

# Retirement Consumption and Pension Design

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# Motivation: Evaluating Welfare Effects of Pension Reforms

- **Public discussion of pension reforms focuses on fiscal sustainability**
  - Large reforms in last 25 years
  - Emphasis esp. on incentives to **induce workers to retire later**  
⇒ Steeper pension profiles

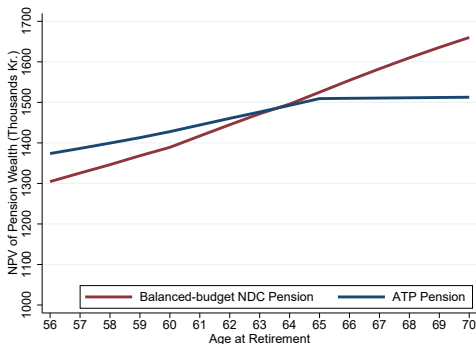


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- Trade-off btw providing incentives (fiscal sustainability) and smoothing consumption
- Yet, relatively little progress (relative to UI, DI, HI, etc.)

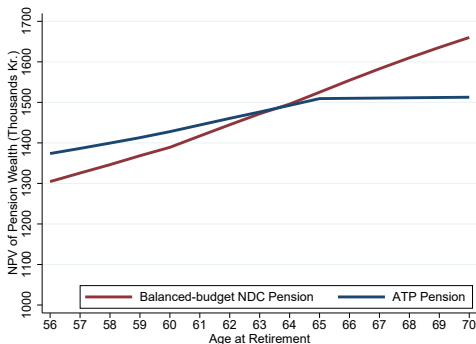


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## ● Challenges:

- Complex dynamic environment (labor supply, savings, real estate, health expenditures, death, bequests,...)
- Complex institutions (pension rules, etc.)
- Data limitations (esp. on value of pensions)

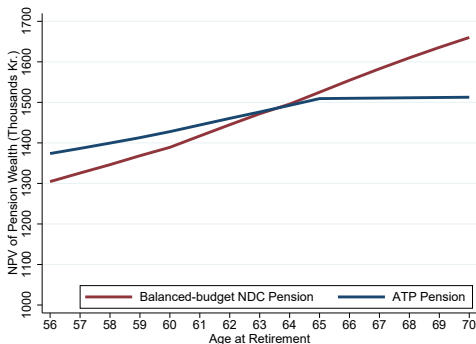


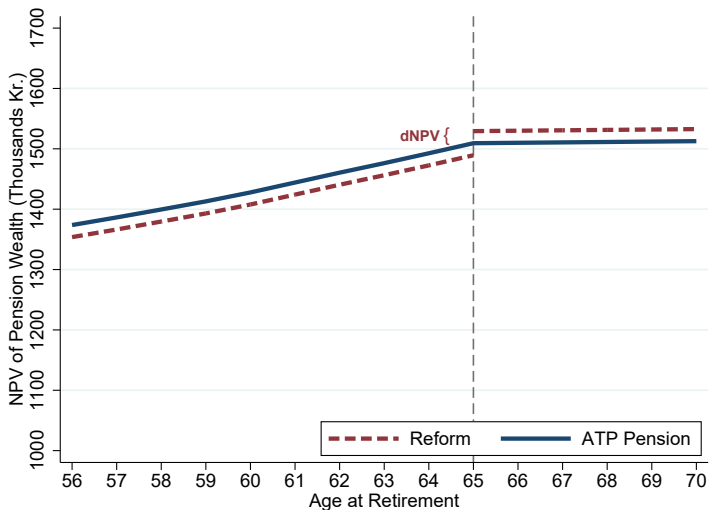
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- ② Study welfare consequences of steeper pension profile in Sweden
  - Use rich admin data from Swedish registers
  - Estimate consumption smoothing costs
    - Revealed by consumption & selection patterns by retirement age
  - **Main Findings:**
    - ① High cost of steeper profile after 65 (~ pension rewards after NRA)
    - ② High cost of steeper profile before 61 (~ pension penalties before EEA)
    - ③ Lower cost of steeper profile btw 61 and 65

# Conceptual Framework: Stylized Reforms

Figure: STEEPENING PENSION PROFILE AT RETIREMENT AGE  $r=65$



# Conceptual Framework: Evaluate Pension Reform

- Focus on within-cohort welfare effects
- Start from rich life-cycle model, build on **“variational” approach**
  - Exploit envelope conditions and focus on first-order impacts
- ‘Baily-Chetty’ formulae for small changes to pension profile:

$$\Delta W = \underbrace{\frac{CS_{r>65}}{CS_{r\leq 65}}}_{\text{Consumption Smoothing}} - \underbrace{\frac{1 + FE_{r>65}}{1 + FE_{r\leq 65}}}_{\text{Fiscal Externality}}$$

- $CS_r$  depends on marginal utility of consumption in retirement for individuals who retire at age  $r$

▶ Model   ▶ Planner's pb   ▶ Fiscal Externality   ▶ Behavioral



## 1 Differences in **Consumption Levels in Retirement**: [▶ Details](#)

$$\frac{CS_{r \leq 65}}{CS_{r > 65}} \cong \theta \cdot \left( 1 + \gamma \times \frac{C_{r > 65} - C_{r \leq 65}}{C_{r > 65}} \right)$$

- Differences in **consumption levels** by retirement age are key
  - Consumption difference is scaled with curvature of utility  $\gamma$
  - $\theta = 1$ : assume retirement age groups have the same MUC conditional on consumption
- 2 Differences in **Consumption Drops** at retirement (e.g., Gruber '97)
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- Captures insurance value against work longevity risk
  - Diamond & Mirrlees '86, Golosov & Tsyvinski '06
- Assumptions:
  - diff. in  $C$  pre retirement are either irrelevant to the planner or addressable by other policy tools
  - Retirement age groups have same *evolution of  $MU_C$  around retirement.*
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$$\frac{CS_{r \leq 65}}{CS_{r > 65}} \cong \frac{\frac{mpc_{r > 65}}{1 - mpc_{r > 65}}}{\frac{mpc_{r < 65}}{1 - mpc_{r < 65}}}$$

- Identifies liquidity value of pension
  - MPC captures implicit price of raising additional dollar of consumption

## Labor Market History, Retirement, and Pensions

- Panel data covering all individuals aged 16+, 1990-2017, incl. retirement data (LISA)
- ATP/NDC – pension benefits data

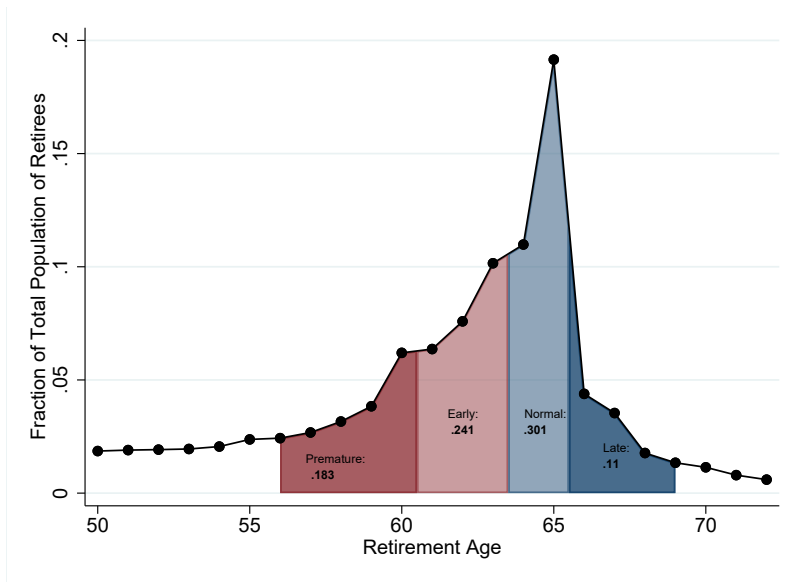
## Consumption

- Measure consumption expenditure for every Swedish household, 2000-2007 (see Kolsrud, Landais, & Spinnewijn, 2020)
- Implement Consumption = Income - Saving w/income, wealth data

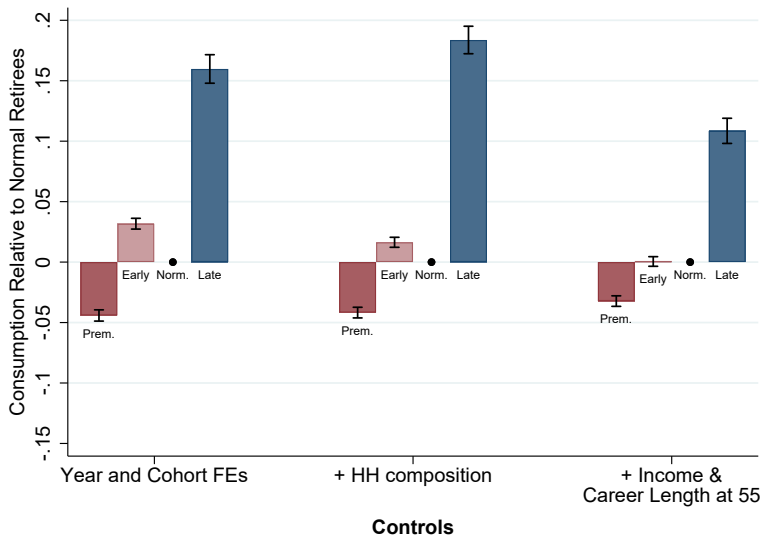
## Supplementary data

- Consumption expenditure survey
- Consumption survey data from USA (HRS) and Europe (SHARE)
- Death register
- Health data from two additional surveys

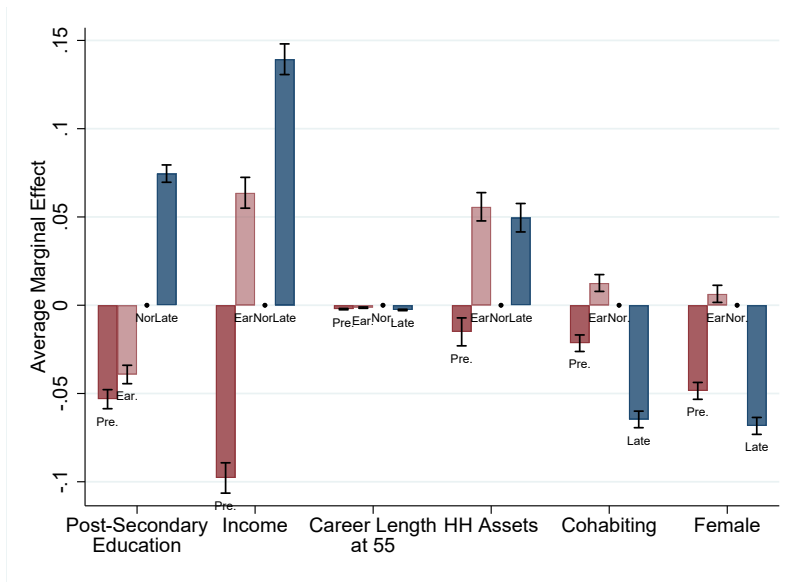
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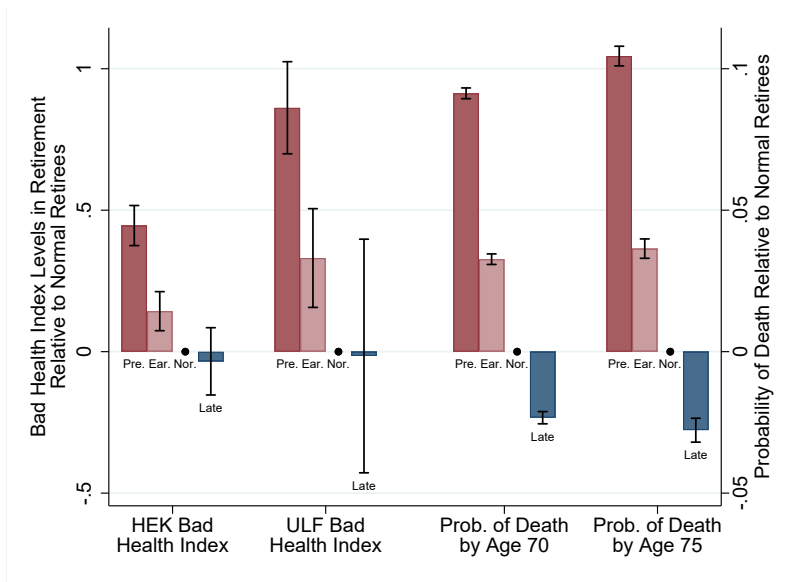
# Consumption differences at age 68 by retirement age



