Downward Rigidity in the Wage for New Hires

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Importance of Wage Rigidity for New Hires

- If wages are rigid downward, unemployment rises sharply during recessions (Keynes 1936, Hall 2005)
- Wage for new hires is particularly important (Pissarides 2009)
- **Limited evidence** of downward rigidity for new hires

Job Composition: Challenge for Measuring New Hire Wage

Previous work: average wage for new hires (e.g. Haefke, Sonntag & van Rens 2013)

Key challenge: job composition (Gertler & Trigari 2009)

 $\Delta \text{average wage} = \Delta \text{job-level wage} + \Delta \text{job composition}$

- E.g.: high wage bankers + low wage baristas
- Share of barista hires rises
- Average wage for hires falls even if wages do not fall for bankers + baristas
- Previous estimates are **imprecise**

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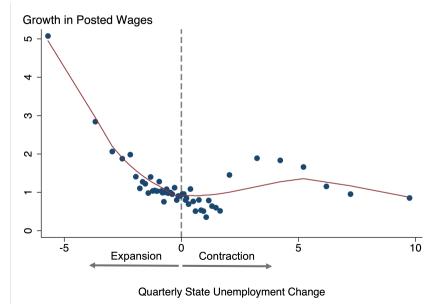
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- We can measure **job-level** wage:
 - Between successive vacancies of job title and establishment
- Example: a physical establishment of Starbucks
 - Posts vacancies for baristas, pays an hourly wage

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 - Duration of unchanged wages is 3.3 quarters
 - \blacksquare Conditional on change, increase is ${\sim}3$ times more likely
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- Downward rigidity and asymmetric unemployment dynamics (Schmitt-Grohé & Uribe 2016; Chodorow-Reich & Wieland 2020; Dupraz, Nakamura & Steinsson 2021; Guerrieri, Lorenzoni, Straub & Werning 2021)
 Contribution: new evidence on asymmetry

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Dataset: Posted Wages in Burning Glass

Burning Glass Data (1/2)

Online vacancies from Burning Glass Technologies:

- Establishment level dataset of vacancies, with job titles, industry + occ info
- Reports posted wage with pay frequency and bonus + overtime pay
- $\blacksquare \sim 1/3$ of vacancies post a range, the rest post point wages
- Time period: 2010-2021Q1

Sample selection:

- \blacksquare Online vacancies are ${\sim}80\%$ of total US vacancies
- Only 20% of online vacancies post wages
- \rightarrow Our sample (online vacancies with wages) ${\sim}15\%$ of total US vacancies

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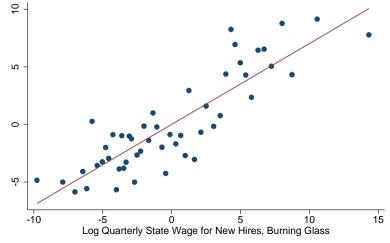
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#3 Wage posted on vacancy may differ from wage for new hire Solution: compare to new hire wage from **survey** data

Burning Glass Tracks Wage for New Hires from CPS Additional

Coefficient = 1.03, SE = .25, State Fixed Effects

Log Quarterly State Wage for Newly Hired Workers, CPS



Job-Level Wages in Burning Glass

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- #2 Purge wage changes due to job composition
 - \blacksquare Regression of log wages on job fixed effect has R squared >90%
 - Our measure of job captures relevant heterogeneity

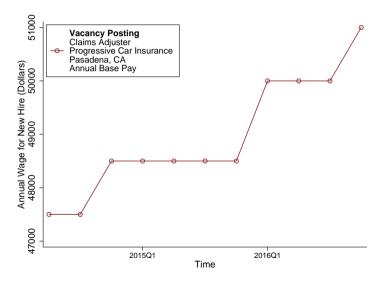


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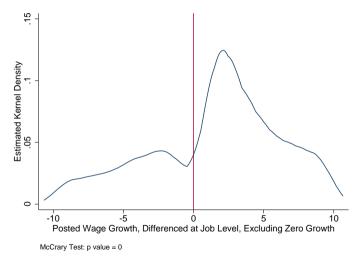
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	No weight	Occ. weight	State weight
Duration Unchanged Wages	3.33	3.03	3.42
Number of observations	5 667 270	5 431 959	5 667 270



