*Making Do with What You Have:* Conflict, Firm Performance and Input Misallocation in Palestine

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#### Introduction

- There is robust evidence of a negative relationship between conflict and aggregate economic activity (Collier et al. 2003; Cerra and Saxena 2008; Blattman and Miguel 2010)
- ▶ However, we know surprisingly little when it comes to the *microeconomic mechanisms* behind such aggregate effects
- ▶ How does conflict affects the backbone of the economy, namely the firm?
  - 1. What is the effect of a violent conflict on firm performance and input usage?

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2. What are the mechanisms behind these effects?

# What We Do

- ▶ We focus on Palestinian firms operating in the Occupied Palestinian Territories (OPT) during the Second Intifada (2000-2006)
  - Data for a **representative sample of establishments** in the manufacturing sector for the whole period (and before the conflict)
  - ▶ Time and spatial variation in conflict intensity
  - Long conflict during which the **economy never collapsed**.
- ▶ We investigate the relationship between violent conflict, firms' production choices and output value by focusing on one precise mechanism
  - ► Conflict affects the *functioning and accessibility of markets* for production inputs and final goods
  - ▶ Firm demand for production inputs responds accordingly, generating or exacerbating *input misallocation*.

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# What We Do: Conceptual Framework

- ▶ We develop this intuition within the framework of Hsieh and Klenow (2009, QJE) and derive firm-level implications
- ▶ In absence of distortions,
  - ▶ firms in the same sector adopt the same technology and combine inputs in the same proportions
- ▶ In presence of distortions,
  - ▶ firms facing distortions in the accessibility of market for one input demand less of that input with respect to other firms in the same sector
- ► It follows that **differences in the input usage** between firms in the same sector which are differentially exposed to conflict are informative of the extent of **conflict-induced distortions**.

# What We Do: Empirics

- ▶ We exploit both spatial and temporal variation in conflict intensity (number of Palestinian fatalities caused by the Israeli Defense Force (IDF)) and heterogeneity within sector
- ▶ We find one s.d. increase in conflict intensity to be associated with a 6-9% reduction in firms' output value
- ▶ We argue that (at least) part of this negative relationship is explained by **conflict-induced distortions** in the accessibility of markets for **imported material inputs**:
  - Firms operating in conflict environments substitute imported material inputs with domestically produced ones
- ▶ We provide evidence on the role of border closures, transportation obstacles and transaction costs as possible sources of (conflict-induced) input distortions
- ► Conflict affects disproportionally more the most productive firms and sectors: **long-term effects** on productivity.

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# The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict and the Second Intifada

- ▶ Six-Days War: Israel occupied the West Bank and the Gaza Strip
- ▶ 1993: Oslo peace agreements
- ▶ 1994-1999: failure of peace process
- Second Intifada (September 2000): period of intensified violence between the IDF and the Palestinians
  - Violent events on both sides: killing of Palestinians in the OPT, terrorist attacks in Israel, assassination of Palestinians leaders, demolitions of Palestinian houses
- ▶ Frequent clashes between Palestinians and the IDF in the OPT
- During the Second Intifada (2000-2006):
  - ▶ Palestinians killed 234 Israeli civilians and 226 IDF soldiers
  - ▶ IDF caused more than 4000 Palestinian fatalities, mostly non-combatants (B'Tselem, 2007).

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## Conflict and Economic Activity in the OPT



#### Conceptual Framework: Hsieh and Klenow (QJE, 2009)

- Production in each sector s is carried out by a single representative firm which aggregates  $M_s$  differentiated inputs by means of a CES production function
- Each firm i in sector s produces using capital, labor and materials according to a Cobb-Douglas

$$Y_{si} = A_{si} K_{si}^{\alpha_s} L_{si}^{\beta_s} M_{si}^{1-\alpha_s-\beta_s}$$

- ▶ Firms potentially face:
  - output distortions  $\tau_{Yi}$ : change in the marginal return from producing one unit of output
  - input distortions  $\tau_{Xi}$ : change in marginal product of input X
- ▶ Firm takes input prices as given and maximizes

$$(1 - \tau_{Yi})P_{si}Y_{si} - w(1 + \tau_{Li})L_{si} - R(1 + \tau_{Ki})K_{si} - z(1 + \tau_{Mi})M_{si}$$

