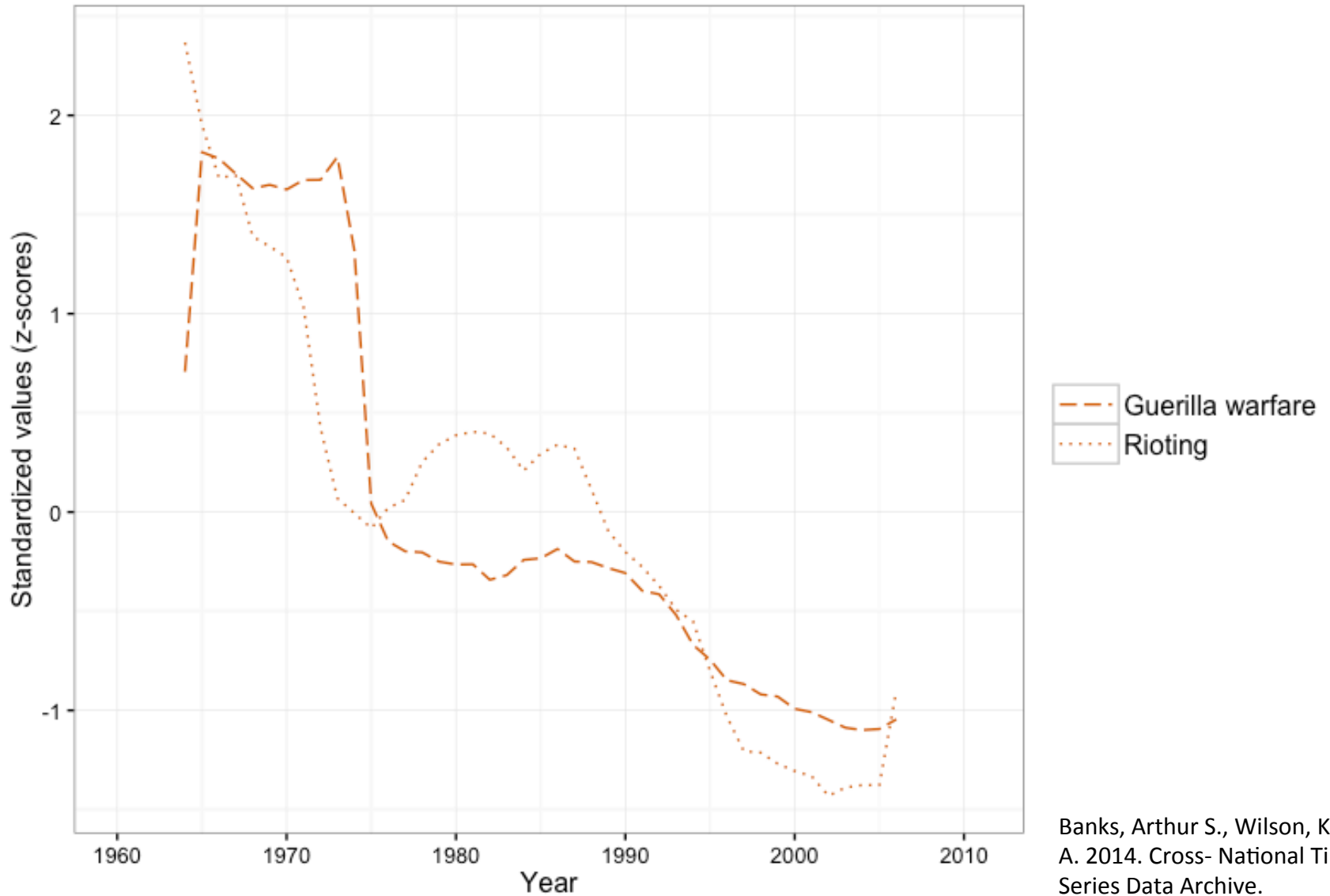


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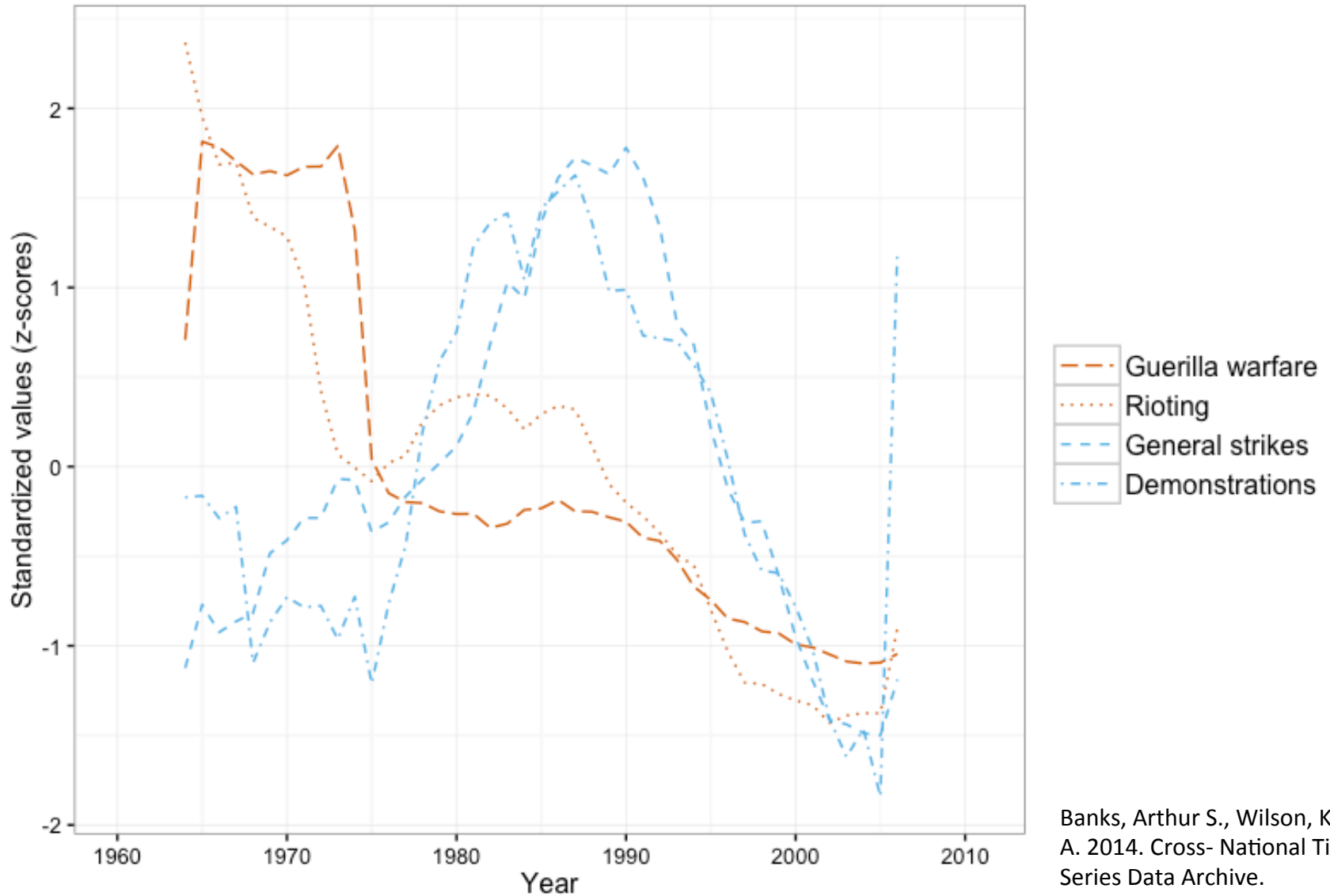
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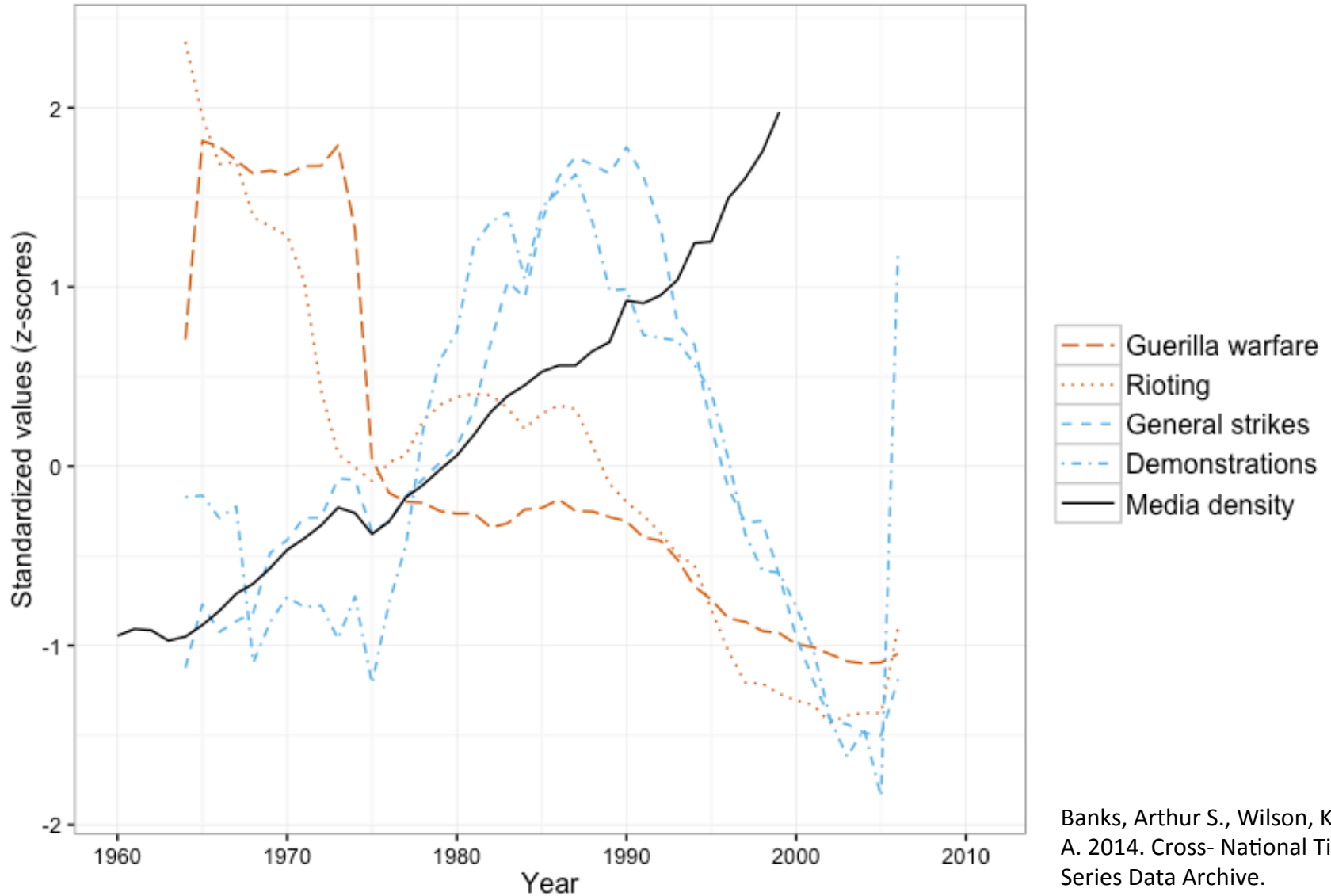
