

Codebook for Davis, Fuchs and Johnson: “State Control and the Effects of Foreign Relations on Bilateral Trade” (*Journal of Conflict Resolution*)

Identifying variables

Reporter code [variable name: **code1**] – Reporter country code (China or India).

Partner code [variable name: **code**] – Partner country code.

Year [variable name: **year**] – Year under observation.

Trade data

Imports [variable name: **imports_con**] – Imports (in constant 2005 US\$). Source: Own construction as described in the paper.

(log) Imports [variable name: **imports_con_LN**] – Logged imports (in constant 2005 US\$). Source: Own construction as described in the paper.

Imports (private) [variable name: **imports_pri_con**] – Imports under control of private enterprises (in constant 2005 US\$). Source: Own construction as described in the paper.

(log) Imports (private) [variable name: **imports_pri_con_LN**] – Logged imports under control of private enterprises (in constant 2005 US\$). Source: Own construction as described in the paper.

Imports (SOE) [variable name: **imports_soe_con**] – Imports under control of state-owned enterprises (in constant 2005 US\$). Source: Own construction as described in the paper.

(log) Imports (SOE) [variable name: **imports_soe_con_LN**] – Logged imports under control of state-owned enterprises (in constant 2005 US\$). Source: Own construction as described in the paper.

Exports (private) [variable name: **exports_pri_con**] – Exports under control of private enterprises (in constant 2005 US\$). Source: Own construction as described in the paper.

(log) Exports (private) [variable name: **exports_pri_con_LN**] – Logged exports under control of private enterprises (in constant 2005 US\$). Source: Own construction as described in the paper.

Exports (SOE) [variable name: **exports_soe_con**] – Exports under control of state-owned enterprises (in constant 2005 US\$). Source: Own construction as described in the paper.

(log) Exports (SOE) [variable name: **exports_soe_con_LN**] – Logged exports under control of state-owned enterprises (in constant 2005 US\$). Source: Own construction as described in the paper.

Variables of interest

Negative events [variable name: **GDELTn**] – Sum of the negative events weighted by Goldstein scores (in thousands), lag. Source: GDELT (Leetaru and Schrodtt, 2013).

(log) Negative events [variable name: **GDELTn_In1**] – Logged sum of the negative events weighted by Goldstein scores (in thousands), lag. Source: GDELT (Leetaru and Schrodtt, 2013).

Negative events (government) [variable name: **GDELTn_gov**] – Sum of the negative events weighted by Goldstein scores (government actors, in thousands), lag. Source: GDELT (Leetaru and Schrodtt, 2013).

(log) Negative events (government) [variable name: **GDELTn_gov_In1**] – Logged sum of the negative events weighted by Goldstein scores (government actors, in thousands), lag. Source: GDELT (Leetaru and Schrodtt, 2013).

Negative events (military) [variable name: **GDELTn_mil**] – Sum of the negative events weighted by Goldstein scores (military actors, in thousands), lag. Source: GDELT (Leetaru and Schrodtt, 2013).

(log) Negative events (military) [variable name: **GDELTn_mil_In1**] – Logged sum of the negative events weighted by Goldstein scores (military actors, in thousands), lag. Source: GDELT (Leetaru and Schrodtt, 2013).

UNGA voting (ideal point distance) [variable name: **ipdistance**] – Distance between a pair of states' foreign policy preferences based on UNGA voting, lag. Source: Bailey, Strezhnev and Voeten (2017).

(log) UNGA voting (ideal point distance) [variable name: **ipdistance_In1**] – Logged distance between a pair of states' foreign policy preferences based on UNGA voting, lag. Source: Bailey, Strezhnev and Voeten (2017).

Negative events (from King & Lowe) [variable name: **GNCUM**] – Sum of the negative Goldstein scores. Source: GDELT (King and Lowe, 2003).

(log) Negative events (from King & Lowe) [variable name: **GNCUM_In1**] – Logged sum of the negative Goldstein scores, lag. Source: GDELT (King and Lowe, 2003).

Control variables

US ally [variable name: **atop_ally_usa1**] – 1 if the partner country and USA share an alliance, lag. Source: ATOP (atop.rice.edu).

