanatory variables** | | | | |
| dependent and key explanatory variables | | | | |
| Variable | Mean | Std. Dev. | Min | Max |
| Unfair1 | 0.6038 | 0.4891 | 0 | 1 |
| Unfair2 | 0.2710 | 0.4445 | 0 | 1 |
| Trustpre | 0.5649 | 0.4958 | 0 | 1 |
| Trustcourt | 0.4804 | 0.4996 | 0 | 1 |
| Trustgovt | 0.4803 | 0.4996 | 0 | 1 |
| Trustparty | 0.3522 | 0.4777 | 0 | 1 |
| Trustparli | 0.4120 | 0.4622 | 0 | 1 |
| Trustcivil | 0.5731 | 0.4946 | 0 | 1 |
| Trustmilit | 0.6778 | 0.4673 | 0 | 1 |
| Trustpolice | 0.5786 | 0.4938 | 0 | 1 |
| Trustgovtl | 0.1027 | 0.3035 | 0 | 1 |
| Ptrust | -4.54e-09 | 0.8423 | 0 | 9 |
| Corruption | 1.4860 | 0.7778 | 0 | 3 |
| Corruptexp | 0.0994 | 0.2992 | 0 | 1 |
| control variables | | | | |
| Variable | Mean | Std. Dev. | Min | Max |
| Gender | 0.4913 | 0.4999 | 0 | 1 |
| Age | 44.3776 | 15.1982 | 18 | 108 |
| Married | 0.6822 | 0.4656 | 0 | 1 |
| Edu | 9.9901 | 4.6459 | 0 | 21 |
| Employed | 0.2771 | 0.4476 | 0 | 1 |
| Income1 | 0.0895 | 0.2854 | 0 | 1 |
| Income2 | 0.1216 | 0.3269 | 0 | 1 |
| Income3 | 0.2541 | 0.4353 | 0 | 1 |
| Income4 | 0.2515 | 0.4339 | 0 | 1 |
| Interest | 0.4544 | 0.4979 | 0 | 1 |
| Info | 2.2660 | 1.4229 | 0 | 4 |
| Internet | 3.3253 | 2.9037 | 0 | 7 |
| Partisan | 0.3119 | 0.4633 | 0 | 1 |
| Efficacy | 1.0267 | 0.9092 | 0 | 3 |
| Class | 5.1534 | 1.5288 | 1 | 10 |
| WGI | 1.0194 | 5.0952 | -7.16 | 9.4 |
| GINI | 0.3699 | 0.0492 | 0.302 | 0.463 |
| GDP | 14.2188 | 15.5970 | 1.242 | 52.814 |
| U | 2.8600 | 1.5590 | 0.18 | 4.8 |
| Data source: The wave 4 of Asian Barometer survey of democracy, government, and development, N = 14,182. The countries included in this study from the wave 4 of Asian Barometer survey of democracy, government, and development are Cambodia, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, and Thailand. | | | | |

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| **Appendix 3: Government corruption (corruption perception) and political trust - multilevel analysis (dependent variable: political trust)** | | | | | |
| Variable | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| Gender | 0.0106 (0.0126) | 0.0106 (0.0126) | 0.0106 (0.0126) | 0.0106 (0.0126) | 0.0105 (0.0126) |
| Age | -0.0010 (0.0005) | -0.0010\* (0.0005) | -0.0010 (0.0005) | -0.0010 (0.0005) | -0.0010 (0.0005) |
| Married | 0.0168 (0.0142) | 0.0168 (0.0142) | 0.0168 (0.0042) | 0.0169 (0.0142) | 0.0169 (0.0142) |
| Edu | -0.0176\*\*\* (0.0019) | -0.0177\*\*\* (0.0019) | -0.0176\*\*\* (0.0019) | -0.0176\*\*\* (0.0019) | -0.0176\*\*\* (0.0019) |
| Employed | -0.0371\* (0.0149) | -0.0365\* (0.0149) | -0.0370\* (0.0149) | -0.0372\* (0.0149) | -0.0369\* (0.0149) |
| Income1 | 0.0964\*\*\* (0.0249) | 0.0966\*\*\* (0.0249) | 0.0965\*\*\* (0.0249) | 0.0966\*\*\* (0.0249) | 0.0968\*\*\* (0.0249) |
| Income2 | 0.0683\*\* (0.0221) | 0.0686\*\* (0.0221) | 0.0684\*\* (0.0221) | 0.0684\*\* (0.0221) | 0.0687\*\* (0.0221) |
| Income3 | 0.0326 (0.0179) | 0.0329 (0.0179) | 0.0327 (0.0179) | 0.0327 (0.0179) | 0.0328 (0.0179) |
| Income4 | 0.0114 (0.0171) | 0.0117 (0.0171) | 0.0115 (0.0171) | 0.0114 (0.0171) | 0.0116 (0.0171) |
| Interest | 0.1091\*\*\* (0.0142) | 0.1091\*\*\* (0.0142) | 0.1092\*\*\* (0.0142) | 0.1090\*\*\* (0.0142) | 0.1087\*\*\* (0.0142) |
| Info | -0.0147\*\* (0.0053) | -0.0148\*\* (0.0053) | -0.0147\*\* (0.0053) | -0.0147\*\* (0.0053) | -0.0148\*\* (0.0053) |
| Internet | -0.0164\*\*\* (0.0030) | -0.0165\*\*\* (0.0030) | -0.0164\*\*\* (0.0030) | -0.0163\*\*\* (0.0030) | -0.0163\*\*\* (0.0030) |
| Partisan | 0.1499\*\*\* (0.0149) | 0.1500\*\*\* (0.0149) | 0.1499\*\*\* (0.0149) | 0.1500\*\*\* (0.0149) | 0.1502\*\*\* (0.0149) |
| Efficacy | 0.0251\*\*\* (0.0071) | 0.0252\*\*\* (0.0071) | 0.0251\*\*\* (0.0071) | 0.0251\*\*\* (0.0071) | 0.0253\*\*\* (0.0071) |
| Corruption | -0.2011\*\*\* (0.0089) | -0.2008\*\*\* (0.0089) | -0.2010\*\*\* (0.0089) | -0.2009\*\*\* (0.0089) | -0.2006\*\*\* (0.0089) |
| Class | 0.0272\*\*\* (0.0043) | 0.0271\*\*\* (0.0043) | 0.0272\*\*\* (0.0043) | 0.0272\*\*\* (0.0043) | 0.0271\*\*\* (0.0043) |
| WGI | -0.0135 (0.0182) |  |  |  | -0.0222 (0.0408) |
| GINI |  | 3.5313\*\* (1.5342) |  |  | 3.7249\*\* (1.3115) |
| GDP |  |  | -0.0019 (0.0057) |  | 0.0064 (0.0114) |
| U |  |  |  | -0.0806 (0.0566) | -0.0664 (0.0586) |
| Intercept | 0.3376\*\*\* (0.1032) | -0.9865 (0.5751) | 0.3497\*\* (0.1337) | 0.5483\*\* (0.1861) | -0.9396 (0.5670) |
| country variance.(cons) | 0.0928 (0.0398) | 0.0656 (0.0282) | 0.0965 (0.0414) | 0.0823 (0.0353) | 0.0470 (0.0202) |
| L-likelihood | -15704.483 | -15702.59 | -15704.695 | -15703.821 | -15700.769 |
| 2 | 1733.65 | 1202.63 | 1753.25 | 1638.71 | 999.80 |
| N | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 |
