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Abstract

In this study we try to find that whether markets take into account the phenomenon of Too Big to Fail. With the help of CDS market data, which reflects the risk, markets attribute on banks, we calculate the default probabilities of banks in one, two, and three years. Then we regress these results with financial values like total assets, total shareholders' equity and net income. Later on we extend our study and repeat our regression analysis using Return on Assets as dependent variable. We find that markets give more importance to profitability of a bank than its size when pricing the riskiness of the bank. We conclude that Too Big to Fail is not a valid term as thought but may be Too Profitable to Fail may be better.

Keywords: Banking, Too Big to Fail, CDS Market JEL Classifications: G21, G28

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1 Introduction

"Too Big to Fail" is a well known phenomenon which is widely used even by people who are not well-informed in economics and banking. On the other hand the subject is a matter of debate among academicians. Is it really true that a bank that is huge in size must be rescued from bankruptcy? Is it good for the economy as a whole? What is the criterion that makes a bank too big to fail? Do markets really care about this phenomenon in pricing the banks? Why policy makers rely on Too Big to Fail policies so much? Although many people investigate about the subject there are still many questions waiting to be answered?

Bailout of a large bank by a government as seen frequently in the large financial turmoil of 2008 is called as "Too Big to Fail (TBTF)" policy. People who support TBTF policies say that, by rescuing large banks from bankruptcy, impacts of the failure on other institutions or on real economy is eliminated. On the other hand, people who oppose TBTF policies argue that, these policies seem attractive in the short run in spite of the large financial costs to governments; but in the long run the costs are even larger.

Shull (2010), takes the history of TBTF back to the 10th century Abbasid Caliphate and mentions about Jewish Bankers that are protected by the state, or about Bank of England that's rescued from a run in 1696, in his comprehensive and illuminating study. So we can say that the subject is not new and can be an interesting area for economic historians but the history of TBTF is out of this papers scope.

The phenomenon of "Too Big to Fail" has been one of the most important issues of discussion for the last 25-30 years. The 1960s and 1970s were a transition period in banking from a highly regulated system established in 1930s to a relatively deregulated system. In the course of the transition, bank failures increased (Shull, 2010). Although it is known that in 1931 German government rescued four large banks, which were having difficulties, from bankruptcy; the time when TBTF discussions increased was in 1984, when seventh largest bank of USA, Continental Illinois, came near bankruptcy and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), gave 100% guarantee for the deposits and bonds of the bank. At the beginning, after the case of Continental Illinois, it was accepted that the largest ten banks would not be allowed for bankruptcy. Later on the number increased to eleven. However, the number of banks that were included in TBTF policy increased implicitly in following years. The issue of TBTF was regulated with Federal Insurance Corporation Improvement Act (FICIA) (1991), and National Depositor Preference Law (1993) in USA.

As one might expect, research about TBTF is abundant. Especially with the recent global economic crisis, the issue became hot again. Debate over the TBTF policies mounted. In March 2010, Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke claimed TBTF was a pernicious problem. Bernanke also added, regulators had to be significantly tougher on large and complex financial firms to limit wider risks. He said TBTF to be among the most insidious problems that make barriers to competition in financial markets.

It is a matter of discussion why governments need TBTF policies or generally why TBTF phenomenon is needed in a so-called free market world. In our study we will investigate whether markets really value TBTF while pricing riskiness of banks.

2 Literature Review

One of the studies that support TBTF, is Todd & Thomson's (1990) which argues that, high levels of interbank exposure reduce safety and soundness of the banking system; interbank exposure affects the ability of the FDIC and bank regulators to use market discipline as a constraint on banks' risk taking, and a rising level of interbank exposure is indicative of reduced stability of the financial system.

On the other hand, Ohara & Shaw (1990) argue that TBTF policies create inequalities among banks. According to them the selective policy of charging the same insurance premium to institutions but providing some with greater coverage, imposes unnecessary costs on the market. They also conclude setting and telling the policy to the market in an understandable way is very important to get the intended result.

Some authors like Soussa (2000), Rime (2005), and Hughes & Mester (1993) claim that banks that are TBTF get favorable ratings and credit spreads. Some other authors on the other hand, argue that TBTF policies allow large banks grow more more than optimal. Kane (2000) and Penas & Unal (2004) are among those authors. Similarly, Boyd & Gertler (1993) argues that TBTF policies encourage banks to take excessive risks. On the other hand some other authors do not accept this argument. For example, Demsetz & Strahan (1997) and Soussa (2000) argue large banks do not have excessive risks.

As told before discussions about TBTF increased very much after the latest financial and economic crisis. But, actually before that, Stern and Feldman (2004) claimed that TBTF problem had increased. However, later on Mishkin (2006) refused this idea and claimed TBTF problem had been reduced with the help of FDICIA.