# Heterogeneity & selection into retirement age

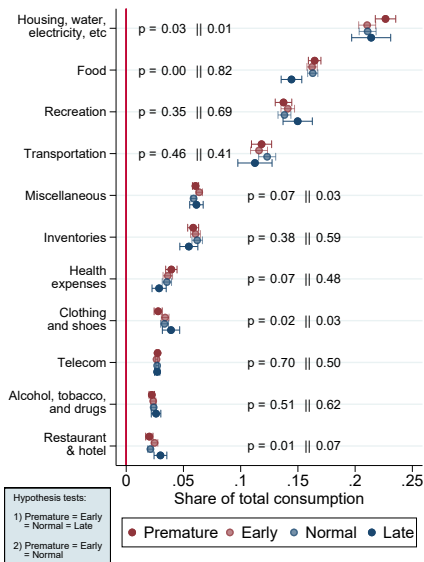


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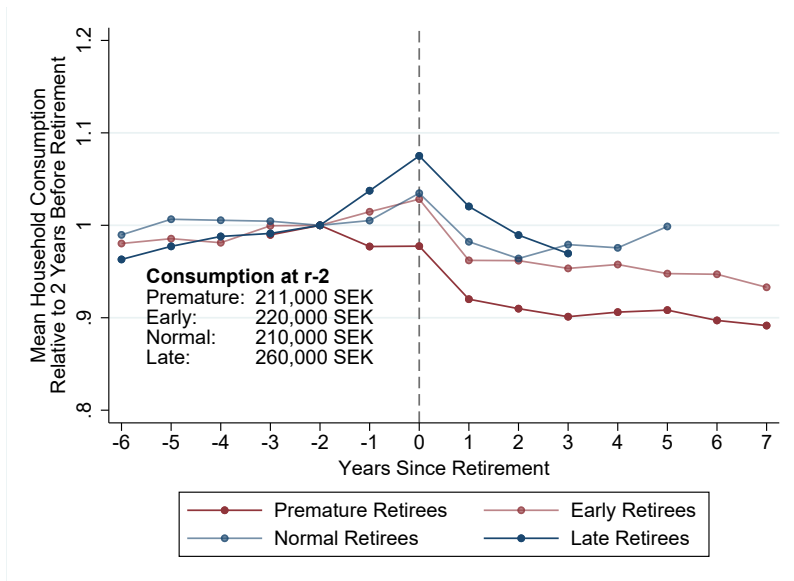




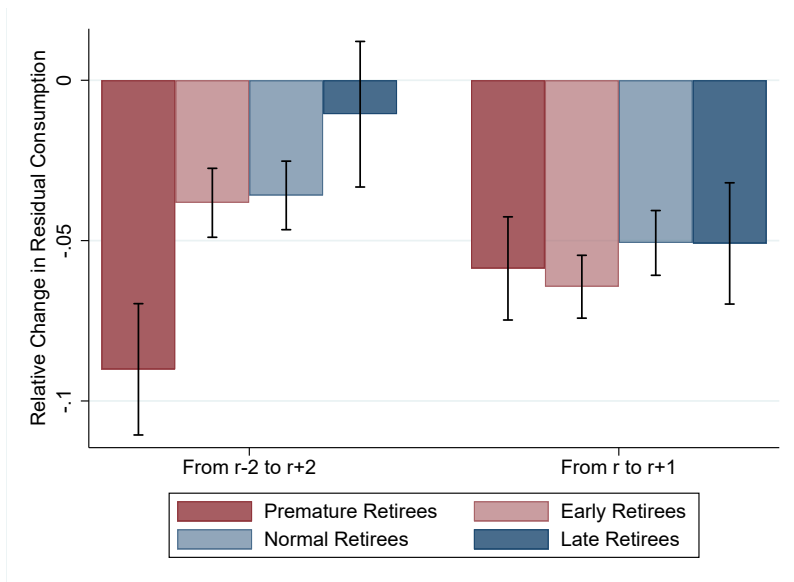
# Differences in consumption shares during retirement



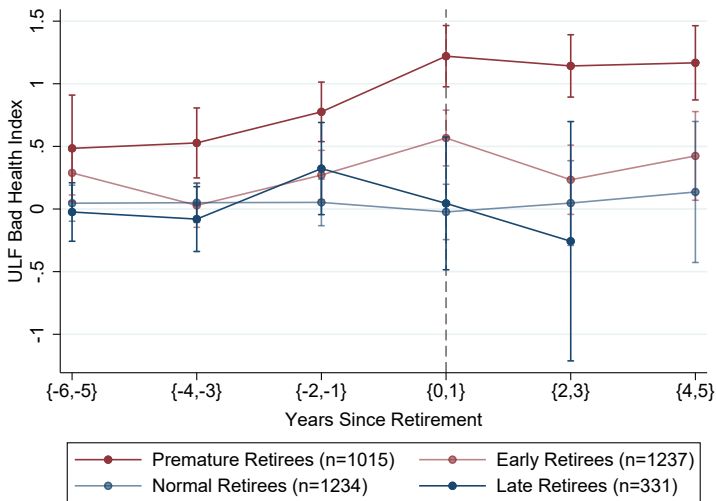
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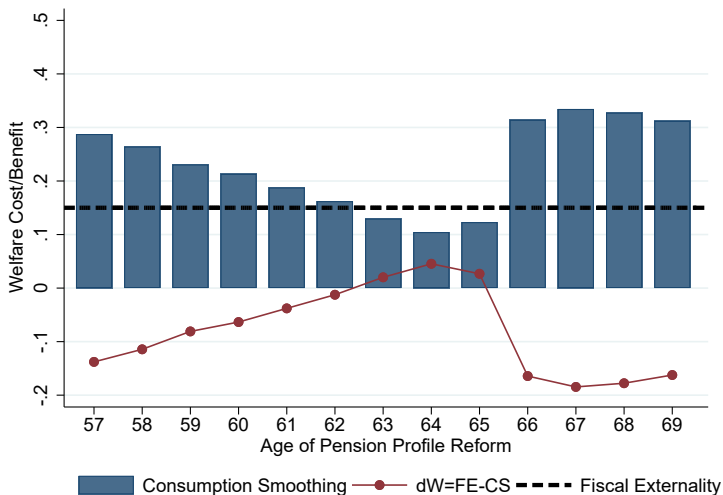
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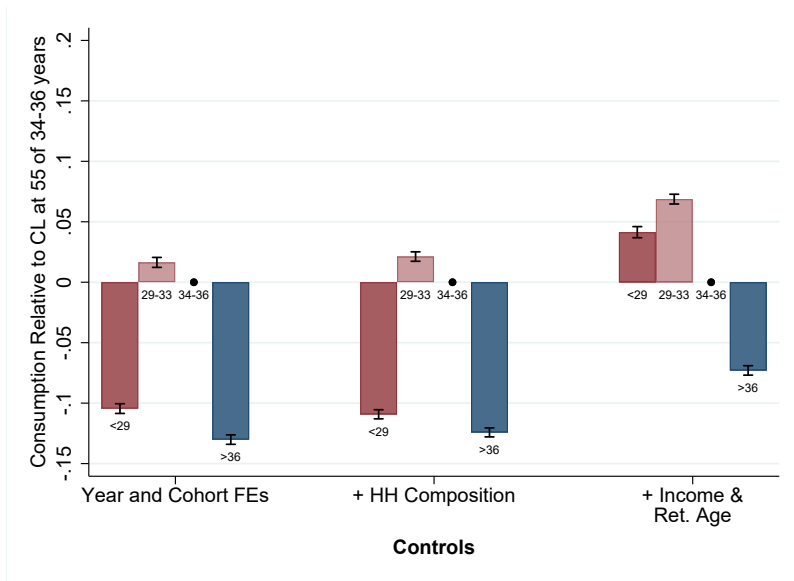
# Consumption Dynamics & Health Shocks



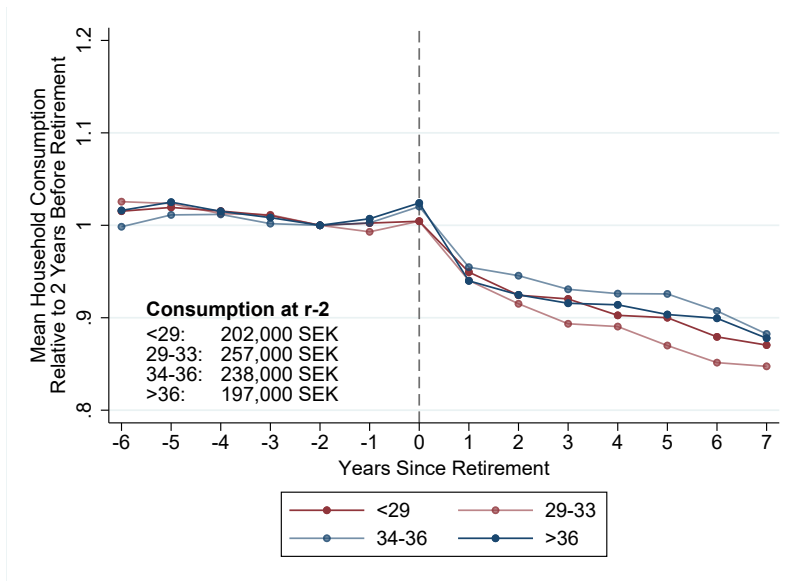
# Welfare Implications: Consumption Level Implementation



