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Folder: data (.dta)

- ✓ schooling_final_data.dta: This is the main data used for Tables 1, 2, B.1, C.1, D.3, D.8, D.10, D.12, D.15,
- ✓ labourmarket_glss_final.dta: data for Tables B.3, B.4, C.4, C.5, C.6, C.7, D.5
- ✓ Grade_final_early_life.dta: This the main data used for Grade results in Tables 3, 4, B.2, C.2, D.4, D.7, D.9, D.11, D.13, D.16
- ✓ cognitive_raven_final.dta: This the main data used for Raven/IQ results in Tables 3, 4, B.2, C.2, C.3, D.4, D.7, D.9, D.11, D.13, D.16
- ✓ land_coverd_by_cocoa_ghana.dta: data for Figure B.3
- ✓ cocoa_producer_world_price.dta: data for Figure B.1, Figure B.2, Figure D.1
- ✓ Ghana_2000_2010_census.dta: data for Table C.11
- ✓ grade_other_instruments_data: data for Grade results in Table D.2
- ✓ cognitive_raven_other_instruments_data: data for Raven/IQ results in Table D.2
- ✓ schooling_other_instruments_data: data for Table D.1
- ✓ mother_weight.dta: data for Table C.8
- ✓ miscarriage_1998_2008_full.dta: data for Table D.6 (Column 1)
- ✓ mortality_1988_2008_full.dta: data for Table D.6 (Column 2, and 3) and Table D.6 (Column 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8)
- ✓ schooling_recent_2003_2013_data: data for Table D.14
- ✓ investment_1988_2008_full.dta: data for Tables C.9 and C.10

Folder: do (.do)

- ✓ contemporaneous_schooling: code to produce Tables 1, 2, B.1, C.1, D.3, D.8, D.10, D, 12, D.15
- ✓ contemporaneous_labour: code to produce Tables B.3, B.4, C.4, C.5, C.6, C.7, D.5
- ✓ Early_life_grade: code to produce Grade results in Tables 3, 4, B.2, C.2, D.4, D.7, D.9, D.11, D.13, D.16
- ✓ Early_life_raven: code to produce Raven/IQ results in Tables 3, 4, B.2, C.2, C.3, D.4, D.7, D.9, D.11, D.13, D.16
- ✓ Figures: code to get Figure B.3, Figure B.1, Figure B.2, and Figure D.1
- ✓ long_term_census: code to produce Table C.11
- ✓ Other_Instruments_Early_life: run code to get results in Table D.2
- ✓ Other_Instruments_Schooling: code for Table D.1
- ✓ robust_using_DHS; do file for Table C.8 and D.6, C.9 and C.10
- ✓ Schooling_21st_century_data: code for Table D.14

Data construction:

- ➢ We use Ghana Living Standard Surveys (GLSS1, GLSS2, GLSS3, GLSS4, GLSS5, and GLSS6) to construct schooling_final_data.dta, labourmarket_glss_final.dta, as well as Grade_final_early_life.dta
- ➢ We use Ghana Living Standards Survey Round 2 (GLSS2) and the Ghana Education Impact Evaluation Survey (GEIES) to create cognitive_raven_final.dta
- ➢ We assemble Ghana_2000_2010_census.dta using Ghana 2000 and 2010 census data

- Using Ghana Demographic and Health Surveys (GDHS) collected in 1993, 1998, 2003 and 2008, we construct mother_weight.dta
- We use Ghana Demographic and Health Surveys (GDHS) collected in 1988, 1993, 1998, 2003 and 2008 for mortality_1988_2008_full.dta and investment_1988_2008_full.dta
- miscarriage_1998_2008_full.dta is created using Ghana Demographic and Health Surveys (GDHS) collected in 1998, 2003 and 2008.
- For schooling_recent_2003_2013_data, we use GLSS5 and GLSS6 along with the Ghana Education Impact Evaluation Survey (GEIES) from 2003 and the Ghana Socioeconomic Panel Survey from 2009/2010