

Data Description

The data set is a two-way panel (country-pairs x year) data set.

Data Sources

Most of the data set is described in Glick and Rose (2002) “Does a Currency Union affect Trade?” *European Economic Review* 2002.

The trade data comes from the “Direction of Trade” (DoT) data set developed by the International Monetary Fund (IMF). It covers bilateral trade between 217 IMF trade partners between 1948 and 1999 (with many gaps). Not all of the areas covered are countries in the conventional sense of the word; colonies (e.g., Bermuda), territories (e.g., Guam), overseas departments (e.g., Guadeloupe), countries that gained their independence (e.g., Guinea-Bissau), and so forth are all included; a list is included in the appendix. Bilateral trade on FOB exports and CIF imports is recorded in American dollars; I deflate trade by the American CPI for all urban consumers (1982-1984=100; taken from www.freelunch.com). An average value of bilateral trade between a pair of countries is created by averaging all of the (four possible) measures potentially available (exports from i to j, imports into j from i, and so forth).

To this data set, a number of other variables are added. Population and real GDP data (in constant dollars) are taken from three sources. Wherever possible, “World Development Indicators” (taken from the World Bank’s WDI 2000 CD-ROM) data are used. When the data are unavailable from the World Bank, I fill in missing observations with comparables from the Penn World Table Mark 5.6, and (when all else fails), from the IMF’s “International Financial Statistics”. The series have been checked and corrected for errors.

I exploit the CIA’s “World Factbook” for a number of country-specific variables. These include: latitude and longitude, land area, landlocked and island status, physically contiguous neighbors, language, colonizers, and dates of independence (<http://www.odci.gov/cia/publications/factbook>). I use these to create great-circle distance and other controls. I obtain data from the World Trade Organization to create an indicator of regional trade agreements, and include: EEC/EC/EU; US-Israel FTA; NAFTA; CARICOM; CACM; PATCRA; ANZCERTA; Mercosur, ASEAN, and SPARTECA.

I add information on whether the pair of countries was involved in a currency union. By “currency union” I follow Glick-Rose and meaning essentially that money was interchangeable

between the two countries at a 1:1 par for an extended period of time, so that there was no need to convert prices when trading between a pair of countries. Hard fixes (such as those of Hong Kong, Estonia, or Denmark) do not qualify as currency unions under our definition. Our basic source for currency union data is the IMF's *Schedule of Par Values* and issues of the IMF's *Annual Report on Exchange Rate Arrangements and Exchange Restrictions*. I supplement this with information from annual copies of *The Statesman's Yearbook*.

Dummy variables for regional (e.g., South Asia) and income (e.g., Low Income) groupings were created using the lists in the World Bank's *World Development Indicators* CD-ROM.

Thomas Helbling from the IMF (THELBLING@imf.org) has kindly provided information for the last variables in the data set. Two are country dummies for primary non-fuel commodity exporters, and fuel exporters. Two are Herfindahl-Hirschmann trade concentration indices, for total trade and manufacturing only respectively. Finally, two are Grubel-LLOYD intra-industry trade indices, again for total trade and manufacturing only. The source of all these data is the UN Comtrade database.

