## StataAssignment3.do

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******** Preliminaries
 capture log close all // Closes any log if open //
  set more off
  set varabbrev off
   *Install ivreg2 if necessary
  * Set working dir
  cd "C:\Users\AN.4271\Dropbox\HHS 651\Assignments\Assignment 3\"
  * Initialize log
  log using "Assignment3log", text replace
  * Import data
  import delimited using "m d 806.tab", delimiter(tab) clear
***** variables
  **** Rename variables
   rename yobm yob moth
   rename agem age mother
   rename weeksm wks wrked moth
   rename weeksd wks wrked fath
   rename ageqk ageof1stchild
   rename hoursd hourswked fath
   rename hoursm hourswked moth
   rename income1m labinc moth
   rename income2m selfempinc moth
   rename income1d labinc fath
   rename income2d selfempinc fath
  **** Label variables
   label variable wks_wrked_moth "Weeks worked (moth)"
label variable wks_wrked_fath "Weeks worked (fath)"
   label variable labinc moth "Mother's labor income"
   label variable selfempinc moth "Mother's self-employment income"
   label variable labinc fath "Father's labor income"
   label variable selfempinc fath "Father's self-employment income"
   label variable age_mother "Mother's age"
   label variable hourswked moth "Mother's hours worked"
  **** Recode missing values and reform string Variables
  *** Identify string variables
  describe
   codebook ageq2nd ageq3rd ageq4th ageq5th, tab(100)
   foreach variable in ageq2nd ageq3rd ageq4th ageq5th {
      replace `variable' = "." if `variable'=="NA"
     destring `variable', replace
   }
   replace agemar = . if agemar == 0
***** Generate Timing of Birth and Marriage Variables (to determine
***** whether parents were Married)
  *** Recode quarter Married as 0-3 instead of 1-4
   replace qtrmar = qtrmar - 1 if ((qtrmar > 0) & !missing(qtrmar))
  *** Code year of marriage
    gen yr Married = .
    replace yr Married = yob moth + agemar if ((qtrbthm<=qtrmar) & ///
      !missing(qtrmar) & !missing(qtrbthm))
    replace yr Married = yob moth + agemar + 1 if ((qtrbthm>qtrmar) ///
        & !missing(qtrmar) & !missing(qtrbthm))
  *** Code year&quarter of marriage
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gen yr gtr Married= .
    replace yr qtr Married = yr Married+(qtrmar/4) if ///
      (!missing(qtrmar) & !missing(yr Married))
  *** Code year&quarter of first birth
    gen yr qtr birth = yobk+((qtrbkid)/4)
  /* Generate indicator for if parents were not Married when
     first-birth occured
    gen unMarriedbirth = 0
    replace unMarriedbirth = 1 if ((yr qtr Married-yr qtr birth >0) ///
        & !missing(yr_qtr_Married) & !missing(yr_qtr_birth))
**** Sex of Child Indicators
  gen boy1st = (sexk==0)
  label variable boy1st "First child is a boy"
  gen boy2nd = (sex2nd==0)
  label variable boy2nd "Second child is a boy"
 gen boys2 = ((sexk==0) \& (sex2nd==0))
  label variable boys2 "First two children boys"
  gen girls2 = ((sexk==1) & (sex2nd==1))
  label variable boys2 "First two children girl"
  gen samesex = ((boys2==1) | (girls2==1))
  label variable samesex "First two children same sex"
 gen morekids = (kidcount>2) if !missing(kidcount)
 label variable morekids "Parents had more than 3 children"
**** Race Indicators
  gen black mother = (racem==2)
  label variable black mother "Black / African-American (Mother)"
  gen hisp moth = (racem==12)
  label variable hisp moth "Hispanic / Latina (Mother)"
  gen white moth = (racem==1)
  label variable white moth "White (Mother)"
  gen othrace moth = 1 - black mother - hisp moth - white moth
  label variable othrace moth "Other Race / Ethnicity (Mother)"
**** Mother and Father Labor Supply Variables
  scalar inflationfactor = 245.519 / 82.4
      // From CPI-U data on BLS website
  gen workedind moth = (wks wrked moth>0) if !missing(wks wrked moth)
  label variable workedind moth "Mother worked"
  gen workedind fath = (wks wrked fath>0) if !missing(wks wrked fath)
 label variable workedind fath "Father worked"
  gen totalinc moth =labinc moth+max(0, selfempinc moth)