In latest years empirical studies about TBTF have increased. Brewer and Jagtiani (2009) try to estimate the value of being TBTF. Using data from the merger boom of 1991-2004, they find that organizations are willing to pay an added premium to reach an asset size of TBTF. According to their estimations the added premiums for the eight mergers which increased the asset size of organizations over \$100 million was \$14 million.

Zhou (2009) examines relationship between three measures on systematic importance and size for the bank. He concludes that TBTF argument is not always valid, and alternative measures on systematic importance should be considered.

Shull (2010) argues that, it is risky to have a relatively few large banking institutions in which a large proportion of financial resources are concentrated. In that case, Shull says, each bank, by virtue of its absolute and relative size, would be system threatening in failure, each would unavoidably exercise powerful influence over regulatory authorities, and each would likely be viewed as an irreplaceable national resource. Shull claims that limiting further growth through restrictions on specific activities, revisions of bank merger policy, and possibly divestiture to reduce concentration can reduce the TBTF problems.

Goodlet (2010) is also one of the people who argue that long run costs of TBTF policies are much greater than short run benefits. Goodlet also claims that the reason of Lehman's bankruptcy in 2008 was that, no one was expecting such a thing after the bailout of Bear Sterns. He adds that the important thing is not rescuing or letting a bank fail but managing the expectations about failures in a consistent and coordinated manner.

3 Methodology

In our study we will focus on the question whether markets price "too big to fail" phenomenon? Or put in other words, do markets care about size of a bank while pricing it? We will use CDS data of international banks and compute their default probabilities with the help of this data. Then we will regress default probabilities of banks with their financial values like total assets, total shareholders' equity, net income and ROA.

To compute the default probabilities of banks, we will apply the methodology of Ranciere (2001). In this study Ranciere used CDS spreads of Argentina and Brazil to obtain default probabilities of these countries. In our study we will use the same methodology to compute default probabilities of the banks analyzed.

The variables that will be used in the study are:

- $DS_{t,t'}$: Default spread between t and t'
- $R_{t,t'}$: Risk free rate between t and t'
- Pst : Default probability between t and t+6 months conditional on no default before t
- Pt : Default probability between t and t+1 conditional on no default before t
- S_t : Survival probability of an obligation at time t
- D_t : Cumulative default probability of an obligation at time t
- H_t : Probability of a default between t and t+1
- R : The recovery rate

With indicative levels for annualized default spread with a maturity of 1, 2 and 3 years, the no arbitrage condition may be applied iteratively to extract one year forward default spreads in years 1,2, and 3:

$$(1 + R_{1,2} + DS_{1,2}) = \frac{(1 + R_{0,2} + DS_{0,2})^2}{(1 + R_{0,2} + DS_{0,2})}$$
$$(1 + R_{2,3} + DS_{2,3}) = \frac{(1 + R_{0,3} + DS_{0,3})^3}{(1 + R_{0,1} + DS_{0,1})(1 + R_{1,2} + DS_{1,2})}$$

Similarly, risk free rates $R_{1,2}$ and $R_{2,3}$ are calculated as:

$$(1+R_{1,2}) = \frac{(1+R_{0,2})^2}{(1+R_{0,1})}$$

and

$$(1+R_{2,3}) = \frac{(1+R_{0,3})^3}{(1+R_{0,1})(1+R_{1,2})}$$

Having extracted the forward default term structure, we can simply treat each interval of one year independently. The forward spread then reflects the conditional risk of default for the given period. Recalling that the default premium paid every 6 months covers the expected cost of default for the given 6-month period, we apply the risk neutral valuation principal to obtain the conditional 6-month default probability Ps_t :

$$\left(1 + \frac{R_{t,t'}}{2}\right) = (1 - Ps_t) * \left(1 + \frac{R_{t,t'} + DS_{t,t'}}{2}\right) + Ps_t * R$$

Knowing that no default over one year is equivalent to no default in any of the two 6-months period, we obtained the annualized probability of default as $P_t = 1 - (1 - P_{s_t})^2$.

Having derived for each yearly period the conditional default probability, we can then simply compute:

The survival probability	:	$St = (1-P_0)(1-P_1)(1-P_t)$
The cumulative default probability	:	$Dt = 1 - S_t$
The probability of a default between t and t+1	:	$(1-P_0)(1-P_1)(1-P_{t-1})P_t$

After obtaining default probabilities for banks we will analyze whether there is consistency between bank size and default probability. To do this we have obtained total assets, total shareholders' equity, and net income data. Banks publish their financial tables quarterly so our regression panel data is also quarterly. We will regress these values with the default probabilities by ordinary least squares method and investigate whether there is a relationship between default probability of a bank estimated by using CDS data and size of it.