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One Possible Solution: Mass Media Happened



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The Theory

Mass media is structurally biased against anti-systemic signals/behaviors.

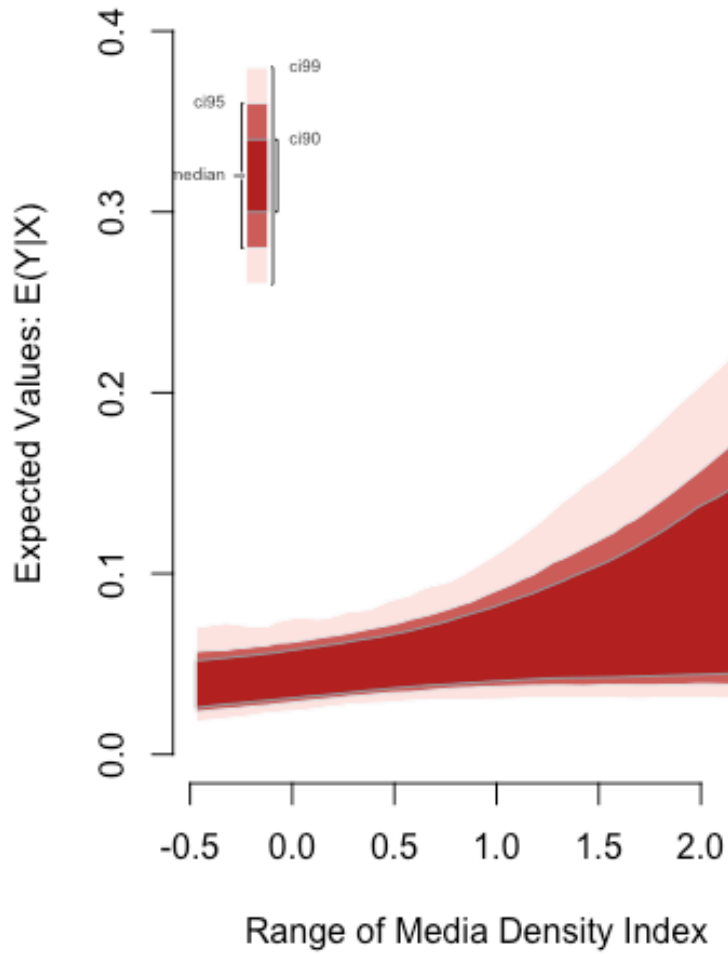
- Mass media as a kind of cybernetic nervous system for the polity (Wiener 1948; Deutsch 1953, 1963).
- The rise of print → the rise of nationalism (1991).
- Mass media decreases likelihood of civil war (Warren 2014).