  gen totalinc fath =labinc fath+max(0, selfempinc fath)
  replace totalinc moth = totalinc moth*inflationfactor
  replace totalinc fath = totalinc fath*inflationfactor
  label variable totalinc moth "Total Income (mother)"
  label variable totalinc fath "Total Income (father)"
 gen totalinc_fam =faminc *inflationfactor
  label variable totalinc fam "Total Income (family)"
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gen logincfam =log(max(totalinc fam ,1))
  label variable logincfam "Log of total income (family)"
  gen income nonmoth =totalinc fam -labinc moth*inflationfactor
  replace income nonmoth=log(max(1, income nonmoth ))
  label variable income nonmoth "Total income besides mother"
***** Create variables for sample
**** Ages of Mother and Father and ages when 1st kid was born
    *** Generate "year of birth" for father
    gen yob_fath = 79 - aged
  replace yob_fath= 80 - aged if qtrbthd==0
  *** Generate age in quarters for parents
  gen ageqm=4*(80-yob_moth)-qtrbthm-1
  gen ageqd=4*(80-yob fath)-qtrbthd
  *** Generate age of parents at birth of first child
  gen age1stbth moth =floor((ageqm-ageof1stchild)/4)
  label variable age1stbth moth "Age of mother at birth of first child"
  gen age1stbth fath =floor((ageqd-ageof1stchild)/4)
  *** Main Sample
  gen Main = 0
  replace Main =1 if (inrange(age_mother,21,35) & (kidcount >= 2) & ///
!missing(kidcount) & (ageq2nd > 4) & !missing(ageq2nd) ///
    & (age1stbth moth>=15) & !missing(age1stbth moth) ///
    & asex==0 & age==0 & agtrbrth==0 & asex2nd==0 & age2nd==0 ///
    & agtrbrth==0)
  label variable Main "Main sample"
  *** Married Sample
  gen Married = 0
  replace Married = 1 if (!missing(aged) & (timesmar==1) & ///
    (marital==0) & (unMarriedbirth==0) & (age1stbth fath >=15) & ///
    (age1stbth moth>=15) & !missing(age1stbth fath) & ///
    !missing(age1stbth moth) & (Main==1))
  label variable Married "Married sample"
***** Descriptive Statistics
  /* Reproduce summary statistics for variables in Table 2, cols 1-2 for
    Main sample and Married sample */
summarize kidcount morekids boy1st boy2nd boys2 girls2 samesex age mother ///
    agelstbth moth agelstbth fath workedind moth workedind fath ///
    wks wrked moth wks wrked fath hourswked moth hourswked fath ///
    totalinc moth totalinc fath faminc logincfam income nonmoth ///
    if Main==1
summarize kidcount morekids boy1st boy2nd girls2 samesex age mother ///
    age1stbth_moth age1stbth_fath workedind_moth workedind_fath ///wks_wrked_moth wks_wrked_fath hourswked_moth hourswked_fath ///
    totalinc moth totalinc fath faminc logincfam income nonmoth ///
    if Married==1
******** Regressions
  /* Note: Easily the most succinct way to run these regression
      is using local macros and loops, which I do here. The long
      way without these features is included at the very end of the
      file.
  *** Macro to store the dependent variables
  local dependvars workedind moth wks wrked moth hourswked moth ///
    totalinc moth logincfam
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*** Macro for the control variables
 local controls age mother age1stbth moth boy1st boy2nd black mother ///
   hisp moth othrace moth
** Perform the same regressions for each the Main and Married sample
foreach sample in Main Married {
   if ("`sample'"=="Married") local dependvars `dependvars' income nonmoth
   eststo clear
   * Perform the OLS regression for each of the dep. variables.
   foreach outcome in `dependvars' {
     display
     ******
     display "
                                 Regression: OLS - " `"`: var label
      `outcome'''' " - `sample' Sample "
     display
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     eststo: reg `outcome' morekids `controls' if `sample'==1, robust
   }
 esttab using "OLS`sample'", title("OLS Estimates of Effects of Children on
 Parents' Labor Supply (`sample' sample)") ///
    se label wrap noabbrev rtf compress one replace // Output th table, with
    names and titles using the loop-value of sample
 eststo clear
 *Perform the IV regression for each of the dep. variables.
