

# Commodity Prices and Productivity: A sectoral view

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Rest of the presentation:

- ▶ Related literature.
- ▶ Constructing TFPs.
- ▶ VARs and VECs based analysis.
- ▶ Conclusions.

- ▶ Most of the empirical literature studies aggregate effects:
  - ▶ Some examples: Magud y Sosa (2013) (literature review), Radatz (2007) (panel VAR), Collier y Benedikt (2008) (panel VEC), IMF (2015) (aggregate growth and TFP in Chile)
- ▶ Little sectoral analysis:
  - ▶ Some exceptions: Pieschacon (2010) (Mexico & Norway, VAR), Naudon and Medina (2012) (Chile, VAR), Bjornland y Thorsrud (2014) (Norway & Australia, FAVAR).
  - ▶ No analysis of sectoral TFP (sometimes labor productivity).



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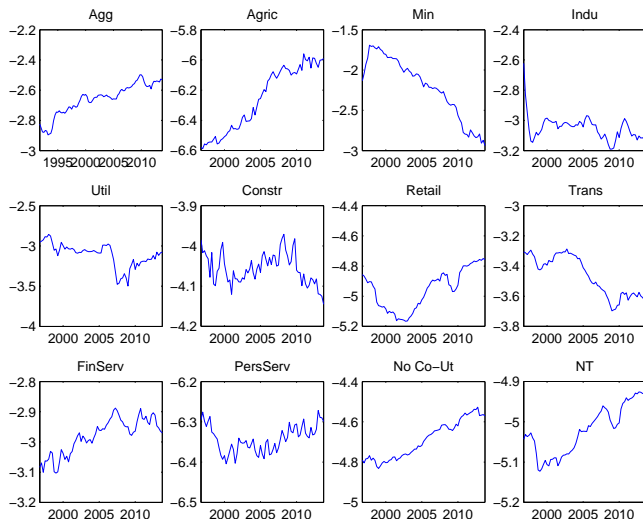
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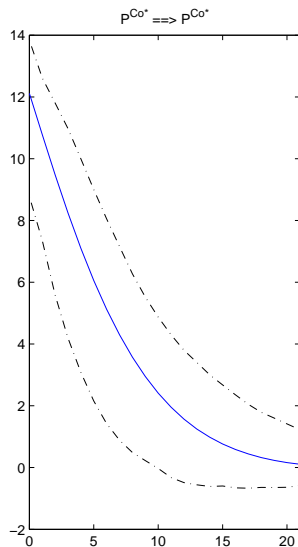
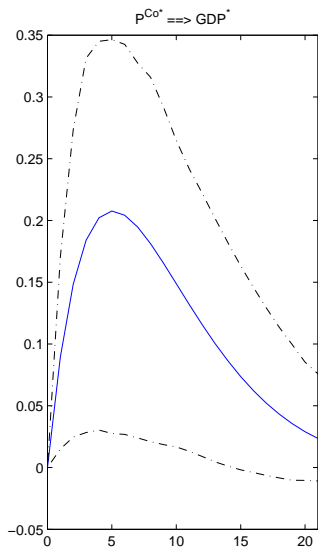


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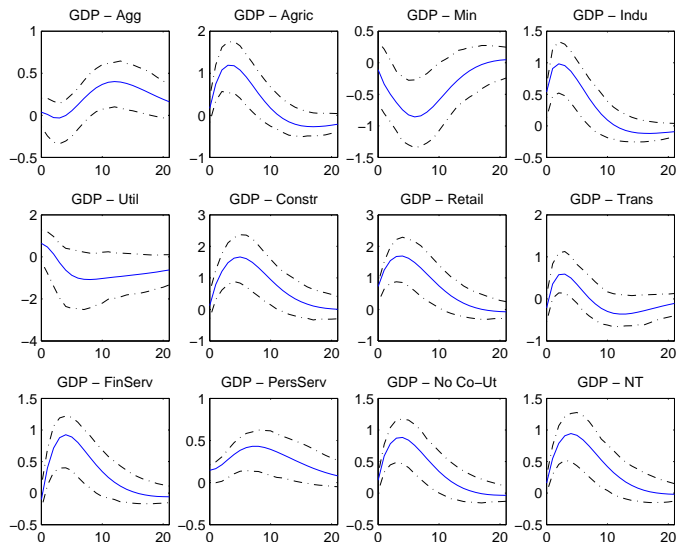
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# VAR Models