Data and Method

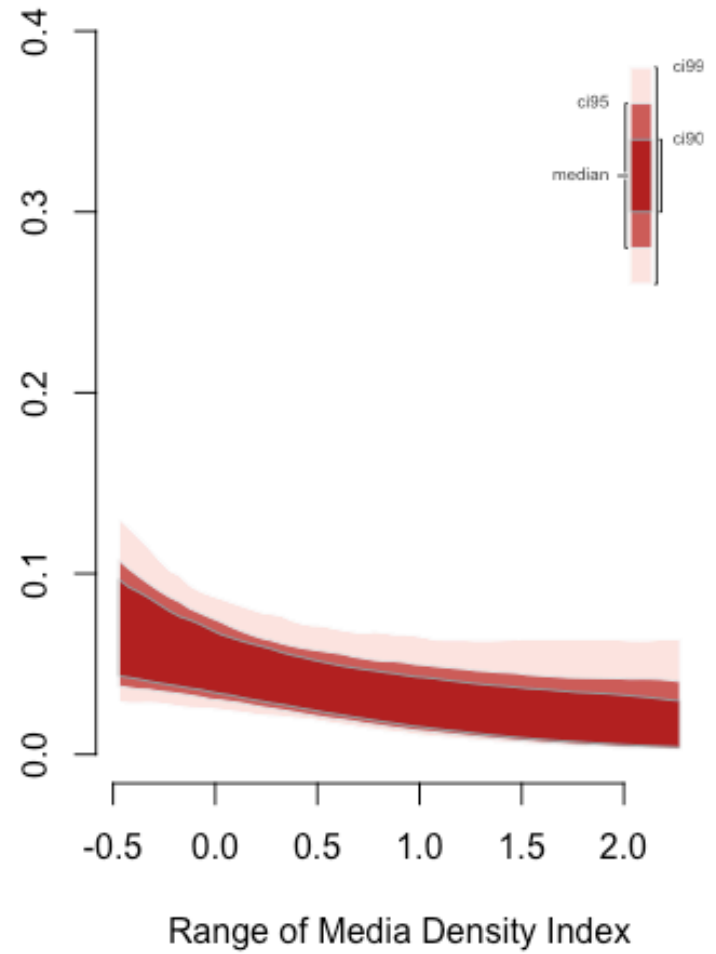
I gather event data on “anti-systemic” and “systemic” contentious events from all available countries around the world between 1960 and 2010 (Banks and Wilson 2014).

- Regression analyses controlling for rival explanations.