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Conceptual Framework: Input Value Ratios

▶ From the FOC, we derive the **input value ratios**:

$$\frac{RK_{si}}{zM_{si}} = \frac{\alpha_s}{1 - \alpha_s - \beta_s} \frac{1 + \tau_{Mi}}{1 + \tau_{Ki}}$$

$$\frac{wL_{si}}{zM_{si}} = \frac{\beta_s}{1 - \alpha_s - \beta_s} \frac{1 + \tau_{Mi}}{1 + \tau_{Li}}$$

$$\frac{RK_{si}}{wL_{si}} = \frac{\alpha_s}{\beta_s} \frac{1 + \tau_{Li}}{1 + \tau_{Ki}}$$

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#### Input Value Ratios and Input Distortions

$$\frac{RK_{si}}{zM_{si}} = \frac{\alpha_s}{1 - \alpha_s - \beta_s} \frac{1 + \tau_{Mi}}{1 + \tau_{Ki}}$$

- Input value ratios
  - In absence of distortions, they would be the same for all firms in the same sector (while productivity  $A_{si}$  determines firm size)
  - Do not depend on output distortions  $\tau_{Yi}$
  - $\blacktriangleright$  Are invariant to firm-level prices  $P_{si}$  and thus to market structure within sectors
- ▶ Systematic within-sector differences in input value ratios associated with conflict exposure are informative of the relative extent of distortions induced by the conflict.

#### Data

- ▶ Information on each Palestinian killed by IDF (B'Tselem), grouped by district × year
- ▶ Industry Survey 1999-2006 (PCBS), with 2-digit ISIC code and district of location
- ▶ Producer Price Index (PPI) for the same years
- ▶ Aggregate GDP and trade data (PCBS)
- ▶ World Bank Enterprise Survey 2006

Summary Statistics

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We implement the following regression specification

$$\ln \left( P_{si} Y_{si} \right)_{dt} = \delta_t + \gamma_d + \varphi_s + \beta \ fatalities_{dt} + \mathbf{Z}'_{isdt} \ \boldsymbol{\rho} + u_{isdt}$$

where

- $(P_{si}Y_{si})_{dt}$  is output value of firm *i* in sector *s* located in district *d* and surveyed in year *t*
- $\blacktriangleright$   $fatalities_{dt}$  is number of Palestinians killed by IDF in district d and year t
- ▶  $\delta_t$ ,  $\gamma_d$  and  $\varphi_s$  are year, district and sector fixed effects respectively
- $\triangleright$  **Z**<sub>*isdt*</sub> is a vector of firm-level controls (fraction of proprietors and family members over total labor).

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# Output Value: Results

		Log of P	roduct Val	ue, $\ln(PY)$	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
fatalities	$-0.126^{**}$ $(0.049)$	$-0.073^{***}$ $(0.024)$	$-0.063^{*}$ $(0.036)$	$-0.089^{***}$ $(0.033)$	$-0.086^{***}$ $(0.033)$
Family Workers Total Proprietors Total				$-1.522^{***}$ (0.100) $-2.713^{***}$ (0.112)	$-1.533^{***}$ (0.097) $-2.717^{***}$ (0.112)
District FE	Ν	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Year FE	Ν	Υ	Υ	Υ	n.a.
Sector FE	Ν	Ν	Υ	Υ	n.a.
Sector $\times$ Year FE	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Υ
$ \begin{array}{c} \text{Observations} \\ R^2 \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} 10042\\ 0.007\end{array}$	$\frac{10042}{0.035}$	$\begin{array}{c} 10042 \\ 0.156 \end{array}$	10039 0.434	$\begin{array}{c}10039\\0.443\end{array}$

Notes. Standard Errors clustered along both district-year and sector-year dimensions.

▶ One standard deviation increase in conflict intensity is associated with a 9% fall in output value

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- ▶ One standard deviation increase in conflict intensity is associated with a 9% fall in output value
- ▶ Robust to the inclusion of controls and sector-year trends
- ▶ Far from being causal: omitted variable bias, reverse causality (Dube and Vargas 2013)
- ▶ Also, the result captures both **demand** and **supply** side effects
- ▶ We focus on the supply side of the economy and look at changes in **input usage**.