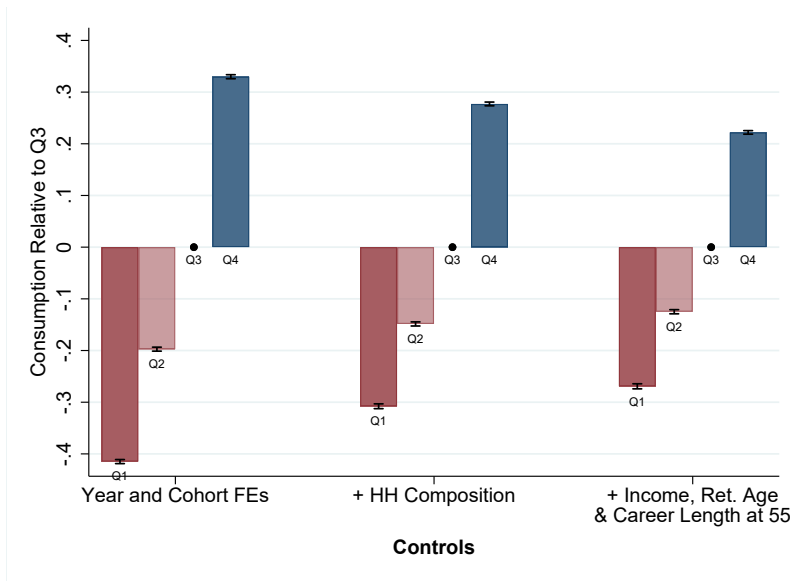
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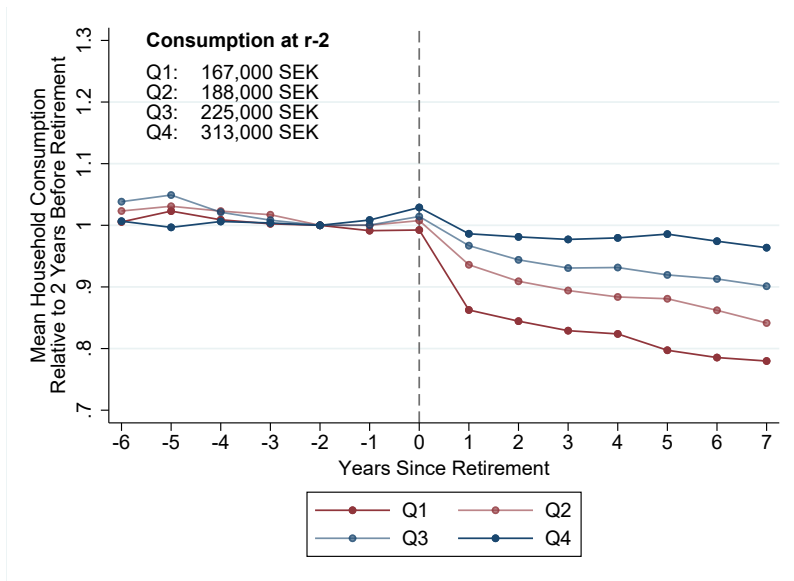


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# Implications for Pension Design: Retirement Age

- **Significant consumption smoothing costs of steeper profile**
  - ① Steep positive gradient of consumption with retirement age
  - ② Selection on health / life exp. make steeper profiles more regressive
  - ③ Similar conclusion when focusing on insurance/liquidity value only
- Suggests optimality of **S-shaped** pension profile
  - Providing incentives is costly at premature retirement ages at late retirement ages
  - Selection effects: providing higher incentives is most sensible btw 60-65
- Implications are local & conditional on rest of tax/transfer system!

# Implications for Pension Design: Alternative Dimensions

$$\text{Pension Benefits} = b(\text{Ret Age, Career Length, Income})$$

- ① Reform career length incentives to encourage work?
  - Strong negative gradient btw early career labor supply and consumption
  - Suggests increasing incentives through career length/early career incentives is welfare improving
  - Cons. differences predate retirement  $\implies$  mainly redistribution
- ② Flatten benefit profile over lifetime income/wealth?
  - Large gradient in consumption *and drop in cons. around retirement*
  - $\implies$  redistributive *and insurance* benefits to a flatter profile
  - Should trade off benefits against behavioral responses, consider other policy tools (Atkinson-Stiglitz etc)

## APPENDIX SLIDES

# Conceptual Framework

$$U_i(b, \tau) = \max \sum_{t=0}^T \beta^t \int u(c(\pi_{i,t}), \zeta(\pi_{i,t})) dF(\pi_{i,t})$$

subject to

$$\begin{aligned} a_{i,t+1} &= R(\pi_{i,t}) [a_{i,t} + y(\pi_{i,t}) - c(\pi_{i,t})] \\ y(\pi_{i,t}) &= \begin{cases} w(\pi_{i,t}) - \tau(\pi_{i,t}) & \text{if } s(\pi_{i,t}) = 1 \\ b(\pi_{i,t}) & \text{if } s(\pi_{i,t}) = 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

- $c(\pi_{i,t})$ : consumption
- $\zeta(\pi_{i,t})$ : other choices (e.g., labor supply) and characteristics (e.g., productivity)
- $\pi_{i,t}$  is individual state history at age  $t$ 
  - Contains relevant determinants of utility, choices and policy
  - Includes earlier choices, but also shocks to human capital, financial capital, health capital, etc
- $b(\pi)$  and  $\tau(\pi)$  pension benefit/tax function

# Evaluating Pension Reforms

- Planner's problem: Government's problem:

$$\max \mathcal{W}(b, \tau) = \int_i \omega_i U_i(b, \tau) + \lambda GBC(b, \tau)$$

subject to

$$GBC(b, \tau) = \sum_r \left[ S(r) \frac{\tau_r}{R^r} + [S(r-1) - S(r)] NPV_r \right] - G_0.$$

- Pension reforms
  - Change in profile of pension as a function of retirement age  $r$
  - Approach valid for any other marginal reform

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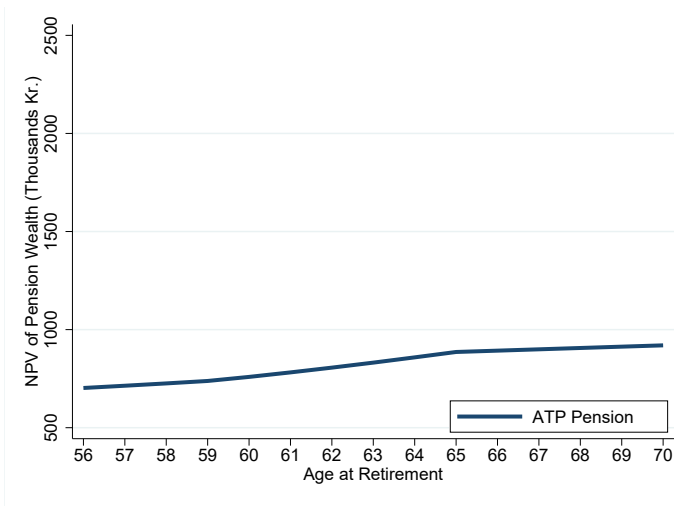
# A Stereotypical Reform: The Swedish 1998 Pension Reform

- **Old system** - ATP Pension:
  - Defined Benefit system
  - accumulate pension points up to age 65 or 30 yrs of career
  - replacement rate applied to average of highest 15 yrs of earnings
  
- **New system** - NDC Pension:
  - Notional Defined Contribution system
  - stronger link between contributions and benefits
    - eliminate age and career length cap for accumulation of points
    - use all contribution years for calculation of replacement rate
    - higher maximum pension benefit
    - BUT more generous minimum pension benefit
  - gradually phased in over cohorts 1938-1953

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# Context: NPV of Pension Wealth By Retirement Age

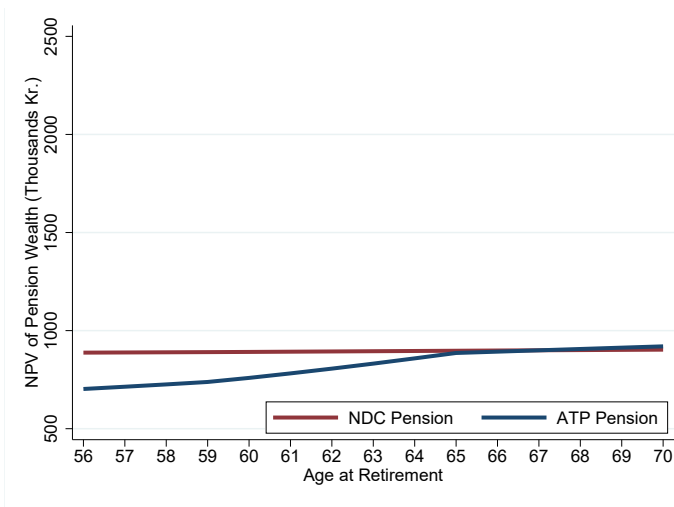
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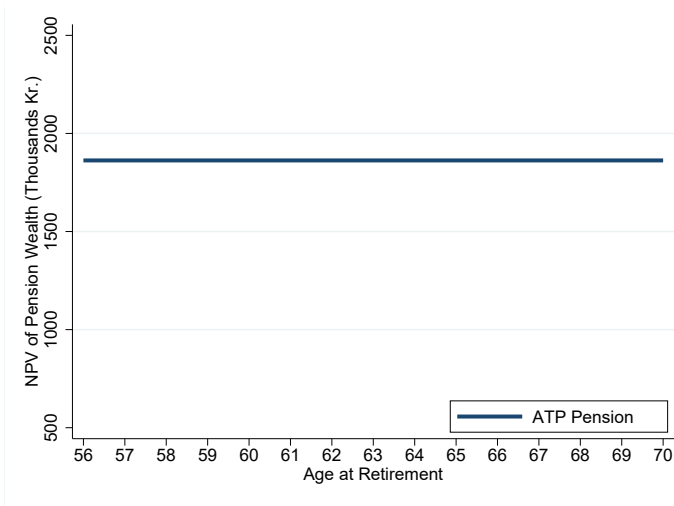
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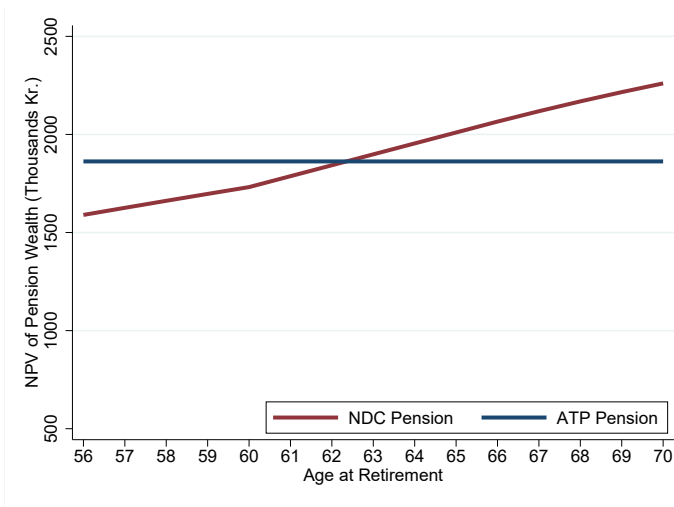
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# Evaluate Pension Reform: Fiscal Externalities

