

Did Newspaper Competition Promote Rebellion?

The Case of the 1837–38 Rebellions in Quebec

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A Data

Table A.1: Newspapers and their partisan stances, publication languages and locations, and the issue dates used to identify spread.

Newspaper Name	Stance	Language	Location	Issue Used
L’Ami du Peuple	Loyalist	French	Montreal	28 Oct. 1837
The British Whig & General Advertiser	Loyalist	English	Kingston	27 Oct. 1836
Le Canadien	Moderate	French	Quebec City	30 Oct. 1837
Chronicle & Gazette	Loyalist	English	Kingston	21 Oct. 1837
Constitution	Radical*	English	Toronto	1 Mar. 1837
Correspondent & Advocate	Radical*	English	Toronto	2 Aug. 1837 †
Le Fantasque	Patriote	French	Quebec City	1 Oct. 1837 †
Farmers’ Advocate & Townships’ Gazette	Loyalist	English	Sherbrooke	2 May 1836
Le Glaneur	Moderate	French	Saint-Charles-s.-R.	26 May 1836 †
The Liberal	Radical*	English	St. Thomas	9 Mar. 1837
Le Libéral / The Liberal	Patriote	Bilingual	Quebec City	31 Oct. 1837
London Gazette	Loyalist	English	London	28 Oct. 1837 †
La Minerve	Patriote	French	Montreal	14 Jul. 1828
Missiskoui Standard	Loyalist	English	Frelieghsburgh	10 Oct. 1837 †
Montreal Gazette	Loyalist	English	Montreal	31 Oct. 1837
The Montreal Herald	Loyalist	English	Montreal	16 Nov. 1836
Montreal Transcript	Loyalist	English	Montreal	31 Oct. 1837 †
The Morning Courier	Loyalist	English	Montreal	13 Jun. 1837
Patriot & Farmers’ Monitor	Loyalist	English	Toronto	13 Oct. 1835 †
Le Populaire	Moderate	French	Montreal	30 Oct. 1837 †
The Quebec Gazette / La Gazette de Québec	Moderate	Bilingual	Quebec City	30 Sep. 1837
Quebec Mercury	Loyalist	English	Quebec City	31 Oct. 1837
St. Catharine’s Journal	Moderate	English	St. Catharine	26 Oct. 1837 †
The Telegraph / Le Télégraphe	Moderate	Bilingual	Quebec City	1 May 1837 †
Township Reformer	Moderate	English	Stanbridge	8 Aug. 1837
Upper Canada Gazette	Loyalist	English	York	26 Oct. 1837 †
Upper Canada Herald	Loyalist	English	Kingston	31 Oct. 1837 †
The Upper Canada Times & London District Gazette	Loyalist	English	London	5 Mar. 1836 †
The Vindicator & Canadian Advertiser	Patriote	English	Montreal	30 Aug. 1833

All of the newspapers used to measure press competitiveness on the eve of the rebellion are printed here, identified primarily using Beaulieu & Hamelin (1973) and Wallace (1931). The scans used to gather this information were sourced from the *Bibliothèque et Archives nationales du Québec* (BAnQ), *Canadiana.ca*, *Google News Archive*, and *Newspapers.com*. Newspapers labeled “Radical*” are Upper Canadian papers that were not primarily concerned with the *Patriote* movement, but which expressed similar ideas in demanding self-governance and, in some cases, republicanism; they are treated as *Patriote* papers wherever they have agents in Lower Canada. The latest edition with a printed agents list or last available issue before November 1837 where no agent list was found. Issue dates marked with † did not have identifiable agent lists, so only the publication location was used to estimate market spread. The only exceptions are *Missiskoui Standard* (which announced they had hired a new agent in Quebec City) and *The Telegraph / Le Télégraphe* (which posted an announcement that they were hiring agents in several locations).

Table A.2: Descriptive Statistics

Variable	Full Sample					Seigneurial Subsample				
	N	Mean	SD	Min	Max	N	Mean	SD	Min	Max
Patriote Events per 1,000	259	0.522	1.253	0.000	12.706	195	0.600	1.366	0.000	12.706
HHI _{News} (max, 50 km)	258	0.159	0.183	0.061	1.000	194	0.140	0.168	0.061	1.000
HHI _{News} (sum, 50 km)	258	0.213	0.179	0.077	1.000	194	0.191	0.163	0.077	1.000
Partisan Bias (max, 50 km)	258	-0.011	0.112	-0.500	0.500	194	-0.036	0.088	-0.500	0.045
Seigneurial Tenure	260	0.750	0.434	0.000	1.000	—	—	—	—	—
Catholic Share (%)	259	77.545	34.474	0.000	105.491	195	93.952	14.394	10.824	105.491
Emigrants per 1,000	259	37.411	102.149	0.000	796.014	195	16.799	50.946	0.000	411.273
Travel Cost to Port (-ln) ^a	258	-2.012	0.918	-3.714	0.429	194	-1.706	0.834	-3.714	0.429
Price Gap (local city)	217	0.503	0.581	0.000	6.250	167	0.398	0.382	0.000	1.500
Inns & Taverns per 1,000	259	2.943	3.498	0.000	35.714	195	2.814	2.098	0.000	12.587
Daily Grain Wage	217	0.302	0.074	0.172	0.545	167	0.290	0.071	0.172	0.545
TFP (ln)	250	5.975	0.300	4.169	6.980	186	5.978	0.242	5.154	6.980
Students per 1,000	258	54.678	53.090	0.000	414.286	195	49.211	41.441	0.000	300.000
Literacy (%)	173	17.248	13.181	0.000	87.500	158	16.456	9.495	0.000	53.642
Log Rents per Arpent ^b	—	—	—	—	—	161	-1.903	0.631	-4.163	-0.598

^a One infinite value removed. ^b Available only in the seigneurial subsample by construction.

B Unabridged Results Tables

Table B.1: Unabridged full sample specification (Table 1, Columns 1–4) adding controls stepwise.

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000									
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
<i>Variables</i>										
HHI _{News}	-1.076*** (0.2301)	-1.043*** (0.2098)	-1.031*** (0.2077)	-0.8816*** (0.3056)	-1.633** (0.6573)	-1.822*** (0.6918)	-1.861** (0.8415)	-1.297*** (0.3983)	-1.315*** (0.3977)	-1.675** (0.6716)
Seigneurial Tenure									0.2880 (0.2706)	0.5070* (0.2977)
Catholic (%)		0.0012 (0.0019)	0.0006 (0.0020)	-0.0004 (0.0025)	0.0014 (0.0031)	0.0011 (0.0028)	0.0016 (0.0034)	-0.00003 (0.0025)	-0.0027 (0.0036)	-0.0031 (0.0032)
Emigrants _{per1,000}			-0.0006 (0.0004)	-0.0006 (0.0004)	-0.0003 (0.0004)	-0.0004 (0.0004)	-0.0004 (0.0004)	-0.0002 (0.0004)	-0.0001 (0.0004)	-0.0001 (0.0004)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)				0.0772 (0.1086)	-0.1437 (0.1122)	-0.2191* (0.1262)	-0.2436* (0.1441)	-0.2132** (0.0872)	-0.2240** (0.0887)	-0.1660 (0.1186)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}					-0.0911 (0.1277)	-0.0519 (0.1392)	-0.0553 (0.2847)	-0.3623*** (0.1276)	-0.3312*** (0.1260)	-0.0203 (0.1529)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}						0.1615** (0.0673)	0.1617** (0.0662)	0.0996*** (0.0319)	0.0951*** (0.0319)	
Daily Grain Wage							0.0239 (0.9619)	-0.1305 (0.9607)	-0.1945 (0.9677)	
TFP (ln)								0.2784 (0.2131)	0.2811 (0.2125)	
Constant	0.6973*** (0.1082)	0.5976*** (0.1535)	0.6608*** (0.1692)	0.8776** (0.3412)	0.4111 (0.3585)	-0.1153 (0.4713)	-0.1938 (0.7438)	-1.473 (1.442)	-1.512 (1.440)	0.2946 (0.3883)
<i>Fit statistics</i>										
Observations	257	257	257	256	215	215	212	203	203	215
R ²	0.02476	0.02585	0.02760	0.02945	0.02912	0.09259	0.09383	0.11887	0.12275	0.03538
Adjusted R ²	0.02093	0.01818	0.01607	0.01399	0.00589	0.06641	0.06273	0.08254	0.08184	0.00755
RMSE	1.2387	1.2380	1.2369	1.2377	1.1885	1.1490	1.1547	0.82556	0.82375	1.1846

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table B.2: Unabridged seigneurial subsample specification (Table 1, Columns 5–8) adding controls stepwise.

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000									
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
<i>Variables</i>										
HHI _{News}	-1.281***	-1.281***	-1.291***	-1.267***	-2.297*	-2.525**	-2.570**	-1.657***	-1.556***	-1.297**
	(0.3012)	(0.3087)	(0.3129)	(0.4810)	(1.193)	(1.264)	(1.271)	(0.4859)	(0.5540)	(0.5460)
Rents _{arpent} (ln)									0.1140	0.1086
									(0.1544)	(0.1564)
Catholic (%)		0.00005	-0.0014	-0.0019	-0.0004	0.0044	0.0037	-0.0006	-0.00008	-0.0006
		(0.0044)	(0.0043)	(0.0045)	(0.0049)	(0.0074)	(0.0079)	(0.0059)	(0.0067)	(0.0058)
Emigrants _{per1,000}			-0.0008	-0.0008	-0.0005	-0.0002	-0.0004	0.0009	-0.0018*	-0.0021**
			(0.0016)	(0.0016)	(0.0022)	(0.0019)	(0.0018)	(0.0016)	(0.0011)	(0.0010)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)				0.0126	-0.1987	-0.2568	-0.2691	-0.2181**	-0.2468**	-0.1857*
				(0.1279)	(0.1510)	(0.1684)	(0.1802)	(0.1005)	(0.1169)	(0.1017)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}					0.0570	0.0896	0.0570	-0.5071***	-0.4479**	-0.2643*
					(0.4435)	(0.4427)	(0.4483)	(0.1664)	(0.1768)	(0.1455)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}						0.1551*	0.1499	0.0453	0.0118	
						(0.0895)	(0.0916)	(0.0349)	(0.0361)	
Daily Grain Wage							-0.7581	-1.259	-0.8346	
							(1.071)	(1.031)	(1.183)	
TFP (ln)								0.6210*	0.7510**	
								(0.3250)	(0.3748)	
Constant	0.7822***	0.7772**	0.9269**	0.9926**	0.5491	-0.4281	-0.1191	-2.905	-3.582	0.7288
	(0.1317)	(0.3867)	(0.3988)	(0.4996)	(0.5502)	(1.015)	(1.265)	(2.165)	(2.479)	(0.5701)
<i>Fit statistics</i>										
Observations	194	194	194	193	166	166	164	155	136	140
R ²	0.02480	0.02480	0.02540	0.02583	0.03377	0.08171	0.08549	0.13345	0.13716	0.08535
Adjusted R ²	0.01972	0.01459	0.01001	0.00510	0.00358	0.04705	0.04445	0.08597	0.07553	0.04408
RMSE	1.3478	1.3478	1.3474	1.3499	1.2642	1.2324	1.2359	0.81901	0.83921	0.85583

