

Effects of Mergers in Two-sided Markets: Examination of
the U.S. Radio Industry

Online Appendix

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1 Additional tables and figures

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| Name | Pop. 2007 | Intercept | Name | Pop. 2007 | Intercept |
|---|-----------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| Los Angeles, CA | 13155.1 | 1125.69 (66.73) | Omaha-Council Bluffs, NE-IA | 740.3 | 48.26 (10.31) |
| Chicago, IL | 9341.4 | 573.13 (38.96) | Knoxville, TN | 737.4 | 49.33 (6.60) |
| Dallas-Ft. Worth, TX | 5846.9 | 342.11 (12.35) | El Paso, TX | 728.2 | 63.81 (14.30) |
| Houston-Galveston, TX | 5278.5 | 315.59 (8.21) | Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA | 649.4 | 43.52 (15.05) |
| Atlanta, GA | 4709.7 | 256.30 (21.19) | Little Rock, AR | 618.7 | 44.43 (7.63) |
| Boston, MA | 4531.8 | 278.83 (7.41) | Springfield, MA | 618.1 | 34.16 (1.07) |
| Miami-Ft. Lauderdale-Hollywood, FL | 4174.2 | 268.86 (11.93) | Charleston, SC | 597.7 | 52.52 (3.69) |
| Seattle-Tacoma, WA | 3775.5 | 228.33 (9.27) | Columbia, SC | 576.6 | 42.08 (4.85) |
| Phoenix, AZ | 3638.1 | 165.44 (10.50) | Des Moines, IA | 576.5 | 29.74 (12.21) |
| Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN | 3155 | 230.20 (4.51) | Spokane, WA | 569.1 | 26.30 (6.43) |
| St. Louis, MO | 2688.5 | 211.09 (2.80) | Wichita, KS | 563.9 | 35.60 (7.65) |
| Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL | 2649.1 | 192.18 (4.78) | Madison, WI | 539.5 | 75.33 (5.68) |
| Denver-Boulder, CO | 2603.5 | 283.61 (17.33) | Ft. Wayne, IN | 520 | 31.79 (3.59) |
| Portland, OR | 2352.2 | 284.25 (30.24) | Boise, ID | 509.9 | 43.84 (1.12) |
| Cleveland, OH | 2133.8 | 167.19 (2.20) | Lexington-Fayette, KY | 509 | 39.58 (1.06) |
| Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill, NC-SC | 2126.7 | 121.59 (5.19) | Augusta, GA | 498.4 | 27.65 (3.62) |
| Sacramento, CA | 2099.6 | 246.04 (24.65) | Chattanooga, TN | 494.5 | 43.11 (0.99) |
| Salt Lake City-Ogden-Provo, UT | 1924.1 | 150.74 (7.81) | Roanoke-Lynchburg, VA | 470.7 | 40.09 (3.37) |
| San Antonio, TX | 1900.4 | 158.01 (5.58) | Jackson, MS | 468.6 | 39.13 (2.62) |
| Kansas City, MO-KS | 1870.8 | 140.34 (1.66) | Reno, NV | 452.7 | 70.07 (0.66) |
| Las Vegas, NV | 1752.4 | 118.53 (7.07) | Fayetteville, NC | 438.9 | 28.60 (0.88) |
| Milwaukee-Racine, WI | 1712.5 | 128.64 (3.79) | Shreveport, LA | 399.6 | 25.16 (1.96) |
| Orlando, FL | 1686.1 | 231.78 (12.84) | Quad Cities, IA-IL | 358.8 | 26.70 (1.88) |
| Columbus, OH | 1685 | 130.80 (5.48) | Macon, GA | 337.1 | 24.99 (0.44) |
| Indianapolis, IN | 1601.6 | 104.97 (2.28) | Eugene-Springfield, OR | 336.4 | 23.81 (0.43) |
| Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News, VA | 1582.8 | 158.54 (0.80) | Portland, ME | 276.1 | 41.42 (4.11) |
| Austin, TX | 1466.3 | 337.14 (318.09) | South Bend, IN | 267 | 28.71 (1.58) |
| Nashville, TN | 1341.7 | 158.72 (163.83) | Lubbock, TX | 255.3 | 33.59 (0.37) |
| Greensboro-Winston Salem-High Point, NC | 1328.9 | 72.84 (10.86) | Binghamton, NY | 247.9 | 21.51 (0.27) |
| New Orleans, LA | 1293.7 | 82.99 (11.34) | Odessa-Midland, TX | 247.8 | 18.37 (0.31) |
| Memphis, TN | 1278 | 83.32 (31.29) | Yakima, WA | 231.4 | 18.53 (0.23) |
| Jacksonville, FL | 1270.5 | 80.84 (14.98) | Duluth-Superior, MN-WI | 200.3 | 24.76 (0.22) |
| Oklahoma City, OK | 1268.3 | 64.98 (10.06) | Medford-Ashland, OR | 196.2 | 19.47 (0.19) |
| Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY | 1150 | 104.51 (9.26) | St. Cloud, MN | 191.2 | 16.05 (0.88) |
| Louisville, KY | 1099.6 | 91.66 (13.86) | Fargo-Moorhead, ND-MN | 183.6 | 24.36 (0.31) |
| Richmond, VA | 1066.4 | 65.93 (13.73) | Abilene, TX | 159.1 | 15.62 (0.21) |
| Birmingham, AL | 1030 | 72.34 (11.61) | Eau Claire, WI | 156.5 | 20.40 (0.36) |
| Tucson, AZ | 938.3 | 55.66 (12.37) | Monroe, LA | 149.2 | 18.90 (1.40) |
| Honolulu, HI | 909.4 | 62.81 (8.33) | Parkersburg-Marietta, WV-OH | 149.2 | 14.74 (0.19) |
| Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY | 902 | 101.85 (8.79) | Grand Junction, CO | 130 | 11.47 (0.88) |
| Tulsa, OK | 870.2 | 62.31 (10.25) | Sioux City, IA | 123.7 | 11.70 (0.15) |
| Ft. Myers-Naples-Marco Island, FL | 864.1 | 113.01 (149.48) | Williamsport, PA | 118.3 | 11.29 (0.15) |
| Grand Rapids, MI | 856.4 | 56.45 (13.14) | San Angelo, TX | 103.8 | 10.18 (0.06) |
| Albuquerque, NM | 784.9 | 58.67 (23.95) | Bismarck, ND | 99.2 | 12.80 (0.15) |
| Omaha-Council Bluffs, NE-IA | 740.3 | 48.26 (10.31) | | | |