  foreach outcome in `dependvars' {
     display
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     *****
                                 Regression: IV - " `"`: var label
     display "
      `outcome''"' " - `sample' Sample "
     display
     *******
     eststo: ivreg2 `outcome' `controls' (morekids = samesex) if ///
      `sample'==1, first robust
  }
 esttab using "IV`sample'", title("IV Estimates of Effects of Children on
 Parents' Labor Supply (`sample' Sample)") ///
    se label wrap noabbrev rtf compress one replace // Output IV tables
 eststo clear
}
***** Discussion
 /* Question 3(a):
 The number of children is certain to suffer from endogeneity to
 omitted variables and very likely suffers from simultaneity with
 labor supply. For instance, having children may cause someone to
 reduce their labor supply, but at the same time, having a good job
 or high income might allow somone to have children, or perhaps
 more likely, experiencing unemployment / low income may cause somone
 to delay plans for children.
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 /* Question 3(b):
 Would-be parents are often perceived to desire children of a certain
 sex, or often, to have both a girl and a boy. Hence, if the first
 two children are the same sex, in this case parents might be expected
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to have a weakly greater propensity to have another child. This implies that having two children of the same sex might be a relevant predictor of having a third child. At the same time, there aren't immediately obvious reasons why having two children of the same sex would be expected to influence the labor supply of parents via other channels, hence it seems quite possible that this also works as a valid instrument. \*/ /\* Question 3(d): As one can see from the first state regressions, the F-test of the excluded instruments indicates that the instrument is relevant since we reject the null of irrelevance in the underidentification test. Furthermore, this F-value is large enough that we know we do not have a problem with weak instruments, which is comfirmed by the Stock-Yogo critical values suggesting that the instrument has very good size properties. \*/ /\* Ouestion 3(e): Using the "same sex" as an instrument, we estimate that having three or more children is estimated to reduce the likelihood of a mother working by 11.7 percentage points. It is estimated to reduce mother's weeks worked by 5.559 weeks, and hours worked per week by 4.547 hours. Having three or more children is estimated to reduce mother's income by \$2,701 in 2017 USD, and it is estimated to reduce family income by 2.46 percentage points. All of these estimates are highly statistically significant. \*/ /\* Question 3(f): We find that the reductions in labor supply or income estimated by IV regression is smaller in every case than the effects estimated using ordinary least squares, although they each still remain highly significant. \*/ /\* Question 3(g): The overidentification restrictions (OIR) test is not meaningful because it used to check coherence of instruments in the case where there are more than excluded instruments than endogenous variables. Here, we have the same number of excluded instruments as endogenous variables (just identified). Hence, we cannot conduct the OIR test. \* / \*\*\*\*\* For 3 person groups \*\*\*\* Regressions (4a) local dependvars workedind moth wks wrked moth hourswked moth /// totalinc moth logincfam income nonmoth local controls age mother age1stbth moth boy1st black mother /// hisp moth othrace moth foreach sample in Main Married { // Perform the same regressions for each the Main and Married sample eststo clear foreach outcome in `dependvars' { // Perform the IV regression for each outcome in the list of dependent variables display \*\*\*\*\* \*

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     display " Regression: IV - " `"`: var label `outcome''"' " - `sample'
     Sample - Using Two Sons and Two Daughters Instruments "
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     *****
     eststo: ivreg2 `outcome' `controls' (morekids = boys2 girls2) if ///
      `sample'==1, first robust
  }
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/* Question 4(b):
Having more excluded instruments than endogenous regressors
(overidentification) can be advantageous in a couple of ways.
First, if the instruments satisfy the necessary assumptions
(validity and relevance) and they're not weak, then the
overidentified 2SLS has greater asymptotic efficiency than
IV regression.
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}

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Additionally, 2SLS allows us to perform a means of falsification
of our IV strategy. With more than two instruments, we can
perform an Overidentifying Restrictions Test, to check if we have
evidence against the null hypothesis that are
instruments are all valid.
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/* Question 4(c):
A potential concern is that the instruments may be weak, in which
additional instruments increases the bias of 2SLS.
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/* Question 4(d):
Using the F-test for excluded instruments, we once again find the
instrument is relevant (we reject the null of underidentification)
and we find that weak instruments is not a problem.
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/* Question 4(e):
Looking at the results for the OIR test, we reject the null
hypothesis that all the instruments are valid for the labor supply
variables (mother work, weeks worked, and hours worked), but not for
the income variables. This may cast doubt on the validity of these
instruments.
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*****
 /* Fully written out method (looong) for running regressions.