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table B.3: Unabridged human capital results (Table 2)

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}	-1.297*** (0.3983)	-1.282*** (0.4136)	-1.631*** (0.5583)	-1.657*** (0.4859)	-1.713*** (0.5020)	-1.663*** (0.5675)
Students _{per1,000}		0.0002 (0.0013)			-0.0009 (0.0019)	
Literacy (%)			0.0004 (0.0056)			0.0014 (0.0087)
Catholic (%)	-0.00003 (0.0025)	0.00005 (0.0023)	0.0025 (0.0040)	-0.0006 (0.0059)	-0.0015 (0.0062)	0.0088* (0.0048)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	-0.0002 (0.0004)	-0.0002 (0.0004)	-0.0011*** (0.0004)	0.0009 (0.0016)	0.0008 (0.0015)	-0.0012 (0.0014)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.2132** (0.0872)	-0.2133** (0.0873)	-0.2360** (0.1109)	-0.2181** (0.1005)	-0.2131** (0.1002)	-0.2330** (0.1148)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.3623*** (0.1276)	-0.3680*** (0.1257)	-0.5170*** (0.1366)	-0.5071*** (0.1664)	-0.4730*** (0.1721)	-0.5225*** (0.1722)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0996*** (0.0319)	0.0989*** (0.0307)	0.0465 (0.0347)	0.0453 (0.0349)	0.0460 (0.0346)	0.0515 (0.0406)
Daily Grain Wage	-0.1305 (0.9607)	-0.1391 (0.9794)	-0.7914 (1.067)	-1.259 (1.031)	-1.290 (1.022)	-0.9371 (1.113)
TFP (ln)	0.2784 (0.2131)	0.2797 (0.2147)	0.5445* (0.2903)	0.6210* (0.3250)	0.6275* (0.3231)	0.6000* (0.3447)
Constant	-1.473 (1.442)	-1.492 (1.449)	-2.896 (1.969)	-2.905 (2.165)	-2.800 (2.193)	-3.820* (2.226)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	203	203	155	155	155	141
R ²	0.11887	0.11898	0.13875	0.13345	0.13506	0.13591
Adjusted R ²	0.08254	0.07790	0.08529	0.08597	0.08137	0.07654
RMSE	0.82556	0.82551	0.81862	0.81901	0.81825	0.83217

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table B.4: Unabridged partisan bias results (Table 3)

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}	-1.289** (0.5762)	-1.261** (0.5587)	-1.406** (0.6535)	-1.410* (0.7209)	-1.515** (0.6670)	-1.150 (0.7520)
Partisan Bias	0.0175 (0.9101)	0.0440 (0.8613)	0.6925 (1.541)	0.6745 (1.611)	0.5298 (1.495)	1.684 (1.973)
Students _{per1,000}		0.0002 (0.0013)			-0.0009 (0.0018)	
Literacy (%)			0.0004 (0.0056)			0.0017 (0.0088)
Catholic (%)	-9.82×10^{-6} (0.0028)	0.00009 (0.0026)	0.0031 (0.0047)	-0.0003 (0.0062)	-0.0012 (0.0063)	0.0096* (0.0049)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	-0.0002 (0.0004)	-0.0002 (0.0004)	-0.0011*** (0.0004)	0.0008 (0.0016)	0.0007 (0.0016)	-0.0017 (0.0015)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.2130** (0.0871)	-0.2130** (0.0875)	-0.2379** (0.1126)	-0.2196** (0.1018)	-0.2147** (0.1016)	-0.2405** (0.1180)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.3626*** (0.1266)	-0.3688*** (0.1225)	-0.5130*** (0.1366)	-0.4915*** (0.1715)	-0.4631** (0.1814)	-0.4781*** (0.1746)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0996*** (0.0319)	0.0989*** (0.0308)	0.0439 (0.0359)	0.0449 (0.0350)	0.0457 (0.0347)	0.0476 (0.0411)
Daily Grain Wage	-0.1315 (0.9532)	-0.1419 (0.9727)	-0.8179 (1.053)	-1.284 (1.011)	-1.307 (1.007)	-1.052 (1.078)
TFP (ln)	0.2785 (0.2131)	0.2799 (0.2147)	0.5665* (0.3031)	0.6368* (0.3334)	0.6395* (0.3317)	0.6506* (0.3674)
Constant	-1.475 (1.443)	-1.498 (1.447)	-3.081 (2.117)	-3.034 (2.261)	-2.909 (2.281)	-4.193* (2.410)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	203	203	155	155	155	141
R ²	0.11887	0.11899	0.13952	0.13407	0.13543	0.13921
Adjusted R ²	0.07779	0.07310	0.07977	0.08032	0.07539	0.07300
RMSE	0.82556	0.82551	0.81825	0.81872	0.81807	0.83058

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table B.5: Unabridged seigneurial interaction results (Table 4)

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000						
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
<i>Variables</i>							
HHI × Seigneurial	-0.8968*** (0.3412)	-1.346** (0.6382)	-1.382** (0.6696)	-1.444** (0.6710)	4.173 (5.669)	-1.913* (1.055)	5.561 (6.433)
HHI _{News}	-0.3840** (0.1587)	-0.4001 (0.3831)	-0.2226 (0.7184)	-0.1062 (0.6831)	-5.487 (5.556)	-0.0470 (0.8081)	-7.461 (6.421)
Seigneurial Tenure	0.4103** (0.1844)	0.4922* (0.2874)	0.5085* (0.2951)	0.5251* (0.2954)	-1.025 (0.9016)	0.8102* (0.4143)	-0.9419 (1.027)
Partisan Bias			0.3363 (0.9019)	0.4127 (0.8325)	0.5857 (1.607)	0.5022 (1.043)	1.349 (2.040)
Students _{per1,000}				0.0005 (0.0013)		0.0014 (0.0018)	
Literacy (%)					0.0009 (0.0055)		0.0050 (0.0063)
Catholic (%)		-0.0022 (0.0037)	-0.0019 (0.0039)	-0.0017 (0.0038)	0.0080* (0.0047)	-0.0013 (0.0037)	0.0099** (0.0047)
Emigrants _{per1,000}		-0.0003 (0.0004)	-0.0003 (0.0004)	-0.0004 (0.0004)	-0.0014*** (0.0004)	-0.0004 (0.0005)	-0.0009* (0.0005)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)		-0.2501*** (0.0942)	-0.2485*** (0.0940)	-0.2498*** (0.0942)	-0.2262** (0.1144)	-0.2030 (0.1340)	-0.2095 (0.1753)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}		-0.3225** (0.1243)	-0.3254*** (0.1240)	-0.3396*** (0.1214)	-0.5684*** (0.1446)	-0.0224 (0.1476)	-0.0704 (0.4146)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}		0.0956*** (0.0319)	0.0956*** (0.0320)	0.0939*** (0.0306)	0.0496 (0.0372)		
Daily Grain Wage		-0.1770 (0.9695)	-0.1980 (0.9574)	-0.2251 (0.9759)	-0.7129 (1.062)		
TFP (ln)		0.2996 (0.2156)	0.3017 (0.2161)	0.3062 (0.2184)	0.5439* (0.3086)		
Constant	0.3719*** (0.1287)	-1.869 (1.516)	-1.919 (1.526)	-1.994 (1.535)	-2.426 (2.334)	-0.2547 (0.6833)	0.4456 (1.339)
<i>Fit statistics</i>							
Observations	257	203	203	203	155	215	165
R ²	0.03494	0.12902	0.12936	0.13001	0.14652	0.04400	0.04633
Adjusted R ²	0.02350	0.08366	0.07921	0.07507	0.07439	0.00203	-0.00904
RMSE	1.2323	0.82079	0.82064	0.82033	0.81492	1.1793	1.2618

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

C Robustness: Conley Spatial Standard Errors

Conley (1999) standard errors allow spatial correlation in the residuals that decays with distance. The average distance between subdistrict pairs in the colony is 177.7 km. We set a 50 km cutoff, matching our primary HHI bandwidth, because we estimate 50 km to be the maximum distance for same-day news in a horse-based postal system (John, 1995). Column 1 is the fully controlled full-sample model (main text Table 1, column 9: HHI + all baseline controls + seigneurial dummy); column 2 is the stripped specification (no inns & taverns, daily wage, or TFP); column 3 is the seigneurial subsample equivalent (ln rents replacing the seigneurial dummy).

Table C.1: Unabridged full sample specification (Table 1) with Conley SEs (50 km).

