

Card and Krueger, American Economic Review (1994) "Minimum Wages and Employment: A Case Study of the Fast-Food Industry in New Jersey and Pennsylvania"

The original replication file is posted on David Card's website
http://davidcard.berkeley.edu/data_sets.html

This is a reorganized and slightly abridged version of the Card-Krueger data set. Their data set was organized with one row per store. Our version is reorganized so that each row is one observation, and therefore each store has two rows. Variables specific to each survey are dropped.

There are 820 observations and 26 variables. The sample contains 410 restaurants (stores), 331 in New Jersey and 79 in Pennsylvania.

Name	Label
store	Unique store ID
chain	1=Burger King, 2=KFC, 3=Roys, 4=Wendys
co-owned	1 if company owned (else 0)
state	1 if New Jersey; 0 if Pennsylvania
southj	1 if in south NJ# full-time employees
centralj	1 if in central NJ
northj	1 if in northern NJ
pa1	1 if in PA, northeast suburbs of Philadelphia
pa2	1 if in PA, otherwise
shore	1 if on NJ shore
ncalls	Number of call-backs (0 if contacted on first call)
empft	# full-time employees
emppt	# part-time employees
nmgrs	# managers/assistant managers
wage_st	Starting wage (dollars per hour)
inctime	Months to usual first raise
firstinc	Usual amount of first raise (dollars/hour)
meals	Free/reduced price code (see below)
open	Hour of opening
hoursopen	Number hours open per day
pricesoda	Price of medium soda, including tax
pricefry	Price of small fries, including tax
priceentree	Price of entrée, including tax
nregisters	Number of cash registers in store
nregisters11	Number of registers open at 11am
time	0 if first survey (2/15/1992 – 3/4/1992) 1 if second survey (11/5/1992 – 12/31/1992)

Free/reduced Meal Variable:

0 = none

1 = free meals

2 = reduced price meals

3 = both free and reduced-price meals