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# The Mechanism: Conflict, Input Value Ratios and Implied Relative Input Distortions

For every pair of inputs  $(X_{si}^1, X_{si}^2)$  with corresponding prices  $(p_1, p_2)$ , we estimate

$$\ln\left(\frac{p_1 X_{si}^1}{p_2 X_{si}^2}\right)_{dt} = \delta_t + \gamma_d + \varphi_s + \lambda_{12} \ fatalities_{dt} + \mathbf{Z}'_{isdt} \ \boldsymbol{\rho} + \varepsilon_{isdt}$$

and derive the (conflict-induced) implied relative input distortions as

$$\exp\left(\hat{\lambda}_{12}\right) = \frac{1 + \tau_{X_i^2}}{1 + \tau_{X_i^1}}$$

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# Input Value Ratios and Fatalities

	Coefficient of <i>fatalities</i> variable ( $\lambda_{12}$ )			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Value of Capital Value of Labor	-0.018 (0.040)	-0.015 (0.039)	-0.000 (0.041)	0.003 (0.034)
Value of Capital Value of Materials	0.005 (0.043)	0.008 (0.044)	0.006 (0.046)	0.008 (0.043)
<u>Value of Labor</u> Value of Materials	0.025 (0.039)	0.024 (0.037)	0.010 (0.040)	0.016 (0.031)
Value of Domestically Prod. Materials Value of Imported Materials	1.216*** (0.272)	1.234*** (0.270)	1.243*** (0.270)	1.296*** (0.307)
Family Workers Total	Ν	Y	Y	Y
Proprietors Total	Ν	Y	Y	Y
Sector FE	Υ	Υ	n.a.	n.a.
Year FE	Y	Y	n.a.	n.a.
District FE	Υ	Y	Y	Y
Sector $\times$ Year FE	N	N	Y	Y

Notes. Standard Errors clustered along both district-year and sector-year dimensions.

# Implied Relative Input Distortions

	Implied Relative Input Distortion					
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)		
<u>Labour</u> Capital	0.982 [0.905;1.059]	0.985 [0.910;1.060]	1.000 [0.919;1.080]	1.003 [0.936;1.071]		
<u>Materials</u> Capital	1.005 [0.919;1.090]	1.008 [0.920;1.095]	1.006 [0.916;1.096]	1.008 [0.923;1.093]		
<u>Materials</u> Labour	1.025 [0.948;1.103]	1.024 [0.950;1.098]	1.010 [0.931;1.089]	1.016 [0.955;1.078]		
Imported Materials Domestically Prod. Materials	3.375 [1.578;5.172]	3.434 [1.616;5.252]	3.465 [1.634;5.295]	3.655 [1.459;5.852]		
Family Workers Total	Ν	Y	Y	Y		
Proprietors Total	Ν	Y	Y	Y		
Sector FE	Y	Y	n.a.	n.a.		
Year FE	Υ	Y	n.a.	n.a.		
District FE	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Sector $\times$ Year FE	N	N	Y	Y		

Notes. Standard Errors clustered along both district-year and sector-year dimensions.

#### The Mechanism: Results

- ► We find evidence of **conflict-induced distortions** to be relatively higher for imported materials with respect to domestically produced ones
- Results are robust across specifications
- We claim that part of the negative effect of conflict on output value comes through distortions in market access which are disproportionally higher for imported material inputs
- ▶ Aggregate evidence further validates this finding
  - ▶ Net balance of trade increases with conflict intensity graph

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 Composition of imports changes while composition of exports does not.

#### Robustness

- Are changes in input value ratios driven by a fall in *demand*? (non-homothetic production functions)
  - We investigate input value ratios before the conflict (1999)
- ▶ Is the fall in output value driven by a fall in firm-level *output* price?
  - We look at fatalities and Producer Price Index for industries clustered in specific districts
- ► Are the effects on input value ratios driven by firm-level *input* prices?
  - We look at employment and wages
- ▶ Is the effect of fatalities capturing only the differential effect of being located closer to the Israeli border?
  - We control for road distance from the border interacted with year fixed effects.

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# Sources of Distortions

- ▶ Firms located in districts which are differentially more exposed to conflict substitute domestically produced materials for imported ones.
- We have argued that these changes are due to conflict-induced distortions in the functioning and accessibility of markets for imported materials.