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000							
	All Subdistricts				Seigneurial Subdistricts			
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
<i>Variables</i>								
HHI _{News}	-1.076** (0.5300)	-1.297*** (0.2805)	-1.315*** (0.2720)	-1.675** (0.6511)	-1.281* (0.6672)	-1.657*** (0.5484)	-1.556*** (0.5227)	-1.297** (0.5217)
Seigneurial Tenure			0.2880** (0.1265)	0.5070*** (0.0773)				
Rents _{arpent} (ln)							0.1140 (0.2544)	0.1086 (0.2197)
Catholic (%)		-0.00003 (0.0023)	-0.0027 (0.0029)	-0.0031 (0.0033)		-0.0006 (0.0054)	-0.00008 (0.0053)	-0.0006 (0.0037)
Emigrants _{per1,000}		-0.0002 (0.0003)	-0.0001 (0.0002)	-0.0001 (0.0003)		0.0009 (0.0027)	-0.0018 (0.0013)	-0.0021* (0.0012)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)		-0.2132*** (0.0721)	-0.2240*** (0.0683)	-0.1660** (0.0796)		-0.2181*** (0.0701)	-0.2468*** (0.0686)	-0.1857*** (0.0647)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}		-0.3623* (0.1864)	-0.3312* (0.1966)	-0.0203 (0.0531)		-0.5071** (0.1988)	-0.4479 (0.3028)	-0.2643 (0.2204)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}		0.0996** (0.0469)	0.0951** (0.0471)			0.0453 (0.0387)	0.0118 (0.0470)	
Daily Grain Wage		-0.1305 (0.6855)	-0.1945 (0.6540)			-1.259** (0.5285)	-0.8346** (0.3249)	
TFP (ln)		0.2784 (0.2043)	0.2811 (0.2017)			0.6210** (0.2688)	0.7510** (0.3011)	
Constant	0.6973*** (0.2680)	-1.473 (1.134)	-1.512 (1.087)	0.2946 (0.2231)	0.7822** (0.3166)	-2.905 (1.762)	-3.582** (1.759)	0.7288 (0.4947)
<i>Fit statistics</i>								
Observations	257	203	203	215	194	155	136	140
R ²	0.02476	0.11887	0.12275	0.03538	0.02480	0.13345	0.13716	0.08535
Adjusted R ²	0.02093	0.08254	0.08184	0.00755	0.01972	0.08597	0.07553	0.04408
RMSE	1.2387	0.82556	0.82375	1.1846	1.3478	0.81901	0.83921	0.85583

Conley (50km) standard-errors in parentheses

Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1

Table C.2: Unabridged human capital results (Table 2) with Conley SEs (50 km).

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}	-1.297*** (0.2805)	-1.282*** (0.4068)	-1.631** (0.6367)	-1.657*** (0.5484)	-1.713*** (0.6422)	-1.663** (0.6704)
Students _{per1,000}		0.0002 (0.0025)			-0.0009 (0.0023)	
Literacy (%)			0.0004 (0.0055)			0.0014 (0.0095)
Catholic (%)	-0.00003 (0.0023)	0.00005 (0.0021)	0.0025 (0.0042)	-0.0006 (0.0054)	-0.0015 (0.0048)	0.0088 (0.0066)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	-0.0002 (0.0003)	-0.0002 (0.0004)	-0.0011** (0.0005)	0.0009 (0.0027)	0.0008 (0.0026)	-0.0012 (0.0009)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.2132*** (0.0721)	-0.2133*** (0.0659)	-0.2360*** (0.0789)	-0.2181*** (0.0701)	-0.2131*** (0.0700)	-0.2330*** (0.0793)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.3623* (0.1864)	-0.3680** (0.1447)	-0.5170*** (0.1755)	-0.5071** (0.1988)	-0.4730** (0.1813)	-0.5225** (0.2325)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0996** (0.0469)	0.0989** (0.0443)	0.0465 (0.0407)	0.0453 (0.0387)	0.0460 (0.0401)	0.0515 (0.0467)
Daily Grain Wage	-0.1305 (0.6855)	-0.1391 (0.6872)	-0.7914 (0.6053)	-1.259** (0.5285)	-1.290** (0.5298)	-0.9371 (0.6342)
TFP (ln)	0.2784 (0.2043)	0.2797 (0.2027)	0.5445** (0.2304)	0.6210** (0.2688)	0.6275** (0.2668)	0.6000** (0.2410)
Constant	-1.473 (1.134)	-1.492 (1.084)	-2.896* (1.502)	-2.905 (1.762)	-2.800 (1.755)	-3.820** (1.879)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	203	203	155	155	155	141
R ²	0.11887	0.11898	0.13875	0.13345	0.13506	0.13591
Adjusted R ²	0.08254	0.07790	0.08529	0.08597	0.08137	0.07654
RMSE	0.82556	0.82551	0.81862	0.81901	0.81825	0.83217

Conley (50km) standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table C.3: Unabridged partisan bias results (Table 3) with Conley SEs (50 km).

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}	-1.289*** (0.2759)	-1.261*** (0.4433)	-1.406*** (0.5112)	-1.410*** (0.4038)	-1.515** (0.6780)	-1.150*** (0.3217)
Partisan Bias	0.0175 (0.7246)	0.0440 (0.6964)	0.6925 (0.8941)	0.6745 (0.8688)	0.5298 (0.8631)	1.684* (0.8892)
Students _{per1,000}		0.0002 (0.0025)			-0.0009 (0.0024)	
Literacy (%)			0.0004 (0.0053)			0.0017 (0.0131)
Catholic (%)	-9.82×10^{-6} (0.0026)	0.00009 (0.0023)	0.0031 (0.0044)	-0.0003 (0.0059)	-0.0012 (0.0051)	0.0096 (0.0071)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	-0.0002 (0.0003)	-0.0002 (0.0005)	-0.0011* (0.0006)	0.0008 (0.0030)	0.0007 (0.0027)	-0.0017 (0.0010)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.2130*** (0.0687)	-0.2130*** (0.0660)	-0.2379*** (0.0764)	-0.2196*** (0.0679)	-0.2147*** (0.0665)	-0.2405*** (0.0671)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.3626* (0.1885)	-0.3688** (0.1427)	-0.5130*** (0.1748)	-0.4915** (0.2109)	-0.4631** (0.1895)	-0.4781** (0.2257)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0996** (0.0459)	0.0989** (0.0440)	0.0439 (0.0428)	0.0449 (0.0417)	0.0457 (0.0417)	0.0476 (0.0533)
Daily Grain Wage	-0.1315 (0.6760)	-0.1419 (0.6762)	-0.8179 (0.6843)	-1.284** (0.5456)	-1.307** (0.5295)	-1.052 (0.7613)
TFP (ln)	0.2785 (0.2048)	0.2799 (0.2031)	0.5665** (0.2268)	0.6368** (0.2650)	0.6395** (0.2633)	0.6506** (0.2557)
Constant	-1.475 (1.141)	-1.498 (1.083)	-3.081** (1.509)	-3.034* (1.741)	-2.909* (1.738)	-4.193** (1.882)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	203	203	155	155	155	141
R ²	0.11887	0.11899	0.13952	0.13407	0.13543	0.13921
Adjusted R ²	0.07779	0.07310	0.07977	0.08032	0.07539	0.07300
RMSE	0.82556	0.82551	0.81825	0.81872	0.81807	0.83058

Conley (50km) standard-errors in parentheses

Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1

Table C.4: Unabridged seigneurial interaction results (Table 4) with Conley SEs (50 km).

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000						
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
<i>Variables</i>							
HHI \times Seigneurial	-0.8968 (0.6647)	-1.346* (0.7074)	-1.382* (0.7486)	-1.444** (0.5996)	4.173 (5.298)	-1.913* (0.9986)	5.561 (5.857)
HHI _{News}	-0.3840** (0.1583)	-0.4001 (0.3363)	-0.2226 (0.5964)	-0.1062 (0.4220)	-5.487 (5.320)	-0.0470 (0.6384)	-7.461 (6.352)
Seigneurial Tenure	0.4103 (0.3488)	0.4922*** (0.1799)	0.5085*** (0.1786)	0.5251*** (0.1605)	-1.025 (0.7179)	0.8102*** (0.1630)	-0.9419 (0.6802)
Partisan Bias			0.3363 (0.7635)	0.4127 (0.6697)	0.5857 (0.7487)	0.5022 (1.064)	1.349 (2.036)
Students _{per1,000}				0.0005 (0.0022)		0.0014 (0.0017)	
Literacy (%)					0.0009 (0.0068)		0.0050 (0.0088)
Catholic (%)		-0.0022 (0.0029)	-0.0019 (0.0031)	-0.0017 (0.0028)	0.0080 (0.0056)	-0.0013 (0.0033)	0.0099 (0.0064)
Emigrants _{per1,000}		-0.0003 (0.0003)	-0.0003 (0.0002)	-0.0004 (0.0002)	-0.0014** (0.0006)	-0.0004 (0.0006)	-0.0009* (0.0005)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)		-0.2501*** (0.0686)	-0.2485*** (0.0640)	-0.2498*** (0.0647)	-0.2262** (0.0883)	-0.2030** (0.0792)	-0.2095 (0.1266)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}		-0.3225* (0.1943)	-0.3254* (0.1949)	-0.3396** (0.1644)	-0.5684** (0.2386)	-0.0224 (0.0362)	-0.0704 (0.2299)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}		0.0956* (0.0492)	0.0956* (0.0497)	0.0939** (0.0469)	0.0496 (0.0438)		
Daily Grain Wage		-0.1770 (0.7148)	-0.1980 (0.7033)	-0.2251 (0.7090)	-0.7129 (0.7838)		
TFP (ln)		0.2996 (0.2047)	0.3017 (0.2090)	0.3062 (0.2038)	0.5439** (0.2314)		
Constant	0.3719** (0.1784)	-1.869* (1.124)	-1.919* (1.150)	-1.994* (1.048)	-2.426 (1.942)	-0.2547* (0.1407)	0.4456 (0.6015)
<i>Fit statistics</i>							
Observations	257	203	203	203	155	215	165
R ²	0.03494	0.12902	0.12936	0.13001	0.14652	0.04400	0.04633
Adjusted R ²	0.02350	0.08366	0.07921	0.07507	0.07439	0.00203	-0.00904
RMSE	1.2323	0.82079	0.82064	0.82033	0.81492	1.1793	1.2618

Conley (50km) standard-errors in parentheses
*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

D Robustness: Postal Zone IV

We instrument for newspaper market concentration (HHI_{News}) using colonial postal zone assignment. Postal zones demarcated the administrative geography of British colonial mail infrastructure and were not drawn to match local news markets. The exclusion restriction requires that zone boundaries had no independent effect on political mobilization conditional on our controls for geography, demography, and economic conditions.

The F-tests reported at the foot of each table distinguishes two statistics that behave very differently. For first-stage columns it shows the conventional joint F-test of the excluded instruments, which ranges from 16 to 85 across the six tables and confirms that postal zone assignment is a strong predictor of HHI in the first stage. For second-stage columns, *fixest* reports the heteroskedasticity-robust effective F-statistic (a Wald test on the excluded instruments computed with robust standard errors). These robust effective F-statistics range from 0.02 to 6.4—indicating that 2SLS estimates remain susceptible to weak-instrument bias.

Table D.1: IV Estimates: Full sample main specification.

