The Effect of Credit on the Export Performance of Colombian Exporters

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 - Amiti and Weinstein(2011):
 - Rather than using supply side variations of bank lending in times economic distress.
 - We construct a manufacturer specific supply side instrument for credit demand.





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How ?

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1. DIAN'S Transactional Export Data (TED):

38% Exporters - 72.1% Total Exports

- Total volume of exports: (USD 312,000)
 - Market Reach: # of Destination Ctys (6 Countries)
 - Market Penetration: Avg. Export by Destination (USD 82,500)
 - Product Mix: # Products, 6, 8 and 10 HS. (8 Products)

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 - » 61% of Firm's Total Liabilities Bank and Supplier Trade Debt.
 - » Total Liabilities Short Term (52%) and Long Term.
 - » Short Term Bank (50%) and Long Term.
 - » Short Term Supplier Trade Debt (32%)
- **3.** Bank-Firm Matched Dataset SuperFinanciera format 341
 - To Identify Banking Relationships
 - 3 banking Institutions
 - 25% of the sample is give financing by one Financial Institution.





Across firm size....





• A first glance to the data suggests that there are significant differences on credit access by firm size. For example,



















Empirical Setup





 $\ln y_{i,s,t} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \ln b loan_{i,s,t} + \beta_2 levrat_{i,s,t-1} + \Delta_i \gamma' + \Gamma_{s,t} \delta' + \varepsilon_{i,s,t}$ (1)





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 - On the one hand: A firm's exports may lead a firm to receive external financing.
 - On the other hand: External financing may lead for a firm to export.
 - Construct a firm specific supply side IV that we use as an instrument for a firm's current new financial debt.

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• Estimate Mills Ratio

$$\widehat{\lambda_{i,s,t}^{M}} = \frac{\phi(z_{i,s,t}\lambda' + \Lambda_{i}\alpha' + \Gamma_{s,t}\rho')}{1 - \phi(z_{i,s,t}\lambda' + \Lambda_{i}\alpha' + \Gamma_{s,t}\rho')}$$

Reverse Causality - IV Estimation

• I stage:

 $\ln b loan_{i,s,t} = \eta_0 + \eta_1 \ln s loan_{i,s,t} + \eta_2 levrat_{i,s,t-1} + \eta_3 \widehat{\lambda_{i,s,t}^M} + \Delta_i \theta' + \Gamma_{s,t} \mu' + \xi_{i,s,t}$ (3)

 $\xi_{i,s,t} \perp \varepsilon_{i,s,t}$

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• In all specifications we cluster standard errors by sector

Results

Den en de et Mariables Tatal Europuta (In)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	No IV			
Total Bank Financed Debt t (In)	0.008			
	(0.003)**			
Leverage Ratio t-1	-0.241			
	(0.199)			
Inverse Mills Ratio				
First Stage: Firm Specific Bank Supply				<u>.</u>
F-stat First Stage				
Manufacturer Fixed Effect	Yes			
Year Fixed Effect	Yes			
Sector-Year Fixed Effect	No			
Observations	11,191			
R-squared ^a	0.887			

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	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	No IV	IV		
Total Bank Financed Debt t (In)	0.008	0.051		
	(0.003)**	(0.023)**		
Leverage Ratio t-1	-0.241	-0.286		
	(0.199)	(0.202)		
Inverse Mills Ratio				
First Stage: Firm Specific Bank Supply		0.743		
F-stat First Stage		46.294		
Manufacturer Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes		
Year Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes		
Sector-Year Fixed Effect	No	No		
Observations	11,191	11,191		
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Dependent Variable: Total Exports (In)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	No IV	IV	IV	
Total Bank Financed Debt t (In)	0.008	0.051	0.059	
	(0.003)**	(0.023)**	(0.026)**	
Leverage Ratio t-1	-0.241	-0.286	-0.319	
	(0.199)	(0.202)	(0.227)	
Inverse Mills Ratio				
First Stage: Firm Specific Bank Supply		0.743	.682	
F-stat First Stage		46.294	30.415	
Manufacturer Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Year Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	No	
Sector-Year Fixed Effect	No	No	Yes	
Observations	11,191	11,191	11,191	
R-squared ^a	0.887	0.882	0.91	

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	No IV	IV	IV	IV
Total Bank Financed Debt t (In)	0.008	0.051	0.059	0.049
	(0.003)**	(0.023)**	(0.026)**	(0.023)**
Leverage Ratio t-1	-0.241	-0.286	-0.319	-0.278
	(0.199)	(0.202)	(0.227)	(0.198)
Inverse Mills Ratio				0.583
				(0.611)
First Stage: Firm Specific Bank Supply		0.743	.682	0.743
F-stat First Stage		46.294	30.415	47.136
Manufacturer Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Sector-Year Fixed Effect	No	No	Yes	No
Observations	11,191	11,191	11,191	11,191
R-squared ^a	0.887	0.882	0.91	0.883