| Note: Numbers in parentheses are standard errors. \*\*\*, \*\*, and \* denote significance at 0.1%, 1%, and 5%, respectively. LR test vs. (liner) probit model: Prob >= 2 = 0.0000. | | | | | |

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| **Appendix 4: Government corruption (corruption experience) and political trust - multilevel analysis (dependent variable: political trust)** | | | | | |
| Variable | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| Gender | 0.0175 (0.0128) | 0.0175 (0.0128) | 0.0176 (0.0128) | 0.0175 (0.0128) | 0.0175 (0.0128) |
| Age | -0.0006 (0.0005) | -0.0006 (0.0005) | -0.0006 (0.0005) | -0.0006 (0.0005) | -0.0006 (0.0005) |
| Married | 0.0192 (0.0144) | 0.0192 (0.0144) | 0.0192 (0.0144) | 0.0193 (0.0144) | 0.0194 (0.0144) |
| Edu | -0.0177\*\*\* (0.0019) | -0.0177\*\*\* (0.0019) | -0.0177\*\*\* (0.0019) | -0.0177\*\*\* (0.0019) | -0.0177\*\*\* (0.0019) |
| Employed | -0.0388\*\* (0.0151) | -0.0380\*\* (0.0151) | -0.0387\* (0.0151) | -0.0390\*\* (0.0151) | -0.0386\* (0.0151) |
| Income1 | 0.1149\*\*\* (0.0253) | 0.1150\*\*\* (0.0253) | 0.1150\*\*\* (0.0253) | 0.1150\*\*\* (0.0253) | 0.0053\*\*\* (0.0253) |
| Income2 | 0.0758\*\*\* (0.0224) | 0.0760\*\*\* (0.0224) | 0.0759\*\*\* (0.0224) | 0.0759\*\*\* (0.0224) | 0.0763\*\*\* (0.0224) |
| Income3 | 0.0424\* (0.0181) | 0.0426\* (0.0181) | 0.0425 (0.0181) | 0.0424\* (0.0181) | 0.0426\* (0.0181) |
| Income4 | 0.0183 (0.0174) | 0.0185 (0.0174) | 0.0184 (0.0174) | 0.0183 (0.0174) | 0.0185 (0.0174) |
| Interest | 0.1091\*\*\* (0.0145) | 0.1091\*\*\* (0.0145) | 0.1091\*\*\* (0.0145) | 0.1090\*\*\* (0.0145) | 0.1086\*\*\* (0.0145) |
| Info | -0.0159\*\* (0.0054) | -0.0160\*\* (0.0054) | -0.0159\*\* (0.0054) | -0.0159\*\* (0.0054) | -0.0159\*\* (0.0054) |
| Internet | -0.0191\*\*\* (0.0031) | -0.0191\*\*\* (0.0031) | -0.0191\*\*\* (0.0031) | -0.0190\*\*\* (0.0031) | -0.0190\*\*\* (0.0031) |
| Partisan | 0.1562\*\*\* (0.0151) | 0.1562\*\*\* (0.0151) | 0.1562\*\*\* (0.0151) | 0.1562\*\*\* (0.0151) | 0.1566\*\*\* (0.0151) |
| Efficacy | 0.0248\*\*\* (0.0072) | 0.0248\*\*\* (0.0072) | 0.0248\*\*\* (0.0072) | 0.0248\*\*\* (0.0072) | 0.0250\*\*\* (0.0072) |
| Corruptexp | -0.1809\*\*\* (0.0224) | -0.1802\*\*\* (0.0224) | -0.1806\*\*\* (0.0224) | -0.1812\*\*\* (0.0224) | -0.1808\*\*\* (0.0224) |
| Class | 0.0304\*\*\* (0.0044) | 0.0304\*\*\* (0.0044) | 0.0304\*\*\* (0.0044) | 0.0304\*\*\* (0.0044) | 0.0304\*\*\* (0.0044) |
| WGI | -0.0099 (0.0208) |  |  |  | -0.0330 (0.0418) |
| GINI |  | 4.1021\* (1.7033) |  |  | 4.4207\*\* (1.3420) |
| GDP |  |  | 0.0003 (0.0065) |  | 0.0121 (0.0117) |
| U |  |  |  | -0.0987 (0.0627) | -0.0823 (0.0599) |
| Intercept | 0.0214 (0.1152) | -1.5093\* (0.6378) | 0.0046 (0.1494) | 0.2883 (0.2053) | -1.5054\*\* (0.5796) |
| country variance.(cons) | 0.1215 (0.0520) | 0.0810 (0.0348) | 0.1240 (0.0531) | 0.1011 (0.0433) | 0.0493 |
| L-likelihood | -15922.421 | -15920.205 | -15922.533 | -15921.416 | -15917.491 |
| 2 | 2284.40 | 1485.43 | 2267.79 | 1991.94 | 1028.47 |
| N | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 |
| Note: Numbers in parentheses are standard errors. \*\*\*, \*\*, and \* denote significance at 0.1%, 1%, and 5%, respectively. LR test vs. (liner) probit model: Prob >= 2 = 0.0000. | | | | | |

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| **Appendix 5: Government corruption (corruption perception), political trust, and perceived fairness of income distribution (Unfair1) - multilevel analysis** | | | | | |
| Variable | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| Gender | 0.0052 (0.0232) | 0.0055 (0.0232) | 0.0053 (0.0232) | 0.0055 (0.0232) | 0.0054 (0.0232) |
| Age | 0.0004 (0.0009) | 0.0004 (0.0009) | 0.0004 (0.0009) | 0.0003 (0.0009) | 0.0004 (0.0009) |
| Married | 0.0182 (0.0262) | 0.0183 (0.0262) | 0.0182 (0.0262) | 0.0180 (0.0262) | 0.0174 (0.0262) |
| Edu | 0.0196\*\*\* (0.0034) | 0.0194\*\*\* (0.0034) | 0.0195\*\*\* (0.0034) | 0.0193\*\*\* (0.0034) | 0.0196\*\*\* (0.0034) |
| Employed | 0.0955\*\*\* (0.0274) | 0.0961\*\*\* (0.0274) | 0.0958\*\*\* (0.0274) | 0.0974\*\*\* (0.0274) | 0.0958\*\*\* (0.0274) |
| Income1 | -0.0179 (0.0456) | -0.0176 (0.0456) | -0.0179 (0.0456) | -0.0175 (0.0456) | -0.0186 (0.0456) |
| Income2 | 0.0424 (0.0406) | 0.0425 (0.0406) | 0.0424 (0.0406) | 0.0429 (0.0406) | 0.0414 (0.0406) |
| Income3 | 0.0807\* (0.0329) | 0.0815\* (0.0329) | 0.0808\* (0.0329) | 0.0817\* (0.0329) | 0.0806\* (0.0329) |
| Income4 | 0.0559 (0.0315) | 0.0562 (0.0315) | 0.0559 (0.0315) | 0.0567 (0.0315) | 0.0561 (0.0315) |
| Interest | 0.0149 (0.0263) | 0.0152 (0.0264) | 0.0151 (0.0264) | 0.0156 (0.0264) | 0.0156 (0.0264) |
| Info | 0.0214\* (0.0098) | 0.0214\* (0.0098) | 0.0214\* (0.0098) | 0.0213\* (0.0098) | 0.0216\* (0.0098) |