Dependent Variables:	HHI_{News}	Patriote Events	HHI_{News}	Patriote Events	HHI_{News}	Patriote Events	HHI_{News}	Patriote Events
IV stages	First	Second	First	Second	First	Second	First	Second
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
<i>Variables</i>								
HHI_{News}		-1.800*** (0.6440)		-2.402** (1.016)		-2.152** (0.9284)		-2.768** (1.191)
Postal Zone 2	0.1459*** (0.0295)		0.1457*** (0.0311)		0.1546*** (0.0318)		0.1691*** (0.0326)	
Postal Zone 3	0.2618*** (0.0431)		0.1414*** (0.0288)		0.1498*** (0.0296)		0.1616*** (0.0270)	
Seigneurial Tenure					0.0737** (0.0345)	0.3031 (0.2770)	0.0816** (0.0339)	0.5356* (0.3071)
Catholic (%)			0.0012*** (0.0004)	0.0010 (0.0028)	0.0006 (0.0004)	-0.0021 (0.0038)	0.0005 (0.0004)	-0.0026 (0.0034)
Emigrants _{per1,000}			0.0002* (0.0001)	-0.00008 (0.0004)	0.0003** (0.0001)	-0.00003 (0.0004)	0.0003** (0.0001)	0.00007 (0.0005)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)			-0.0353*** (0.0115)	-0.2969** (0.1194)	-0.0353*** (0.0117)	-0.2880** (0.1169)	-0.0274*** (0.0088)	-0.2406 (0.1493)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}			0.0387** (0.0181)	-0.2776** (0.1310)	0.0440** (0.0176)	-0.2654** (0.1290)	0.0275** (0.0129)	0.0203 (0.1673)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}			0.0028 (0.0052)	0.1017*** (0.0324)	0.0017 (0.0052)	0.0965*** (0.0323)		
Daily Grain Wage			-0.0518 (0.0846)	-0.2037 (0.9642)	-0.0671 (0.0848)	-0.2533 (0.9692)		
TFP (ln)			0.0175 (0.0279)	0.3065 (0.2250)	0.0176 (0.0278)	0.3025 (0.2225)		
Constant	0.0869*** (0.0030)	0.8126*** (0.1558)	-0.1942 (0.1694)	-1.755 (1.540)	-0.1995 (0.1701)	-1.728 (1.530)	-0.0934** (0.0398)	0.2111 (0.4236)
<i>Fit statistics</i>								
Observations	257	257	203	203	203	203	215	215
R ²	0.32338	0.02240	0.45203	0.11254	0.46415	0.11348	0.45463	0.03039
Adjusted R ²	0.31806	0.01857	0.42648	0.07594	0.43624	0.07214	0.43619	0.00242
RMSE	0.15082	1.2458	0.09212	0.83349	0.09110	0.82832	0.09003	1.1903
F-test (IV only)	60.699	5.8428	26.119	3.7458	28.607	3.2241	40.680	3.5980

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***, 0.01, **, 0.05, *, 0.1*

Table D.2: IV Estimates: Full sample human capital results.

Dependent Variables: IV stages Model:	HHI _{News} First (1)	Patriote Events Second (2)	HHI _{News} First (3)	Patriote Events Second (4)	HHI _{News} First (5)	Patriote Events Second (6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}		-2.402** (1.016)		-2.441** (1.049)		-1.361* (0.7824)
Postal Zone 2	0.1457*** (0.0311)		0.1444*** (0.0305)		0.2132*** (0.0411)	
Postal Zone 3	0.1414*** (0.0288)		0.1315*** (0.0282)		0.1170*** (0.0359)	
Students _{per1,000}			-0.0003** (0.0001)	-0.0002 (0.0014)		
Literacy (%)					0.0001 (0.0003)	0.0005 (0.0056)
Catholic (%)	0.0012*** (0.0004)	0.0010 (0.0028)	0.0011*** (0.0003)	0.0009 (0.0026)	0.0024*** (0.0006)	0.0023 (0.0041)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	0.0002* (0.0001)	-0.00008 (0.0004)	0.0002* (0.0001)	-0.00008 (0.0005)	0.0001 (0.0002)	-0.0011*** (0.0004)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.0353*** (0.0115)	-0.2969** (0.1194)	-0.0352*** (0.0115)	-0.2980** (0.1190)	-0.0294*** (0.0112)	-0.2190* (0.1173)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	0.0387** (0.0181)	-0.2776** (0.1310)	0.0462** (0.0196)	-0.2687** (0.1349)	0.0180 (0.0143)	-0.5373*** (0.1387)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0028 (0.0052)	0.1017*** (0.0324)	0.0036 (0.0053)	0.1026*** (0.0314)	0.0003 (0.0042)	0.0478 (0.0349)
Daily Grain Wage	-0.0518 (0.0846)	-0.2037 (0.9642)	-0.0386 (0.0837)	-0.1934 (0.9828)	-0.0289 (0.0664)	-0.7621 (1.076)
TFP (ln)	0.0175 (0.0279)	0.3065 (0.2250)	0.0154 (0.0270)	0.3053 (0.2251)	0.0391** (0.0178)	0.5311* (0.2959)
Constant	-0.1942 (0.1694)	-1.755 (1.540)	-0.1608 (0.1638)	-1.733 (1.527)	-0.4263*** (0.1352)	-2.802 (2.004)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	203	203	203	203	155	155
R ²	0.45203	0.11254	0.46526	0.11344	0.61623	0.12035
Adjusted R ²	0.42648	0.07594	0.43741	0.07210	0.58958	0.06575
RMSE	0.09212	0.83349	0.09100	0.83397	0.06584	0.81897
F-test (IV only)	26.119	3.7458	25.026	3.6197	57.001	1.3463

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses
*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table D.3: IV Estimates: Full sample partisan bias results.

Dependent Variables:	HHI _{News}	Patriote Events	HHI _{News}	Patriote Events	HHI _{News}	Patriote Events
IV stages	First	Second	First	Second	First	Second
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}		-3.204*		-3.323*		-0.2782
		(1.718)		(1.779)		(1.244)
Postal Zone 2	0.0898***		0.0886***		0.1488***	
	(0.0236)		(0.0236)		(0.0424)	
Postal Zone 3	0.0899***		0.0802***		0.0611*	
	(0.0236)		(0.0232)		(0.0352)	
Partisan Bias	-0.9487***	-2.036	-0.9477***	-2.154	-0.7459***	2.063
	(0.1746)	(2.001)	(0.1719)	(2.046)	(0.1793)	(2.080)
Students _{per1,000}			-0.0003**	-0.0005		
			(0.0001)	(0.0015)		
Literacy (%)					-0.00003	0.0008
					(0.0003)	(0.0057)
Catholic (%)	-0.0002	-0.0011	-0.0004	-0.0014	0.0012*	0.0036
	(0.0004)	(0.0029)	(0.0004)	(0.0029)	(0.0006)	(0.0048)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	0.0002**	-0.00003	0.0002*	-0.00002	0.0001	-0.0012**
	(0.00008)	(0.0005)	(0.00008)	(0.0005)	(0.0001)	(0.0005)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.0251***	-0.3034**	-0.0250***	-0.3057**	-0.0257***	-0.1989*
	(0.0074)	(0.1248)	(0.0075)	(0.1240)	(0.0091)	(0.1163)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	0.0322*	-0.2614*	0.0396**	-0.2430*	0.0127	-0.5560***
	(0.0163)	(0.1372)	(0.0168)	(0.1440)	(0.0119)	(0.1421)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0012	0.1006***	0.0021	0.1023***	0.0028	0.0422
	(0.0036)	(0.0327)	(0.0036)	(0.0319)	(0.0042)	(0.0361)
Daily Grain Wage	0.0256	-0.0802	0.0384	-0.0522	0.0041	-0.7965
	(0.0658)	(0.9790)	(0.0665)	(1.003)	(0.0590)	(1.059)
TFP (ln)	0.0051	0.2941	0.0031	0.2908	0.0050	0.5764*
	(0.0211)	(0.2182)	(0.0194)	(0.2168)	(0.0167)	(0.3082)
Constant	0.0015	-1.491	0.0340	-1.432	-0.1223	-3.210
	(0.1438)	(1.464)	(0.1335)	(1.441)	(0.1495)	(2.147)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	203	203	203	203	155	155
R ²	0.69710	0.11790	0.70983	0.11886	0.68588	0.12773
Adjusted R ²	0.68132	0.07677	0.69312	0.07297	0.66172	0.06715
RMSE	0.06849	0.83770	0.06704	0.83889	0.05956	0.82189
F-test (IV only)	16.766	2.3784	15.845	2.3194	22.995	0.01873

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table D.4: IV Estimates: Seigneurial subdistrict main specification.

Dependent Variables:	HHI _{News}	Patriote Events	HHI _{News}	Patriote Events	HHI _{News}	Patriote Events	HHI _{News}	Patriote Events
IV stages	First	Second	First	Second	First	Second	First	Second
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
<i>Variables</i>								
HHI _{News}		-2.120*** (0.5408)		-2.614*** (0.8587)		-2.224** (0.9287)		-2.066** (0.9785)
Postal Zone 2	0.2061*** (0.0433)		0.2075*** (0.0455)		0.2279*** (0.0490)		0.2219*** (0.0487)	
Postal Zone 3	0.3375*** (0.0692)		0.1567*** (0.0438)		0.1249** (0.0570)		0.1190** (0.0553)	
Rents _{arpent} (ln)					-0.0255* (0.0149)	0.0745 (0.1654)	-0.0270* (0.0148)	0.0628 (0.1704)
Catholic (%)			0.0010 (0.0008)	0.0004 (0.0060)	0.0002 (0.0005)	-0.0001 (0.0067)	-0.0002 (0.0003)	-0.0006 (0.0058)
Emigrants _{per1,000}			0.0001 (0.0002)	0.0007 (0.0016)	0.0003 (0.0004)	-0.0017* (0.0010)	0.0002 (0.0004)	-0.0021** (0.0010)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)			-0.0302** (0.0118)	-0.2894** (0.1159)	-0.0424*** (0.0145)	-0.3008** (0.1299)	-0.0384*** (0.0126)	-0.2461** (0.1213)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}			0.0380* (0.0203)	-0.4209*** (0.1566)	0.0280 (0.0206)	-0.4003** (0.1681)	0.0327 (0.0203)	-0.2026 (0.1538)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}			0.0045 (0.0057)	0.0483 (0.0358)	0.0074 (0.0064)	0.0147 (0.0369)		
Daily Grain Wage			0.0547 (0.0899)	-1.281 (1.041)	0.0843 (0.0996)	-0.8797 (1.197)		
TFP (ln)			0.0300 (0.0248)	0.6524* (0.3322)	0.0219 (0.0247)	0.7733** (0.3820)		
Constant	0.0829*** (0.0025)	0.8994*** (0.1564)	-0.2794* (0.1504)	-3.214 (2.209)	-0.2304 (0.1445)	-3.808 (2.526)	-0.0193 (0.0430)	0.6209 (0.5893)
<i>Fit statistics</i>								
Observations	194	194	155	155	136	136	140	140
R ²	0.47142	0.03204	0.57835	0.13199	0.63168	0.13143	0.61604	0.08415
Adjusted R ²	0.46588	0.02700	0.55218	0.08443	0.60221	0.06939	0.59568	0.04284
RMSE	0.12201	1.3552	0.07625	0.82427	0.07475	0.84162	0.07543	0.85894
F-test (IV only)	85.173	6.3552	45.239	5.3867	39.139	3.0776	38.670	2.5814

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***, 0.01, **, 0.05, *, 0.1*

Table D.5: IV Estimates: Seigneurial subdistrict human capital results.