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- We explore 3 possible sources of these distortions:
  - 1. Border closures
  - 2. Transportation costs
  - 3. Transaction costs

## Sources of Distortions: Border Closure

#### Border closures

- ▶ adopted by the IDF as a security measure
- ▶ they represent a negative shock to access foreign markets
- Results: border closures differentially affect input usage for firms further away from the border
- ▶ Nonetheless, variability along this dimension is orthogonal to the one captured by the *fatalities* measure.

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# Sources of Distortions: Transportation and Transaction Costs

- ▶ We use data from the World Bank Enterprise Survey (2006)
- ► Additional information on firms' activity (firm location available at the city/town/village level)
- ▶ We look at the differential effect of fatalities on firms' activity according to their importing status
- Importing firms in high conflict localities:
  - consider custom regulations and transportations costs more of an obstacle
  - ▶ pay a higher fraction of inputs before delivery
    - change in the terms of the contract between importing firms and foreign suppliers.

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# Sector-level Heterogeneity

- ▶ We look at the heterogeneous effect of conflict on domestically vs. imported produced material usage across sectors
- We show that **sector-level distortion** in input usage correlate with sector-level variation in:
  - imported input intensity in pre-conflict year
  - ▶ output value in pre-conflict year
- Conflict affects more firms and sectors that use imported input material more intensively and have higher productivity
- ▶ Hints towards long-term effects on the Palestinian economy.

#### Conclusions

- ▶ We have investigated the impact of conflict on firm performance and input usage in the OPT during the Second Intifada
- Evidence shows that conflict negatively affect firms' output value through the distortions it generates in the accessibility of markets for imported material
  - ⇒ Within the same sector, firms operating in high conflict environments substitute domestically produced materials for imported ones
- ▶ Input distortions materialize as increase in transportation and transaction costs
- Conflict affects more the most productive sectors in the economy, and may have long-lasting effects.

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# **Summary Statistics**

	Obs.	Mean	St. Dev.	Min	Max
Palestinians Killed by IDF (District $\times$ Year)	112	35.044	42.010	0	210
Log of Output Value Log of Output Value per Worker	$\begin{array}{c} 11397\\ 11397\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 11.741 \\ 10.297 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.511 \\ 1.165 \end{array}$	$0 \\ -2.303$	$\begin{array}{c}19.656\\18.023\end{array}$
Log of Value of Capital Log of Value of Labor Log of Value of Materials Log of Value of Domestic Materials Log of Value of Imported Materials	$14221 \\ 10243 \\ 14160 \\ 1416$	$10.138 \\ 10.492 \\ 11.308 \\ 8.826 \\ 6.456$	$1.942 \\ 1.24 \\ 2.045 \\ 3.138 \\ 4.801$	$0.693 \\ 5.994 \\ 3.932 \\ 0 \\ 0$	$18.531 \\ 16.746 \\ 18.769 \\ 18.785 \\ 18.688$
Fraction of Family Workers Fraction of Proprietors	$\frac{14284}{14284}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.167 \\ 0.444 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.247 \\ 0.324 \end{array}$	0 0	1 1

Notes. Values are in New Israeli Shekel (NIS).

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## Evidence Supporting the Mechanism: Net Trade Value



# Trade Composition: Exports



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# Trade Composition: Imports



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#### Robustness: Output Prices

- What if the fall in output value is driven by a fall in firm-level output price?
  - $\Rightarrow$  We look at fatalities and Producer Price Index for industries clustered in specific districts



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- ▶ What if the effects on input value ratios are driven by firm-level input prices?
  - $\Rightarrow$  We look at employment and wages
- An increase in employment or wages (if correlated with conflict) would make  $\frac{wL}{z^e M^e}$  higher in conflict areas, biasing  $\frac{1+\tau_M e}{1+\tau_L}$  upwards.

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#### Wages

		Log of Wag	ges, $\ln(W/L)$	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
fatalities	$-0.070^{**}$ $(0.035)$	$-0.072^{**}$ $(0.035)$	$-0.079^{**}$ $(0.035)$	$-0.076^{**}$ $(0.034)$
Family Workers Total Proprietors Total		$-2.014^{***}$ (0.071) $-2.250^{***}$ (0.081)	$-2.015^{***}$ (0.071) $-2.242^{***}$ (0.081)	$-2.032^{***}$ (0.084) $-2.224^{***}$ (0.075)
Sector FE Year FE District FE Sector × Year FE	Y Y Y N	Y Y Y N	n.a. n.a. Y Y	n.a. n.a. Y Y
$\begin{array}{c} \text{Observations} \\ R^2 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 8891 \\ 0.156 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 8891 \\ 0.443 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 8891 \\ 0.459 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 7302 \\ 0.476 \end{array}$

Notes. SE clustered along both district-year and sector-year dimensions.