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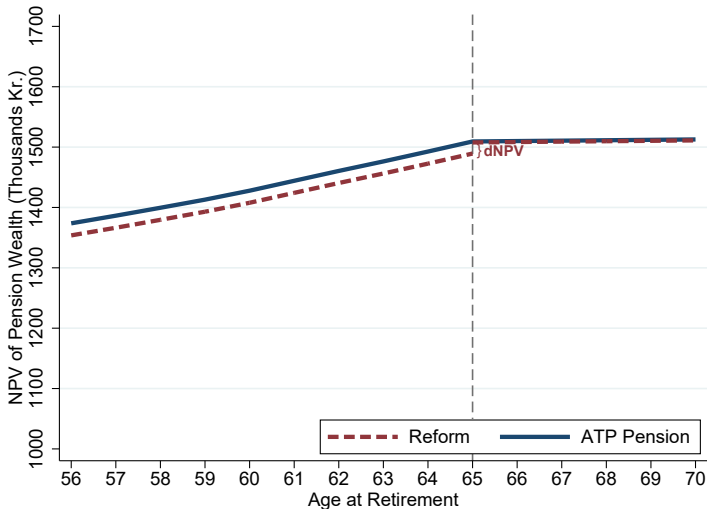
- Depends on overall response in survival in employment  $S(t)$  at age  $t$ , but response around reform age is presumably key

$$FE_{r \leq 65} \approx \lambda \left[ 1 - \underbrace{\sum_{r'} [\tau_{r'} - [NPV_{r'} - NPV_{r'-1}]]}_{\text{Participation Tax Rate}} \right] \times \frac{\partial S_{r'}}{\partial NPV_{r \leq 65}}$$

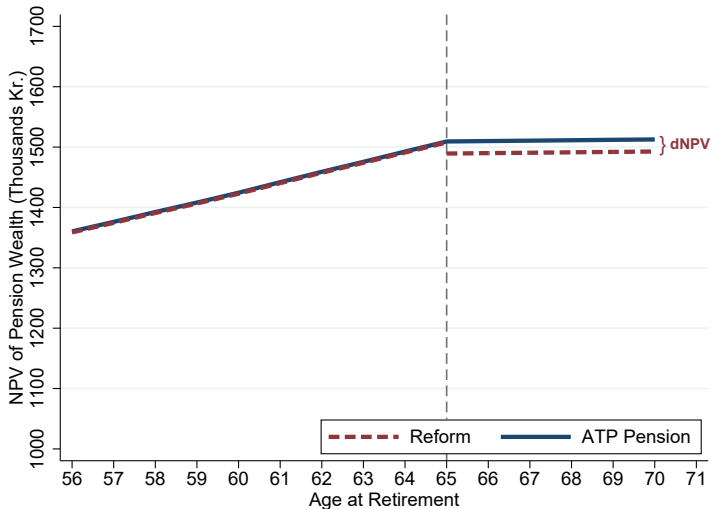
- Swedes retire later in response to steeper profile ▶ Labor Supply Responses

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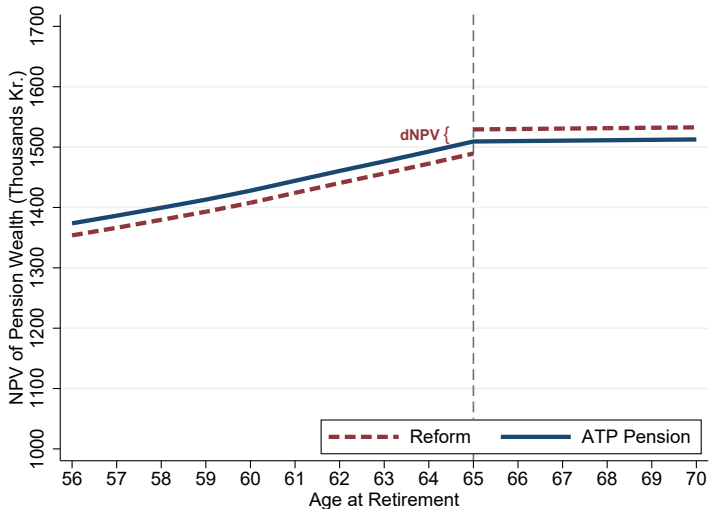
# Marginal Reform Combination: $dNPV_{r \leq 65} < 0$



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# Marginal Reform Increasing Incentives at 65



- **Consumption:** Registry data on all earnings/income, transfers/taxes, debt & assets (balance & transactions), some durables

- Consumption as a residual expenditure measure (Kolsrud et al. '18,'20)

$$consumption_t = income_t - \Delta assets_t$$

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▶ Consistency with survey data

▶ Lifetime Consumption Profile

- Consumption-expenditure measure for universe of HH for 2000-2007
- **Labor Market:** Full labor market history since 1993
  - Retirement = year when earnings fall permanently below PBA
- **Pensions:** Universe of HH since 1920s cohorts
  - State ATP and NDC contributions, rights, claims, benefits, etc.
  - Occupational pensions & Individual pension savings
- **Health:** Death registries + Rich survey info matched with admin data

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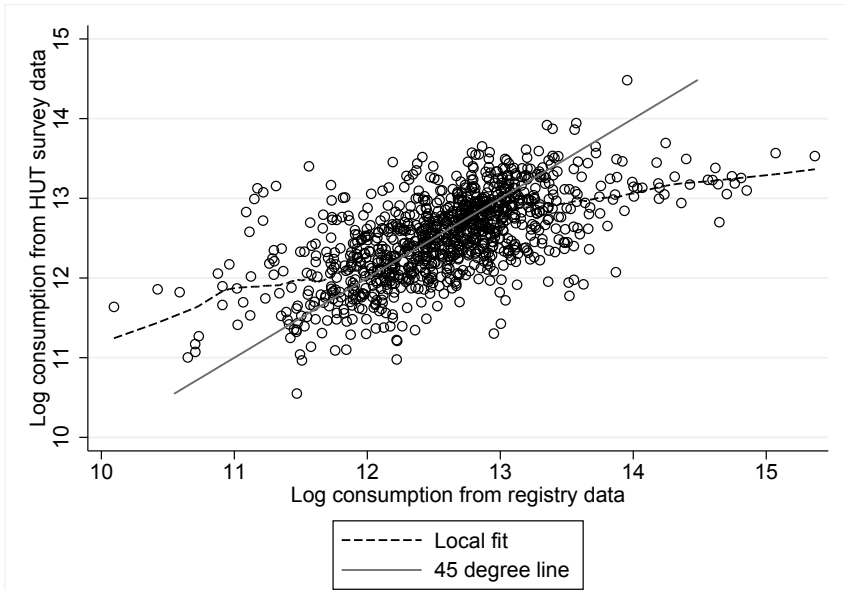
# Registry-based Measure of Consumption

- Simple idea: consumption as a residual expenditure measure,

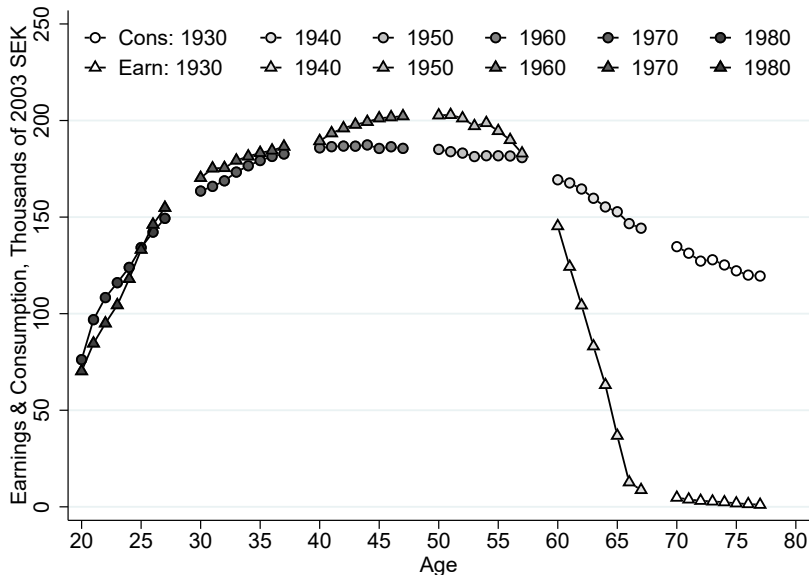
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- We use admin data (from tax registers) on earnings  $y$ , transfers  $T$ , bank savings  $b$ , outstanding debt  $d$ , other financial assets  $v$  and real assets  $h$ .
  - Account for returns from assets and changes in stock value [▶ Details](#)
- Note that we check consistency with consumption survey data

# Consistency with survey data



# Lifetime Consumption & Earnings Profiles

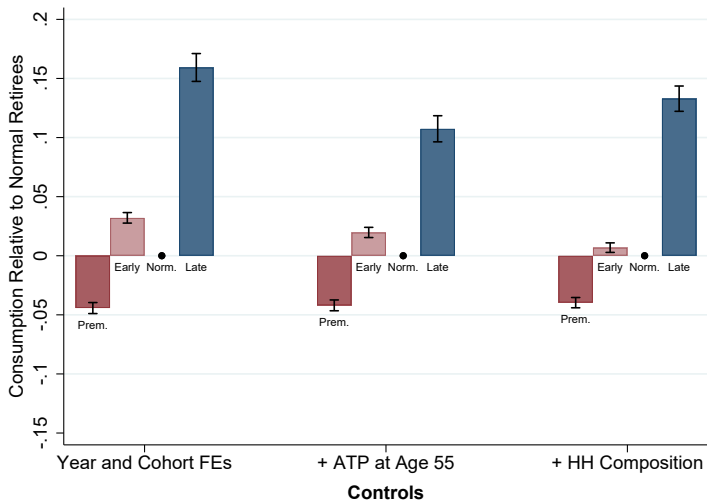


## Consumption Equation

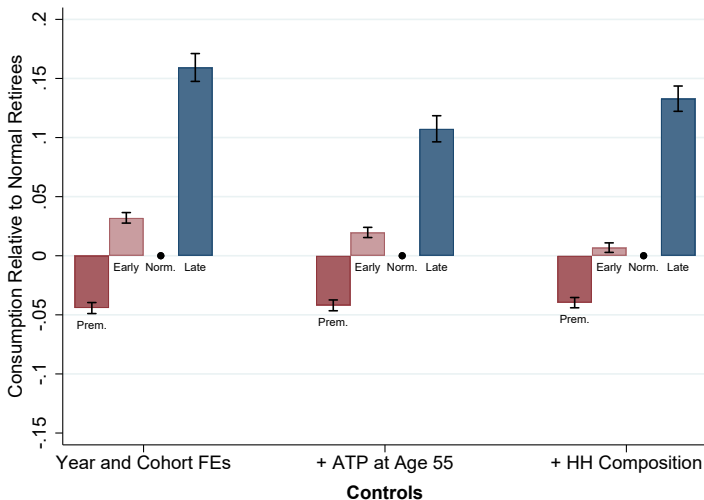
$$c_t = y_t + T_t + \tilde{c}_t^b + \tilde{c}_t^d + \tilde{c}_t^v + \tilde{c}_t^h$$