Dependent Variables: IV stages Model:	HHI _{News} First (1)	Patriote Events Second (2)	HHI _{News} First (3)	Patriote Events Second (4)	HHI _{News} First (5)	Patriote Events Second (6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}		-2.614*** (0.8587)		-2.744*** (0.8895)		-2.045*** (0.7513)
Postal Zone 2	0.2075*** (0.0455)		0.2051*** (0.0449)		0.2453*** (0.0454)	
Postal Zone 3	0.1567*** (0.0438)		0.1535*** (0.0430)		0.1291*** (0.0358)	
Students _{per1,000}			-0.0001 (0.0001)	-0.0013 (0.0019)		
Literacy (%)					-0.0006 (0.0006)	0.0010 (0.0086)
Catholic (%)	0.0010 (0.0008)	0.0004 (0.0060)	0.0009 (0.0008)	-0.0009 (0.0063)	0.0019** (0.0009)	0.0092* (0.0048)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	0.0001 (0.0002)	0.0007 (0.0016)	0.0001 (0.0002)	0.0006 (0.0015)	0.0008** (0.0003)	-0.0010 (0.0015)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.0302** (0.0118)	-0.2894** (0.1159)	-0.0296** (0.0118)	-0.2861** (0.1158)	-0.0237** (0.0118)	-0.2564** (0.1210)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	0.0380* (0.0203)	-0.4209*** (0.1566)	0.0428* (0.0226)	-0.3675** (0.1607)	0.0326* (0.0174)	-0.4833*** (0.1653)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0045 (0.0057)	0.0483 (0.0358)	0.0046 (0.0057)	0.0494 (0.0354)	0.0015 (0.0041)	0.0504 (0.0410)
Daily Grain Wage	0.0547 (0.0899)	-1.281 (1.041)	0.0499 (0.0906)	-1.326 (1.035)	-0.0278 (0.0605)	-0.9972 (1.127)
TFP (ln)	0.0300 (0.0248)	0.6524* (0.3322)	0.0305 (0.0249)	0.6635** (0.3306)	0.0389** (0.0192)	0.6228* (0.3516)
Constant	-0.2794* (0.1504)	-3.214 (2.209)	-0.2624* (0.1570)	-3.081 (2.229)	-0.3665** (0.1593)	-3.971* (2.265)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	155	155	155	155	141	141
R ²	0.57835	0.13199	0.58018	0.13353	0.70029	0.13048
Adjusted R ²	0.55218	0.08443	0.55103	0.07975	0.67724	0.07074
RMSE	0.07625	0.82427	0.07609	0.82423	0.06080	0.83286
F-test (IV only)	45.239	5.3867	42.721	5.5932	72.785	3.2550

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses
*Signif. Codes: ***, 0.01, **, 0.05, *, 0.1*

Table D.6: IV Estimates: Seigneurial subdistrict partisan bias results.

Dependent Variables:	HHI _{News}	Patriote Events	HHI _{News}	Patriote Events	HHI _{News}	Patriote Events
IV stages	First	Second	First	Second	First	Second
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}		-2.680*		-2.788*		-1.300
		(1.456)		(1.465)		(1.208)
Postal Zone 2	0.1192***		0.1131***		0.1752***	
	(0.0396)		(0.0383)		(0.0558)	
Postal Zone 3	0.0515		0.0437		0.0711*	
	(0.0327)		(0.0323)		(0.0368)	
Partisan Bias	-1.187***	-1.221	-1.207***	-1.364	-0.7715***	1.469
	(0.1873)	(2.359)	(0.1799)	(2.312)	(0.2639)	(2.508)
Students _{per1,000}			-0.0002*	-0.0013		
			(0.0001)	(0.0018)		
Literacy (%)					-0.0006	0.0016
					(0.0005)	(0.0086)
Catholic (%)	0.0002	-0.0005	-0.00002	-0.0019	0.0011	0.0095*
	(0.0004)	(0.0062)	(0.0004)	(0.0065)	(0.0007)	(0.0049)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	0.0003*	0.0010	0.0002	0.0009	0.0008***	-0.0016
	(0.0002)	(0.0016)	(0.0002)	(0.0015)	(0.0003)	(0.0017)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.0214***	-0.2583**	-0.0203***	-0.2492**	-0.0203**	-0.2447**
	(0.0074)	(0.1110)	(0.0072)	(0.1100)	(0.0088)	(0.1202)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.0059	-0.4835***	0.0023	-0.4406**	0.0084	-0.4751***
	(0.0169)	(0.1703)	(0.0188)	(0.1757)	(0.0150)	(0.1711)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0037	0.0478	0.0038	0.0489	0.0029	0.0479
	(0.0045)	(0.0354)	(0.0045)	(0.0349)	(0.0045)	(0.0411)
Daily Grain Wage	0.0842	-1.227	0.0758	-1.264	0.0276	-1.050
	(0.0614)	(1.006)	(0.0628)	(1.008)	(0.0575)	(1.075)
TFP (ln)	-0.0153	0.6112*	-0.0150	0.6164*	0.0058	0.6491*
	(0.0218)	(0.3216)	(0.0221)	(0.3202)	(0.0210)	(0.3653)
Constant	0.0697	-2.856	0.1073	-2.673	-0.1131	-4.178*
	(0.1560)	(2.223)	(0.1575)	(2.230)	(0.1807)	(2.401)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	155	155	155	155	141	141
R ²	0.74920	0.13073	0.75550	0.13060	0.74782	0.13467
Adjusted R ²	0.73178	0.07677	0.73670	0.07022	0.72631	0.06811
RMSE	0.05881	0.82292	0.05806	0.82212	0.05577	0.83064
F-test (IV only)	17.204	1.2786	15.479	1.2137	26.789	0.40895

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

E Robustness: Alternative Control Specifications

Each sub-section below replaces one or more controls from the baseline set with an alternative measure, keeping the primary HHI specification ($HHI_{max,50}$) unchanged. Within each block: columns 1–3 use the full sample (with seigneurial dummy); columns 4–6 use the seigneurial subsample. Within each group, column 1 has no human capital control, column 2 adds students per reference population, and column 3 adds literacy.

Table E.1: Robustness: Monthly Grain Wage

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}	-1.285*** (0.3980)	-1.261*** (0.4114)	-1.431** (0.5803)	-1.478*** (0.5459)	-1.469** (0.5717)	-1.323** (0.6338)
Seigneurial Tenure	0.2964 (0.3044)	0.3014 (0.3069)	-0.5450* (0.2780)			
Rents _{arpent} (ln)				0.1135 (0.1490)	0.1149 (0.1506)	0.1438 (0.1461)
Students _{per1,000}		0.0003 (0.0013)			0.0001 (0.0021)	
Literacy (%)			0.0007 (0.0055)			0.0066 (0.0108)
Catholic (%)	-0.0035 (0.0038)	-0.0034 (0.0037)	0.0081** (0.0036)	-0.00003 (0.0063)	0.0001 (0.0070)	0.0131*** (0.0043)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	-0.0002 (0.0004)	-0.0002 (0.0004)	-0.0015*** (0.0005)	-0.0019 (0.0012)	-0.0019 (0.0012)	-0.0012 (0.0017)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.2077** (0.0828)	-0.2084** (0.0830)	-0.2178** (0.1047)	-0.2318** (0.1073)	-0.2327** (0.1083)	-0.2554* (0.1321)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.3285*** (0.1195)	-0.3368*** (0.1150)	-0.5519*** (0.1376)	-0.4189** (0.1657)	-0.4224** (0.1750)	-0.4551** (0.1904)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0962*** (0.0312)	0.0952*** (0.0297)	0.0593* (0.0330)	0.0183 (0.0352)	0.0181 (0.0353)	0.0381 (0.0433)
Monthly Grain Wage	-0.0177 (0.0456)	-0.0174 (0.0455)	-0.0066 (0.0630)	-0.0214 (0.0585)	-0.0209 (0.0583)	-0.0038 (0.0732)
TFP (ln)	0.2901 (0.2226)	0.2918 (0.2238)	0.5110* (0.2993)	0.7229* (0.3831)	0.7225* (0.3838)	0.6484 (0.4056)
Constant	-1.466 (1.346)	-1.504 (1.360)	-2.923 (1.863)	-3.595 (2.274)	-3.614 (2.363)	-4.642** (2.278)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	203	203	156	137	137	126
R ²	0.11984	0.12010	0.13707	0.12682	0.12684	0.12793
Adjusted R ²	0.07879	0.07427	0.07756	0.06495	0.05755	0.05210
RMSE	0.82511	0.82499	0.81751	0.84205	0.84204	0.86092

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table E.2: Robustness: Log Daily Grain Wage