| Internet | 0.0253\*\*\* (0.0056) | 0.0251\*\*\* (0.0056) | 0.0253\*\*\* (0.0056) | 0.0248\*\*\* (0.0056) | 0.0249\*\*\* (0.0056) |
| Partisan | -0.1287\*\*\* (0.0274) | -0.1286\*\*\* (0.0274) | -0.1288\*\*\* (0.0274) | -0.1288\*\*\* (0.0274) | -0.1281\*\*\* (0.0274) |
| Efficacy | 0.0108 (0.0133) | 0.0107 (0.0133) | 0.0108 (0.0133) | 0.0107 (0.0133) | 0.0103 (0.0133) |
| Corruption | 0.3143\*\*\* (0.0170) | 0.3144\*\*\* (0.0170) | 0.3142\*\*\* (0.0170) | 0.3147\*\*\* (0.0170) | 0.3137\*\*\* (0.0170) |
| Ptrust | -0.2841\*\*\* (0.0151) | -0.2835\*\*\* (0.0151) | -0.2840\*\*\* (0.0151) | -0.2837\*\*\* (0.0151) | -0.2840\*\*\* (0.0151) |
| Class | -0.0643\*\*\* (0.0080) | -0.0643\*\*\* (0.0080) | -0.0643\*\*\* (0.0080) | -0.0644\*\*\* (0.0080) | -0.0645\*\*\* (0.0080) |
| WGI | -0.0139 (0.0169) |  |  |  | -0.0790 (0.0401) |
| GINI |  | -1.7842 (1.6599) |  |  | -1.7692 (1.2906) |
| GDP |  |  | -0.0037 (0.0053) |  | 0.0150 (0.0112) |
| U |  |  |  | 0.0545 (0.0552) | 0.1449\* (0.0576) |
| Intercept | -0.2435\* (0.1147) | 0.4043 (0.6261) | -0.2044 (0.1373) | -0.4086\* (0.1896) | -0.1375 (0.5625) |
| country variance.(cons) | 0.0788 (0.0343) | 0.0757 (0.0329) | 0.0801 (0.0348) | 0.0768 (0.0334) | 0.0443 (0.0195) |
| L-likelihood | -8248.0487 | -8247.8254 | -8248.137 | -8247.9082 | -8244.9394 |
| 2 | 512.35 | 516.59 | 541.59 | 523.00 | 315.44 |
| N | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 |
| Note: Numbers in parentheses are standard errors. \*\*\*, \*\*, and \* denote significance at 0.1%, 1%, and 5%, respectively. LR test vs. (liner) probit model: Prob >= 2 = 0.0000. | | | | | |

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| **Appendix 6: Government corruption (corruption perception), political trust, and perceived fairness of income distribution (Unfair2) - multilevel analysis** | | | | | |
| Variable | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| Gender | -0.0275 (0.0250) | -0.0274 (0.0250) | -0.0275 (0.0250) | -0.0275 (0.0250) | -0.0272 (0.0250) |
| Age | -0.0001 (0.0010) | -0.0001 (0.0010) | -0.0001 (0.0010) | -0.0001 (0.0010) | -0.0002 (0.0010) |
| Married | -0.0097 (0.0283) | -0.0096 (0.0283) | -0.0098 (0.0283) | -0.0099 (0.0283) | -0.0098 (0.0283) |
| Edu | 0.0024 (0.0038) | 0.0025 (0.0038) | 0.0025 (0.0038) | 0.0024 (0.0038) | 0.0023 (0.0037) |
| Employed | 0.0517 (0.0297) | 0.0509 (0.0297) | 0.0515 (0.0297) | 0.0523 (0.0297) | 0.0522 (0.0297) |
| Income1 | -0.2374\*\*\* (0.0497) | -0.2376\*\*\* (0.0497) | -0.2376\*\*\* (0.0497) | -0.2377\*\*\* (0.0497) | -0.2376\*\*\* (0.0497) |
| Income2 | -0.0419 (0.0431) | -0.0422 (0.0431) | -0.0421 (0.0431) | -0.0421 (0.0431) | -0.0420 (0.0431) |
| Income3 | -0.0916\* (0.0357) | -0.0919\* (0.0357) | -0.0919\* (0.0357) | -0.0918\* (0.0357) | -0.0914\* (0.0357) |
| Income4 | 0.0246 (0.0340) | 0.0241 (0.0340) | 0.0244 (0.0340) | 0.0246 (0.0340) | 0.0246 (0.0340) |
| Interest | -0.0111 (0.0282) | -0.0115 (0.0283) | -0.0112 (0.0283) | -0.0109 (0.0283) | -0.0112 (0.0283) |
| Info | -0.0253\* (0.0103) | -0.0252\* (0.0103) | -0.0252\* (0.0103) | -0.0253\* (0.0103) | -0.0255\* (0.0103) |
| Internet | -0.0069 (0.0061) | -0.0066 (0.0061) | -0.0068 (0.0061) | -0.0070 (0.0061) | -0.0068 (0.0061) |
| Partisan | -0.0714\* (0.0297) | -0.0736\* (0.0297) | -0.0742\* (0.0297) | -0.0740\* (0.0297) | -0.0732\* (0.0297) |
| Efficacy | -0.0159 (0.0140) | -0.0160 (0.0140) | -0.0159 (0.0140) | -0.0159 (0.0140) | -0.0162 (0.0140) |
| Corruption | 0.1956\*\*\* (0.0180) | 0.1949\*\*\* (0.0180) | 0.1954\*\*\* (0.0180) | 0.1953\*\*\* (0.0180) | 0.1944\*\*\* (0.0180) |
| Ptrust | -0.1850\*\*\* (0.0171) | -0.1845\*\*\* (0.0171) | -0.1850\*\*\* (0.0171) | -0.1848\*\*\* (0.0171) | -0.1839\*\*\* (0.0171) |
| Class | -0.1310\*\*\* (0.0088) | -0.1310\*\*\* (0.0088) | -0.1310\*\*\* (0.0088) | -0.1311\*\*\* (0.0088) | -0.1311\*\*\* (0.0088) |
| WGI | 0.0228 (0.0328) |  |  |  | 0.0378 (0.0740) |
| GINI |  | -6.0954\* (2.8129) |  |  | -6.4723\*\* (2.3785) |
| GDP |  |  | 0.0028 (0.0104) |  | -0.0119 (0.0207) |
| U |  |  |  | 0.1529 (0.1011) | 0.1308 (0.1064) |
| Intercept | -0.2429 (0.1894) | 2.0429 (1.0550) | -0.2561 (0.2438) | -0.6460 (0.3342) | 1.9475 (1.0300) |
| country variance.(cons) | 0.3025 (0.1304) | 0.2202 (0.0954) | 0.3138 (0.1353) | 0.2614 (0.1127) | 0.1542 (0.0671) |
| L-likelihood | -7083.7508 | -7082.0332 | -7083.9508 | -7082.9454 | -7080.0972 |
| 2 | 1325.65 | 885.36 | 1360.97 | 1256.73 | 668.95 |
| N | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 |
| Note: Numbers in parentheses are standard errors. \*\*\*, \*\*, and \* denote significance at 0.1%, 1%, and 5%, respectively. LR test vs. (liner) probit model: Prob >= 2 = 0.0000. | | | | | |