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- ▶ Is the effect of fatalities capturing the differential effects according to distance from the border?
  - $\Rightarrow$  We control for road distance from the closest entry gate interacted with year fixed effects
- ▶ Allows to control for any nationwide shock which has differential impact according to distance from the border.

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#### The Role of Distance from the Border

	Implied Relative Distortion				
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
Labour	1 001	1 007	1 0 9 1	1 094	
Capital	1.001	1.007	1.021	1.024	
	[0.931;1.071]	[0.937; 1.076]	[0.946; 1.095]	[0.959;1.0	
Materials Capital	0.996	0.999	0.999	1.000	
Capital	[0.919; 1.073]	[0.920; 1.079]	[0.915; 1.082]	[0.928; 1.0	
Materials	1.007	1.004	0.991	0.997	
Labour	[0.918; 1.097]	[0.919; 1.089]	[0.901; 1.081]	[0.933; 1.0	
Imported Materials	3.234	3.300	3.334	3.441	
Domestically Prod. Materials	[1.584; 4.884]	[1.618; 4.982]	[1.639; 5.030]	[1.398; 5.4	
Family Workers Total	Ν	Y	Y	Y	
$\frac{\text{Proprietors}}{\text{Total}}$	Ν	Υ	Υ	Υ	
Sector FE	Y	Υ	n.a.	n.a.	
Year FE	Y	Y	n.a.	n.a.	
District FE	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Sector × Year FE	Ν	Ν	Y	Y	

Notes. Standard Errors clustered along both district-year and sector-year dimensions.



#### Robustness: Demand-side Effects

- ▶ With homothetic production function, input usage does not vary with firm size
- Non-homothetic production functions: changes in demand may lead to changes in input usage
  - ⇒ If smaller firms are relatively more intensive in domestically produced materials with respect to foreign produced ones, our findings could no longer be interpreted only in light of the proposed supply-side mechanism
- ▶ Does input usage correlate with firm size?
  - $\Rightarrow$  We investigate input value ratios in 1999 (no conflict).

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#### All Sectors: Output Value vs Input Value Ratio



#### Restricted Sample: Output Value vs Input Value Ratio



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# Implied Input Distortions: Restricted Sample

	Implied F	Relative Distor	tion: Restricte	ed Sample
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Labour Capital	0.988	0.990	0.995	1.000
ŗ	[0.887; 1.088]	[0.896, 1.084]	[0.897; 1.093]	[0.921; 1.0]
$rac{Materials}{Capital}$	1.027	1.030	1.022	1.013
	[0.930; 1.124]	[0.931; 1.129]	[0.918; 1.126]	[0.917; 1.1]
<u>Materials</u> Labour	$\begin{array}{c}1.060\\[0.964;1.156]\end{array}$	$1.059 \\ \begin{smallmatrix} [0.966; 1.152] \end{smallmatrix}$	$\frac{1.046}{\left[0.946; 1.147\right]}$	1.038 $[0.963;1.1]$
Imported Materials Domestically Prod. Materials	$\frac{3.480}{[1.435;5.524]}$	$3.545 \\ [1.491; 5.599]$	$\frac{3.536}{[1.498;5.574]}$	$\frac{3.627}{[1.356;5.8]}$
Family Workers Total	Ν	Y	Y	Y
Proprietors Total	Ν	Υ	Υ	Υ
Sector FE	Υ	Υ	n.a.	n.a.
Year FE	Y	Y	n.a.	n.a.
District FE	Y	Y	Y	Y
Sector X Year FE	N	N	Y	Y

Notes. Standard Errors clustered along both district-year and sector-year dimensions.

- ▶ We restrict the sample to those sectors where input value ratios are not systematically correlated with output value and find very similar results
- Findings seem not to be driven by sectors where production functions is non-homothetic
- Evidence is supportive of our supply side mechanism on conflict-induced distortions in accessibility of markets.