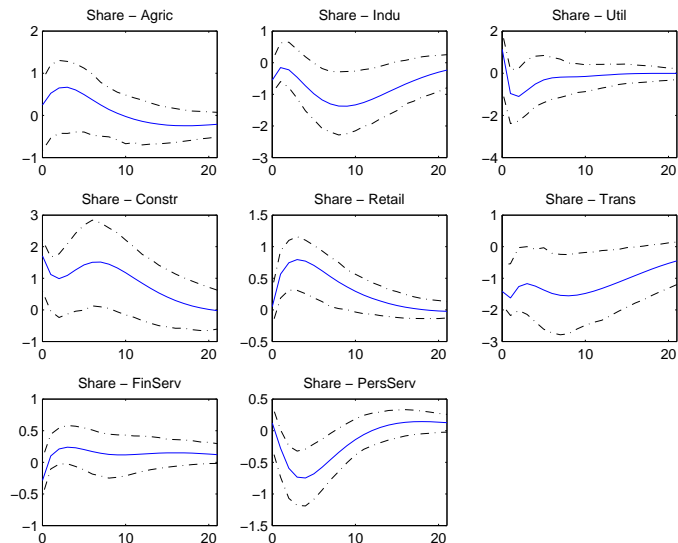
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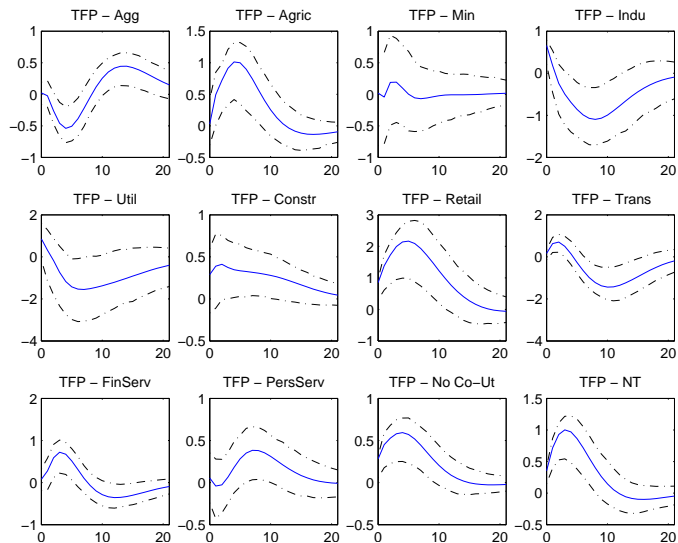
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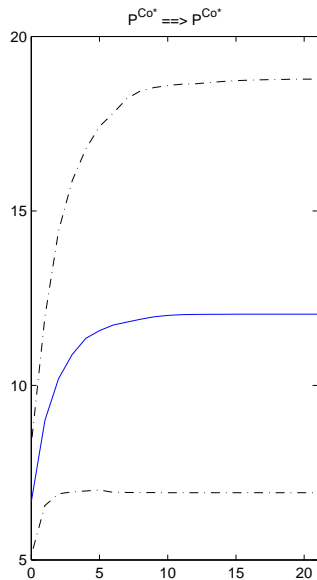
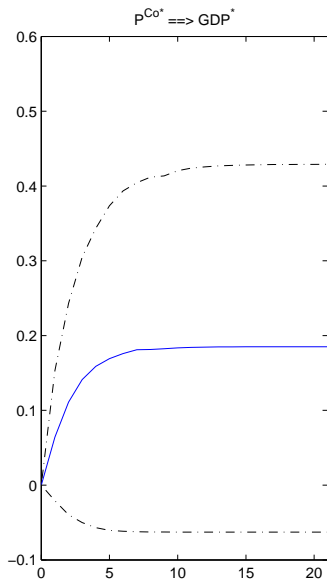
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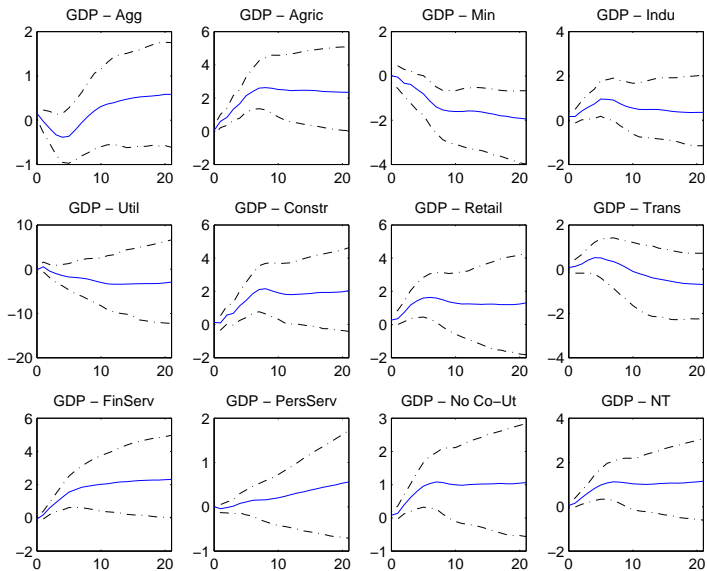
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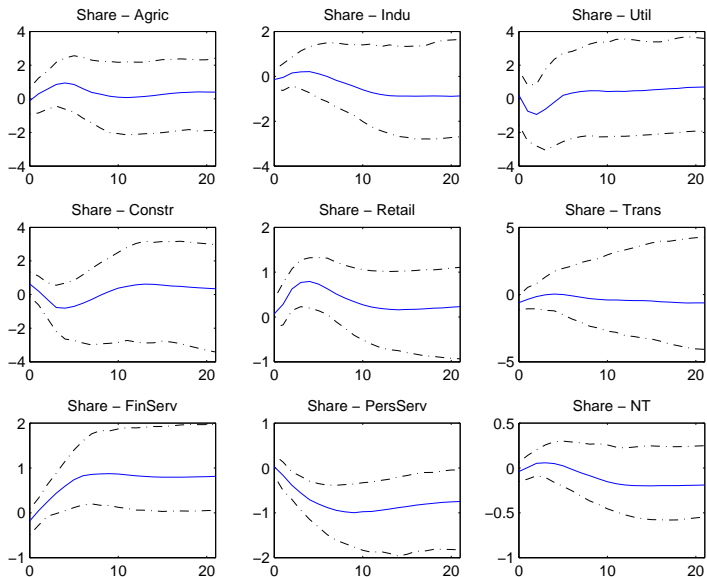
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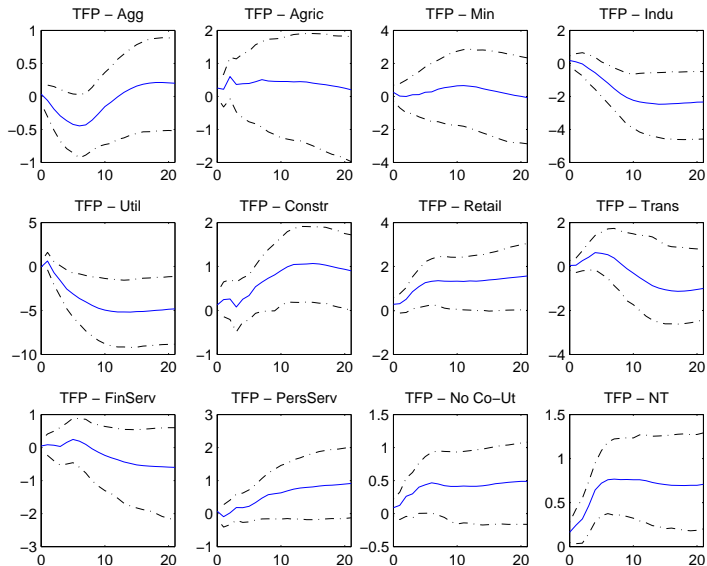
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# Extras