- Qualitative case study based on quantitative matching.
 - Haiti and Bolivia around 1980.

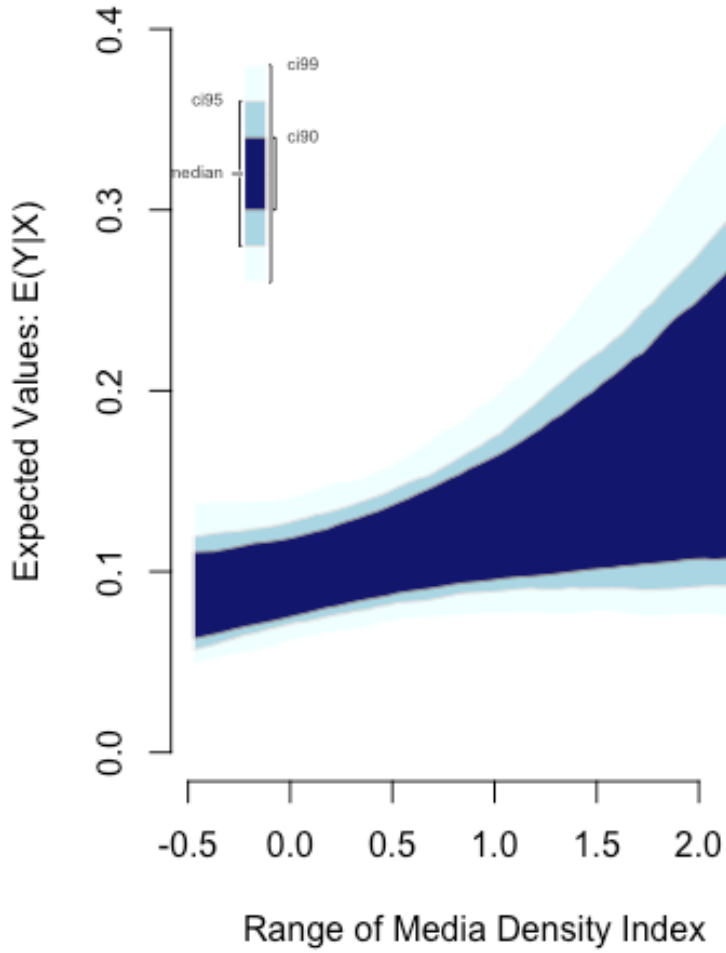
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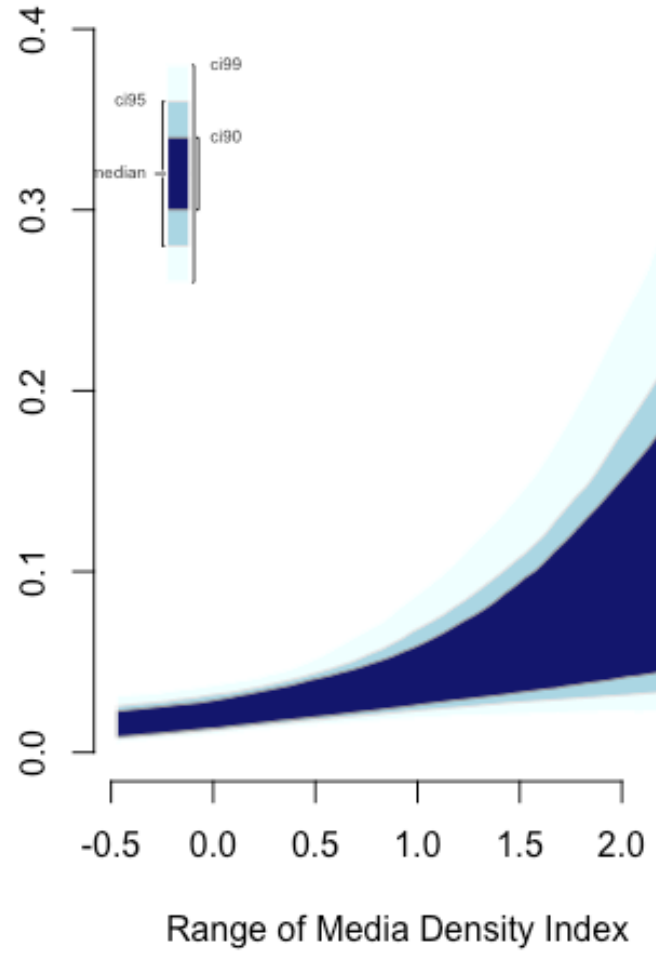