Job-Level Wages Rise More Often Than Fall

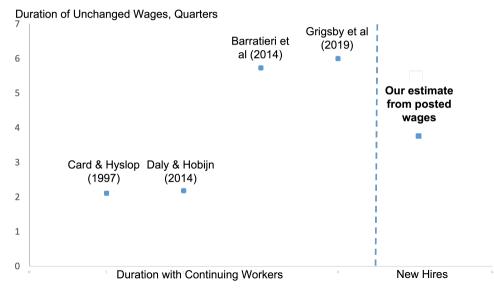
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Job-Level Wage Changes and Unemployment Changes

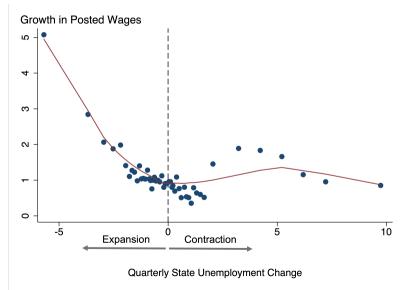
- Study response of job-level wages to **state** business cycles
 - States are natural labor market (Yagan 2019; Beraja, Hurst & Ospina 2019) Details

Specification

$$\Delta \log w_{ist} = lpha + \gamma_t + \beta \Delta U_{st} + \delta I [\Delta U_{st} < 0] \Delta U_{st} + \varepsilon_{ist}$$

- w_{ist} = nominal **posted wage**, job *i* and quarter *t*
- U_{st} = quarter-state unemployment, for 2010-2021
- Difference wages at job level
- Instrument for ΔU_{st} with QCEW employment growth

Wages Respond to Expansions But Not Contractions



		$\Delta \log w_{ist}$
ΔU_{st}	0.08	
	(0.02)	
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	(0.14)	(0.25)	(0.25)		(0.26)
Time Effect	Ν	Y	Y	Y	Y
State Trend	Ν	Ν	Y	Ν	Ν
Real Wages	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Y
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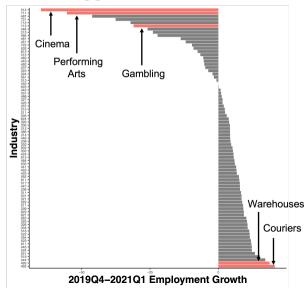
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- 1. Industry "shift share" instrument

 Δ labor demand_{st} = \sum_{i} state industry share_{is} × Δ national industry employment_{i,-s}

ID assumption: variation in industry employment due to labor demand

Industry Variation Suggests Labor Demand Shocks



Identifying Labor Demand Shocks

- Now: document downward wage rigidity with respect to labor demand shocks
- 1. Industry "shift share" instrument ID assumption: variation in industry employment due to labor demand
- 2. Labor supply controls: (e.g. UI replacement rate \times CARES Act indicator) ID assumption: controls absorb all labor supply shocks
- 3. Oil shock

ID assumption: regional response to oil shock uncorrelated with labor supply

(+ All results hold pre-pandemic)

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	Baseline	Industry Shift Share	Labor Supply Controls	Oil Shock	
ΔU_{st}	0.11	0.01	0.06	0.11	
	(0.04)	(0.41)	(0.037)	(0.21)	
$\Delta U_{st} imes I(\Delta U_{st} < 0)$	-1.50	-1.52	-1.53	-1.21	
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Downward Rigidity: Robustness and Extensions

- Establishment level results
 - Similar downward rigidity at establishment-level vs. job-level Details
- Further job-level specifications (Specifications)
 - Similar results pre 2020
- Industry evidence (3 digit) Details
- (Lack of) heterogeneity by occupation Details
- (Lack of) heterogeneity by degree of wage bargaining Details
- No evidence of substitution in response to downward wage rigidity (Details)
- Downward wage rigidity in calibrated model Details

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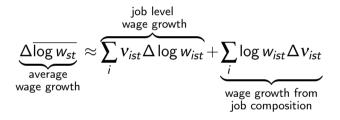
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Job Composition: Average vs. Job-Level Wages

Economy: I job types, S regions, T periods, wage for hire w_{ist} , share v_{ist}

• Wage growth for new hires:



Prior work: average wage growth from survey data

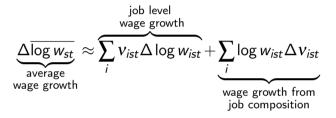
(e.g. Haefke, Sonntag & van Rens 2013)

Our paper: job level wage growth

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Variance of average wage growth higher than job-level wage growth

If composition and job-level wages independent

Regressions with Average Wages Less Precise

• Our benchmark regression:

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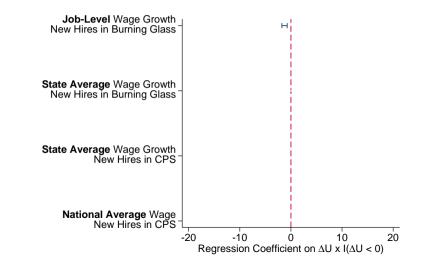
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Omitted variable bias less important (Details)

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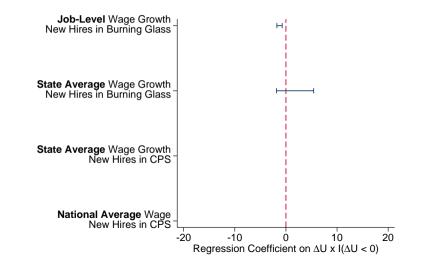
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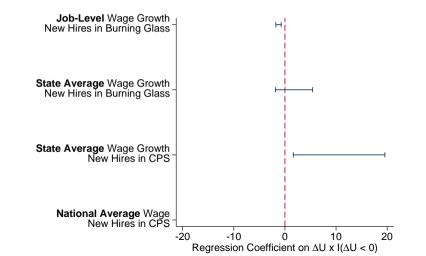


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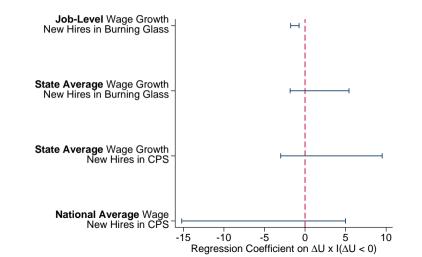


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Downward Rigidity and Wage Flexibility Upward

Standard model of downward wage rigidity in DMP model

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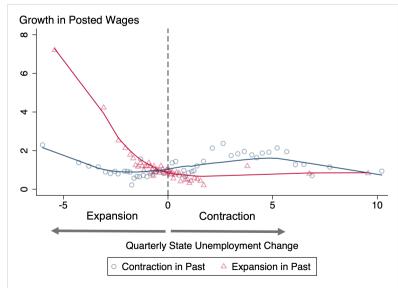
Model predicts state dependent wage flexibility upward

1. Aftermath of large contraction-wages inflexible upward

$$\Delta y_{t-1} << 0 \implies w_t = w_{t-1} > w_t^* \implies \partial w_t / \partial_+ y_t = 0$$

2. Aftermath of large expansion—wages flexible upward

$$\Delta y_{t-1} >> 0 \implies w_t = w_t^* > w_{t-1} \implies \partial w_t / \partial_+ y_t > 0$$



Wage Flexibility Upward: Regression Estimates

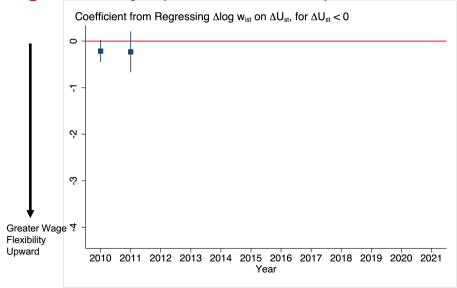
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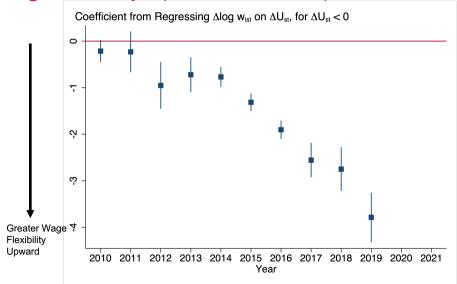
Study wage flexibility upward: restrict sample to $\Delta U_{st} < 0$

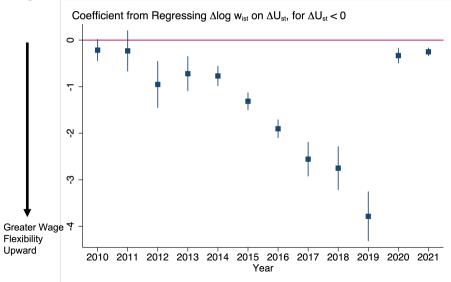
- $\Delta \log w_{ist} =$ growth in wage for new hires at job-level
- $U_{st} =$ quarterly state unemployment
- κ is wage flexibility upward
- Estimate regression coefficient κ_y separately for every year