“Countries” in Sample

Afghanistan	Falkland Islands	Mozambique	United Arab Emirates
Albania	Fiji	Namibia	United Kingdom
Algeria	Finland	Nauru	United States
American Samoa	France	Nepal	Uruguay
Angola	French Guiana	Netherlands	Uzbekistan
Anguilla	French Polynesia	Netherlands Antilles	Vanuatu
Antigua and Barbuda	Gabon	New Caledonia	Venezuela
Argentina	Gambia	New Zealand	Vietnam
Armenia	Georgia	Nicaragua	Wake Islands
Aruba	Germany	Niger	Wallis & Futuna
Australia	Ghana	Nigeria	West Bank/Gaza Strip
Austria	Gibraltar	Norway	Yemen Arab Rep.
Azerbaijan	Greece	Oman	Yemen, P.D.R.
Bahamas	Greenland	Pakistan	Yemen, Republic of
Bahrain	Grenada	Panama	Yugoslavia, Fr
Bangladesh	Guadeloupe	Papua N.Guinea	(Serbia/Montenegro)
Barbados	Guam	Paraguay	Yugoslavia, Socialist Fed.
Belarus	Guatemala	Peru	Rep.
Belgium	Guinea	Philippines	Zambia
Belize	Guinea-Bissau	Poland	Zimbabwe
Benin	Guyana	Portugal	
Bermuda	Haiti	Qatar	
Bhutan	Honduras	Reunion	
Bolivia	Hong Kong	Romania	
Bosnia & Herzegovina	Hungary	Russia	
Botswana	Iceland	Rwanda	
Brazil	India	Samoa	
Brunei Darussalam	Indonesia	Sao Tome & Principe	
Bulgaria	Iran	Saudi Arabia	
Burkina Faso	Iraq	Senegal	
Burma (Myanmar)	Ireland	Seychelles	
Burundi	Israel	Sierra Leone	
Cambodia	Italy	Singapore	
Cameroon	Jamaica	Slovak Republic	
Canada	Japan	Slovenia	
Cape Verde	Jordan	Solomon Islands	
Cayman Islands	Kazakhstan	Somalia	
Central African Rep.	Kenya	Somaliland, British	
Chad	Kiribati	South Africa	
Chile	Korea, North	Spain	
China	Korea, South (R)	Spanish Sahara	
Colombia	Kuwait	Sri Lanka	
Comoros	Kyrgyz Republic	St. Helena	
Congo, Dem. Rep. of	Lao People's Dem. Rep.	St. Kitts&Nevis	
(Zaire)	Latvia	St. Pierre&Miquelon	
Congo, Rep. of	Lebanon	St.Lucia	
Costa Rica	Lesotho	St.Vincent & Gren.	
Cote D'Ivoire (Ivory	Liberia	Sudan	
Coast)	Libya	Suriname	
Croatia	Lithuania	Swaziland	
Cuba	Luxembourg	Sweden	
Cyprus	Macao	Switzerland	
Czech Republic	Macedonia	Syria	
Czechoslovakia	Madagascar	Tajikistan	
Denmark	Malawi	Tanzania	
Djibouti	Malaysia	Thailand	
Dominica	Maldives	Timor	
Dominican Rep.	Mali	Togo	
Eastern Germany	Malta	Tonga	
Ecuador	Martinique	Trinidad&Tobago	
Egypt	Mauritania	Tunisia	
El Salvador	Mauritius	Turkey	
Equatorial Guinea	Mexico	Turkmenistan	
Eritrea	Moldova	Tuvalu	
Estonia	Mongolia	U.S.S.R.	
Ethiopia	Montserrat	Uganda	
Faeroe Islands	Morocco	Ukraine	

Descriptive Statistics

Variable	Observations	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
cty1	234814	295.2306	189.3317	111	964
cty2	234814	571.6526	223.1675	112	968
year	234814	1980.974	12.4773	1948	1999
pairid	234814	11250.32	8629.731	765	32585
landl	234814	.2471233	.4668896	0	2
island	234814	.3411807	.5394365	0	2
border	234814	.0306796	.1724485	0	1
comlang	234814	.2226613	.4160337	0	1
comcol	234814	.1003347	.3004464	0	1
comcry	234814	.0002853	.0168894	0	1
colony	234814	.0206461	.1421969	0	1
curcol	234814	.0019164	.043735	0	1
custrict	234814	.0140537	.1177125	0	1
cumed	234814	.0188703	.1360671	0	1
ltrade	234814	10.06098	3.335308	-16.09047	20.81125
regional	234814	.0130444	.1134648	0	1
lareap	234814	24.20671	3.279593	9.638662	32.76884
ldist	234814	8.164845	.8093166	3.782556	9.421514
lrgdp	234814	47.88016	2.676026	35.3876	59.08996
lrgdppc	234597	16.03407	1.503634	9.716514	21.59728
rta	234814	.057948	.5897838	0	10
sasia1	234814	.035509	.1850627	0	1
ssafr1	234814	.0944322	.2924297	0	1
easia1	234814	.0439412	.2049647	0	1
highi1	234814	.5298492	.4991093	0	1
latca1	234814	.1964959	.3973487	0	1
least1	234814	.0741906	.2620814	0	1
lowin1	234814	.1375429	.3444203	0	1
menaf1	234814	.0653496	.2471422	0	1
midin1	234814	.3297248	.4701141	0	1
sasia2	234814	.0509978	.2199937	0	1
ssafr2	234814	.322847	.4675658	0	1
easia2	234814	.1180424	.322659	0	1
highi2	234814	.1192476	.3240803	0	1
latca2	234814	.1813819	.3853351	0	1
least2	234814	.2476258	.4316342	0	1
lowin2	234814	.3919272	.4881816	0	1
menaf2	234814	.1023491	.3031075	0	1
midin2	234814	.4820667	.4996794	0	1