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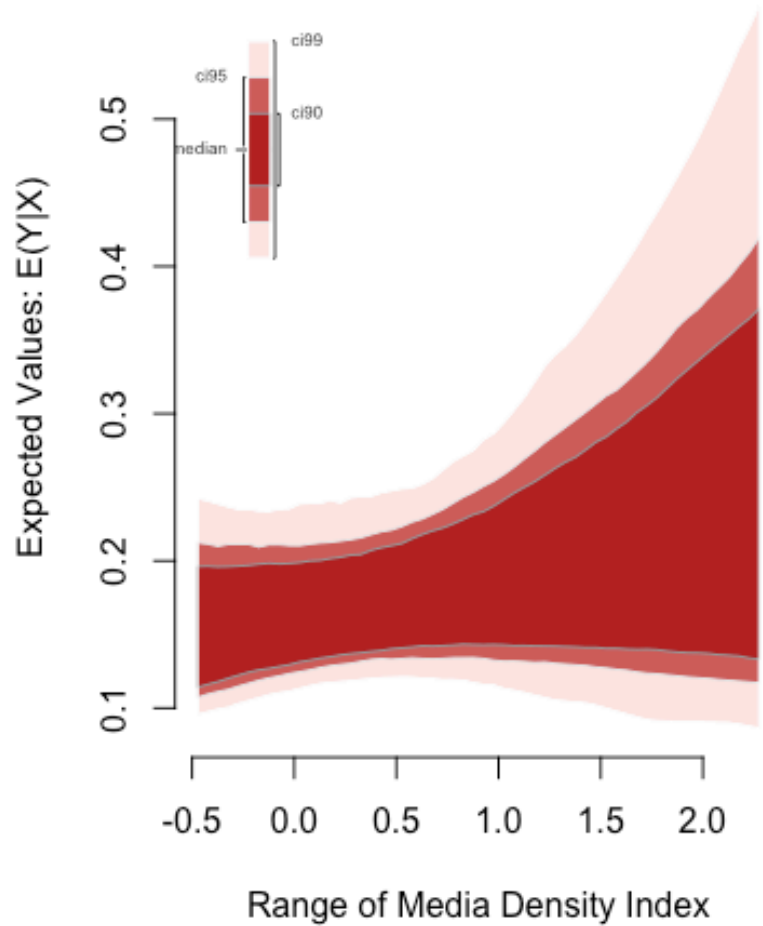
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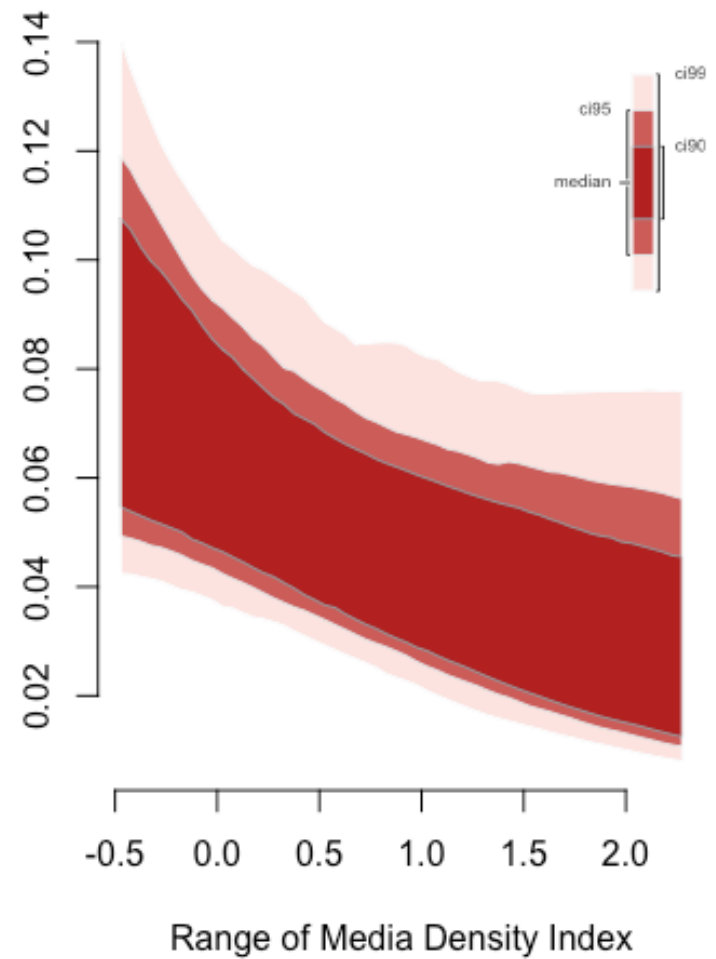
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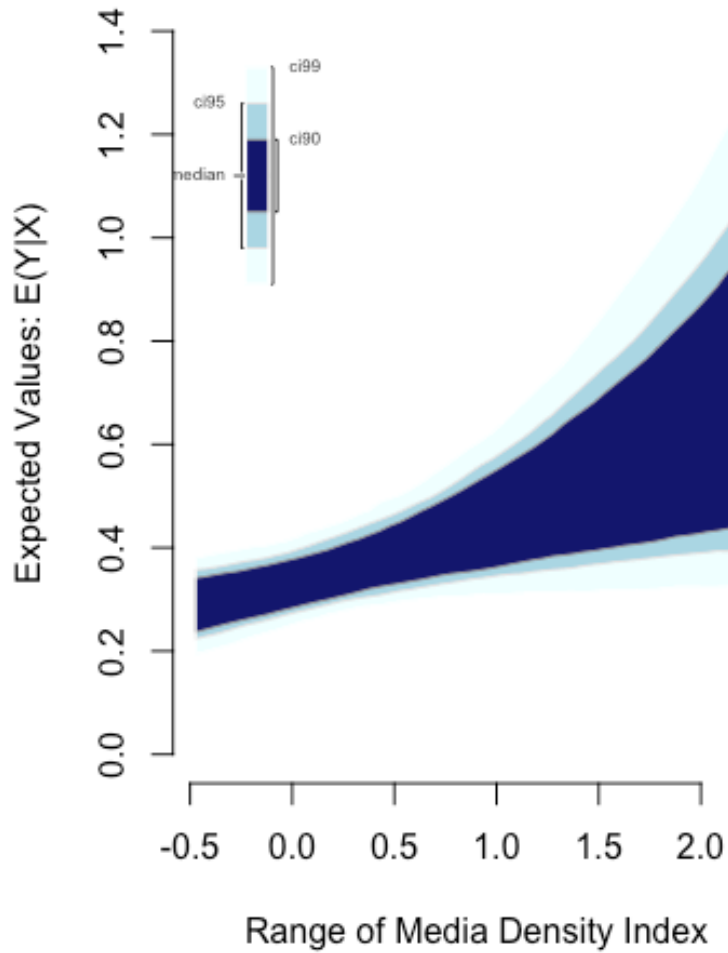