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State Dependent Wage Flexibility—Implications

- Estimates of average wage cyclicality hard to interpret
- "Missing wage growth" during 2010-2014 after the Great Recession
- Wage growth may accelerate further after pandemic recession

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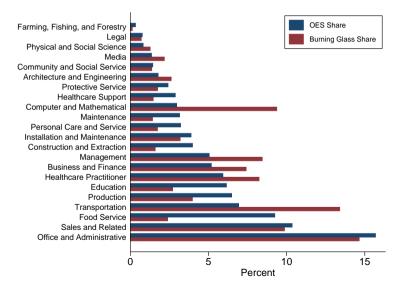
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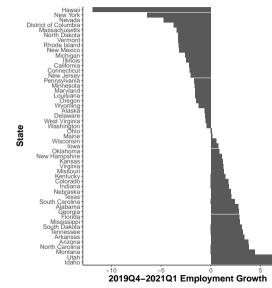
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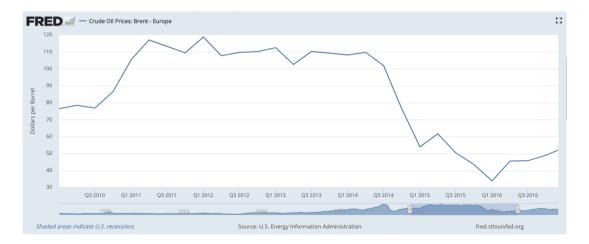
Occupation Shares in Burning Glass Return



Regional Business Cycles Return







Further Job-Level Specifications (1/2) (Return

	Coefficient $\Delta U_{st} imes I(\Delta U_{st} < 0)$	S.E.	Ν
Baseline	-1.501	(0.250)	5 554 157
Occupation weight	-1.617	(0.288)	5 324 569
Control for fill rate	-1.437	(0.292)	3 605 634
No bonuses	-1.760	(0.304)	5 344 277
Region weight	-1.618	(0.275)	5 554 157
Seasonal dummy	-1.854	(0.298)	5 554 157
Seasonal (X-11)	-1.923	(0.310)	5 554 157

Further Job-Level Specifications (2/2)

	Coefficient $\Delta U_{st} imes I(\Delta U_{st} < 0)$	S.E.	N
4 quarter diff. only	-1.902	(1.213)	346 077
No wage range	-1.824	(0.321)	2 222 025
No time FE	-0.896	(0.174)	5 554 157
No consecutive quarters	-1.734	(0.288)	2 657 855
Pool across pay category	-1.880	(0.311)	4 406 565
Before 2020	-3.175	(0.301)	3 691 677
Oil shock before 2020	-8.905	(2.347)	3 690 214

Industry Evidence Return

	Quarterly Job-Level Growth in					
	Wage for New Hires					
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)		
$\Delta \log(employment_{it})$	-0.0175	-0.0180	-0.0153	-0.0143		
	(0.00262)	(0.00314)	(0.00260)	(0.00278)		
$\Delta \log(employment_{it})$	0.0453	0.0480	0.0421	0.0472		
$\times I(\Delta \log(\text{employment}_{it}) > 0)$	(0.00916) (0.00858) (0.00727) (0.00789)					
Time Effects	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Industry Trend	Ν	Y	Ν	Ν		
Seasonally Adjusted	Ν	Ν	Ν	Y		
Number of observations	2 577 742	2 577 742	2 577 742	2 577 742		
Industry clusters	78	78	78	78		

Establishment Robustness (1/2) Return

	Growth in Wage for	New Hires
	Establishment-Level	Job-Level
ΔU_{st}	0.00392	-0.0517
	(0.313)	(0.256)
$\Delta U_{st} imes I(\Delta U_{st} < 0)$	-1.082**	-1.255***
	(0.382)	(0.265)
Time Effect	Y	Y
Ν	1845695	1845695
State Clusters	52	52

Establishment Robustness (1/2)

Dependent Variable:	Quarterly	Establishmei	nt Growth in	Wage for New Hires
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Independent Variable:				
ΔU_{st}	0.00392	-0.268	-0.0431	-0.909***
	(0.313)	(0.353)	(0.341)	(0.0737)
$\Delta U_{st} imes I(\Delta U_{st} < 0)$	-1.082**	-0.785^{+}	-1.021*	
	(0.382)	(0.427)	(0.414)	
Time Effect	Y	Y	Y	Y
State Trend	Ν	Y	Ν	Ν
QCEW Weight	Ν	Ν	Y	Ν
N	1845695	1845695	1845695	1845695
State Clusters	52	52	52	52