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| **Appendix 7: Government corruption (corruption experience), political trust, and perceived fairness of income distribution (Unfair1) - multilevel analysis** | | | | | |
| Variable | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| Gender | -0.0052 (0.0231) | -0.0049 (0.0231) | -0.0051 (0.0231) | -0.0050 (0.0231) | -0.0048 (0.0231) |
| Age | -0.0002 (0.0009) | -0.0002 (0.0009) | -0.0002 (0.0009) | -0.0003 (0.0009) | -0.0002 (0.0009) |
| Married | 0.0151 (0.0260) | 0.0153 (0.0260) | 0.0151 (0.0260) | 0.0149 (0.0260) | 0.0143 (0.0260) |
| Edu | 0.0186\*\*\* (0.0034) | 0.0184\*\*\* (0.0034) | 0.0186\*\*\* (0.0034) | 0.0183\*\*\* (0.0034) | 0.0186\*\*\* (0.0034) |
| Employed | 0.0930\*\*\* (0.0272) | 0.0936\*\*\* (0.0272) | 0.0930\*\*\* (0.0272) | 0.0951\*\*\* (0.0272) | 0.0931\*\*\* (0.0272) |
| Income1 | -0.0422 (0.0453) | -0.0419 (0.0453) | -0.0424 (0.0452) | -0.0419 (0.0452) | -0.0436 (0.0452) |
| Income2 | 0.0332 (0.0403) | 0.0334 (0.0403) | 0.0330 (0.0403) | 0.0337 (0.0403) | 0.0318 (0.0403) |
| Income3 | 0.0658\* (0.0327) | 0.0667\* (0.0327) | 0.0658\* (0.0327) | 0.0669\* (0.0327) | 0.0657\* (0.0327) |
| Income4 | 0.0442 (0.0312) | 0.0446 (0.0312) | 0.0441 (0.0312) | 0.0451 (0.0312) | 0.0443 (0.0312) |
| Interest | 0.0182 (0.0262) | 0.0185 (0.0262) | 0.0183 (0.0262) | 0.0189 (0.0262) | 0.0191 (0.0262) |
| Info | 0.0237\* (0.0097) | 0.0236\* (0.0097) | 0.0236\* (0.0097) | 0.0235\* (0.0097) | 0.0236\* (0.0097) |
| Internet | 0.0282\*\*\* (0.0056) | 0.0279\*\*\* (0.0056) | 0.0283\*\*\* (0.0056) | 0.0276\*\*\* (0.0056) | 0.0278\*\*\* (0.0056) |
| Partisan | -0.1305\*\*\* (0.0272) | -0.1303\*\*\* (0.0272) | -0.1306\*\*\* (0.0272) | -0.1306\*\*\* (0.0272) | -0.1300\*\*\* (0.0272) |
| Efficacy | 0.0129 (0.0132) | 0.0128 (0.0132) | 0.0129 (0.0132) | 0.0129 (0.0132) | 0.0123 (0.0132) |
| Corruptexp | 0.2600\*\*\* (0.0416) | 0.2612\*\*\* (0.0416) | 0.2602\*\*\* (0.0416) | 0.2634\*\*\* (0.0416) | 0.2612\*\*\* (0.0416) |
| Ptrust | -0.3241\*\*\* (0.0149) | -0.3234\*\*\* (0.0149) | -0.3240\*\*\* (0.0148) | -0.3236\*\*\* (0.0149) | -0.3238\*\*\* (0.0149) |
| Class | -0.0662\*\*\* (0.0079) | -0.0663\*\*\* (0.0079) | -0.0662\*\*\* (0.0079) | -0.0664\*\*\* (0.0079) | -0.0665\*\*\* (0.0079) |
| WGI | -0.0198 (0.0189) |  |  |  | -0.0619 (0.0404) |
| GINI |  | -2.4435 (1.8377) |  |  | -2.6078\* (1.2987) |
| GDP |  |  | -0.0071 (0.0057) |  | 0.0064 (0.0113) |
| U |  |  |  | 0.0752 (0.0613) | 0.1607\* (0.0580) |
| Intercept | 0.2431\* (0.1195) | 1.1277 (0.6909) | 0.3245\* (0.1430) | 0.0127 (0.2066) | 0.7160 (0.5641) |
| country variance.(cons) | 0.0983 (0.0426) | 0.0932 (0.0404) | 0.0950 (0.0412) | 0.0950 (0.0413) | 0.0450 (0.0198) |
| L-likelihood | -8402.7136 | -8402.4198 | -8402.5245 | -8402.5349 | -8398.481 |
| 2 | 621.38 | 613.70 | 622.94 | 592.40 | 326.39 |
| N | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 |
| Note: Numbers in parentheses are standard errors. \*\*\*, \*\*, and \* denote significance at 0.1%, 1%, and 5%, respectively. LR test vs. (liner) probit model: Prob >= 2 = 0.0000. | | | | | |

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| **Appendix 8: Government corruption (corruption experience), political trust, and perceived fairness of income distribution (Unfair2) - multilevel analysis** | | | | | |
| Variable | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| Gender | -0.0316 (0.0250) | -0.0315 (0.0250) | -0.0316 (0.0250) | -0.0316 (0.0250) | -0.0312 (0.0250) |
| Age | -0.0006 (0.0010) | -0.0006 (0.0010) | -0.0006 (0.0010) | -0.0006 (0.0010) | -0.0006 (0.0010) |
| Married | -0.0091 (0.0282) | -0.0089 (0.0282) | -0.0092 (0.0282) | -0.0093 (0.0282) | -0.0090 (0.0282) |
| Edu | 0.0020 (0.0038) | 0.0021 (0.0037) | 0.0021 (0.0038) | 0.0020 (0.0038) | 0.0018 (0.0038) |
| Employed | 0.0511 (0.0296) | 0.0503 (0.0296) | 0.0508 (0.0296) | 0.0517 (0.0296) | 0.0516 (0.0296) |
| Income1 | -0.2491\*\*\* (0.0496) | -0.2490\*\*\* (0.0496) | -0.2493\*\*\* (0.0496) | -0.2492\*\*\* (0.0496) | -0.2491\*\*\* (0.0496) |
| Income2 | -0.0419 (0.0430) | -0.0420 (0.0430) | -0.0421 (0.0430) | -0.0420 (0.0430) | -0.0419 (0.0430) |
| Income3 | -0.0947\* (0.0356) | -0.0948\*\* (0.0356) | -0.0949\*\* (0.0356) | -0.0947\*\* (0.0356) | -0.0944\*\* (0.0356) |
| Income4 | 0.0202 (0.0338) | 0.0199 (0.0338) | 0.0200 (0.0338) | 0.0204 (0.0338) | 0.0202 (0.0338) |
| Interest | -0.0087 (0.0282) | -0.0091 (0.0282) | -0.0088 (0.0282) | -0.0085 (0.0282) | -0.0089 (0.0282) |
| Info | -0.0238\* (0.0103) | -0.0237\* (0.0103) | -0.0237\* (0.0103) | -0.0238\* (0.0103) | -0.0240\* (0.0103) |
| Internet | -0.0047 (0.0060) | -0.0044 (0.0060) | -0.0046 (0.0060) | -0.0048 (0.0060) | -0.0046 (0.0060) |
| Partisan | -0.0732\* (0.0297) | -0.0726\* (0.0297) | -0.0732\* (0.0297) | -0.0731\* (0.0297) | -0.0722\* (0.0297) |