To extend our study we have done the regression and used Return on Assets (ROA) which is calculated as "Net Income/Total Assets" as dependent variable. In this way we will investigate whether profitability is related with banks' default probability.

4 Data and Results

We have used CDS data of 22 banks from different countries for the period 14.08.2008 – 12.09.2010. The list of banks is given below. And for risk free rate we have used two sets of data. For the banks that have USD denominated CDS, we have used US Treasury Bond rates as risk free rate and German Treasury Bonds for the banks that have EUR denominated CDS.

Banco Bilbao VizcayaArgentaria SA (BBVA)
Banco Santander SA
Barclays Bank PLC
BNP Paribas
Commerzbank AG
Credit Agricole SA

Credit Suisse Group AG
Deutsche Bank AG
HSBC Bank PLC
ING Bank NV
Lloyds TSB Bank PLC
Royal Bank of Scotland PLC/The
SocieteGenerale
UBS AG
UniCreditSpA
American Express Co
Bank of America Corp
Citigroup Inc
Goldman Sachs Group Inc
JPMorgan Chase & Co
Morgan Stanley
Wells Fargo & Co

4. a. Default Probability Trends

In the first part of our study we have analyzed default rate trends especially to see whether they are realistic. Her we give the default rate trends for zero recovery rates. To keep graphs as clear as possible, we separate US and European banks. In the tables it is obviously seen that calculated default probabilities of banks move in a realistic manner. Default rates of American Banks increase suddenly after collapse of Lehman brothers in 15.09.2008. Default rates of US banks relatively converge in time. The periods when default probabilities of for instance Morgan Stanley and Citi Group reach a top, overlap with the periods that bad news and rumors about those banks were frequent. Similar observation can be done in European banks too. For example default rates of BBVA and Santander increases very much in 2010 when concerns about Spanish economy increase.

We can also see that default rates of US banks converge in time but European banks show less homogeneity and less convergent trends. This is because unlike US banks they belong to different countries and reflect economic conditions of their home countries.



Figure 1: 1 Year Default Probability Trends for European Banks







Figure 3 : 2 Year Default Probability Trends for European Banks



Figure 4 : 2 Year Default Probability Trends for US Banks



Figure 5 : 3 Year Default Probability Trends for European Banks



Figure 6 : 3 Year Default Probability Trends for US Banks

* The vertical and horizontal lines in figures 4, 5, and 6 are because of missing data.

4. b. Regression Results

In the second part of our analysis we will regress the default rates calculated in the previous section and regress them with financial data that reflects size. The financial data included is total assets, total shareholders' equity and net income. American Express is not included in this part as we could not reach financial data of that bank.

As a correlation value of 0,41 is calculated between the data of total assets and total shareholders' equity and correlation of 0,16 between total shareholders' equity and net income we did not place total shareholders' equity data with the other two in the same regression. Correlation between total assets and net income is 0,08.

Our regression results are given in the table below. The detailed results are given in the appendix. In the tables dependent variables are coded this way: Dt is cumulative default probability of an obligation at time t, the last two digits symbolize recovery rate. i.e. D100 means default probability in 1 year with zero recovery rates. And, independent variables are:

ASSET: Total Assets,

EQ: Total Shareholders' Equity,

NI: Net Income.

All three financial values are in billion USD.

Dependent Variable	Variable	Coefficient	Significance
D100	С	1,575413	0,0000
D100	ASSET	-0,000192	0,1954
D100	С	1,122335	0,0000
D100	EQ	0,001636	0,4178
D100	С	1,342073	0,0000
D100	NI	-0,021660	0,0812
D200	C	3,292400	0,0000
D200	ASSET	-0,000424	0,1019
D200	С	2,264415	0,0000
D200	EQ	0,002633	0,4576
D200	C	2,735958	0,0000
D200	NI	-0,039645	0,0656
D300	C	4,568599	0,0000
	ASSET	-0,000413	0,2321
D300	C	3,547881	0,0000

Dependent Variable	Variable	Coefficient	Significance
	EQ	0,004042	0,3923
D200	С	4,067905	0,0000
D300	NI	-0,048805	0,0894
D125	С	2,075871	0,0000
D125	ASSET	-0,000250	0,1962
D125	С	1,482581	0,0000
D125	EQ	0,002181	0,4068
D125	С	1,774194	0,0000
D125	NI	-0,028554	0,0775
D225	С	4,315060	0,0000
D223	ASSET	-0,000545	0,1032
D225	С	3,112228	0,0000
D223	EQ	0,003500	0,4445
D225	С	3,602756	0,0000
D223	NI	-0,051887	0,0620
D225	С	5,961653	0,0000
D323	ASSET	-0,000521	0,2363
D225	С	4,652558	0,0000
D323	EQ	0,005380	0,3707
D225	С	5,338843	0,0000
D323	NI	-0,063559	0,0820

In the table it is seen that there default probability does not have a significant relationship with either total assets or total shareholders' equity. But there is a negative relationship between default probability and net income with 10% significance level.