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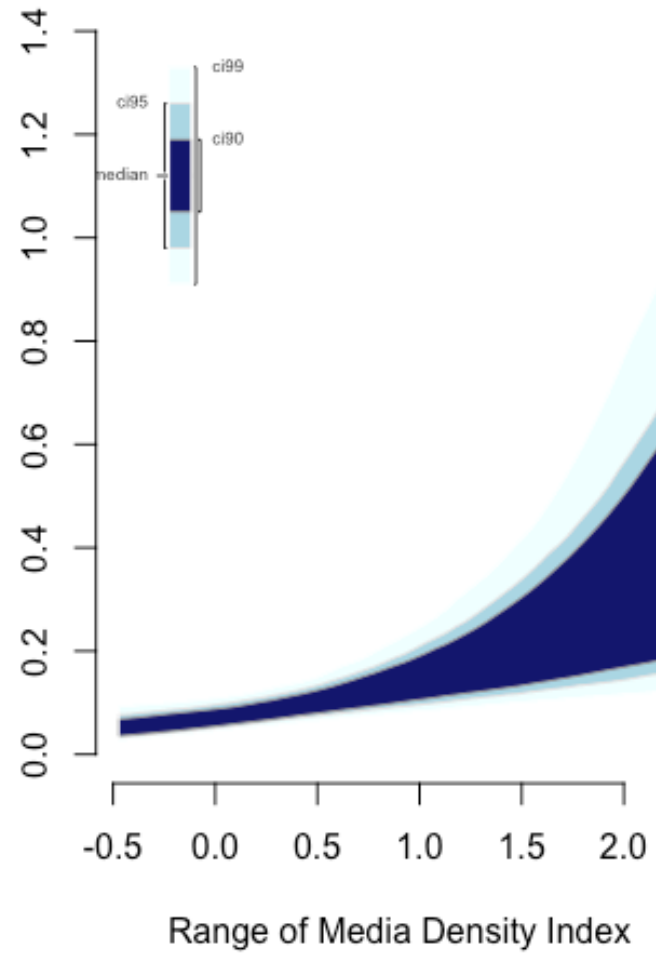
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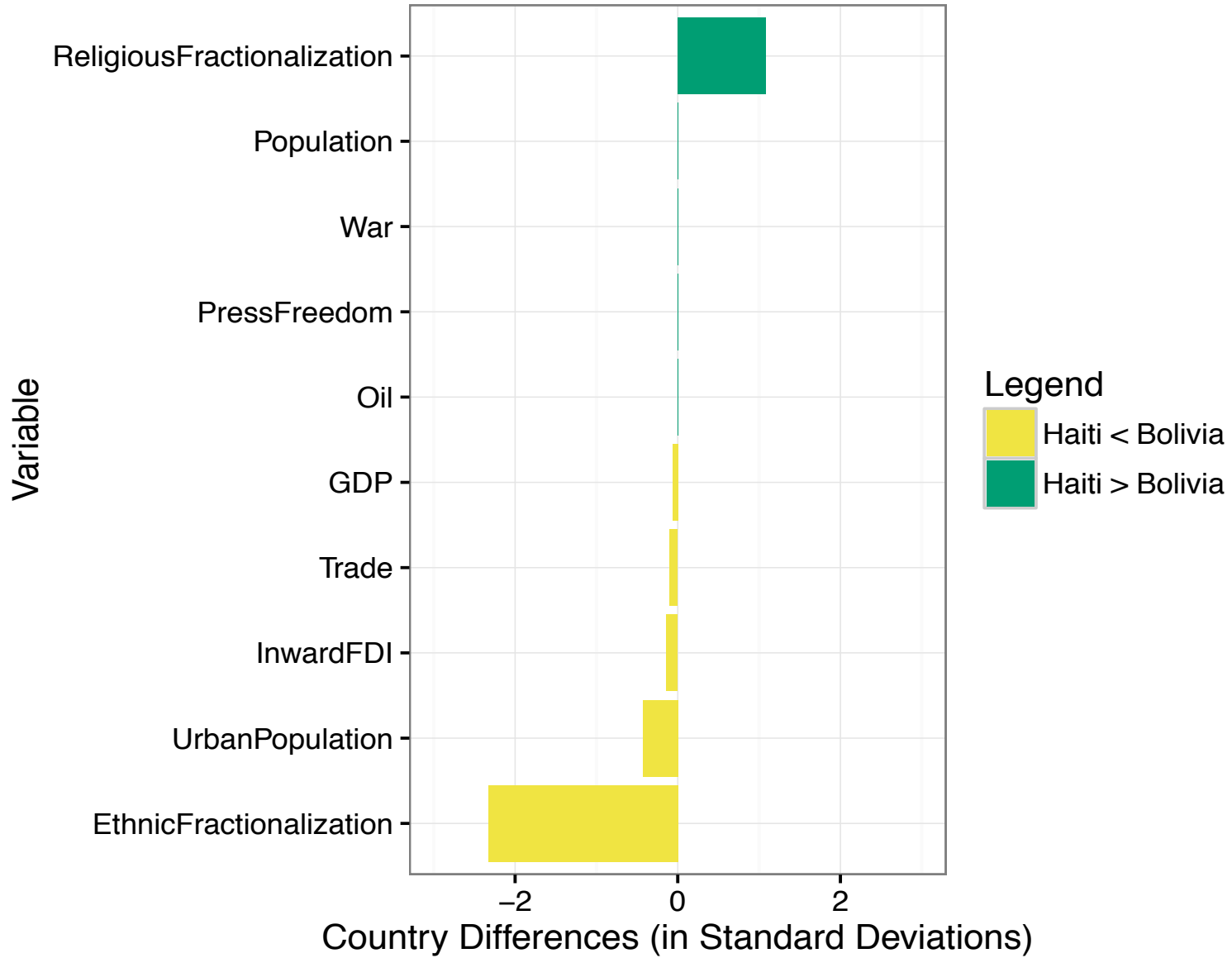
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