- Bank savings:  $\tilde{c}_t^b = y_t^b - \Delta b_t$ 
  - $y_t^b$  : earned interests ;  $\Delta b_t$  : change in bank savings
- Debt:  $\tilde{c}_t^d = -y_t^d + \Delta d_t$ 
  - $y_t^d$  : paid interests ;  $\Delta d_t$  : change in debt
- Other financial assets:  $\tilde{c}_t^v = y_t^v - \Delta v_t$ 
  - $y_t^v$  : interests, dividends, price change  $\Delta p_t^v \times q_{t-1}^v$
  - $\Delta v_t$  : change in stock value  $p_t^v q_t^v - p_{t-1}^v q_{t-1}^v$
- Real assets:  $\tilde{c}_t^h = y_t^h - \Delta h_t$ 
  - $y_t^h$  : rent, imputed rent, price change
  - $\Delta h_t$  : change in stock value

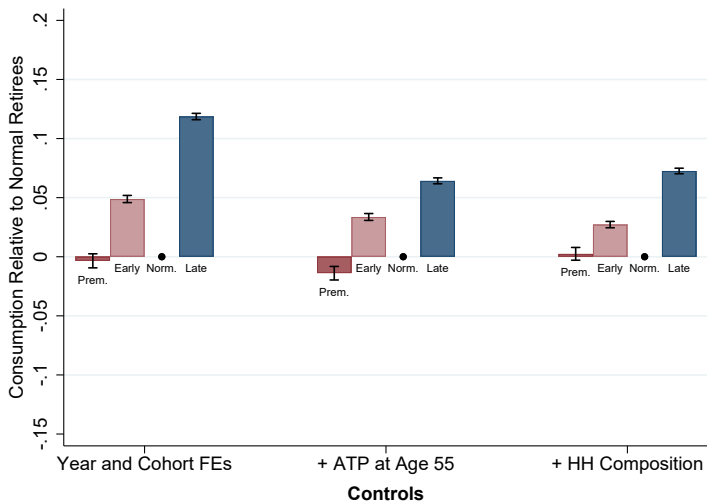
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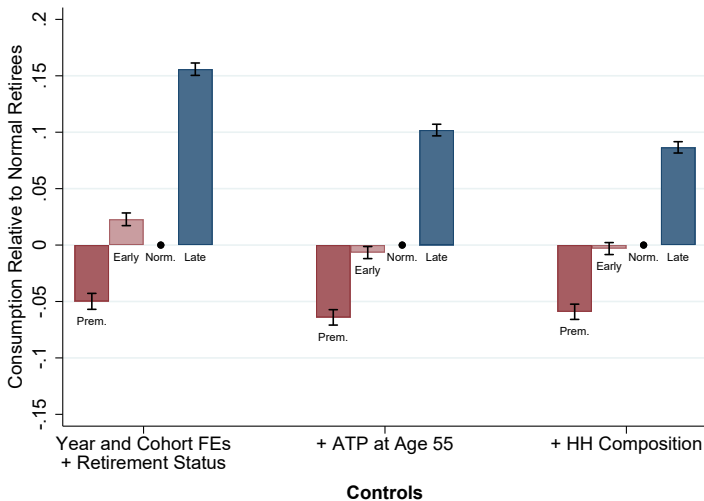
# Consumption (At All Ages) By Retirement Age: Retired



# Consumption (At All Ages) By Retirement Age: Not Ret.

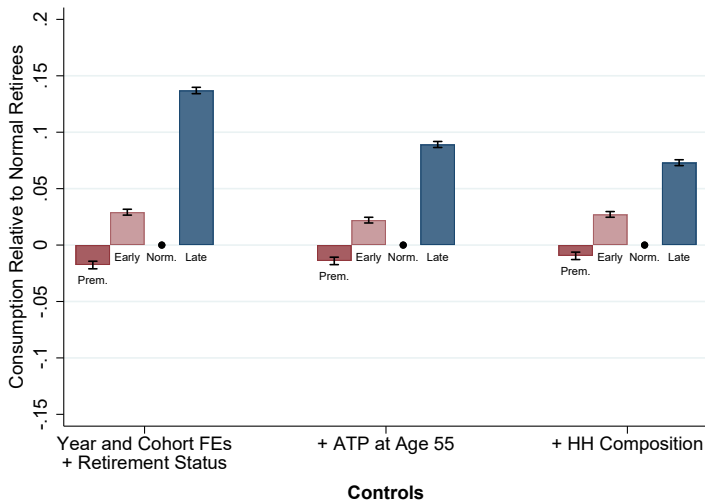


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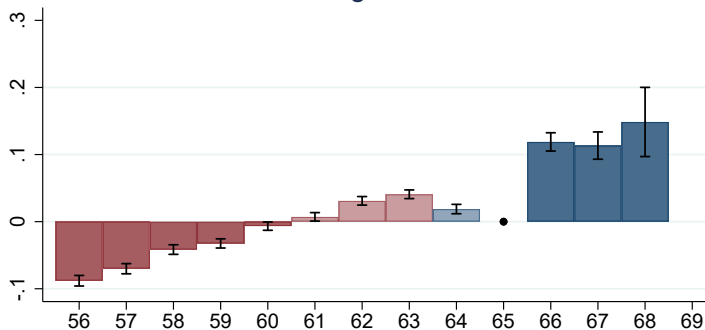




# Consumption By Retirement Age: Married/Cohabiting



# Consumption By Disaggregated Retirement Age



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# Consumption By Retirement Age: Gender, Wealth Controls

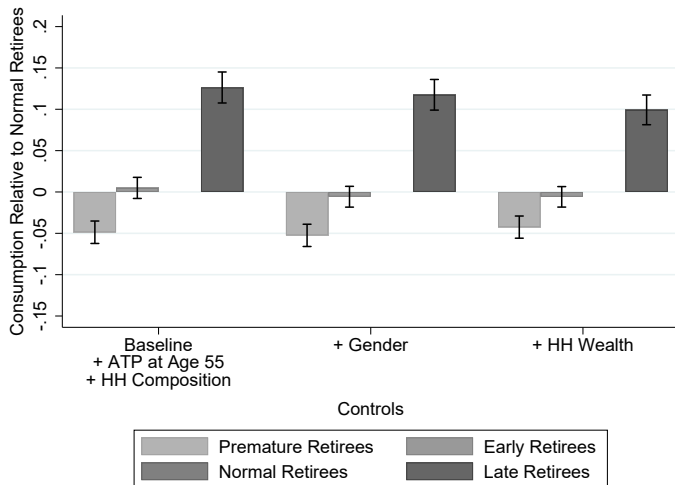
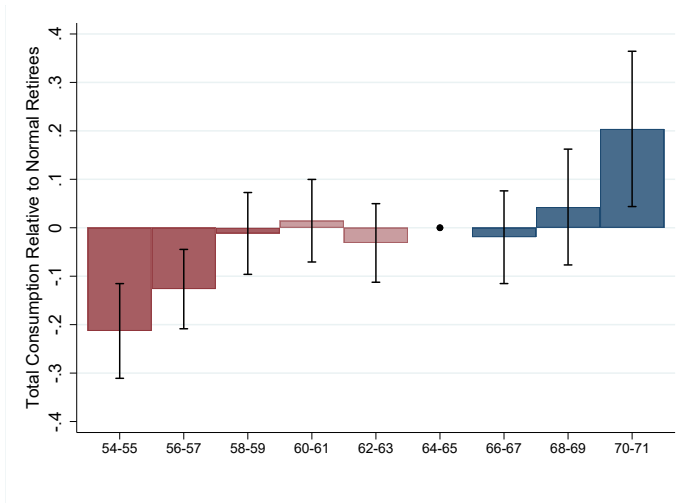
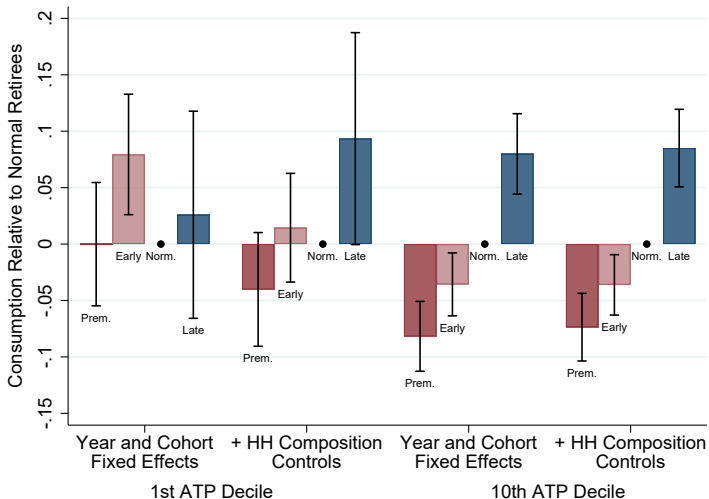


Figure: CONSUMPTION LEVELS BY RETIREMENT AGE IN THE US: HRS DATA



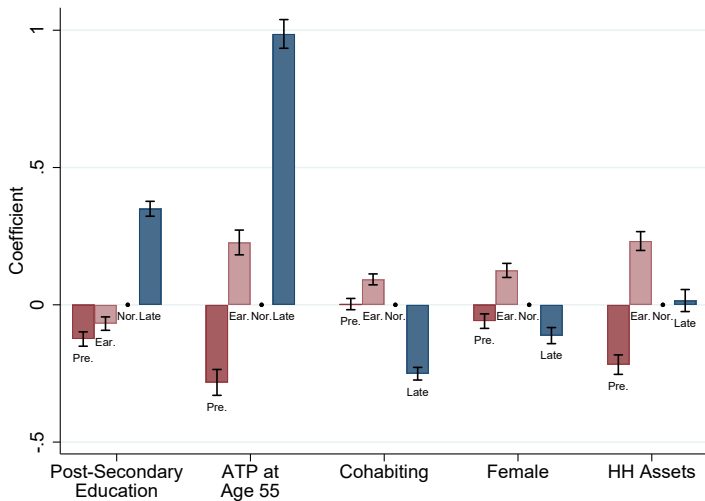
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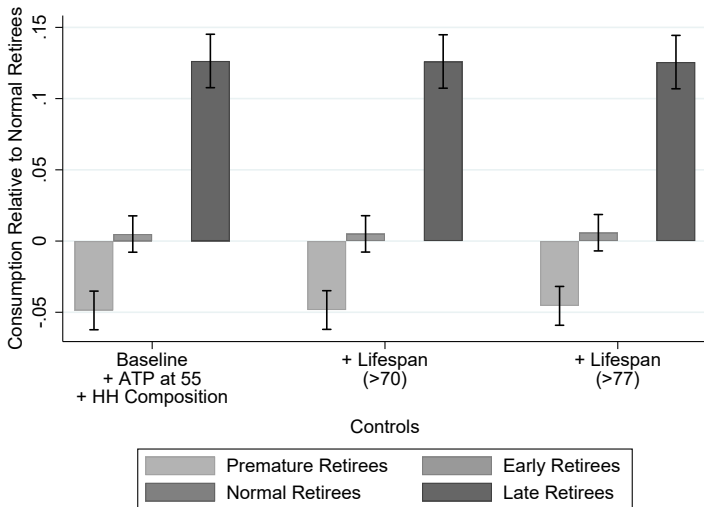
# Distribution of Retirement Age By Cohorts