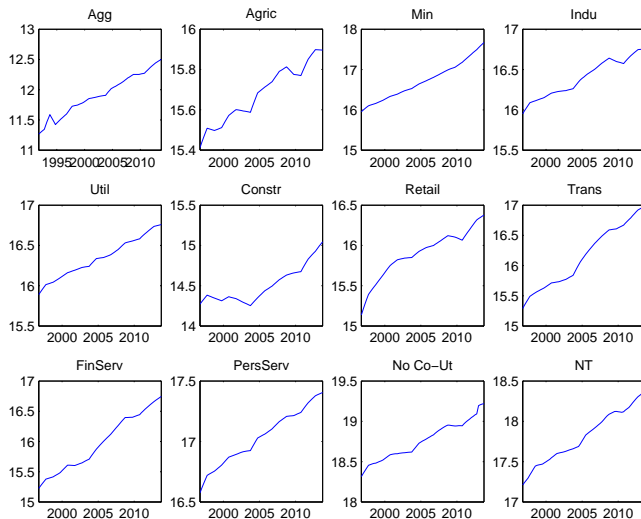
Variable	Definition and Methodology	Data Source
GDP	Real GDP in millions 2008.	Central Bank of Chile, Compilación de Referencia 2008.
Employment	Number of workers in the labor force.	INE, old and new Employment Surveys. Series joined formerly by the Central Bank of Chile.
Aggregate labor share	Share of capital in national income for period 1960-2005 with correction for income share of independent workers.	Taken from Fuentes et al.(2006) with data from National Accounts, Central Bank of Chile.
Sectorial labor share	Total labor remunerations to value added of each sector Corbo and Gonzalez (2012).	Data from the Income Accounts from the old National Accounts, Central Bank of Chile, Compilación de Referencia 2003.
Hours worked	Sum of hours worked in a year. Average weekly hours worked multiplied by the number of weeks in a year.	INE old and new Employment Surveys. Series joined formerly by the Central Bank of Chile.
Labor quality index	Average wage of workers with educational attainment $i$ relative to average wage of workers with no education multiplied by the share of workers of a certain educational attainment $i$ to the total amount of workers.	CASEN Survey, Ministry of Planification and Cooperation.
Capital stock	Real capital stock in millions of pesos 2008. Data for the year 2013 are estimates.	Capital stock series constructed by Henríquez (2008), Central Bank of Chile.
Capital utilization	Deviations of energy consumption from its trend. The cycle is obtained with a HP filter with $\lambda = 6.25$ for annual data and $\lambda = 1600$ for quarterly data. Data on final energy consumption includes: hydroelectricity, coal, natural gas, oil and wood (teracalories).	National Energy Balances, Ministry of Energy.