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}	-1.316*** (0.3968)	-1.296*** (0.4111)	-1.539*** (0.5697)	-1.550*** (0.5546)	-1.555*** (0.5659)	-1.456** (0.6217)
Seigneurial Tenure	0.2896 (0.2698)	0.2919 (0.2716)	-0.5149* (0.2828)			
Rents _{arpent} (ln)				0.1172 (0.1539)	0.1164 (0.1543)	0.1537 (0.1518)
Students _{per1,000}		0.0002 (0.0013)			-0.00006 (0.0021)	
Literacy (%)			0.0005 (0.0055)			0.0061 (0.0105)
Catholic (%)	-0.0028 (0.0037)	-0.0028 (0.0036)	0.0074 (0.0045)	-0.00006 (0.0067)	-0.0001 (0.0071)	0.0132*** (0.0048)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	-0.0001 (0.0004)	-0.0001 (0.0004)	-0.0015*** (0.0005)	-0.0018* (0.0011)	-0.0018 (0.0011)	-0.0009 (0.0017)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.2221** (0.0893)	-0.2224** (0.0895)	-0.2292** (0.1119)	-0.2469** (0.1174)	-0.2465** (0.1184)	-0.2708* (0.1417)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.3354*** (0.1269)	-0.3425*** (0.1252)	-0.5707*** (0.1431)	-0.4470** (0.1763)	-0.4452** (0.1852)	-0.4772** (0.1958)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0947*** (0.0318)	0.0939*** (0.0304)	0.0530 (0.0349)	0.0124 (0.0357)	0.0125 (0.0358)	0.0304 (0.0437)
Daily Grain Wage (ln)	-0.0986 (0.3095)	-0.1020 (0.3150)	-0.1942 (0.3559)	-0.2602 (0.3769)	-0.2613 (0.3703)	-0.2399 (0.4082)
TFP (ln)	0.2854 (0.2110)	0.2869 (0.2124)	0.5314* (0.2924)	0.7480** (0.3746)	0.7482** (0.3748)	0.6888* (0.3949)
Constant	-1.698 (1.348)	-1.731 (1.374)	-3.255* (1.817)	-4.133* (2.293)	-4.126* (2.382)	-5.163** (2.278)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	203	203	155	136	136	125
R ²	0.12307	0.12325	0.14472	0.13737	0.13738	0.13894
Adjusted R ²	0.08218	0.07758	0.08532	0.07576	0.06837	0.06341
RMSE	0.82359	0.82351	0.81578	0.83910	0.83910	0.85793

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table E.3: Robustness: Log Net Farm Income

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}	-1.417*** (0.4226)	-1.456*** (0.4400)	-1.432** (0.5610)	-1.023* (0.5538)	-0.9793* (0.5738)	-1.282** (0.6228)
Seigneurial Tenure	0.1446 (0.2897)	0.1405 (0.2863)	-0.6140** (0.2891)			
Rents _{arpent} (ln)				0.1797 (0.1488)	0.1874 (0.1495)	0.1817 (0.1529)
Students _{per1,000}		-0.0006 (0.0010)			0.0005 (0.0019)	
Literacy (%)			-0.0055 (0.0053)			-0.0003 (0.0098)
Catholic (%)	0.0014 (0.0034)	0.0011 (0.0034)	0.0056 (0.0039)	0.0017 (0.0060)	0.0024 (0.0066)	0.0128** (0.0049)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	0.0004 (0.0004)	0.0004 (0.0004)	-0.0010** (0.0004)	0.0003 (0.0011)	0.0002 (0.0011)	0.0019 (0.0017)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.2412*** (0.0823)	-0.2386*** (0.0816)	-0.2229** (0.1016)	-0.2815*** (0.1074)	-0.2847*** (0.1086)	-0.2733** (0.1311)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.1909 (0.1256)	-0.1847 (0.1219)	-0.5775*** (0.1328)	-0.5438*** (0.1842)	-0.5611*** (0.1960)	-0.5373*** (0.1972)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0694*** (0.0261)	0.0714*** (0.0258)	0.0327 (0.0338)	0.0073 (0.0344)	0.0061 (0.0347)	0.0116 (0.0432)
Farm Income (ln)	0.4358*** (0.1201)	0.4399*** (0.1211)	0.7057*** (0.2081)	0.7216*** (0.2170)	0.7252*** (0.2198)	0.7849*** (0.2473)
TFP (ln)	-0.1973 (0.2462)	-0.2000 (0.2466)	-0.1637 (0.3299)	-0.0009 (0.3694)	-0.0048 (0.3709)	-0.0731 (0.3970)
Constant	-2.154 (1.401)	-2.101 (1.404)	-3.627* (1.862)	-4.757* (2.416)	-4.839* (2.506)	-5.853** (2.389)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	205	205	157	138	138	127
R ²	0.22536	0.22672	0.19308	0.18638	0.18682	0.18750
Adjusted R ²	0.18961	0.18686	0.13782	0.12917	0.12279	0.11746
RMSE	0.77131	0.77064	0.78869	0.81074	0.81052	0.82862

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table E.4: Robustness: Ethnic Fractionalization (replacing Catholic share)

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}	-1.363*** (0.4099)	-1.338*** (0.4198)	-1.559*** (0.5734)	-1.542*** (0.5551)	-1.491*** (0.5668)	-1.442** (0.6240)
Seigneurial Tenure	0.1142 (0.2496)	0.1089 (0.2585)	-0.5069 (0.3344)			
Rents _{arpent} (ln)				0.1564 (0.1500)	0.1658 (0.1486)	0.1648 (0.1527)
Students _{per1,000}		0.0004 (0.0014)			0.0006 (0.0020)	
Literacy (%)			-0.0010 (0.0051)			0.0059 (0.0106)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	-0.00010 (0.0004)	-0.00008 (0.0004)	-0.0012*** (0.0005)	-0.0009 (0.0010)	-0.0009 (0.0011)	-0.0005 (0.0018)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.2498*** (0.0838)	-0.2512*** (0.0839)	-0.2163** (0.1044)	-0.2624** (0.1143)	-0.2660** (0.1148)	-0.2674* (0.1409)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.3310*** (0.1272)	-0.3413*** (0.1245)	-0.5586*** (0.1414)	-0.4574** (0.1762)	-0.4769** (0.1868)	-0.4825** (0.1971)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0985*** (0.0336)	0.0980*** (0.0332)	0.0591 (0.0374)	0.0229 (0.0377)	0.0222 (0.0379)	0.0316 (0.0454)
Daily Grain Wage	0.0514 (0.9918)	0.0495 (0.9945)	-0.6261 (1.080)	-0.6015 (1.180)	-0.5693 (1.158)	-0.7772 (1.282)
TFP (ln)	0.2704 (0.2151)	0.2711 (0.2164)	0.5320* (0.2959)	0.7456** (0.3750)	0.7440* (0.3764)	0.6969* (0.3959)
Constant	-1.675 (1.420)	-1.728 (1.440)	-2.899 (1.944)	-4.244* (2.410)	-4.347* (2.491)	-4.443* (2.438)
Ethnic Fractionalization	3.33×10^{-6} (0.00004)	7.28×10^{-6} (0.00004)	0.00008* (0.00004)	0.00007 (0.00006)	0.00008 (0.00006)	0.0001** (0.00005)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	203	203	155	136	136	125
R ²	0.12059	0.12097	0.14769	0.14204	0.14266	0.13890
Adjusted R ²	0.07958	0.07519	0.08850	0.08076	0.07408	0.06337
RMSE	0.82476	0.82458	0.81436	0.83683	0.83653	0.85795

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table E.5: Robustness: Wealth Index and Home Ownership

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}	-1.488*** (0.4083)	-1.471*** (0.4202)	-1.354** (0.5433)	-1.253** (0.5306)	-1.127** (0.5336)	-1.321** (0.6174)
Seigneurial Tenure	0.1755 (0.2460)	0.1719 (0.2531)	-0.4199 (0.3215)			
Rents _{arpent} (ln)				0.1654 (0.1482)	0.1825 (0.1483)	0.1477 (0.1574)
Students _{per1,000}		0.0003 (0.0013)			0.0014 (0.0019)	
Literacy (%)			-0.0037 (0.0051)			0.0009 (0.0106)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	0.0003 (0.0005)	0.0003 (0.0005)	-0.0008 (0.0005)	0.0006 (0.0012)	0.0007 (0.0013)	0.0011 (0.0020)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.2177*** (0.0790)	-0.2189*** (0.0791)	-0.1702* (0.0974)	-0.2178** (0.1007)	-0.2229** (0.1014)	-0.2160* (0.1302)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.1707 (0.1065)	-0.1743 (0.1096)	-0.5401*** (0.1369)	-0.4643*** (0.1711)	-0.5116*** (0.1848)	-0.4510** (0.1883)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0900*** (0.0308)	0.0895*** (0.0301)	0.0537 (0.0352)	0.0164 (0.0351)	0.0137 (0.0352)	0.0245 (0.0438)
TFP (ln)	0.1621 (0.2212)	0.1596 (0.2220)	0.4163 (0.3007)	0.5711 (0.3889)	0.5587 (0.3890)	0.5667 (0.4031)
Constant	-1.392 (1.385)	-1.431 (1.404)	-2.739 (1.876)	-3.806 (2.315)	-3.984* (2.371)	-4.182* (2.320)
Ethnic Fractionalization	7.15×10^{-6} (0.00004)	0.00001 (0.00004)	0.00009** (0.00004)	0.00007 (0.00005)	0.00009 (0.00006)	0.0001** (0.00005)
Does Not Own House	0.4868 (0.3482)	0.5076 (0.3471)	0.7480* (0.4423)	0.8215 (0.6484)	0.9277 (0.6383)	0.8287 (0.6827)
Wealth Index ²	0.00002 (0.00001)	0.00002 (0.00001)	0.00001 (0.00001)	0.00002 (0.00002)	0.00002 (0.00002)	0.00002 (0.00002)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	206	206	157	138	138	127
R ²	0.13443	0.13471	0.16318	0.17027	0.17339	0.15576
Adjusted R ²	0.09005	0.08565	0.09970	0.10493	0.10123	0.07501
RMSE	0.81388	0.81375	0.80317	0.81873	0.81719	0.84465

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses
*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table E.6: Robustness: Adding Terrain Ruggedness

