Emails from Official Sources Can Increase Turnout

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Data Replication Archive README

--- Replication files: ---

Email_replication.do
Nov2009post.dta
Nov2009_treatments.dta
June10post.dta
june10_treatments.dta
Nov2010post.dta
Nov2010_treatments.dta
pave_control.xls
registrar_control.xls
registrar_pave.xls
README.txt

--- Replication instructions: ---

Email_replication.do contains STATA code to merge three post-election voter files, *post.dta, with our pre-election experimental treatment and control data contained in three files, *treatments.dta. The code will create the variables that we used in the analysis and generate all results reported in the paper separately for each election. The code will not create formatted tables of the results.

To start, change STATA's working directory to the data replication archive folder. Increase STATA's memory to 500m. For November 2009 results, run the blocks of code labeled:

** OPEN DB FILE
** MERGE WITH EXPERIMENTAL TREATMENT INFO
** CREATE RELEVANT VARIABLES

To obtain balance test results (Table 1), run the block of code labeled **BALANCE TESTS.

To obtain turnout rate results (Table 2), run the block of code labeled **ITT EFFECTS.

Identical model-based results can be obtained by running the block of code labeled **MODEL EFFECTS.

For June 2010 and November 2010 results, run the similarly labeled blocks of code immediately below the code for November 2009.
To obtain pooled model results, separately open and run each of the Excel spreadsheets, which are pre-populated with individual study results for the particular quantity of interest (Registrar - Control in registrar_control.xls; PAVE - Control in pave_control.xls; and Registrar - PAVE in registrar_pave.xls). You must enable macros for the meta-analysis models to execute.