Codebook for the replication data of "Preferences for Female Successors: Evidence from a Survey Experiment among Japanese Local Politicians"

woman

Experimental treatment: gender of the hypothetical potential successor

0: Man

1: Woman

young

Experimental treatment: age of the hypothetical potential successor

0: 65 years old

1: 32 years old

nomination

Outcome variable: nomination willingness

"If you were thinking of retiring from your position as a local council member and were looking for a successor, would you be willing to nominate this person as your successor? Please select one option that applies. (If you feel that neither option fully applies, please choose the one that you feel is closest.)"

1: I would be unwilling to appoint them.

2: I would be somewhat reluctant to appoint them.

3: I would be somewhat willing to appoint them.

4: I would be willing to appoint them.

support

Outcome variable: perceived support

"If this person were to become your successor, how satisfied do you think your supporters and local support base would be? Please select one option that applies. (If you feel that neither option fully applies, please choose the one that you feel is closest.)"

1: I think they would not accept it.

2: I think they would somewhat not accept it.

3: I think they would somewhat accept it.

4: I think they would accept it.

electability

Outcome variable: perceived electability

“If this person were to become your successor, do you think this person would be able to obtain enough support to get elected from the local constituencies? Please select one option that applies. (If you feel that neither option fully applies, please choose the one that you feel is closest.)”

1: I think they would not gain the necessary support to win.

2: I think they would somewhat likely not gain the necessary support to win.

3: I think they would somewhat likely gain the necessary support to win.

4: I think they would gain the necessary support to win.

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Respondent’s gender

0: Man

1: Woman

R.age

Respondent’s coarsened age

1: 20s or 30s

2: 40s

3: 50s

4: 60s

5: 70s or older

tenure

Respondent’s coarsened years in office

1: less than 5 years

2: 5–9 years

3: 10–19 years

4: 20–29 years

5: 30 or more years

DID

Urbanization score: coarsened proportion of the population residing in densely inhabited districts (DID) in the respondent’s municipality

1: DID ratio < 0.2
2: 0.2 ≤ DID ratio < 0.3
3: 0.3 ≤ DID ratio < 0.4
4: 0.4 ≤ DID ratio < 0.5
5: 0.5 ≤ DID ratio < 0.6
6: 0.6 ≤ DID ratio < 0.7
7: 0.7 ≤ DID ratio < 0.8
8: 0.8 ≤ DID ratio < 0.9
9: 0.9 ≤ DID ratio < 1
10: DID ratio = 1

magnitude
Magnitude score: coarsened average district magnitude (M) in the respondent's municipality
1: M < 10
2: 10 ≤ M < 15
3: 15 ≤ M < 20
4: 20 ≤ M < 25
5: 25 ≤ M < 30
6: 30 ≤ M < 35
7: 35 ≤ M < 40
8: 40 ≤ M

designated
Whether the respondent's municipality is an ordinance-designated city (seirei-shitei toshi)
0: No
1: Yes

code
Anonymized municipality code
999: Missing

cluster
ID of the block used for multivariate continuous blocking
999: Missing