| Efficacy | -0.0134 (0.0139) | -0.0135 (0.0139) | -0.0134 (0.0139) | -0.0135 (0.0139) | -0.0138 (0.0139) |
| Corruptexp | 0.1194\*\* (0.0424) | 0.1185\*\* (0.0424) | 0.1189\*\* (0.0423) | 0.1204\*\* (0.0424) | 0.1209\*\* (0.0424) |
| Ptrust | -0.2132\*\*\* (0.0168) | -0.2127\*\*\* (0.0168) | -0.2133\*\*\* (0.0168) | -0.2130\*\*\* (0.0168) | -0.2118\*\*\* (0.0168) |
| Class | -0.1331\*\*\* (0.0088) | -0.1331\*\*\* (0.0088) | -0.1331\*\*\* (0.0088) | -0.1332\*\*\* (0.0088) | -0.1332\*\*\* (0.0088) |
| WGI | 0.0180 (0.0340) |  |  |  | 0.0478 (0.0709) |
| GINI |  | -6.5110\* (2.8280) |  |  | -6.9978\*\* (2.2775) |
| GDP |  |  | 0.0004 (0.0106) |  | -0.0174 (0.0199) |
| U |  |  |  | 0.1626 (0.1027) | 0.1386 (0.1019) |
| Intercept | 0.0706 (0.1925) | 2.5035\* (1.0599) | 0.0872 (0.2477) | -0.3661 (0.3382) | 2.4953 (0.9855) |
| country variance.(cons) | 0.3234 (0.1393) | 0.2226 (0.0964) | 0.3317 (0.1428) | 0.2700 (0.1163) | 0.1413 (0.0616) |
| L-likelihood | -71369.1808 | -7137.158 | -7139.3188 | -7138.1895 | -7134.6934 |
| 2 | 1459.04 | 917.07 | 1485.06 | 1307.72 | 611.24 |
| N | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 |
| Note: Numbers in parentheses are standard errors. \*\*\*, \*\*, and \* denote significance at 0.1%, 1%, and 5%, respectively. LR test vs. (liner) probit model: Prob >= 2 = 0.0000. | | | | | |

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| **Appendix 9: Government corruption, political trust, and perceived fairness of income distribution - multilevel analysis (complete results)** | | | | | | |
|  | Corruption perception | | | Corruption experience | | |
| Variable | Ptrust | Unfair1 | Unfair2 | Ptrust | Unfair1 | Unfair2 |
| Gender | 0.0105 (0.0126) | 0.0054 (0.0232) | -0.0272 (0.0250) | 0.0175 (0.0128) | -0.0048 (0.0231) | -0.0312 (0.0250) |
| Age | -0.0010 (0.0005) | 0.0004 (0.0009) | -0.0002 (0.0010) | -0.0006 (0.0005) | -0.0002 (0.0009) | -0.0006 (0.0010) |
| Married | 0.0169 (0.0142) | 0.0174 (0.0262) | -0.0098 (0.0283) | 0.0194 (0.0144) | 0.0143 (0.0260) | -0.0090 (0.0282) |
| Edu | -0.0176\*\*\* (0.0019) | 0.0196\*\*\* (0.0034) | 0.0023 (0.0037) | -0.0177\*\*\* (0.0019) | 0.0186\*\*\* (0.0034) | 0.0018 (0.0038) |
| Employed | -0.0369\* (0.0149) | 0.0958\*\*\* (0.0274) | 0.0522 (0.0297) | -0.0386\* (0.0151) | 0.0931\*\*\* (0.0272) | 0.0516 (0.0296) |
| Income1 | 0.0968\*\*\* (0.0249) | -0.0186 (0.0456) | -0.2376\*\*\* (0.0497) | 0.0053\*\*\* (0.0253) | -0.0436 (0.0452) | -0.2491\*\*\* (0.0496) |
| Income2 | 0.0687\*\* (0.0221) | 0.0414 (0.0406) | -0.0420 (0.0431) | 0.0763\*\*\* (0.0224) | 0.0318 (0.0403) | -0.0419 (0.0430) |
| Income3 | 0.0328 (0.0179) | 0.0806\* (0.0329) | -0.0914\* (0.0357) | 0.0426\* (0.0181) | 0.0657\* (0.0327) | -0.0944\*\* (0.0356) |
| Income4 | 0.0116 (0.0171) | 0.0561 (0.0315) | 0.0246 (0.0340) | 0.0185 (0.0174) | 0.0443 (0.0312) | 0.0202 (0.0338) |
| Interest | 0.1087\*\*\* (0.0142) | 0.0156 (0.0264) | -0.0112 (0.0283) | 0.1086\*\*\* (0.0145) | 0.0191 (0.0262) | -0.0089 (0.0282) |
| Info | -0.0148\*\* (0.0053) | 0.0216\* (0.0098) | -0.0255\* (0.0103) | -0.0159\*\* (0.0054) | 0.0236\* (0.0097) | -0.0240\* (0.0103) |
| Internet | -0.0163\*\*\* (0.0030) | 0.0249\*\*\* (0.0056) | -0.0068 (0.0061) | -0.0190\*\*\* (0.0031) | 0.0278\*\*\* (0.0056) | -0.0046 (0.0060) |
| Partisan | 0.1502\*\*\* (0.0149) | -0.1281\*\*\* (0.0274) | -0.0732\* (0.0297) | 0.1566\*\*\* (0.0151) | -0.1300\*\*\* (0.0272) | -0.0722\* (0.0297) |
| Efficacy | 0.0253\*\*\* (0.0071) | 0.0103 (0.0133) | -0.0162 (0.0140) | 0.0250\*\*\* (0.0072) | 0.0123 (0.0132) | -0.0138 (0.0139) |
| Corruption (Corruptexp) | -0.2006\*\*\* (0.0089) | 0.3137\*\*\* (0.0170) | 0.1944\*\*\* (0.0180) | -0.1808\*\*\* (0.0224) | 0.2612\*\*\* (0.0416) | 0.1209\*\* (0.0424) |
| Ptrust |  | -0.2840\*\*\* (0.0151) | -0.1839\*\*\* (0.0171) |  | -0.3238\*\*\* (0.0149) | -0.2118\*\*\* (0.0168) |
| Class | 0.0271\*\*\* (0.0043) | -0.0645\*\*\* (0.0080) | -0.1311\*\*\* (0.0088) | 0.0304\*\*\* (0.0044) | -0.0665\*\*\* (0.0079) | -0.1332\*\*\* (0.0088) |
| WGI | -0.0222 (0.0408) | -0.0790\* (0.0401) | 0.0378 (0.0740) | -0.0330 (0.0418) | -0.0619 (0.0404) | 0.0478 (0.0709) |
| GINI | 3.7249\*\* (1.3115) | -1.7692 (1.2906) | -6.4723\*\* (2.3785) | 4.4207\*\* (1.3420) | -2.6078\* (1.2987) | -6.9978\*\* (2.2775) |
| GDP | 0.0064 (0.0114) | 0.0150 (0.0112) | -0.0119 (0.0207) | 0.0121 (0.0117) | 0.0064 (0.0113) | -0.0174 (0.0199) |
| U | -0.0664 (0.0586) | 0.1449\* (0.0576) | 0.1308 (0.1064) | -0.0823 (0.0599) | 0.1607\* (0.0580) | 0.1386 (0.1019) |
| Intercept | -0.9396 (0.5670) | -0.1375 (0.5625) | 1.9475 (1.0300) | -1.5054\*\* (0.5796) | 0.7160 (0.5641) | 2.4953 (0.9855) |