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Market Reach

Dependent Variable: # of Export Destinations (In)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	No IV	IV	IV	IV
Total Bank Financed Debt t (In)	0.002	0.024	0.027	0.023
	(0.001)	(0.007)***	(0.008)**	(0.007)***
Leverage Ratio t-1	-0.066	-0.090	-0.102	-0.085
	(0.081)	(0.082)	(0.095)	(0.082)
Inverse Mills Ratio				0.369
				(0.294)
First Stage: Firm Specific Bank Supply		0.743	0.682	0.743
F-stat First Stage		46.294	30.415	47.136
Manufacturer Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	No	No
Sector-Year Fixed Effect	No	No	Yes	Yes
Observations	11,191	11,191	11,191	11,191
R-squared ^a	0.871	0.862	0.89	0.863

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Market Penetration

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Dependent variable: Market Penetration (in)	No IV	IV	IV	IV
Total Bank Financed Debt t (In)	0.006	0.027	0.032	0.026
	(0.003)**	(0.020)	(0.024)	(0.020)
Leverage Ratio t-1	-0.174	-0.196	-0.217	-0.193
	(0.164)	(0.166)	(0.186)	(0.164)
Inverse Mills Ratio				0.214
				(0.509)
First Stage: Firm Specific Bank Supply		0.743	0.682	0.743
F-stat First Stage		46.294	30.415	47.136
Manufacturer Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	No	No
Sector-Year Fixed Effect	No	No	Yes	Yes
Observations	11,191	11,191	11,191	11,191
R-squared ^a	0.85	0.848	0.884	0.848

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Product Mix

Dependent Variables Market Depatration (In)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	No IV	IV	IV	IV-HS6
Total Bank Financed Debt t (In)	0.004	0.018	0.016	0.018
	(0.002)**	(0.010)*	(0.010)	(0.010)*
Leverage Ratio t-1	-0.09	-0.105	-0.107	-0.104
	(0.081)	(0.085)	(0.092)	(0.085)
Inverse Mills Ratio				0.08
				(0.284)
First Stage: Firm Specific Bank Supply		0.743	0.682	0.743
F-stat First Stage		46.294	30.415	47.136
Manufacturer Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	No	No
Sector-Year Fixed Effect	No	No	Yes	Yes
Observations	11,191	11,191	11,191	11,191
R-squared ^a	0.838	0.835	0.874	0.835

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	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	
	No IV	IV	IV	IV-HS6	IV-HS8	
Total Bank Financed Debt t (In)	0.004	0.018	0.016	0.018	0.019	
	(0.002)**	(0.010)*	(0.010)	(0.010)*	(0.010)*	
Leverage Ratio t-1	-0.09	-0.105	-0.107	-0.104	-0.081	
	(0.081)	(0.085)	(0.092)	(0.085)	(0.091)	
Inverse Mills Ratio				0.08	0.052	
				(0.284)	(0.284)	
First Stage: Firm Specific Bank Supply		0.743	0.682	0.743	0.743	
F-stat First Stage		46.294	30.415	47.136	47.136	
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	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Dependent variable: Market Penetration (in)	No IV	IV	IV	IV-HS6	IV-HS8	IV-HS10
Total Bank Financed Debt t (In)	0.004	0.018	0.016	0.018	0.019	0.02
	(0.002)**	(0.010)*	(0.010)	(0.010)*	(0.010)*	(0.010)**
Leverage Ratio t-1	-0.09	-0.105	-0.107	-0.104	-0.081	-0.074
	(0.081)	(0.085)	(0.092)	(0.085)	(0.091)	(0.094)
Inverse Mills Ratio				0.08	0.052	0.126
				(0.284)	(0.284)	(0.280)
First Stage: Firm Specific Bank Supply		0.743	0.682	0.743	0.743	0.743
F-stat First Stage		46.294	30.415	47.136	47.136	47.136
Manufacturer Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
Sector-Year Fixed Effect	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
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Are there any differences across firms size ?

- In the case of Colombia, Law 590 of 2000 classifies firms by size.
- We proceed to classify firms in our data within 3 categories: **Small**: <=15000 mwg.

Medium: A firm's who's total assets are between 15000 – 30000 mwg. Large: Firms whose total assets are higher than 30000 mwg.

Total Exports by Size

Dependent Variable: Total Exports (In)		Firm Size ^a			Firm Size ^a		
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
	Small	Medium	Large	Small	Medium	Large	
Total Bank Financed Debt t (In)	0.080	0.100	0.024	0.084	0.098	0.024	
	(0.042)*	(0.029)***	(0.033)	(0.043)*	(0.029)***	(0.033)	
Leverage Ratio t-1	-0.727	-0.467	0.122	-0.768	-0.420	0.128	
	(0.439)*	(0.324)	(0.251)	(0.428)*	(0.320)	(0.255)	
Inverse Mills Ratio				-0.709	3.781	1.798	
				(0.747)	(3.620)	(4.223)	
First Stage IV: Financial Supply t	0.693	0.885	0.665	0.677	0.884	0.665	
F-stat: Significance IV First Stage	14.285	23.276	25.421	13.452	23.024	25.235	
Manufacturer Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Year Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Observations	3,018	2,191	5,982	3,018	2,191	5,982	
R-squared (within)	0.872	0.836	0.868	0.87	0.837	0.868	

^a Small size corresponds to firms with Total Assets below 15000 minimum wages. Medium size firms corresponds to firms with Total Assets between 15000 - 30000 minimum wages. Large size corresponds to firms with Total Assets above 30000 minimum wages. Clustered Standard errors in parentheses. ***, **,* Significant at 1%, 5% and 10% respectively.