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}	-1.064*** (0.3969)	-1.046*** (0.3889)	-0.9595* (0.5460)	-1.222** (0.5483)	-1.234** (0.5364)	-1.056 (0.6390)
Seigneurial Tenure	0.3039 (0.2701)	0.3061 (0.2717)	-0.4890* (0.2874)			
Rents _{arpent} (ln)				0.0437 (0.1656)	0.0414 (0.1678)	0.0835 (0.1642)
Students _{per1,000}		0.0002 (0.0013)			-0.0001 (0.0021)	
Literacy (%)			0.0026 (0.0058)			0.0058 (0.0106)
Catholic (%)	-0.0030 (0.0035)	-0.0029 (0.0035)	0.0073* (0.0044)	-0.00002 (0.0066)	-0.0002 (0.0071)	0.0133*** (0.0047)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	-0.0002 (0.0004)	-0.0002 (0.0004)	-0.0014*** (0.0005)	-0.0013 (0.0011)	-0.0013 (0.0012)	-0.0007 (0.0017)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.2205** (0.0870)	-0.2208** (0.0871)	-0.2207** (0.1093)	-0.2371** (0.1172)	-0.2360** (0.1184)	-0.2632* (0.1418)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.2982** (0.1175)	-0.3046** (0.1187)	-0.5280*** (0.1405)	-0.3990** (0.1703)	-0.3942** (0.1841)	-0.4454** (0.1903)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0890*** (0.0340)	0.0882*** (0.0325)	0.0447 (0.0356)	0.0052 (0.0368)	0.0055 (0.0368)	0.0262 (0.0441)
Daily Grain Wage	-0.1019 (0.9718)	-0.1125 (0.9933)	-0.5753 (1.068)	-0.8862 (1.163)	-0.8955 (1.140)	-0.8444 (1.255)
TFP (ln)	0.3053 (0.2197)	0.3067 (0.2211)	0.5353* (0.2945)	0.7128* (0.3735)	0.7132* (0.3735)	0.6539 (0.3948)
Constant	-1.574 (1.446)	-1.597 (1.451)	-2.791 (1.957)	-3.348 (2.448)	-3.323 (2.541)	-4.427* (2.425)
Ruggedness	-0.0017 (0.0013)	-0.0017 (0.0013)	-0.0027** (0.0013)	-0.0025* (0.0015)	-0.0025* (0.0015)	-0.0024 (0.0016)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	203	203	155	136	136	125
R ²	0.12916	0.12931	0.15981	0.14831	0.14835	0.14871
Adjusted R ²	0.08381	0.07916	0.09518	0.08017	0.07280	0.06584
RMSE	0.82073	0.82066	0.80855	0.83377	0.83375	0.85305

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

F Robustness: Language Analysis

The tables below decompose the HHI effect by newspaper language. If the competition effect is driven primarily by French-language newspapers (which were more closely aligned with the *Patriotes*), we would expect HHI_{French} to be negative and significant while $HHI_{English}$ is not, or vice versa. If instead it is a general competition effect, both should be significant. A final block adds the French-language share as an additive control to the main HHI specification, testing whether language *composition* rather than competition matters for rebelliousness.

Table F.1: French-Language Newspaper Competition

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI_{French}	-0.4847 (0.3271)	-0.4635 (0.3632)	-0.8588** (0.3613)	-0.8536** (0.3925)	-0.8401** (0.4118)	-0.7609* (0.4307)
Seigneurial Tenure	0.2563 (0.2722)	0.2629 (0.2747)	-0.5371* (0.2884)			
$Rents_{arpent}$ (ln)				0.1232 (0.1546)	0.1273 (0.1552)	0.1662 (0.1508)
$Students_{per1,000}$		0.0004 (0.0014)			0.0003 (0.0021)	
Literacy (%)			0.0023 (0.0055)			0.0085 (0.0107)
Catholic (%)	-0.0049 (0.0036)	-0.0047 (0.0036)	0.0063 (0.0043)	-0.0011 (0.0064)	-0.0006 (0.0069)	0.0117** (0.0047)
$Emigrants_{per1,000}$	-0.0007* (0.0003)	-0.0006* (0.0003)	-0.0017*** (0.0005)	-0.0021* (0.0012)	-0.0022* (0.0012)	-0.0018 (0.0017)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.1483* (0.0894)	-0.1501* (0.0885)	-0.2047* (0.1121)	-0.2030* (0.1150)	-0.2056* (0.1155)	-0.2465* (0.1444)
Price Gap $_{LocalCity}$	-0.4128*** (0.1283)	-0.4261*** (0.1311)	-0.5619*** (0.1509)	-0.4422** (0.1816)	-0.4512** (0.1962)	-0.4884** (0.2035)
Inns & Taverns $_{per1,000}$	0.0864** (0.0350)	0.0846** (0.0328)	0.0508 (0.0358)	0.0065 (0.0354)	0.0060 (0.0355)	0.0274 (0.0439)
Daily Grain Wage	-0.7193 (0.9208)	-0.7312 (0.9289)	-0.6646 (1.070)	-0.9057 (1.167)	-0.8871 (1.141)	-0.7913 (1.248)
TFP (ln)	0.3714 (0.2428)	0.3717 (0.2436)	0.5697* (0.3075)	0.8077** (0.3898)	0.8059** (0.3891)	0.7163* (0.4132)
Constant	-1.448 (1.531)	-1.497 (1.525)	-2.755 (2.010)	-3.563 (2.507)	-3.610 (2.594)	-4.484* (2.484)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	199	199	154	136	136	125
R ²	0.11145	0.11208	0.13747	0.12592	0.12606	0.13210
Adjusted R ²	0.06914	0.06485	0.07715	0.06349	0.05615	0.05597
RMSE	0.81840	0.81811	0.82115	0.84466	0.84459	0.86133

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table F.2: English-Language Newspaper Competition

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{English}	-0.4369*	-0.4361*	-0.5004	-0.6580*	-0.6686*	-0.5902
	(0.2519)	(0.2538)	(0.3120)	(0.3795)	(0.3657)	(0.4202)
Seigneurial Tenure	0.2708	0.2714	-0.6240**			
	(0.2869)	(0.2875)	(0.2923)			
Rents _{arpent} (ln)				0.0752	0.0682	0.1178
				(0.1971)	(0.1970)	(0.1929)
Students _{per1,000}		0.00007			-0.0004	
		(0.0014)			(0.0022)	
Literacy (%)			0.0002			0.0058
			(0.0056)			(0.0110)
Catholic (%)	-0.0004	-0.0004	0.0106**	0.0017	0.0011	0.0157***
	(0.0040)	(0.0040)	(0.0046)	(0.0071)	(0.0077)	(0.0051)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	-0.00007	-0.00007	-0.0015***	-0.0015	-0.0015	-0.0008
	(0.0006)	(0.0007)	(0.0005)	(0.0012)	(0.0013)	(0.0021)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.2975***	-0.2976***	-0.2968**	-0.3167**	-0.3157**	-0.3289*
	(0.1098)	(0.1097)	(0.1330)	(0.1516)	(0.1530)	(0.1796)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.4217***	-0.4238***	-0.6856***	-0.5405***	-0.5294***	-0.5783***
	(0.1285)	(0.1279)	(0.1548)	(0.1901)	(0.1974)	(0.2147)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.1078***	0.1075***	0.0662*	0.0209	0.0217	0.0450
	(0.0361)	(0.0347)	(0.0389)	(0.0437)	(0.0440)	(0.0510)
Daily Grain Wage	0.0482	0.0446	-0.3362	-0.7555	-0.7784	-0.6908
	(1.011)	(1.030)	(1.128)	(1.257)	(1.233)	(1.335)
TFP (ln)	0.1640	0.1648	0.3941	0.6723	0.6717	0.6024
	(0.2257)	(0.2282)	(0.3141)	(0.4516)	(0.4537)	(0.4828)
Constant	-1.195	-1.204	-2.389	-3.448	-3.383	-4.519
	(1.548)	(1.558)	(2.160)	(2.879)	(2.991)	(2.963)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	188	188	145	126	126	116
R ²	0.11993	0.11995	0.14433	0.12282	0.12303	0.12671
Adjusted R ²	0.07543	0.07023	0.08047	0.05476	0.04677	0.04354
RMSE	0.84809	0.84808	0.83577	0.86910	0.86900	0.88753

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table F.3: Main specification with French newspaper share control

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News}	-1.340*** (0.4007)	-1.322*** (0.4135)	-1.571*** (0.5701)	-1.649*** (0.5747)	-1.671*** (0.5739)	-1.508** (0.6249)
French Newspaper Share	-0.1725 (0.5433)	-0.1666 (0.5429)	-0.6207 (0.8023)	-0.3648 (0.9512)	-0.3797 (0.9438)	-0.3818 (1.118)
Seigneurial Tenure	0.2990 (0.2799)	0.3007 (0.2817)	-0.5649** (0.2474)			
Rents _{arpent} (ln)				0.1030 (0.1478)	0.0992 (0.1449)	0.1430 (0.1456)
Students _{per1,000}		0.0002 (0.0013)			-0.0002 (0.0020)	
Literacy (%)			0.0007 (0.0054)			0.0060 (0.0106)
Catholic (%)	-0.0021 (0.0037)	-0.0021 (0.0037)	0.0104** (0.0042)	0.0014 (0.0073)	0.0011 (0.0078)	0.0152** (0.0058)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	-0.00008 (0.0004)	-0.00008 (0.0004)	-0.0015*** (0.0004)	-0.0018* (0.0010)	-0.0018 (0.0011)	-0.0008 (0.0017)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.2306** (0.0910)	-0.2306** (0.0913)	-0.2615** (0.1208)	-0.2698** (0.1295)	-0.2692** (0.1304)	-0.2917* (0.1553)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.3407** (0.1363)	-0.3464** (0.1349)	-0.6231*** (0.1695)	-0.4687** (0.1930)	-0.4625** (0.1990)	-0.5054** (0.2187)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0943*** (0.0326)	0.0936*** (0.0313)	0.0510 (0.0362)	0.0112 (0.0366)	0.0116 (0.0365)	0.0306 (0.0431)
Daily Grain Wage	-0.2785 (1.075)	-0.2855 (1.088)	-0.8099 (1.165)	-0.9519 (1.335)	-0.9705 (1.317)	-0.9167 (1.404)
TFP (ln)	0.2697 (0.2142)	0.2714 (0.2157)	0.5154* (0.2880)	0.7339* (0.3737)	0.7339* (0.3749)	0.6693* (0.3940)
Constant	-1.407 (1.504)	-1.432 (1.506)	-2.652 (1.999)	-3.461 (2.526)	-3.418 (2.612)	-4.530* (2.515)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	203	203	155	136	136	125
R ²	0.12330	0.12342	0.15053	0.13876	0.13885	0.14074
Adjusted R ²	0.07764	0.07294	0.08518	0.06987	0.06246	0.05709
RMSE	0.82349	0.82343	0.81300	0.83843	0.83839	0.85703

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

G Robustness: HHI Aggregation: Sum vs. Max

The main text uses the maximum proximity weight (HHI_{max}) to capture the *extensive* margin of competition — whether any newspaper reaches a subdistrict at all. The tables below replicate main-text Tables 2, 3, and 4 using the *sum* aggregation (HHI_{sum}), which cumulates all distance-weighted market shares and reflects the *intensive* margin of coverage. All other specification choices are held identical to the main text.