| country variance.(cons) | 0.0470 (0.0202) | 0.0443 (0.0195) | 0.1542 (0.0671) | 0.0493 (0.0212) | 0.0450 (0.0198) | 0.1413 (0.0616) |
| L-likelihood | -15700.769 | -8244.9394 | -7080.0972 | -15917.491 | -8398.481 | -7134.6934 |
| 2 | 999.80 | 315.44 | 668.95 | 1028.47 | 326.39 | 611.24 |
| N | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 |
| Notes: Numbers in parentheses are standard errors. \*\*\*, \*\*, and \* denote significance at the 0.1%, 1%, and 5% levels, respectively. The LR test vs. (liner) probit model: Prob >= 2 = 0.0000. | | | | | | |

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| **Appendix 10: Perceived fairness of income distribution, political trust, and government corruption - multilevel analysis (reciprocal effect). (complete results)** | | | | | | |
| Variable | Ptrust | Corruption (perceived) | Corruptexp (expericed) | Ptrust | Corruption (perceived) | Corruptexp (expericed) |
| Gender | 0.0124 (0.0126) | -0.0140 (0.0383) | 0.1712\*\*\* (0.0334) | 0.0111 (0.0127) | -0.0133 (0.0380) | 0.1740\*\*\* (0.0334) |
| Age | -0.0007 (0.0005) | -0.0001 (0.0016) | 0.0001 (0.0013) | -0.0007 (0.0005) | 0.0002 (0.0016) | 0.0001 (0.0013) |
| Married | 0.0221 (0.0142) | -0.0081 (0.0436) | -0.0772\* (0.0368) | 0.0210 (0.0144) | -0.0113 (0.0432) | -0.0746\* (0.0368) |
| Edu | -0.0158\*\*\* (0.0019) | 0.0045 (0.0055) | 0.0252\*\*\* (0.0049) | -0.018\*\*\* (0.0018) | 0.0062 (0.0055) | 0.0264\*\*\* (0.0049) |
| Employed | -0.0295\* (0.0149) | 0.0080 (0.0459) | 0.0994\*\* (0.0365) | -0.0383\* (0.0151) | 0.0172 (0.0455) | 0.1022\*\* (0.0364) |
| Income1 | 0.1064\*\*\* (0.0249) | -0.0480 (0.0785) | 0.0570 (0.0695) | 0.1001\*\*\* (0.0252) | -0.0448 (0.0779) | 0.0569 (0.0695) |
| Income2 | 0.0733\*\* (0.0221) | 0.0381 (0.0725) | 0.1905\*\*\* (0.0571) | 0.0692\*\* (0.0224) | 0.0423 (0.0719) | 0.1918\*\*\* (0.0570) |
| Income3 | 0.0467\*\* (0.0178) | -0.1014 (0.0533) | 0.0045 (0.0474) | 0.0369\* (0.0181) | -0.0909 (0.0529) | 0.0146 (0.0472) |
| Income4 | 0.0242 (0.0171) | -0.0877 (0.0514) | -0.0705 (0.0452) | 0.0214 (0.0173) | -0.0870 (0.0509) | -0.0664 (0.0451) |
| Interest | 0.1054\*\*\* (0.0142) | 0.1195\*\* (0.0440) | 0.0614 (0.0370) | 0.1059\*\*\* (0.0144) | 0.1259\*\* (0.0437) | 0.0611 (0.0369) |
| Info | -0.0151\*\* (0.0053) | 0.0133 (0.0167) | 0.0754\*\*\* (0.0139) | -0.0195\*\*\* (0.0053) | 0.0123 (0.0166) | 0.0786\*\*\* (0.0138) |
| Internet | -0.0164\*\*\* (0.0030) | 0.0288\*\* (0.0092) | 0.0337\*\*\* (0.0080) | -0.0201\*\*\* (0.0031) | 0.0316\*\*\* (0.0092) | 0.0353\*\*\* (0.0080) |
| Partisan | 0.1349\*\*\* (0.0149) | -0.0485 (0.0447) | 0.1389\*\*\* (0.0379) | 0.1474\*\*\* (0.0151) | -0.0677 (0.0442) | 0.1323\*\*\* (0.0378) |
| Efficacy | 0.0243\*\*\* (0.0071) | -0.0727\*\* (0.0221) | 0.0439\* (0.0191) | 0.0228\*\* (0.0072) | -0.0701\*\* (0.0219) | 0.0448\* (0.0191) |
| Unfair1 | -0.3090\*\*\* (0.0134) | 0.3739\*\*\* (0.0405) | 0.2097\*\*\* (0.0369) |  |  |  |
| Unfair2 |  |  |  | -0.1917\*\*\* (0.0150) | 0.1003 (0.0541) | 0.0933\* (0.0382) |
| Ptrust |  | -0.3039\*\*\* (0.0252) | -0.1242\*\*\* (0.0222) |  | -0.3398\*\*\* (0.0248) | -0.1430\*\*\* (0.0219) |
| Class | 0.0228\*\*\* (0.0043) | 0.0005 (0.0129) | -0.0115 (0.0110) | 0.0235\*\*\* (0.0044) | -0.0050 (0.0129) | -0.0104 (0.0110) |
| WGI | -0.0366 (0.0367) | 0.0757 (0.0505) | -0.0010 (0.0782) | -0.0273 (0.0427) | 0.0645 (0.0504) | -0.0069 (0.0794) |
| GINI | 4.0324\*\*\* (1.1802) | -5.4588\*\*\* (1.6416) | -3.0692 (2.5126) | 4.0459\*\* (1.3720) | -5.5664\*\*\* (1.6421) | -3.0332 (2.5509) |
| GDP | 0.0124 (0.0102) | -0.0422\*\* (0.0140) | -0.0416 (0.0246) | 0.0111 (0.0119) | -0.0403\*\* (0.0140) | -0.0407 (0.0249) |
| U | -0.0573 (0.0527) | 0.0257 (0.0733) | -0.1482 (0.1051) | -0.0713 (0.0613) | 0.0458 (0.0732) | -0.1399 (0.1068) |
| Intercept | -1.2788\* (0.5101) | 3.9783\*\*\* (0.7206) | -0.2742 (1.1263) | -1.3179\* (0.5927) | 4.1103\*\*\* (0.7214) | -0.2485 (1.1428) |
| country variance.(cons) | 0.0381 (0.0164) | 0.0683 (0.0318) | 0.1479 (0.0699) | 0.0515 (0.0222) | 0.0683 (0.0317) | 0.1529 (0.0722) |
| L-likelihood | -15687.684 | -2681.9489 | -3722.7874 | -15869.179 | -2723.3401 | -3736.2005 |
| 2 | 776.88 | 100.08 | 374.49 | 1082.58 | 105.90 | 386.83 |
| N | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 |
| Notes: Numbers in parentheses are standard errors. \*\*\*, \*\*, and \* denote significance at the 0.1%, 1%, and 5%, levels, respectively. LR test vs. (liner) probit model: Prob >= 2 = 0.0000. | | | | | | |

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| **Appendix 11: Perceived fairness of income distribution, political trust, and government corruption - causal mediation analysis (complete results)** | | | | | | |
|  | Corruption perception | | | Corruption experience | | |