Lack of Occupation Heterogeneity Recurn

Dependent Variable:	Quarterly Job-Level Growth in Wage for New Hires				
Occupation Group:	Management	Services	Sales	Construction	Production
$\Delta U_{st} imes I(\Delta U_{st} < 0)$	-1.177**	-1.410***	-0.983*	-1.043*	-1.552***
	(0.348)	(0.310)	(0.447)	(0.433)	(0.321)
Number of Observations	568307	195274	342738	75637	329647

Job Composition and Average Wages Return

Dependent Variable:	Quarterly Growth in Wage for New Hires				
	State, CPS		National, CPS	National, NLSY	
	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
Independent Variable:					
$\Delta {\sf U}{\sf n}{\sf e}{\sf m}{\sf p}{\sf l}{\sf o}{\sf y}{\sf m}{\sf e}{\sf n}{\sf t}$	-5.748	-8.141	3.770	-1.779	
	(4.359)	(5.903)	(3.468)	(3.172)	
Δ Unemployment $ imes$	10.59*	13.78	-5.108	2.935	
$I\left(\Delta {\sf U}{\sf nemployment} < 0 ight)$	(4.560)	(6.886)	(5.151)	(4.311)	
Hagedorn/Manovskii	Ν	Ν	Ν	Y	
Cumulative Tightness Control					
Ν	1377	1377	83	83	
State Clusters	51	51	-	-	

Job-Level Wages: Measurement (1/2) Record

- Define a job as a job title by establishment by pay category
- Restrict to jobs with multiple vacancies
- Take mean posted wage within each job-quarter
- \blacksquare ~5 million vacancies remaining
- Covers 99% of 6 digit occupations by national employment share

Job-Level Wages: Measurement (2/2)

	Min	Max	Average	Total
Total Vacancy Posts				5 554 157
Share of 6 digit SOC occupations				.99
covered in the OES				
Posts Per Job	2	23	2.5	
Jobs per 6 digit SOC	1	176081	1247.2	
occupation				
Jobs per State	264	118 076	19 909	
Jobs per Quarter	7 519	117 566	38 343	

Annual Probability of Change Return

	Unweighted	OES Weights	QCEW Weights
Probability of	0.405	0.418	0.402
Job-Level Wage Change			
Probability of	0.088	0.095	0.09
Job-Level Wage Decrease			
Probability of	0.304	0.305	0.3
Job-Level Wage Increase			
Implied Duration	1.841	1.836	1.875
Wages Are Unchanged (Years)			

Job-Level Wages Rise More Often Than Fall Recurn

	Unweighted	OES Weights	QCEW Weights	High Wage
Prob. of Job-Level	0.11			
Wage Increase				
Prob. Job-Level	0.04			
Wage Decrease				
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	Unweighted	OES Weights	QCEW Weights	High Wage
Prob. of Job-Level	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11
Wage Increase				
Prob. Job-Level	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04
Wage Decrease				



Composition Bias Return

Panel A:	Quarterly Change in State Share of					
	High Wage Vacancies					
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)		
ΔU_{st}	-0.654	-1.040	4.815	-0.0414		
	(0.831)	(1.286)	(2.677)	(0.393)		
$\Delta U_{st} imes I(\Delta U_{st} < 0)$	0.982	1.549	-3.537			
	(1.270)	(1.927)	(5.138)			
Time Effect	Y	Y	Y	Y		
State Trend	Ν	Y	Ν	Ν		
QCEW Weight	Ν	Ν	Υ	Ν		
N	1404	1404	1404	1404		

Gap Between Burning Glass and CPS Wages Return

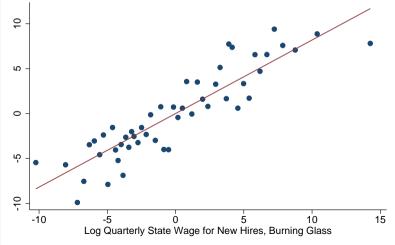
 $\Delta[\log(\text{Burning Glass Wage}_{st}) - \log(\text{CPS New Hire Wage}_{st})]$

