READ ME – Excel DATA FILE for "Fixed-effect versus random-effects meta-analysis in economics: A study of pass-through rates for alcohol beverage excise taxes"

The Excel data file contains 76 observations used in the fixed-effect and random-effects meta-analysis. Variables reported are as follows:

1 Study name/number ID – primary study

2 Subgroup ID

3 effect – this is the reported pass-through rate in the primary study

4 stderr – reported standard error of rate in the primary study

5 tstat – calculated as (effect/stderr)

6 wts – calculated as (1/se2)

7 se2 – variance calculated as square of stderr

8 NotUS – dummy for country

9 Micro – dummy for data

10 OLS – dummy for method

11 Real – dummy for data

12 Publish – dummy for publication status

13 WineSpirit – dummy for beverage

14 Beer – dummy for beverage

15 Wine – dummy for wine only observations