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## Input Value Ratios, Fatalities and Border Closures

	Dependent Variable: $\ln z^d M^d_{si}/z^f M^f_{si}$				
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
fatalities	1.263***	1.279***	1.290***	1.340***	
	(0.247)	(0.247)	(0.246)	(0.289)	
closure days $\times dt_{\text{passage}}$	0.010**	0.010**	0.010**	0.009*	
- r 0	(0.004)	(0.004)	(0.004)	(0.005)	
Family Workers	Ν	Y	Y	Υ	
Proprietors Total	Ν	Υ	Υ	Υ	
Sector FE	Υ	Υ	n.a.	n.a.	
Year FE	Υ	Υ	n.a.	n.a.	
District FE	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	
Sector $\times$ Year FE	Ν	Ν	Υ	Υ	

Notes. Standard Errors clustered along both district-year and sector-year dimensions.

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# Obstacles to Firms' Operations

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
PANEL A	Custo	oms/Trade R	egulations a	as Main Obs	tacle
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fatalities	-0.227 * * *	-0.247 * * *	-0.101	-0.016	-0.042
	(0.05)	(0.05)	(0.10)	(0.09)	(0.09)
Importer	0.287	0.355	0.336	0.393	0.309
	(0.34)	(0.34)	(0.32)	(0.30)	(0.30)
$fatalities \times Importer$	0.249***	0.237***	0.246***	0.234 * * *	0.292***
	(0.06)	(0.06)	(0.06)	(0.06)	(0.06)
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PANEL B		Trasponai	IOII as Main	Obstacle	
fatalities	-0.254 * * *	-0.257 * * *	-0.144*	-0.062	-0.075
,	(0.07)	(0.07)	(0.08)	(0.07)	(0.07)
Importer	0.255	0.305	0.304	0.386	0.393
•	(0.34)	(0.34)	(0.33)	(0.31)	(0.28)
$fatalities \times Importer$	0.296***	0.288***	0.293***	0.258 * * *	0.301***
	(0.07)	(0.07)	(0.06)	(0.07)	(0.06)
Population 1997	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Sales in 2003	N	Ň	Ň	Ŷ	Ŷ
Employment in 2003	N	N	N	Ŷ	Ŷ
Year Started	Ν	Ν	Ν	Y	Υ
Other Controls	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Υ
District FE	N	Ν	Y	Y	v
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Observations	10042	10042	10042	10039	10039
R <sup>2</sup>	0.007	0.035	0.156	0.434	0.443

Notes. Standard Errors clustered at the locality level.

# Contracts with Foreign Suppliers

	Ι	Percentage of	Inputs Paid	Before Delive	ery
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
fatalities	-0.013	-0.003	-0.009	-0.010	-0.013
	(0.02)	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.03)	(0.03)
Importer	0.110	0.100	0.107	0.090	0.090
	(0.07)	(0.07)	(0.08)	(0.08)	(0.08)
fatalities  imes Importer	$0.039^{**}$	0.041***	$0.041^{***}$	$0.051^{***}$	$0.062^{***}$
	(0.02)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.01)
Population 1997	Ν	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Sales in 2003	Ν	Ν	Ν	Υ	Υ
Employment in 2003	Ν	Ν	Ν	Υ	Υ
Year Started	Ν	Ν	Ν	Υ	Υ
Other Controls	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Υ
District FE	Ν	Ν	Υ	Υ	Υ
Observations	10042	10042	10042	10039	10039
$R^2$	0.007	0.035	0.156	0.434	0.443

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# Sector-level Heterogeneity: Most and Least Affected

	Most Affected
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1	(34) Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semitrailers
2	(23) Manufacture of coke, refined petroleum products and nuclear fuel
3	(21) Manufacture of paper and paper products
4	(37) Recycling
5	(24) Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products
	Least Affected
25	(20) Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture; articles of straw and plaiting materials
24	(36) Manufacture of furniture; manufacturing n.e.c.
23	(35) Manufacture of other transport equipment
22	(32) Manufacture of radio, television and communication equipment

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21 (14) Other mining and quarrying

# Sector-level Distortions and Pre-Conflict Imported Input Material Value Intensity



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## Sector-level Distortion and Pre-Conflict Output Value



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