 **** Main Sample
   *** OLS Estimates
   eststo clear
   eststo: req workedind moth morekids age mother age1stbth moth ///
         boy1st boy2nd black mother hisp moth othrace moth \overline{7/7}
         if Main==1, robust
   eststo: reg wks wrked moth morekids age mother agelstbth moth ///
         boy1st boy2nd black mother hisp moth othrace moth ///
         if Main==1, robust
   eststo: reg hourswked moth morekids age mother age1stbth moth ///
         boy1st boy2nd black mother hisp moth othrace moth ///
         if Main==1, robust
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eststo: reg totalinc\_moth morekids age\_mother age1stbth\_moth /// boy1st boy2nd  $\overline{b}$ lack mother hisp moth othrace moth  $\overline{///}$ if Main==1, robust eststo: reg logincfam morekids age mother age1stbth moth /// boy1st boy2nd black mother hisp moth othrace moth /// if Main==1, robust esttab using "OLSMain", title("OLS Estimates of Effects of Children on Parents' Labor Supply (Main sample)") /// label wrap noabbrev rtf compress one replace \*\*\* IV Regression Esimates eststo clear eststo: ivreg2 workedind moth age mother age1stbth moth boy1st /// boy2nd black mother hisp moth othrace moth /// (morekids = samesex) if Main==1, first robust eststo: ivreg2 wks wrked moth age mother age1stbth moth boy1st /// boy2nd black\_mother hisp\_moth othrace\_moth ///
(morekids = samesex) if Main==1, first robust eststo: ivreg2 hourswked moth age mother agelstbth moth boy1st /// boy2nd black mother hisp moth othrace\_moth /// (morekids = samesex) if Main==1, first robust eststo: ivreg2 totalinc moth age mother age1stbth moth boy1st /// boy2nd black\_mother hisp\_moth othrace\_moth 7// (morekids = samesex) if Main==1, first robust eststo: ivreg2 logincfam age mother age mother age1stbth moth boy1st /// boy2nd black mother hisp moth othrace moth /// (morekids = samesex) if Main==1, first robust esttab using "IVMain", title("IV Estimates of Effects of Children on Parents Labor Supply (Main sample)") /// label wrap noabbrev rtf compress one replace \*\*\*\*\* Married Sample \*\*\* OLS Estimates eststo clear eststo: reg workedind moth morekids age mother age1stbth moth /// boy1st boy2nd black mother hisp moth othrace moth  $\overline{///}$ if Married==1, robust eststo: reg wks wrked moth morekids age mother age1stbth moth /// boy1st boy2nd black mother hisp moth othrace moth /// if Married==1, robust eststo: reg hourswked moth morekids age mother age1stbth moth /// boy1st boy2nd black mother hisp moth othrace moth /// if Married==1, robust eststo: reg totalinc moth morekids age mother age1stbth moth /// boy1st boy2nd black\_mother hisp\_moth othrace\_moth /// if Married==1, robust eststo: reg logincfam morekids age mother age1stbth moth /// boy1st boy2nd black mother hisp moth othrace moth /// if Married==1, robust esttab using "OLSMarried", /// title("OLS Estimates of Effects of Children on Parents Labor Supply (Married sample)") /// label wrap noabbrev rtf compress one replace \*\*\* IV Regression Esimates eststo clear eststo: ivreg2 workedind moth age mother age1stbth moth boy1st /// boy2nd black\_mother hisp\_moth othrace\_moth /// (morekids = samesex ) if (Married==1), robust eststo: ivreg2 wks\_wrked\_moth age\_mother age1stbth\_moth boy1st /// boy2nd black mother hisp moth othrace moth /// (morekids = samesex ) if (Married==1), robust eststo: ivreg2 hourswked moth age mother agelstbth moth boy1st /// boy2nd black mother hisp moth othrace moth ///(morekids = samesex ) if (Married==1), robust eststo: ivreg2 totalinc\_moth age\_mother age1stbth\_moth boy1st ///

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boy2nd black_mother hisp_moth othrace_moth ///
    (morekids = samesex ) if (Married==1), robust
eststo: ivreg2 logincfam age mother agelstbth moth boy1st ///
    boy2nd black_mother hisp_moth othrace_moth ///
    (morekids = samesex ) if (Married==1), robust
esttab using "IVMarried", ///
    title("IV Estimates of Effects of Children on Parents Labor Supply (Married
    sample)") ///
    label wrap noabbrev rtf compress one replace
*/
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