| Variable | Ptrust | Unfair1 | Unfair2 | Ptrust | Unfair1 | Unfair2 |
| Corruption (Corruptexp) | -0.2076\*\*\* (0.0090) | 0.3125\*\*\* (0.0165) | 0.1475\*\*\* (0.0170) | -0.1706\*\*\* (0.0227) | 0.2738\*\*\* (0.0400) | 0.1994\*\*\* (0.0404) |
| Ptrust |  | -0.3353\*\*\* (0.0145) | -0.1388\*\*\* (0.0159) |  | -0.3747\*\*\* (0.0143) | -0.1588\*\*\* (0.0157) |
| Gender | 0.0115 (0.0130) | 0.0165 (0.0230) | -0.0184 (0.0243) | 0.0173 (0.0133) | 0.0067 (0.0228) | -0.0245 (0.0243) |
| Age | -0.0029\*\*\* (0.0005) | 0.0004 (0.0009) | -0.0005 (0.0010) | -0.0023\*\*\* (0.0005) | -0.0006 (0.0009) | -0.0010 (0.0010) |
| Married | 0.0220 (0.0147) | 0.0247 (0.0258) | 0.0311 (0.0273) | 0.0284 (0.0149) | 0.0162\*\*\* (0.0256) | 0.0304 (0.0273) |
| Edu | -0.0283\*\*\* (0.0019) | 0.0280 (0.0033) | -0.0090\* (0.0036) | -0.0288\*\*\* (0.0019) | 0.0268 (0.0033) | -0.0095\*\* (0.0036) |
| Employed | 0.0176 (0.0152) | 0.0405 (0.0268) | 0.0896\*\* (0.0284) | 0.0131 (0.0155) | 0.0440 (0.0266) | 0.0895\*\* (0.0284) |
| Income1 | 0.1101\*\*\* (0.0257) | -0.0266 (0.0448) | -0.1256\*\* (0.0487) | 0.1406\*\*\* (0.0261) | -0.0675 (0.0445) | -0.1443\*\* (0.0486) |
| Income2 | 0.0949\*\*\* (0.0228) | 0.0233 (0.0401) | 0.0701 (0.0418) | 0.1098\*\*\* (0.0232) | 0.0031 (0.0398) | 0.0610 (0.0418) |
| Income3 | 0.0248 (0.0182) | 0.1332\*\*\* (0.0322) | -0.0198 (0.0344) | 0.0416\* (0.0185) | 0.1064\*\*\* (0.0319) | -0.0293 (0.0343) |
| Income4 | 0.0205 (0.0177) | 0.0763\* (0.0311) | 0.0351 (0.0328) | 0.0283 (0.0180) | 0.0637\* (0.0308) | 0.0315 (0.0328) |
| Interest | 0.0679\*\*\* (0.0147) | 0.0313 (0.0259) | -0.0599\* (0.0273) | 0.0675\*\*\* (0.0031) | 0.0341 (0.0257) | -0.0589\* (0.0273) |
| Info | -0.0260\*\*\* (0.0054) | 0.0127 (0.0095) | -0.0300\*\* (0.0099) | -0.0277\*\*\* (0.0055) | 0.0147 (0.0094) | -0.0303\*\* (0.0099) |
| Internet | -0.0035 (0.0031) | 0.0078 (0.0054) | 0.0111 (0.0057) | -0.0046 (0.0031) | 0.0088 (0.0054) | 0.0115\* (0.0057) |
| Partisan | 0.2153\*\*\* (0.0143) | -0.0916\*\*\* (0.0253) | 0.0317 (0.0272) | 0.2235\*\*\* (0.0146) | -0.0982\*\*\* (0.0252) | 0.0266 (0.0272) |
| Efficacy | 0.0498\*\*\* (0.0073) | -0.0094 (0.0129) | -0.0315\* (0.0135) | 0.0474\*\*\* (0.0074) | -0.0035 (0.0129) | -0.0293\* (0.0135) |
| Class | 0.0325\*\*\* (0.0045) | -0.0761\*\*\* (0.0078) | -0.1280\*\*\* (0.0085) | 0.0374\*\*\* ((0.0045) | -0.0794\*\*\* (0.0078) | -0.1300\*\*\* (0.0085) |
| WGI | -0.0077 (0.0042) | -0.0846\*\*\* (0.0073) | 0.0456\*\*\* (0.0082) | -0.0198\*\*\* (0.0042) | -0.0656\*\*\* (0.0072) | 0.0555\*\*\* (0.0082) |
| GINI | 3.5322\*\*\* (0.1385) | -1.5723\*\*\* (0.2490) | -6.2760\*\*\* (0.2642) | 4.2818\*\*\* (0.1364) | -2.4483\*\*\* (0.2421) | -6.6892\*\*\* (0.2591) |
| GDP | 0.0028\*\*\* (0.0012) | 0.0176\*\*\* (0.0021) | -0.0144\*\*\* (0.0025) | 0.0088\*\*\* (0.0012) | 0.0087\*\*\* (0.0021) | -0.0188\*\*\* (0.0025) |
| U | -0.0631\*\*\* (0.0061) | 0.1327\*\*\* (0.0107) | 0.0868\*\*\* (0.0115) | -0.0795\*\*\* (0.0062) | 0.1505\*\*\* (0.0106) | 0.0978\*\*\* (0.0115) |
| Intercept | -0.7418\*\*\* (0.0762) | -0.1521 (0.1348) | 2.1378\*\*\* (0.1440) | -1.3911\*\*\* (0.0714) | 0.7418\*\*\* (0.1241) | 2.5558\*\*\* (0.1339) |
| R2 (Pseudo R2) | 0.1894 | 0.1176 | 0.1052 | 0.1626 | 0.1009 | 0.1021 |
| N | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 |
| Notes: Numbers in parentheses are standard errors. \*\*\*, \*\*, and \* denote significance at the 0.1%, 1%, and 5% levels, respectively. | | | | | | |

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| **Appendix 12: Government corruption, political trust, and perceived fairness of income distribution (reciprocal effect) - causal mediation analysis (complete results)** | | | | | | |
|  | Unfair1 | | | Unfair2 | | |
| Variable | Ptrust | Corruption (perception) | Corruptexp (experience) | Ptrust | Corruption (perception) | Corruptexp (experience) |
| Unfair1 (Unfair2) | -0.3776\*\*\* (0.0135) | 0.2863\*\*\* (0.0395) | 0.2532\*\*\* (0.0354) | -0.1531\*\*\* (0.0154) | 0.1486\*\* (0.0524) | 0.1330\*\*\* (0.0366) |
| Ptrust |  | -0.3050\*\*\* (0.0245) | -0.1248\*\*\* (0.0210) |  | -0.3488\*\*\* (0.0240)  0 | -0.1512\*\*\* (0.0205) |
| Gender | 0.0130 (0.0129) | 0.0004 (0.0378) | 0.2080\*\*\* (0.0324) | 0.0107 (0.0132) | 0.0036 (0.0375) | 0.2111\*\*\* (0.0323) |
| Age | -0.0023\*\*\* (0.0005) | -0.0005 (0.0015) | -0.0021 (0.0013) | -0.0024\*\*\* (0.0005) | -0.0003 (0.0015) | -0.0021 (0.0013) |
| Married | 0.0305\* (0.0145) | -0.0071 (0.0426) | -0.0722\* (0.0355) | 0.0315\* (0.0149) | -0.0111 (0.0422) | -0.0705 (0.0354) |
| Edu | -0.0241\*\*\* (0.0019) | -0.0007 (0.0054) | 0.0126\*\* (0.0046) | -0.0294\*\*\* (0.0019) | 0.0022 (0.0053) | 0.0150\*\* (0.0046) |
| Employed | 0.0148 (0.0151) | 0.0425 (0.0450) | 0.1531\*\*\* (0.0348) | 0.0128 (0.0155) | 0.0430 (0.0446) | 0.1532\*\*\* (0.0347) |