Table G.1: Stepwise Control Inclusion: Sum-Aggregated HHI

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000							
	All Subdistricts				Seigneurial Subdistricts			
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
<i>Variables</i>								
HHI _{News} (sum)	-1.011*** (0.2473)	-0.8679** (0.4058)	-0.8845** (0.4026)	-1.367* (0.6965)	-1.306*** (0.3208)	-1.556*** (0.5154)	-1.456** (0.5609)	-1.047* (0.5491)
Seigneurial Tenure			0.2800 (0.2707)	0.4931* (0.2965)				
Rents _{arpent} (ln)							0.1059 (0.1525)	0.1133 (0.1565)
Catholic (%)		-0.0006 (0.0026)	-0.0031 (0.0037)	-0.0034 (0.0032)		-0.0007 (0.0059)	0.00002 (0.0067)	-0.0003 (0.0058)
Emigrants _{per1,000}		-0.0003 (0.0004)	-0.0003 (0.0004)	-0.0003 (0.0004)		0.0007 (0.0016)	-0.0019* (0.0011)	-0.0022** (0.0010)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)		-0.1859** (0.0914)	-0.1965** (0.0930)	-0.1536 (0.1253)		-0.2165** (0.1064)	-0.2438* (0.1243)	-0.1708 (0.1072)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}		-0.3913*** (0.1225)	-0.3610*** (0.1211)	-0.0278 (0.1556)		-0.4931*** (0.1630)	-0.4454** (0.1776)	-0.2719* (0.1503)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}		0.0957*** (0.0324)	0.0913*** (0.0326)			0.0406 (0.0348)	0.0066 (0.0355)	
Daily Grain Wage		-0.1210 (0.9673)	-0.1835 (0.9749)			-1.325 (1.033)	-0.9030 (1.182)	
TFP (ln)		0.2974 (0.2194)	0.3006 (0.2189)			0.6590** (0.3305)	0.7850** (0.3803)	
Constant	0.7418*** (0.1219)	-1.475 (1.476)	-1.516 (1.475)	0.4039 (0.3667)	0.8522*** (0.1489)	-3.016 (2.193)	-3.703 (2.518)	0.7704 (0.5740)
<i>Fit statistics</i>								
Observations	257	203	203	215	194	155	136	140
R ²	0.02089	0.10597	0.10963	0.02876	0.02425	0.12698	0.13054	0.07726
Adjusted R ²	0.01705	0.06911	0.06811	0.00074	0.01917	0.07914	0.06844	0.03564
RMSE	1.2412	0.83158	0.82988	1.1887	1.3482	0.82206	0.84242	0.85960

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table G.2: Human Capital: Sum-Aggregated HHI

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News} (sum)	-0.8679** (0.4058)	-0.8397* (0.4429)	-1.451** (0.6002)	-1.556*** (0.5154)	-1.581*** (0.5305)	-1.576** (0.6289)
Students _{per1,000}		0.0004 (0.0014)			-0.0006 (0.0019)	
Literacy (%)			0.0017 (0.0056)			0.0032 (0.0087)
Catholic (%)	-0.0006 (0.0026)	-0.0004 (0.0024)	0.0027 (0.0041)	-0.0007 (0.0059)	-0.0013 (0.0061)	0.0089* (0.0048)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	-0.0003 (0.0004)	-0.0003 (0.0004)	-0.0011** (0.0004)	0.0007 (0.0016)	0.0006 (0.0016)	-0.0015 (0.0014)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.1859** (0.0914)	-0.1866** (0.0913)	-0.2368** (0.1188)	-0.2165** (0.1064)	-0.2122** (0.1059)	-0.2428* (0.1238)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.3913*** (0.1225)	-0.4034*** (0.1238)	-0.5258*** (0.1358)	-0.4931*** (0.1630)	-0.4706*** (0.1730)	-0.5161*** (0.1707)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0957*** (0.0324)	0.0944*** (0.0312)	0.0419 (0.0359)	0.0406 (0.0348)	0.0410 (0.0347)	0.0471 (0.0416)
Daily Grain Wage	-0.1210 (0.9673)	-0.1398 (0.9848)	-0.8302 (1.070)	-1.325 (1.033)	-1.346 (1.023)	-0.9961 (1.114)
TFP (ln)	0.2974 (0.2194)	0.2994 (0.2210)	0.5661* (0.2982)	0.6590** (0.3305)	0.6637** (0.3288)	0.6209* (0.3534)
Constant	-1.475 (1.476)	-1.516 (1.482)	-2.974 (2.016)	-3.016 (2.193)	-2.942 (2.226)	-3.893* (2.267)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	203	203	155	155	155	141
R ²	0.10597	0.10650	0.13249	0.12698	0.12774	0.13139
Adjusted R ²	0.06911	0.06483	0.07865	0.07914	0.07359	0.07172
RMSE	0.83158	0.83134	0.82159	0.82206	0.82171	0.83434

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table G.3: Partisan Bias: Sum-Aggregated HHI

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000					
	All Subdistricts			Seigneurial Subdistricts		
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<i>Variables</i>						
HHI _{News} (sum)	-0.4455 (0.5628)	-0.3569 (0.6429)	-0.5659 (0.6365)	-0.6240 (0.7415)	-0.6404 (0.7339)	-0.1384 (0.7355)
Partisan Bias	0.7015 (0.5926)	0.7723 (0.6272)	1.698 (1.033)	1.731 (1.272)	1.710 (1.236)	2.923** (1.301)
Students _{per1,000}		0.0006 (0.0014)			-0.0001 (0.0020)	
Literacy (%)			0.0036 (0.0055)			0.0088 (0.0081)
Catholic (%)	0.0020 (0.0032)	0.0025 (0.0031)	0.0078 (0.0058)	0.0031 (0.0067)	0.0029 (0.0068)	0.0171*** (0.0049)
Emigrants _{per1,000}	-0.0002 (0.0004)	-0.0002 (0.0004)	-0.0009 (0.0005)	0.0006 (0.0018)	0.0006 (0.0017)	-0.0013 (0.0012)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)	-0.1739* (0.0915)	-0.1738* (0.0921)	-0.2368** (0.1168)	-0.2092** (0.1038)	-0.2083** (0.1040)	-0.2551** (0.1230)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}	-0.4024*** (0.1223)	-0.4233*** (0.1262)	-0.5180*** (0.1380)	-0.4280*** (0.1578)	-0.4237** (0.1726)	-0.4071** (0.1648)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}	0.0944*** (0.0322)	0.0921*** (0.0309)	0.0268 (0.0389)	0.0323 (0.0363)	0.0325 (0.0365)	0.0315 (0.0433)
Daily Grain Wage	-0.1422 (0.9636)	-0.1751 (0.9833)	-0.8480 (1.064)	-1.298 (1.034)	-1.303 (1.020)	-1.073 (1.107)
TFP (ln)	0.2739 (0.2237)	0.2747 (0.2255)	0.6176** (0.3034)	0.6850** (0.3290)	0.6857** (0.3281)	0.6399* (0.3522)
Constant	-1.579 (1.477)	-1.657 (1.493)	-3.816* (2.158)	-3.582 (2.261)	-3.559 (2.313)	-4.947** (2.383)
<i>Fit statistics</i>						
Observations	203	203	155	155	155	141
R ²	0.11080	0.11214	0.14743	0.13842	0.13846	0.15919
Adjusted R ²	0.06934	0.06590	0.08823	0.08494	0.07863	0.09451
RMSE	0.82933	0.82871	0.81448	0.81666	0.81664	0.82088

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

Table G.4: HHI \times Seigneurial Interaction: Sum-Aggregated HHI

Dependent Variable:	Patriote Events per 1,000						
Model:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
<i>Variables</i>							
HHI (Sum) \times Seigneurial	-1.217*** (0.3783)	-1.821** (0.8577)	-1.721** (0.7633)	-1.842** (0.8250)	1.440 (3.312)	-2.484** (1.188)	0.5883 (4.290)
HHI _{News} (sum)	-0.0887 (0.1992)	0.2733 (0.7037)	0.6573 (0.7585)	0.8724 (0.9139)	-1.900 (3.261)	1.200 (0.9589)	-1.414 (3.814)
Seigneurial Tenure	0.5394*** (0.1895)	0.6522** (0.3155)	0.6939** (0.3190)	0.7389** (0.3371)	-0.7051 (0.7322)	1.107** (0.5092)	-0.3037 (1.069)
Partisan Bias			0.7492 (0.5819)	0.8615 (0.6219)	1.646 (1.066)	1.462* (0.8346)	2.837* (1.544)
Students _{per1,000}				0.0010 (0.0015)		0.0020 (0.0019)	
Literacy (%)					0.0041 (0.0053)		0.0100 (0.0075)
Catholic (%)		-0.0020 (0.0037)	0.0001 (0.0041)	0.0009 (0.0041)	0.0119** (0.0050)	0.0036 (0.0050)	0.0176** (0.0075)
Emigrants _{per1,000}		-0.0005 (0.0004)	-0.0003 (0.0004)	-0.0003 (0.0004)	-0.0012** (0.0006)	-0.0003 (0.0005)	-0.0007 (0.0007)
Travel Cost to Port (-ln)		-0.2378** (0.0992)	-0.2251** (0.0987)	-0.2285** (0.0987)	-0.2260* (0.1192)	-0.2001 (0.1423)	-0.2335 (0.1981)
Price Gap _{LocalCity}		-0.3303*** (0.1198)	-0.3371*** (0.1198)	-0.3656*** (0.1228)	-0.5792*** (0.1608)	-0.0169 (0.1570)	-0.0547 (0.4627)
Inns & Taverns _{per1,000}		0.0924*** (0.0321)	0.0900*** (0.0319)	0.0862*** (0.0303)	0.0316 (0.0410)		
Daily Grain Wage		-0.1888 (0.9722)	-0.2250 (0.9698)	-0.2813 (0.9905)	-0.7363 (1.080)		
TFP (ln)		0.3255 (0.2209)	0.2997 (0.2255)	0.3028 (0.2279)	0.6017* (0.3092)		
Constant	0.3128*** (0.1167)	-2.105 (1.546)	-2.193 (1.559)	-2.356 (1.600)	-3.448 (2.329)	-0.9915 (0.9302)	-1.004 (1.820)
<i>Fit statistics</i>							
Observations	257	203	203	203	155	215	165
R ²	0.03345	0.12198	0.12727	0.13046	0.15245	0.05445	0.06476
Adjusted R ²	0.02199	0.07625	0.07701	0.07554	0.08082	0.01294	0.01046
RMSE	1.2332	0.82411	0.82162	0.82012	0.81208	1.1729	1.2496

Heteroskedasticity-robust standard-errors in parentheses

*Signif. Codes: ***: 0.01, **: 0.05, *: 0.1*

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