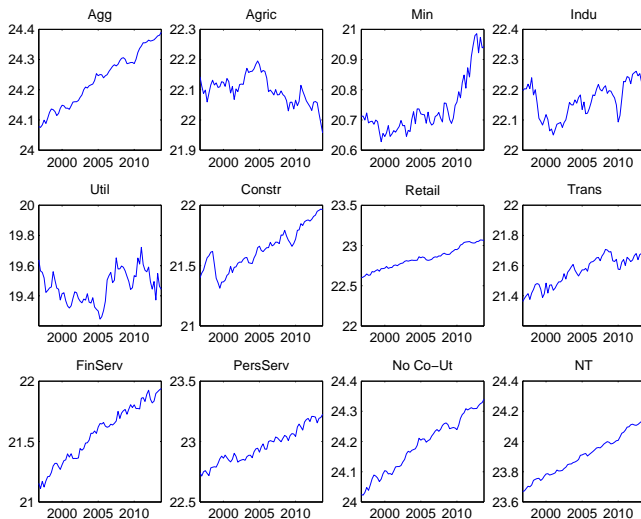
Sector	Labor Income Share
Aggregate Economy	60.0
Agriculture	37.1
Mining	18.8
Manufacturing	30.2
Public Utilities	13.5
Construction	65.0
Retail	63.2
Transport	35.1
Financial Services	45.3
Social Services	71.3

Source: Fuentes et al (2006) and Corbo and Gonzalez (2012).