Market reach by Size

Dependent Variable: # Export Destinations t (In)		Firm Size ^a			Firm Size ^a		
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
	Small	Medium	Large	Small	Medium	Large	
Total Bank Financed Debt t (In)	0.001	0.041	0.030	0.002	0.040	0.030	
	(0.017)	(0.016)**	$(0.011)^{***}$	(0.018)	(0.016)**	(0.011)***	
Leverage Ratio t-1	-0.181	-0.080	-0.058	-0.192	-0.058	-0.052	
	(0.148)	(0.175)	(0.117)	(0.151)	(0.177)	(0.121)	
Inverse Mills Ratio				-0.194	1.776	1.736	
				(0.268)	(1.658)	(1.488)	
First Stage IV: Financial Supply t	0.693	0.885	0.665	0.677	0.884	0.665	
F-stat: Significance IV First Stage	14.285	23.276	25.421	13.452	23.024	25.235	
Manufacturer Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Year Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Observations	3,018	2,191	5,982	3,018	2,191	5,982	
R-squared (within)	0.848	0.811	0.853	0.848	0.812	0.853	

^a Small size corresponds to firms with Total Assets below 15000 minimum wages. Medium size firms corresponds to firms with Total Assets between 15000 - 30000 minimum wages. Large size corresponds to firms with Total Assets above 30000 minimum wages. Clustered Standard errors in parentheses. ***, **,* Significant at 1%, 5% and 10% respectively.

Market Penetration by Size

Dependent Variable: Market Penetration t (In)		Firm Size ^a		Firm Size ^a			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
	Small	Medium	Large	Small	Medium	Large	
Total Bank Financed Debt t (In)	0.079	0.059	-0.006	0.082	0.058	-0.006	
	(0.035)**	(0.027)**	(0.026)	(0.037)**	(0.026)**	(0.026)	
Leverage Ratio t-1	-0.547	-0.387	0.180	-0.576	-0.362	0.180	
	(0.335)	(0.200)*	(0.191)	(0.321)*	(0.201)*	(0.192)	
Inverse Mills Ratio				-0.515	2.005	0.062	
				(0.577)	(3.194)	(3.582)	
First Stage IV: Financial Supply t	0.693	0.885	0.665	0.677	0.884	0.665	
F-stat: Significance IV First Stage	14.285	23.276	25.421	13.452	23.024	25.235	
Year Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Manufacturer Fixed Effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Observations	3,018	2,191	5,982	3,018	2,191	5,982	
R-squared (within)	0.846	0.798	0.825	0.844	0.799	0.825	

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Product Mix by Size

Dependent Variable: # of Exported Products - hs6 (In)	Firm Size ^a			Firm Size ^a		
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Small	Medium	Large	Small	Medium	Large
Total Bank Financed Debt t (In)	0.035	0.036	0.011	0.037	0.036	0.011
	(0.023)	(0.014)**	(0.014)	(0.024)	(0.015)**	(0.014)
Leverage Ratio t-1	-0.141	-0.138	-0.020	-0.157	-0.137	-0.014
	(0.124)	(0.104)	(0.175)	(0.127)	(0.106)	(0.179)
Inverse Mills Ratio				-0.289	0.109	1.522
				(0.339)	(2.171)	(1.992)
First Stage IV: Financial Supply t	0.693	0.885	0.665	0.677	0.884	0.665
F-stat: Significance IV First Stage	14.285	23.276	25.421	13.452	23.024	25.235
Year Fixed Effect	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Manufacturer Fixed Effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Observations	3,018	2,191	5,982	3,018	2,191	5,982
R-squared (within)	0.842	0.778	0.821	0.84	0.778	0.821

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In sum..

- An increase in Bank Financing from avg. in sample up to 75th percentile
 - Increase in 1.5 destinations
 - 37.6% of Market Penetration
 - Increase in Product Mix 2 products.

Conclusions

- Access to credit improves a firm's export performance. Results suggest that new credit increases a firm's total volume of exports not only through it's impact on a firm's Intensive, and Extensive margins, but also because a firm's increases it's product mix.
- Across firms, the adjustment in the intensive and the extensive margins are higher for middle and small firms.

Future work

- Isolate the impact of banking relationship and market specific effect on bank funding
- Deal with market specific drivers of export market demand.
- Compare results with domestic firms