Standard errors (corrected for the first stage) in parentheses

Table 1: Intercepts of an advertiser inverse demand function for each market. Units are 1996 US dollars for a 30 second ad slot listened by a 1% of the market population.

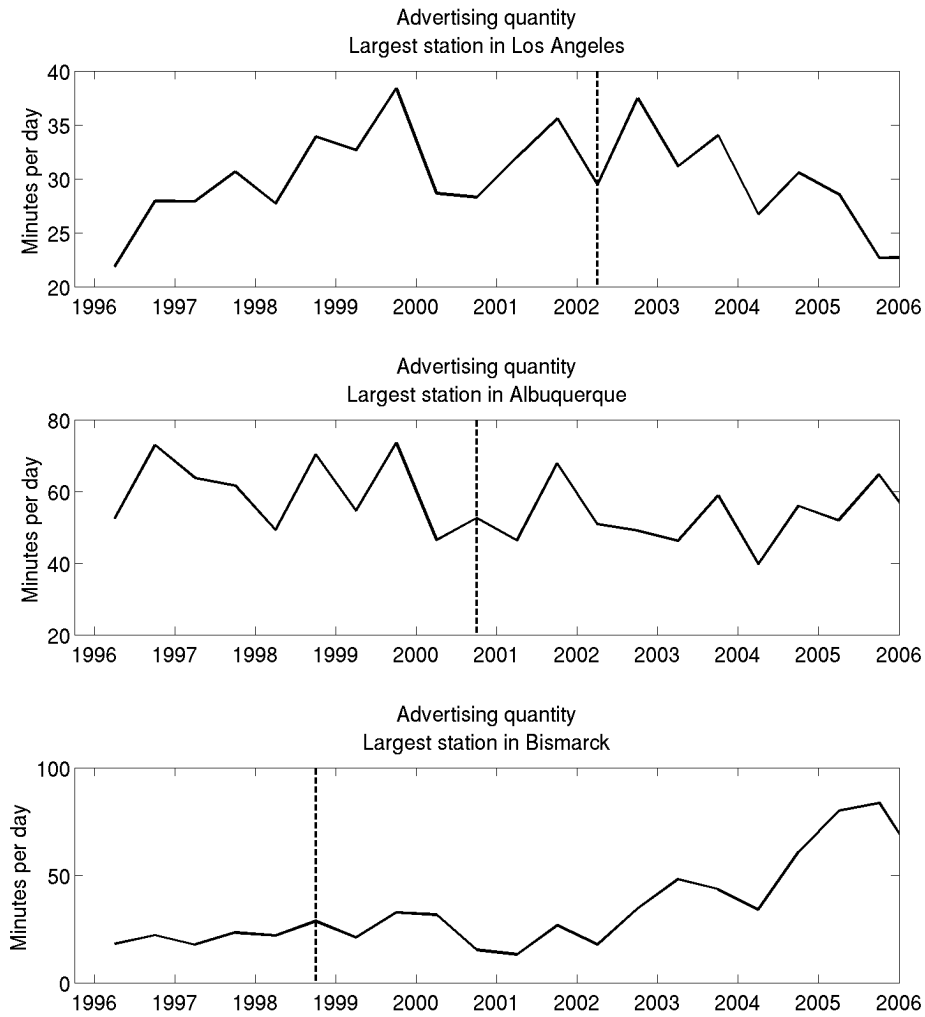


Figure 1: Number of advertising minutes per day for the largest station in the market (largest average 1996-2006 rating, among always