# Selection Into Retirement Ages

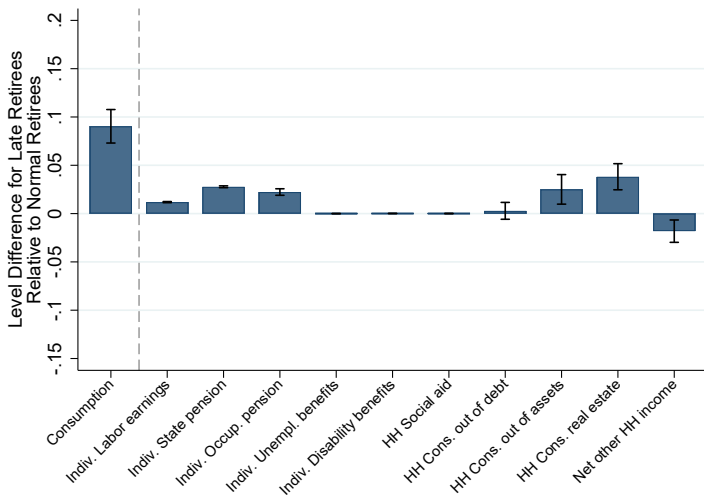


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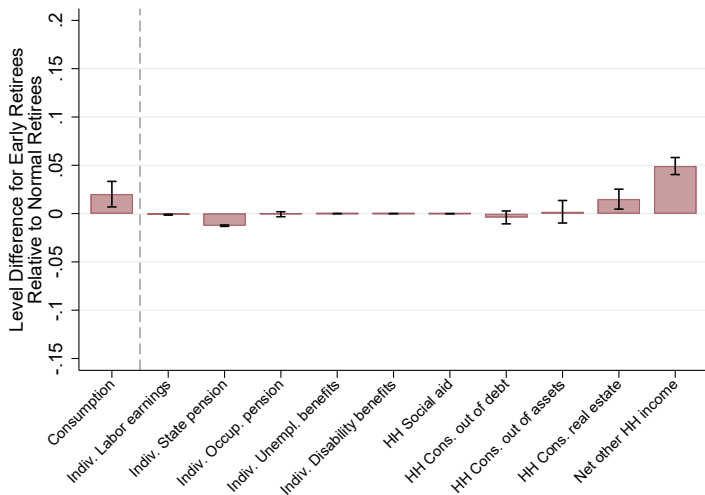




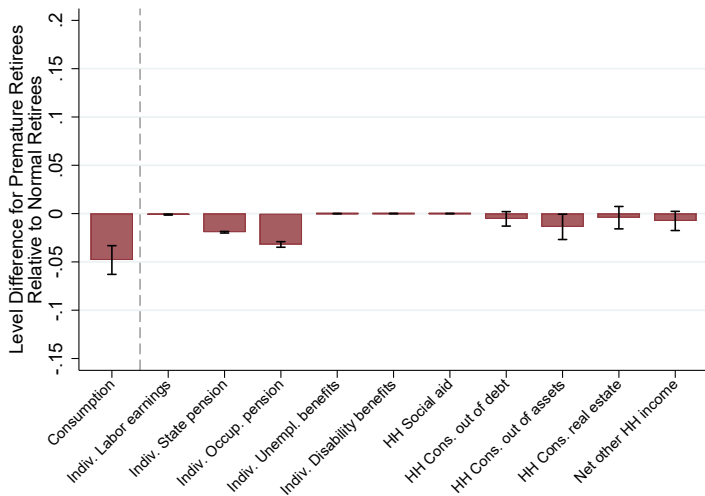
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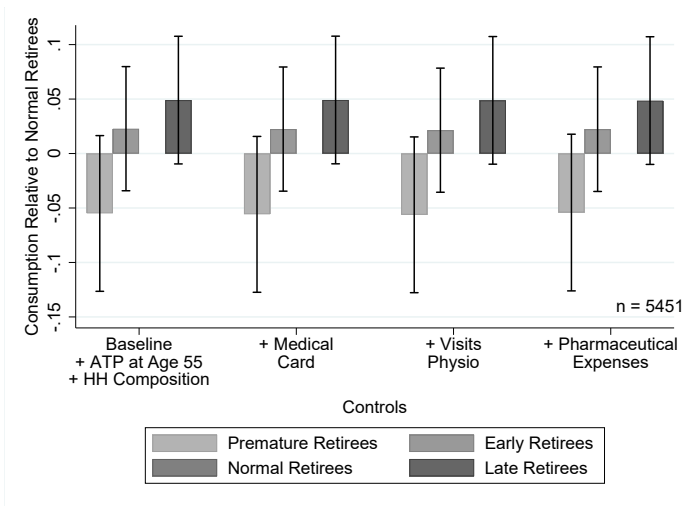
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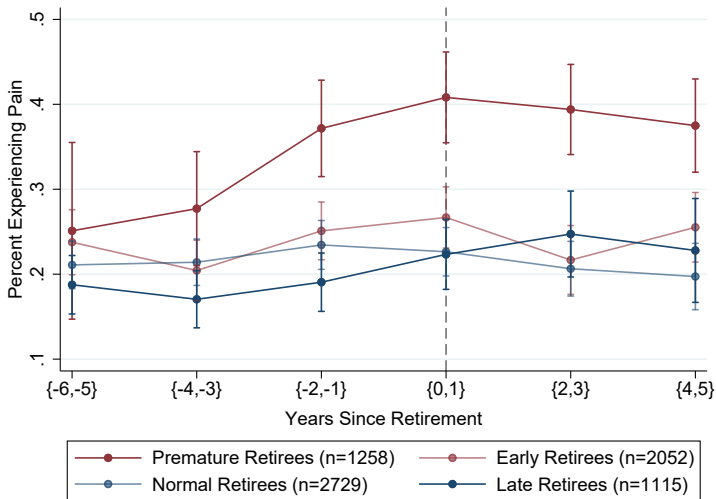
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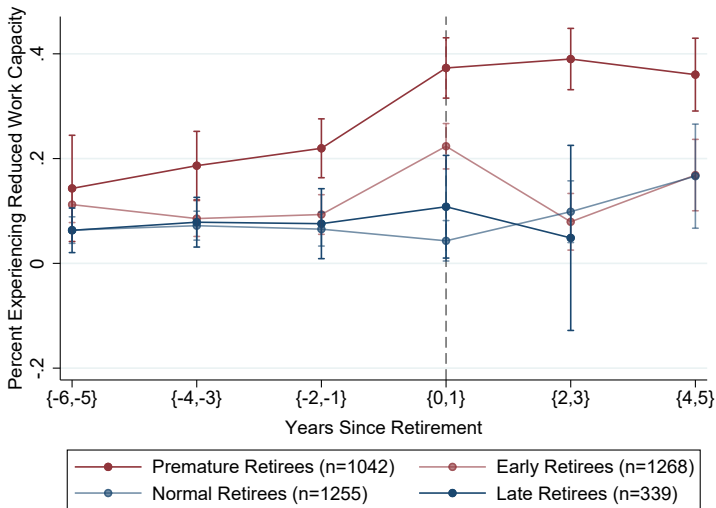
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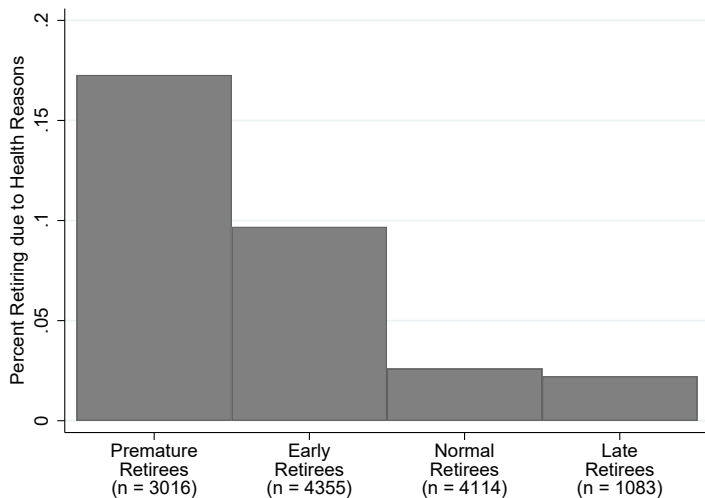
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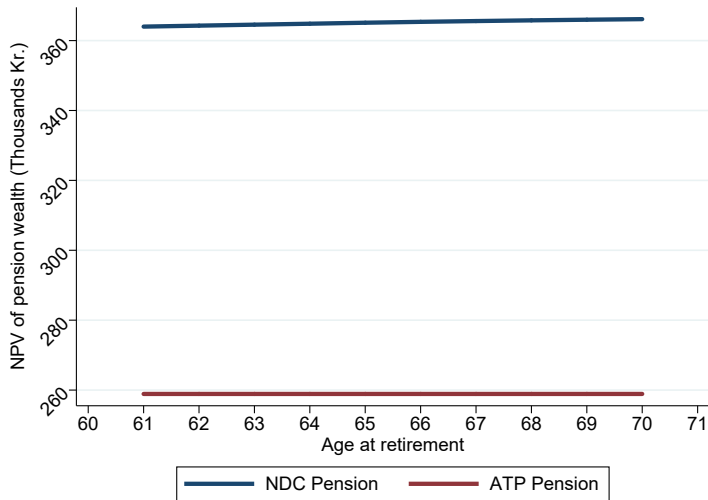
# Event Study Health Outcomes: Reduced Work Capacity



# Health As Reason For Retirement By Retirement Age



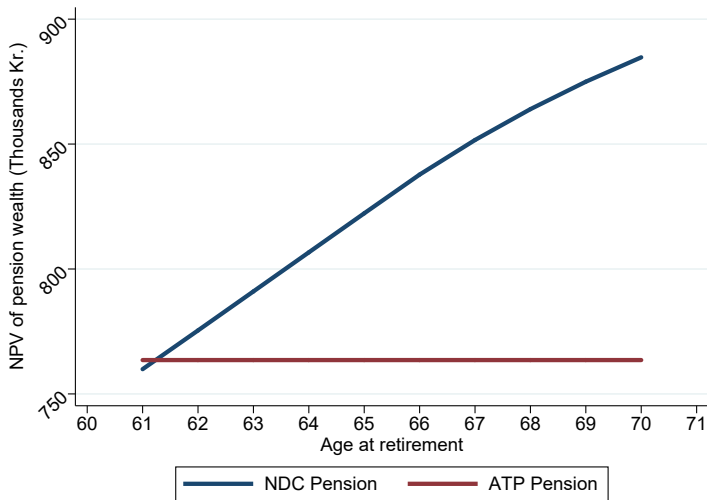
# NPV of Pension Wealth By Retirement Age: $w = P10$



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# NPV of Pension Wealth By Retirement Age: $w = P90$



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# Summary: CS Implementation Approaches