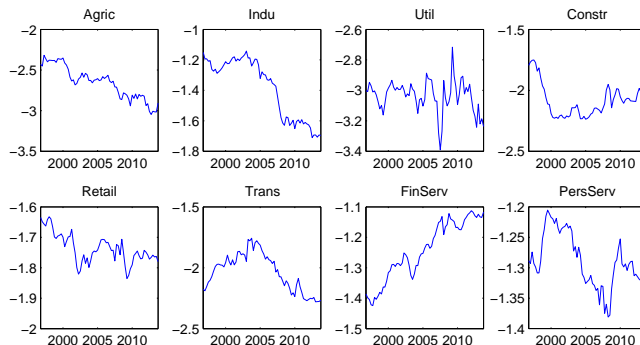
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## Nominal shares relative to Resto (ex. mining and energy)



Input contribution to economic growth by sector (in %)

Sector	Period	PIB	TFP	Capital	Labor
Aggregate Economy	1997-2003	3.0	0.5	1.3	1.2
	2004-2008	5.3	1.5	2.7	1.1
	2009-2013	3.9	1.0	2.0	0.9
Agriculture	1997-2003	3.9	2.2	1.5	0.2
	2004-2008	8.5	6.3	2.8	-0.6
	2009-2013	0.6	0.2	1.0	-0.6
Mining	1997-2003	4.8	-1.7	6.5	0.0
	2004-2008	-0.8	-8.5	7.5	0.2
	2009-2013	0.9	-10.9	10.9	0.8
Manufacturing	1997-2003	1.9	-1.1	3.0	0.0
	2004-2008	4.0	-1.6	5.3	0.3
	2009-2013	2.0	0.2	1.5	0.3
Public Utilities	1997-2003	1.8	-2.1	4.2	-0.3
	2004-2008	-1.3	-6.9	5.0	0.5
	2009-2013	9.9	6.4	3.9	-0.3
Construction	1997-2003	0.4	-1.2	-0.1	1.8
	2004-2008	6.3	0.9	2.7	2.8
	2009-2013	2.7	-2.7	2.9	2.5
Retail	1997-2003	2.1	-3.9	3.7	2.2
	2004-2008	8.2	5.3	2.0	0.9
	2009-2013	6.3	2.5	1.9	2.0
Transport	1997-2003	7.7	1.3	5.0	1.4
	2004-2008	4.6	-5.9	9.7	0.8
	2009-2013	4.9	-0.2	5.1	-0.1
Financial Services	1997-2003	7.5	1.2	3.7	2.7
	2004-2008	10.6	0.9	7.5	2.2
	2009-2013	5.3	-0.2	3.8	1.7

Variable	Unit Root Tests		
	DF GLS	ZA (trend & Intercept)	ZA (Intercept)
TFP Aggregate	yes	yes	yes
TFP Agriculture	yes	yes	yes
TFP Mining	yes	no	no
TFP Industry	yes	no	no
TFP Public Utilities	yes	no	yes
TFP Construction	yes	no	yes
TFP Retail	yes	yes	yes
TFP Transport	yes	yes	yes
TFP Financial Services	yes	yes	yes
TFP Other Services	yes	yes	yes
TFP w/out nat.resources	yes	yes	yes
Copper Price	yes	yes	yes

Variable	Cointegration With	
	TFP Aggregate	Copper Price
TFP Aggregate	—	no
TFP Agriculture	no	yes
TFP Mining	yes	no
TFP Industry	yes	yes
TFP Public Utilities	no	no
TFP Construction	yes	yes
TFP Retail	no	yes
TFP Transport	yes	no
TFP Financial Services	no	yes
TFP Other Services	no	yes
TFP w/out nat.resources	no	no