ΔU_{st}	-0.0917	
	(1.431)	
State FE	Ν	
N	1377	

Burning Glass Tracks Earnings for New Hires from QWI

Coefficient = 1.18, SE = .35, State Fixed Effects

Log Quarterly State Earnings for Newly Hired Workers, QWI

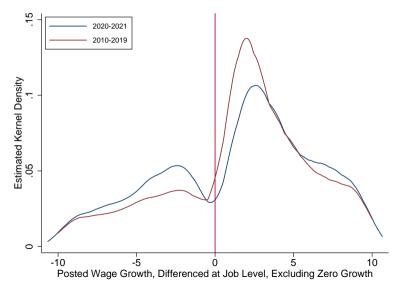


Average Wages: No Rigidity Due to Job Composition continue

Previous work studies **average** wage for new hires

- Our finding:
 - Average wages do not display downward rigidity
 - Even though wages downwardly rigid at job level
 - Key reason is job composition
- Due to job composition:
 - Average wages have higher variance than job-level wages
 - $\rightarrow\,$ Regressions with average wages too imprecise to detect downward rigidity

Job-Level Wage Changes Before vs. After 2020 Return



State Share of Vacancies Posting Wages Return

	Change in Share of State			
	Vacancies with Wage			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Quarterly State	-0.654	-1.040	4.815	-0.0414
Unemployment Change	(0.831)	(1.286)	(2.677)	(0.393)
Annual State	0.982	1.549	-3.537	
Unemployment Change	(1.270)	(1.927)	(5.138)	
Time Effect	Y	Y	Y	Y
State Trend	Ν	Υ	Ν	Ν
QCEW Weight	Ν	Ν	Y	Ν
N	1404	1404	1404	1404

Job-Level Wages in Model with Heterogeneous Jobs Return

DMP model with heterogeneous jobs as in Elsby & Michaels (2013)

- Continuum of firms $i \in [0, 1]$
 - Heterogeneous and idiosyncratic productivity x_{it}
 - Decreasing returns to scale
 - Pay job-level wage w_{it}
- All other parts of the model are standard DMP:
 - Frictional labor market with random search, *u*_t unemployed workers
 - Exogenous separations
 - Process for aggregate labor productivity y_t
 - Risk neutral hand-to-mouth workers

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- At aggregate steady state (Ljungqvist & Sargent 2017)

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At aggregate steady state (Ljungqvist & Sargent 2017)

To a first order in a neighborhood of the deterministic steady state, we have

$$\frac{d\log u}{d\log y} = -A + B \int_0^1 \frac{dw_{it}}{dy} di$$

for constants A, B > 0.

Lack of Establishment Level Substitution Return

	Quarterly Change in Share of Establishment Vacancies			
	in High Wage Occupations		with High Wages	
ΔU_{st}	0.158	0.922	-0.0296	-0.0031
	(0.370)	(0.642)	(0.0358)	(0.0577)
$\Delta U_{st} imes I(\Delta U_{st} < 0)$	0.167	-0.158	0.0537	0.0173
	(0.441)	(0.735)	(0.0369)	(.0648)
Time Effect	Y	Y	Y	Y
Size Weighted	Ν	Y	Ν	Y
N	1770257	1770257	1883361	1883361

Lack of Market Level Substitution Return

	Quarterly Change in State Share of			
	High Wage Vacancies			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
ΔU_{st}	-0.654	-1.040	4.815	-0.0414
	(0.831)	(1.286)	(2.677)	(0.393)
$\Delta U_{st} imes I(\Delta U_{st} < 0)$	0.982	1.549	-3.537	
	(1.270)	(1.927)	(5.138)	
State Difference	Y	Y	Y	Y
Time Effect	Y	Y	Y	Y
State Trend	Ν	Υ	Ν	Ν
QCEW Weight	Ν	Ν	Y	Ν
Ν	1404	1404	1404	1404

Calibrated DMP Model Return

Standard DMP model with "reduced form wage rule" (cf. Michaillat 2012)

$$w_t = \max\left[w_{t-1}, \phi y_t^{\gamma}
ight]$$

Calibrate parameters of reduced form wage rule to match our estimates

Calibrate other parameters to standard values (e.g. Shimer 2005)

Calibrated DMP Model

 $\Delta \log u_t / \Delta \log y_t$

Values from calibrated model				
Labor demand falling, $\Delta \log y < 0$	-3.00			
Labor demand rising, $\Delta \log y > 0$	-0.83			
Average value	-1.92			

Value from time series data -1.90

Source: BEA and BLS