Common language [variable name: **comlang_ethno**] – 1 if China/India and partner country share a language (>9% of the population). Source: CEPII (Mayer and Zignago, 2011).

Neighbor [variable name: **contig**] – 1 if China/India and partner country share a common border. Source: CEPII (Mayer and Zignago, 2011).

Distance [variable name: **distw**] – Distance between China/India and partner country (between the respective major cities, population-weighted, in km). Source: CEPII (Mayer and Zignago, 2011).

(log) Distance [variable name: **distw_ln**] – Logged distance between China/India and partner country (between the respective major cities, population-weighted, in km). Source: CEPII (Mayer and Zignago, 2011).

GDP [variable name: **gdp_con**] – Gross domestic product of partner country (in constant 2005 US\$). Source: WDI 2013 (data.worldbank.org).

(log) GDP [variable name: **gdp_con_ln1**] – Logged gross domestic product of partner country (in constant 2005 US\$), lag. Source: WDI 2013 (data.worldbank.org).

Landlocked [variable name: **landlocked**] – 1 if partner country is landlocked. Source: CEPII (Mayer and Zignago, 2011).

Polity [variable name: **polity21**] – Revised Combined Polity Score of partner country (+10 (strongly democratic) to -10 (strongly autocratic)), lag. Source: Marshall, Gurr and Jaggers (2013).

Population [variable name: **population**] – Population size of partner country, lag. Source: WDI 2012 (data.worldbank.org).

(log) Population [variable name: **population_ln1**] – Logged population size of partner country, lag. Source: WDI 2012 (data.worldbank.org).

WTO member [variable name: **wto1**] – 1 if partner country is a WTO member in most of the year, lag. Source: WTO (www.wto.org).

Comparison with South Africa and the United States

Imports [variable name: **imports_usazaf_con**] – Imports (in constant 2005 US\$). Source: UN Comtrade (wits.worldbank.org). Note: Saved under country code “CHN” for the United States and “IND” for South Africa.

(log) Imports [variable name: **imports_usazaf_con_LN**] – Logged imports (in constant 2005 US\$). Source: UN Comtrade (wits.worldbank.org). Note: Saved under country code “CHN” for the United States and “IND” for South Africa.

Negative events (government) [variable name: **XGDELTn_gov**] – Sum of the negative events weighted by Goldstein scores (government actors, in thousands), lag. Source: GDELT (Leetaru and Schrodtt, 2013). Note: Saved under country code “CHN” for the United States and “IND” for South Africa.

(log) Negative events (government) [variable name: **XGDELTn_gov_ln1**] – Logged sum of the negative events weighted by Goldstein scores (government actors, in thousands), lag. Source: GDELT (Leetaru and Schrodtt, 2013). Note: Saved under country code “CHN” for the United States and “IND” for South Africa.

Negative events (military) [variable name: **XGDELTn_mil**] – Sum of the negative events weighted by Goldstein scores (military actors, in thousands), lag. Source: GDELT (Leetaru and Schrodtt, 2013). Note: Saved under country code “CHN” for the United States and “IND” for South Africa.

(log) Negative events (military) [variable name: **XGDELTn_mil_ln1**] – Logged sum of the negative events weighted by Goldstein scores (military actors, in thousands), lag. Source: GDELT (Leetaru and Schrodtt, 2013). Note: Saved under country code “CHN” for the United States and “IND” for South Africa.

UNGA voting (ideal point distance) [variable name: **Xipdistance**] – Distance between a pair of states’ foreign policy preferences based on UNGA voting, lag. Source: Bailey, Strezhnev and Voeten (2017). Note: Saved under country code “CHN” for the United States and “IND” for South Africa.

(log) UNGA voting (ideal point distance) [variable name: **Xipdistance_ln1**] – Logged distance between a pair of states’ foreign policy preferences based on UNGA voting, lag. Source: Bailey, Strezhnev and Voeten (2017). Note: Saved under country code “CHN” for the United States and “IND” for South Africa.

Robustness tests

Oil states [variable name: **oil_state**] – 1 if country with gross revenues from net oil exports that exceed ten percent of GDP in 2000. Source: Colgan (2010).

Note: Please find more detailed descriptions of the construction of the variables in the main paper.