active stations). The figures present three representative markets: the largest, Los Angeles; mid size, Albuquerque; and the smallest, Bismarck. The vertical line represents acquisition.

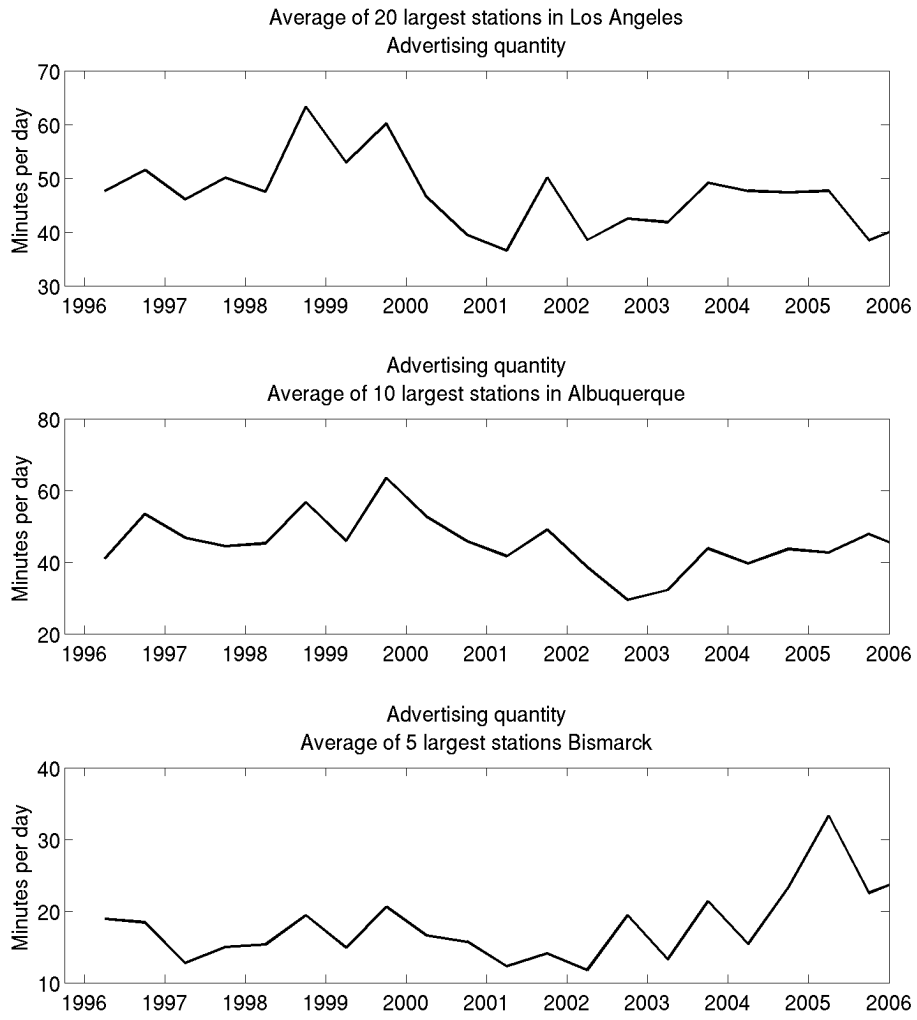


Figure 2: Market average of advertising minutes per day. The figures present 3 representative markets: the largest, Los Angeles; mid size, Albuquerque; and the smallest, Bismarck.