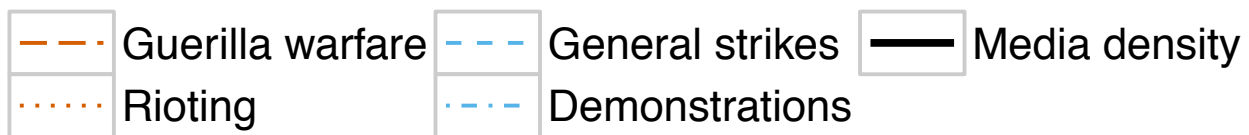
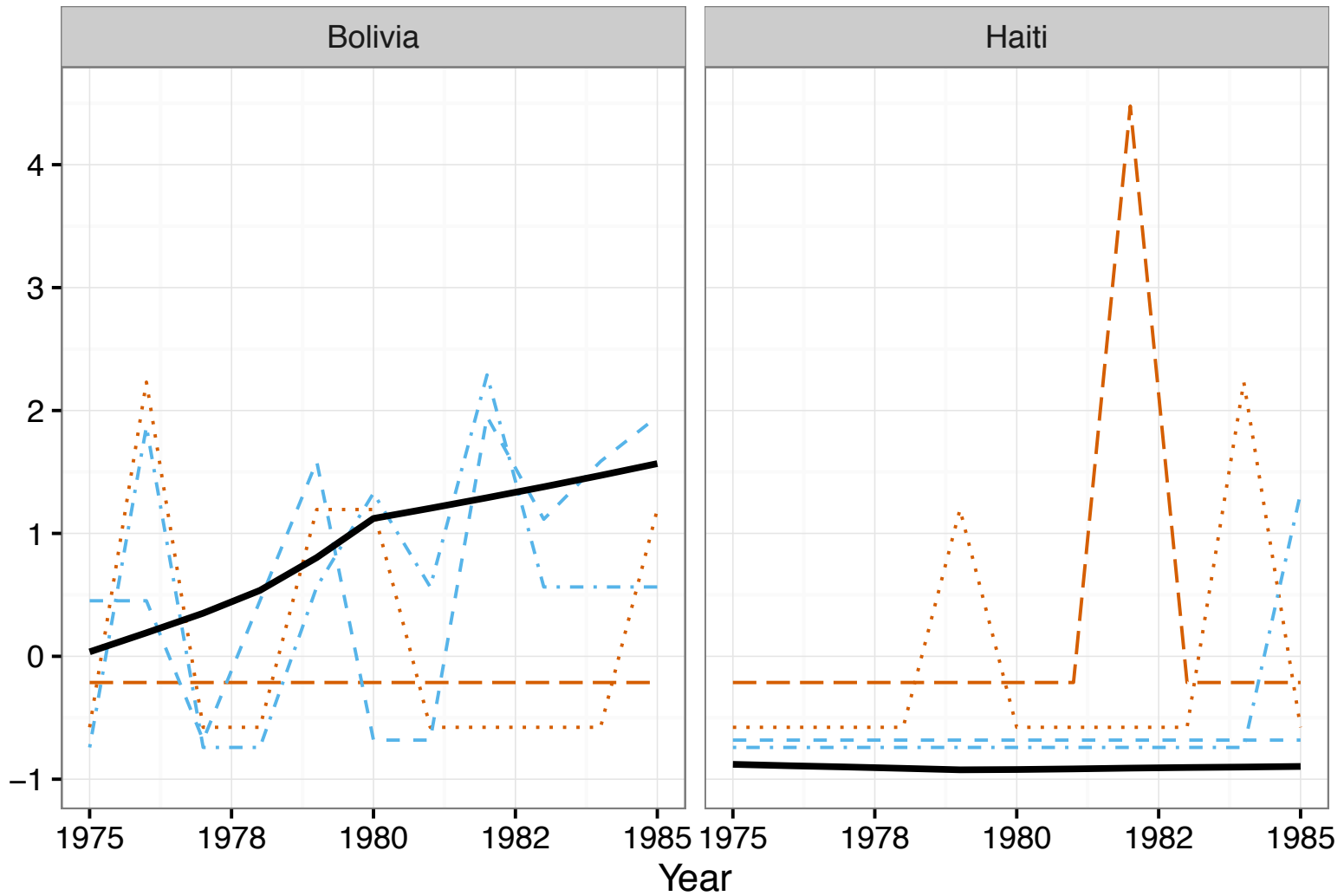


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Covariate Balance for Haiti and Bolivia in 1980





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