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Empirical Inputs	Economic Interpretation	Assumptions	Challenges
<b>Implementation 1: Consumption Levels – Equation 9</b>			
$E_{r>\tilde{r}}(c), E_{r\leq\tilde{r}}(c)$ : Average consumption levels of individuals retiring before vs after $\tilde{r}$	Captures both the redistributive and insurance value of profile reform	Homogeneous relative risk aversion $\gamma$ $\omega_r \frac{\partial u(\tilde{c}_{r,t})}{\partial c}$ constant across retirement ages $r$ Taylor approximation (Chetty [2006]) Heterogeneity within retirement age group negligible (Andrews and Miller [2013])	Measuring $\gamma$ Gauging selection into retirement ages based on SMU of consumption, driven by $\omega_r$ or $\zeta_{r,t}$
<b>Implementation 2: Consumption Drops – Equation 10</b>			
$\Delta c_{r>\tilde{r}}, \Delta c_{r\leq\tilde{r}}$ : Average drop in consumption around retirement of individuals retiring before vs after $\tilde{r}$	Captures only the insurance value of profile reform	Homogeneous relative risk aversion $\gamma$ $\omega_r \frac{\partial u(c_{r,t}, \tilde{c}_{r,t})}{\partial c}$ constant across retirement ages $r$ Taylor approximation (Chetty [2006]) Heterogeneity within retirement age group negligible (Andrews and Miller [2013])	Measuring $\gamma$ Gauging selection into retirement ages based on changes in SMU of consumption around retirement, driven by $\frac{\zeta_{r,t}}{\zeta_{r,t}^*}$
<b>Implementation 3: Marginal Propensities to Consume – Equation 11</b>			
$mpc_{r>\tilde{r}}, mpc_{r\leq\tilde{r}}$ : Average marginal propensity to consume in retirement of individuals retiring before vs after $\tilde{r}$	Captures the liquidity value of profile reform	Constant relative curvature of $u$ over consumption $c$ and resources in $\zeta$ across retirement ages (Landais and Spinnewijn [forthcoming]) Heterogeneity within retirement age group negligible (Andrews and Miller [2013])	Finding exogenous unanticipated income shocks to identify MPCs across retirement ages

# Behavioral Biases

- Important concern that people do not prepare adequately for retirement (e.g., Blundell et al. '98, Chetty et al '14)

$$\Delta W \approx \text{Cons. smoothing effects} + \text{FE} * \text{Behavioral Resp.} \quad (1)$$

+ **Marginal Internalities** \* **Behavioral Resp.**

- Behavioral biases can affect the redistributive impact of the pension policy, but impact is still fully captured by *CS*
  - e.g., myopic agents retire prematurely and have too little savings
  - our measures of *CS* do not rely on indiv. optimization
- Behavioral biases give rise to 'internalities': magnitude of welfare impact depends on behavioral response to policy
  - e.g., myopic agents save too little but do not respond to pension profile incentives (Chetty et al '14)  $\Rightarrow$  small first-order welfare effect

# Consumption Smoothing Gains

- Marginal value of increasing pension benefits depends on consumption of retirees:

$$\begin{aligned}CS_{b(x)} &= E_{b(x)} \left( \omega_i \frac{\partial u(c_i, \zeta_i)}{\partial c} \right) \\ &\cong E_{b(x)} \left( \omega_i \frac{\partial u(c_0, \zeta_i)}{\partial c} \left[ 1 + \frac{\partial^2 u(c_0, \zeta_i) / \partial c^2}{\partial u(c_0, \zeta_i) / \partial c} [c_i - c_0] \right] \right)\end{aligned}$$

- Relative consumption smoothing gains are:

$$\frac{CS_{b(x)}}{CS_{b(x')}} \cong \frac{\omega_{b(x)} \frac{\partial u(c_{b(x')}, \zeta_{b(x)})}{\partial c}}{\omega_{b(x')} \frac{\partial u(c_{b(x')}, \zeta_{b(x')})}{\partial c}} \left[ 1 + \frac{\partial^2 u(c_{b(x')}, \zeta_{b(x)}) / \partial c^2}{\partial u(c_{b(x')}, \zeta_{b(x)}) / \partial c} [E_{b(x)}(c_i) - E_{b(x')}(c_i)] \right]$$

- This uses a Taylor expansion around  $c_0 = E_{b(x')}(c_i)$  and relies on no within-group heterogeneity in  $\omega_i$  and  $\zeta_i$ .

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# Insurance Value: Consumption Drops at Retirement

- Marginal value of increasing pension benefits depends on consumption of retirees:

$$CS_{b(x)} \cong E_{b(x)} \left( \omega_i \frac{\partial u(c_0, \zeta_i)}{\partial c} \left[ 1 + \frac{\partial^2 u(c_0, \zeta_i) / \partial c^2}{\partial u(c_0, \zeta_i) / \partial c} [c_i - c_0] \right] \right)$$

- Relative consumption gains can be approximated using:
  - Differences in **consumption drops** at retirement:

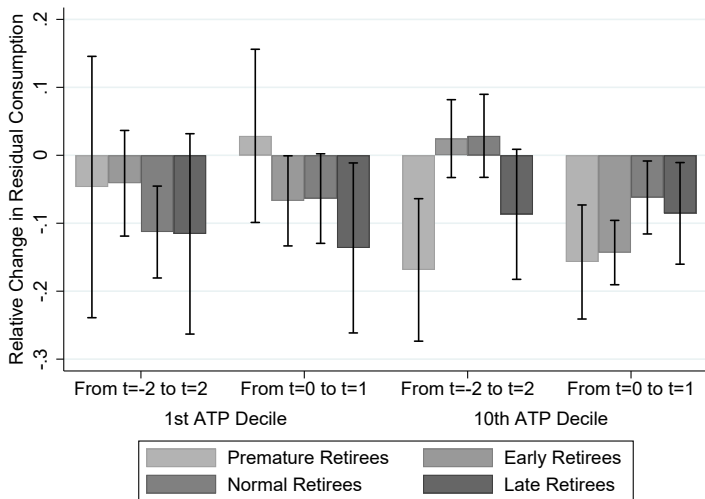
$$\frac{CS_{b(x)}}{CS_{b(x')}} \cong \theta \times \frac{1 + \sigma_{b(x)} [c_i - c_{r-1}]}{1 + \sigma_{b(x')} [c_i - c_{r-1}]}$$

- Relies on Taylor expansion around pre-retirement consumption  $c_0 = c_{r-1}$  and assumes  $\frac{\partial u(c_{r-1}, \zeta | r) / \partial c}{\partial u(c_{r-1}, \zeta | r-1) / \partial c} = 1$
- Focuses purely on insurance aspect for  $\theta = 1$  (i.e., taking pre-retirement redistribution as desirable):

$$\theta = \frac{\omega_{b(x)} \frac{\partial u(c_{r-1}, \zeta_{b(x)})}{\partial c}}{\omega_{b(x')} \frac{\partial u(c_{r-1}, \zeta_{b(x')})}{\partial c}}$$

- Insurance can be against unanticipated shock to earnings ability, or against myopia/lack of self insurance

# Consumption Drops At Retirement: ATP Deciles



- Marginal value of increasing pension benefits depends on consumption of retirees:

$$CS_{b(x)} \cong E_{b(x)} \left( \omega_i \frac{\partial u(c_0, \zeta_i)}{\partial c} \left[ 1 + \frac{\partial^2 u(c_0, \zeta_i) / \partial c^2}{\partial u(c_0, \zeta_i) / \partial c} [c_i - c_0] \right] \right)$$

- Relative CS gains can be approximated using:
  - Differences in **MPCs** :

$$\frac{CS_{r < 65}}{CS_{r \geq 65}} \cong \frac{E_{r < 65} \left( \frac{dc_{it} / dy_{it}}{1 - dc_{it} / dy_{it}} \right)}{E_{r \geq 65} \left( \frac{dc_{it} / dy_{it}}{1 - dc_{it} / dy_{it}} \right)}$$

- Focuses on ability to smooth consumption (Landais & Spinnewijn '20) (i.e., marginal value of transfer depends on its shadow price)
- Assumes curvature in preferences is the same across groups (i.e., to infer shadow price from MPC)

# Sample Descriptive Stats

	Retirement Sample		Retirement x Stock Sample	
	Mean	(s.d.)	Mean	(s.d.)
<b>I. Retirement</b>				
Premature Retirement Probability	14.63 %		15.12 %	
Early Retirement Probability	35.2 %		38.86 %	
Normal Retirement Probability	35.62 %		33.77 %	
Late Retirement Probability	14.56 %		12.24 %	
<b>II. Demographics</b>				
Cohort	1941.71	(5.25)	1940.67	(4.19)
Fraction Men	49.49 %	(50)	52.79 %	(49.92)
Fraction Married	62.45 %	(48.42)	70.88 %	(45.43)
Post-Secondary Education	25.71%	(43.71)	31.04 %	(46.26)
<b>III. Income and Wealth at 59, SEK 2003(K)</b>				
Total Earnings	227.66	(170.19)	226.99	(195.89)
Net Wealth	906.30	(2,595.50)	1,366.60	(3,062.00)
Bank Holdings	103.50	(404.00)	142.80	(572.80)
Portfolio Value	319.28	(14,612.60)	332.95	(15,077.30)
Consumption	224.95	(720.72)	242.25	(1,158.50)
N	1,328,268		372,831	

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# MPCs: Empirical Implementation

- Define passive KG

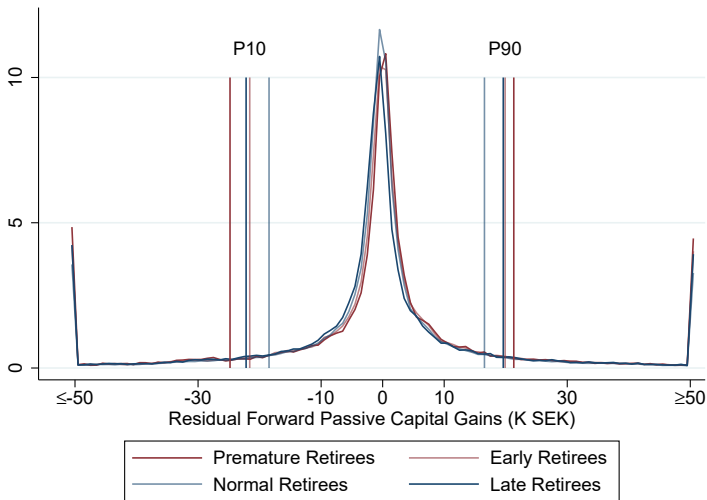
$$\text{Passive KG}_{i,t+k} = \sum_j (p_{j,t+k} - p_{j,t+k-1}) \cdot a_{ijt} = \sum_j \Delta p_{j,t+k} \cdot a_{ijt}$$

- $a_{ijt}$  : number of stocks of company  $j$  held by individual  $i$  in  $t$
- $\Delta p_{j,t+k}$  : change in price of stock  $j$  between  $t+k-1$  and  $t+k$
- Show that conditional on  $X$  price follow are random walk
- For all years  $k \in \{-6, \dots, 6\}$ , regress :