| | Mean level | | | Quality intercept | | |
|------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | Pop. <.5 | Pop. .5M-1.5M | Pop. >1.5M | Pop. <.5 | Pop. .5M-1.5M | Pop. >1.5M |
| OLS | 2.60*** (0.09) | 2.08*** (0.15) | 1.05*** (0.09) | 0.18*** (0.01) | 0.11*** (0.01) | 0.04*** (0.00) |
| 2SLS | 3.06*** (0.10) | 2.08*** (0.50) | 1.22*** (0.08) | 0.20*** (0.01) | 0.11*** (0.02) | 0.05*** (0.00) |

Standard errors (corrected for the first stage) in parentheses

*** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1

Table 2: Edogeneity bias in estimating marginal cost per minute of advertising sold. Intercept of advertising price per rating point is set to 1. Note that these numbers might be higher than one because the final price of advertising is CPP times the station rating in per cent. Units for quality are standard deviations of quality in the sample.

| | | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
|------|----------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| OLS | <.5M | -0.12 (0.08) | -0.70*** (0.08) | -0.80*** (0.08) | -0.64*** (0.09) | -0.70*** (0.08) | -0.52*** (0.09) | -0.61*** (0.08) | -0.47*** (0.08) | -1.09*** (0.09) |
| | .5M-1.5M | -0.20*** (0.07) | -0.39*** (0.07) | -0.43*** (0.07) | -0.26*** (0.09) | -0.22*** (0.07) | -0.25*** (0.08) | -0.35*** (0.07) | -0.33*** (0.07) | -0.75*** (0.09) |
| | >1.5M | -0.21*** (0.07) | -0.51*** (0.07) | -0.45*** (0.07) | 0.06 (0.07) | -0.13** (0.07) | -0.02 (0.07) | -0.23*** (0.07) | -0.16** (0.07) | -0.18** (0.07) |
| 2SLS | <.5 | -0.14 (0.08) | -0.68*** (0.09) | -0.70*** (0.09) | -0.68*** (0.09) | -0.61*** (0.09) | -0.57*** (0.09) | -0.56*** (0.09) | -0.41*** (0.09) | -1.12*** (0.09) |
| | .5M-1.5M | -0.20*** (0.07) | -0.39*** (0.07) | -0.43*** (0.07) | -0.26* (0.15) | -0.22*** (0.07) | -0.25** (0.12) | -0.35*** (0.07) | -0.33*** (0.07) | -0.75*** (0.12) |
| | >1.5M | -0.20*** (0.07) | -0.48*** (0.07) | -0.41*** (0.07) | 0.03 (0.07) | -0.12* (0.07) | -0.04 (0.07) | -0.21*** (0.07) | -0.15** (0.07) | -0.21*** (0.07) |

Standard errors (corrected for the first stage) in parentheses

*** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1

Table 3: Edogeneity bias in estimating time effects in the marginal cost. 1996 and 1997 values are normalized to zero.

| | Cost synergies | | |
|------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | Pop. <.5 | Pop. .5M-1.5M | Pop. >1.5M |
| OLS | -0.51*** (0.05) | -0.13*** (0.04) | -0.24*** (0.03) |
| 2SLS | -0.43*** (0.05) | -0.13 (0.08) | -0.21*** (0.04) |

Standard errors (corrected for the first stage) in parentheses

*** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1

Table 4: Edogeneity bias in estimating marginal cost synergies from owning multiple stations of the same format.

| | Mean level | | | Quality intercept | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | Pop. <.5 | Pop. .5M-1.5M | Pop. >1.5M | Pop. <.5 | Pop. .5M-1.5M | Pop. >1.5M |
| Baseline model | 3.06*** (0.10) | 2.08*** (0.50) | 1.22*** (0.08) | 0.20*** (0.01) | 0.11*** (0.02) | 0.05*** (0.00) |
| Oligopoly within format | 2.97*** (0.10) | 2.50*** (0.36) | 1.31*** (0.08) | 0.19*** (0.01) | 0.12*** (0.02) | 0.05*** (0.00) |
| Perfect substitutes | 3.06*** (0.10) | 2.26*** (0.55) | 1.31*** (0.08) | 0.20*** (0.01) | 0.12*** (0.03) | 0.05*** (0.00) |

Standard errors (corrected for the first stage) in parentheses

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Table 5: Robustness of marginal cost per minute of advertising sold.