| Income1 | 0.1251\*\*\* (0.0254) | -0.0394 (0.0770) | 0.0228 (0.0676) | 0.1330\*\*\* (0.0261) | -0.0370 (0.0765) | 0.0211 (0.0674) |
| Income2 | 0.1020\*\*\* (0.0226) | 0.0339 (0.0709) | 0.1738\*\* (0.0554) | 0.1080\*\*\* (0.0231) | 0.0324 (0.0714) | 0.1720\*\* (0.0552) |
| Income3 | 0.0528\*\* (0.0181) | -0.1143\* (0.0519) | -0.0304 (0.0453) | 0.0407\* (0.0185) | -0.1001 (0.0515) | -0.0141 (0.0450) |
| Income4 | 0.0366\* (0.0176) | -0.0954 (0.0503) | -0.0651 (0.0437) | 0.0312 (0.0180) | -0.0938 (0.0498) | -0.0580 (0.0436) |
| Interest | 0.0692\*\*\* (0.0145) | 0.0888\* (0.0429) | -0.0006 (0.0358) | 0.0651\*\*\* (0.0149) | 0.0982\* (0.0425) | 0.0028 (0.0357) |
| Info | -0.0258\*\*\* (0.0053) | 0.0043 (0.0161) | 0.0666\*\*\* (0.0136) | -0.0307\*\*\* (0.0055) | 0.0044 (0.0160) | 0.0698\*\*\* (0.0135) |
| Internet | -0.0039 (0.0030) | 0.0247\*\* (0.0089) | 0.0252\*\*\* (0.0075) | -0.0049 (0.0031) | 0.0252\*\* (0.0088) | 0.0250\*\*\* (0.0075) |
| Partisan | 0.1935\*\*\* (0.0142) | 0.0224 (0.0412) | 0.2063\*\*\* (0.0345) | 0.2174\*\*\* (0.0145) | 0.0052 (0.0407) | 0.1993\*\*\* (0.0344) |
| Efficacy | 0.0435\*\*\* (0.0073) | -0.0846\*\*\* (0.0215) | 0.0432\* (0.0185) | 0.0449\*\*\* (0.0074) | -0.0837\*\*\* (0.0213) | 0.0434\* (0.0184) |
| Class | 0.0260\*\*\* (0.0044) | -0.0100 (0.0126) | -0.0341\*\* (0.0106) | 0.0327\*\*\* (0.0046) | -0.0155 (0.0126) | -0.0330\*\* (0.0106) |
| WGI | -0.0262\*\*\* (0.0041) | 0.0549\*\*\* (0.0115) | -0.0384\*\*\* (0.0107) | -0.0155\*\*\* (0.0042) | 0.0383\*\*\* (0.0113) | -0.0501\*\*\* (0.0106) |
| GINI | 3.7904\*\*\* (0.1342) | -5.7538\*\*\* (0.1102) | -2.1040\*\*\* (0.3590) | 4.0060\*\*\* (0.1403) | -5.7507\*\*\* (0.4423) | -1.8740\*\*\* (0.3680) |
| GDP | 0.0096\*\*\* (0.0012) | -0.0379\*\*\* (0.0029) | -0.0177\*\*\* (0.0038) | 0.0080\*\*\* (0.0012) | -0.0347\*\*\* (0.0029) | -0.0146\*\*\* (0.0037) |
| U | -0.0519\*\*\* (0.0061) | 0.1145\*\*\* (0.0197) | -0.1396\*\*\* (0.0145) | -0.0704\*\*\* (0.0062) | 0.1351\*\*\* (0.0197) | -0.1278\*\*\* (0.0143) |
| Intercept | -1.0697\*\*\* (0.0705) | 3.9227\*\*\* (0.2228) | -0.4791\*\* (0.1735) | -1.2385\*\*\* (0.0738) | 3.9911\*\*\* (0.2264) | -0.5472\*\* (0.1796) |
| R2 (Pseudo R2) | 0.2035 | 0.2346 | 0.1486 | 0.1651 | 0.2222 | 0.1443 |
| N | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 | 14182 |
| Notes: Numbers in parentheses are standard errors. \*\*\*, \*\*, and \* denote significance at the 0.1%, 1%, and 5% levels, respectively. | | | | | | |
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| **Appendix 13: Perceived fairness of income distribution, political trust, and control of corruption - causal mediation analysis** | | | |
| Variable | Ptrust | Unfair1 | Unfair2 |
| Control of corruption | -0.81\*\*\* (0.04) | 0.53\*\*\* (0.07) | 0.18\* (0.08) |
| Ptrust |  | -0.36\*\*\* (0.01) | -0.16\*\*\* (0.02) |
| Interest | 0.09\*\*\* (0.01) | 0.02 (0.03) | -0.06\* (0.03) |
| Info | -0.03\*\*\* (0.01) | 0.02 (0.01) | -0.03\*\* (0.01) |
| Internet | -0.01\*\* (0.01) | 0.01\* (0.01) | 0.01\* (0.01) |
| Partisan | 0.23\*\*\* (0.01) | -0.10\*\*\* (0.03) | 0.03 (0.03) |
| Efficacy | 0.03\*\*\* (0.01) | 0.01 (0.01) | -0.02 (0.01) |
| Class | 0.04\*\*\* (0.01) | -0.08\*\*\* (0.01) | -0.13\*\*\* (0.01) |
| WGI | 0.06\*\*\* (0.01) | -0.12\*\*\* (0.01) | 0.04\*\*\* (0.01) |
| GINI | 6.67\*\*\* (0.18) | -4.44\*\*\* (0.01) | -7.15\*\*\* (0.36) |
| GDP | 0.04\*\*\* (0.01)) | -0.01\*\*\* (0.01) | -0.02\*\*\* (0.01) |
| U | -0.09\*\*\* (0.01) | 0.16\*\*\* (0.01) | 0.09\*\*\* (0.01) |
| Intercept | -2.75\*\*\* 0.10) | 1.87\*\*\* (0.18) | 2.84\*\*\* (0.19) |
| R2 (Pseudo R2) | 0.18 | 0.10 | 0.10 |
| N | 14,182 | 14,182 | 14,182 |
| Notes: The estimates are with Inclusion of all control variables, but only the estimates of the core variables are shown in this table. Numbers in parentheses are standard errors. \*\*\*, \*\*, and \* denote significance at the 0.1%, 1%, and 5% levels, respectively. | | | |
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| **Appendix 14: Average causal mediation effects and sensitivity results** | | |
| control of corruption → political trust → perceived fairness of income distribution | | |
|  | control of corruption | |
|  | Unfair1 | Unfair2 |
| Average causal mediation effect | 0.0708 | 0.0402 |
| % of total effect mediated | 0.3579 | 0.4169 |
| [95% confidence interval] | [0.0608 0.0810] | [0.0316 0.0489] |
| Average direct effect | 0.1264 | 0.0557 |
| Total effect | 0.1972 | 0.0959 |
| Sensitivity results |  |  |
| ρ at which ACME = 0 | -0.2 | -0.1 |
| at which ACME = 0 | 0.04 | 0.01 |
| at which ACME = 0 | 0.0264 | 0.0066 |
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