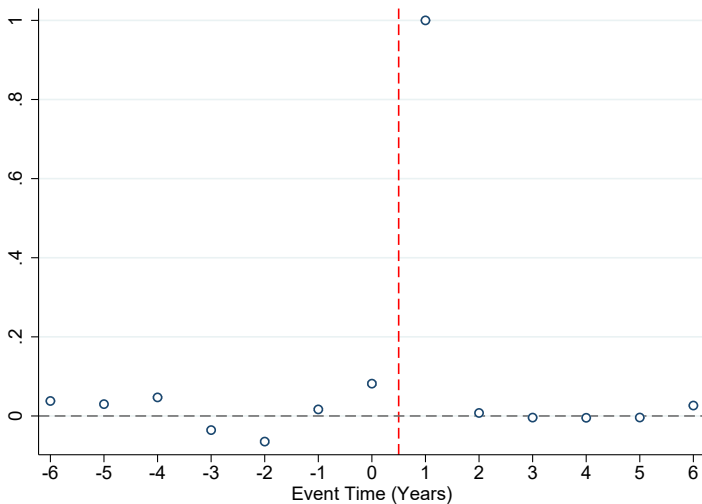
$$\text{Passive KG}_{i,t+k} = \alpha_{t+k} \text{Passive KG}_{i,t+1} + X' \beta$$

- $X$ : previous returns and variance of portfolio

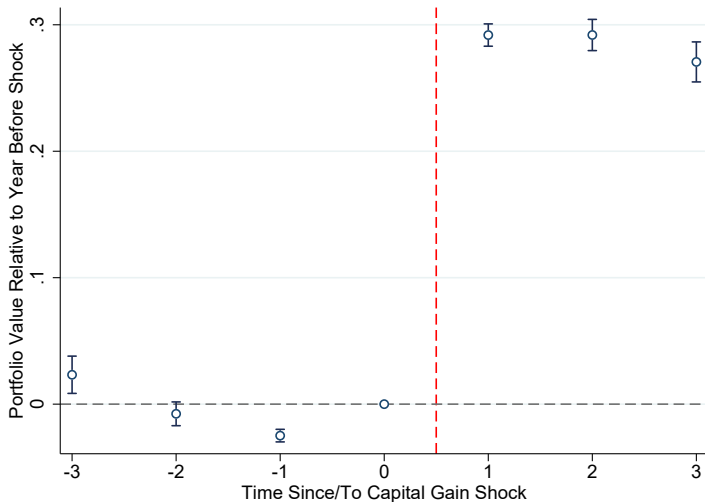
# Distribution of Residual Passive K Gains



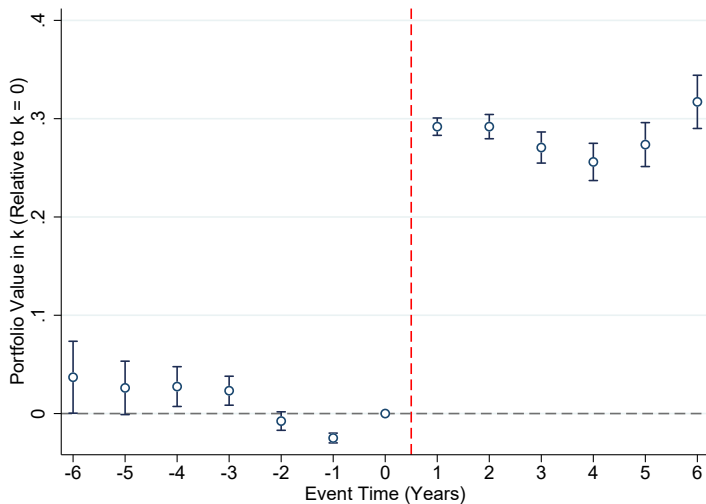
# Serial Correlation In Residual Passive K Gains



# Predicted Passive Value of Portfolio



# True Value of Portfolio



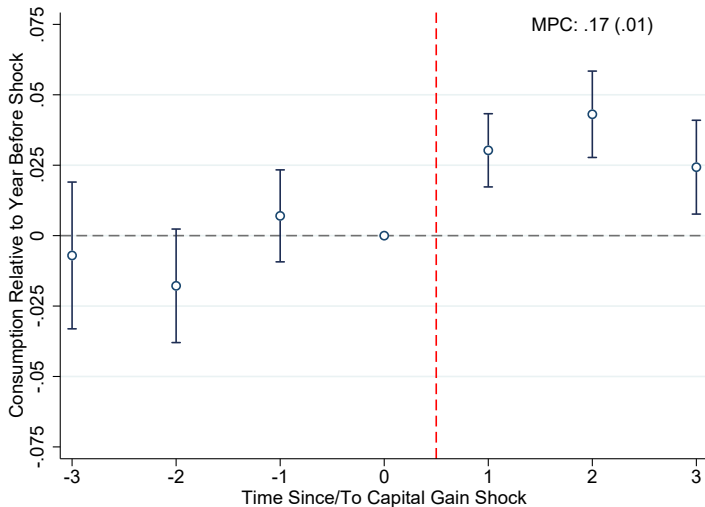
- For all years  $k \in \{-6, \dots, 6\}$ , regress :

$$\Delta C_{i,t+k} = \alpha_{t+k}^C \text{Passive KG}_{i,t+1} + X' \beta$$

$$\Delta V_{i,t+k} = \alpha_{t+k}^V \text{Passive KG}_{i,t+1} + X' \beta$$

$$\text{Cumulative MPC}_t = \sum_{k=1}^t \frac{\hat{\alpha}_{t+k}^C}{\hat{\alpha}_1^V}$$

# Average MPCs



**Table: 2SLS ESTIMATES OF MPC OUT OF WEALTH SHOCKS**

	First Stage $\alpha_1^V$	Reduced Form	IV Result MPC	Placebo Test $\alpha_1^P$
<b>B. By Retirement Status</b>				
<b>Non Retired in <math>t</math></b>	.66 (.01)	.09 (.01)	.13 (.01)	-.01 (.02)
<b>Retired in <math>t</math></b>	.71 (.03)	.21 (.03)	.30 (.04)	.07 (.05)
<b>C. By Retirement Age Group</b>				
<b>Premature Retirees</b>	.69 (.04)	.23 (.03)	.34 (.04)	-.01 (.07)
<b>Early Retirees</b>	.63 (.02)	.22 (.02)	.34 (.03)	.03 (.03)
<b>Normal Retirees</b>	.68 (.01)	.06 (.01)	.09 (.02)	.03 (.02)
<b>Late Retirees</b>	.70 (.03)	0.01 (.03)	.01 (.04)	(.06) (.05)



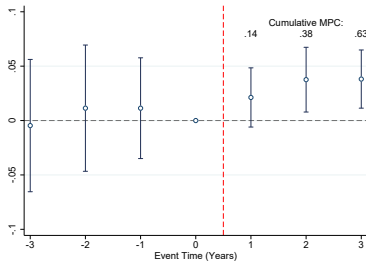
**Table:** CONSUMPTION SMOOTHING COST OF STEEPER PENSION PROFILE

	Baseline	Sensitivity		Alternative	
		$\gamma$	$\theta$	$\Delta C$	MPC
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<b>A. Age-Specific Profile Change:</b> $\frac{CS_{r < \tilde{r}} - CS_{r > \tilde{r}}}{CS_{NRA}}$					
$\tilde{r} \in [57; 60]$	.25	.13	.32	.17	-.39
$\tilde{r} \in [61; 63]$	.16	.08	.22	.12	-.09
$\tilde{r} \in [64; 65]$	.11	.06	.16	.09	.26
$\tilde{r} \in [66; 69]$	.32	.16	.35	.12	.88
<b>B. Swedish Pension Reform:</b> $\sum_r \mu_r \frac{CS_r}{CS_{NRA}}$					
	.15	.07	.18	.11	.21

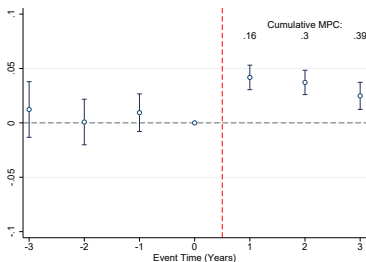
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# MPCs by Retirement Age Group

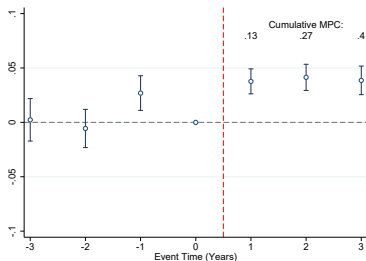
## Premature Retirees



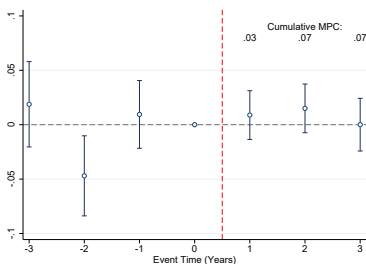
## Early Retirees



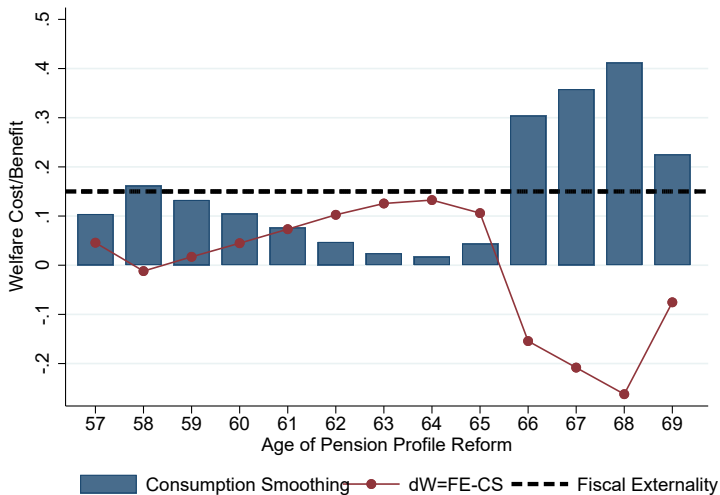
## Normal Retirees



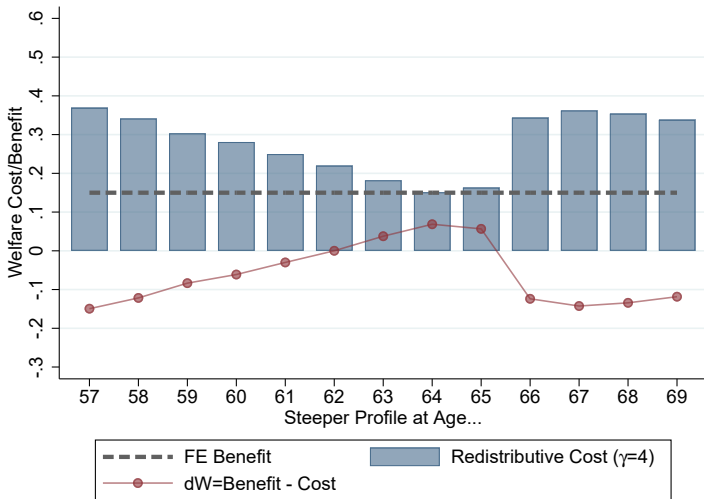
## Late Retirees



# Implementation: Insurance Value Only



# Implementation: Welfare Weight ( $\theta \sim$ Life Expectancy)



# Expected Lifetime: Descriptives

	Expected Discounted Lifetime ( $\beta = 0.98$ )	Expected Undiscounted Lifetime
Premature	15.49	23.94
Early	16.26	25.02
Normal	16.68	25.54
Late	16.70	25.46

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