In the second part of our study we regress default probability with total assets and net income together.

Dependent Variable	Variable	Coefficient	Significance
	С	1,632140	0,0000
D100	ASSET	-0,000174	0,2380
	NI	-0,020616	0,0973
	С	3,392234	0,0000
D200	ASSET	-0,000391	0,1290
	NI	-0,037265	0,0830
	С	4,693274	0,0000
D300	ASSET	-0,000373	0,2806
	NI	-0,046537	0,1059
D125	С	2,150711	0,0000

Dependent Variable	Variable	Coefficient	Significance
	ASSET	-0,000226	0,2395
	NI	-0,027198	0,0930
	С	4,445875	0,0000
D225	ASSET	-0,000502	0,1319
	NI	-0,048829	0,0786
	С	6,124300	0,0000
D325	ASSET	-0,000468	0,2865
	NI	-0,060710	0,0973

In this part we can again claim that there is a significant relationship between default probability and net income but we cannot say the same for total assets. Only in the case of D300 the significance is slightly bigger than 10% but that can be disregarded.

Dependent Variable	Variable	Coefficient	Significance
D100	С	1,345134	0,0000
D100	ROA	-0,350940	0,1188
D200	С	2,739632	0,0000
D200	ROA	-0,645542	0,1008
D200	С	4,066324	0,0000
D300	ROA	-0,0771425	0,1416
D125	С	1,778625	0,0000
D125	ROA	-0,464116	0,1132
D225	С	3,608244	0,0000
D225	ROA	-0,847473	0,0952
D225	С	5,338591	0,0000
D323	ROA	-1,011528	0,1297

Next, we calculate ROA (Return on Assets) values which is equal to "Net Income/Total Assets":

Although in this part significance levels are slightly more than 10% except in the case of D225 we can still say that there is a strict negative relationship between profitability of a bank and its default probability.

5 Conclusion

In our study we have tried to find an answer to the question whether there is a relationship between banks' size and the risk, markets attribute to them. We have calculated default probabilities of banks with the help of CDS market data which are determined by markets. In this part we have concluded that default probabilities reflect market in a realistic manner.

Proceeding to the second part of our analysis, we have regressed default probabilities of banks in one, two, and three years with financial data that reflect size of the banks. We have considered both zero and 25% recovery rates to see whether there is a difference.

We have chosen three financial values which are total assets, total shareholders' equity and net income. In the first part we have regressed the financial values one by one. In the second part we have regressed total assets and net income together. We did not include total shareholders' equity as it had high correlation with the other variables.

As a result we could not reach a conclusion that tells us there is a significant relationship between the size of a bank and default probability of it. On the other hand we have reached an interesting and important result. Although it seems there is not a significant relationship between the default probability and size, there seems to be a significant relationship between default probability and profitability of a bank.

As a conclusion we can say that markets do not take into account how big a bank is but how profitable it is. So we propose the new concept of 'Too Profitable to Fail" instead of TBTF.

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APPENDIX

Results for Zero Recovery Rates:

Dependent Variable: D100

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ASSET	1.575413 -0.000192	0.268587 0.000148	5.865565 -1.299614	0.0000 0.1954
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.009145 0.003731 1.359597 338.2765 -318.3281 1.688996 0.195368	Mean depende S.D. depender Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watsor	ent var t var erion on criter. stat	1.251428 1.362141 3.463006 3.497821 3.477116 0.648066

Dependent Variable: D100

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C EQ	1.122335 0.001636	0.187940 0.002015	5.971769 0.812028	0.0000 0.4178
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.003590 -0.001855 1.363403 340.1729 -318.8452 0.659390 0.417831	Mean depender S.D. depender Akaike info crite Schwarz criterio Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watson	nt var t var erion on criter. stat	1.251428 1.362141 3.468597 3.503411 3.482706 0.641331

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C NI	1.342073 -0.021660	0.112206 0.012353	11.96083 -1.753377	0.0000 0.0812
R-squared	0.016522	Mean dependent var		1.251428
Adjusted R-squared	0.011148	S.D. dependent var		1.362141
S.E. of regression	1.354527	Akaike info crit	erion	3.455533
Sum squared resid	335.7580	Schwarz criteri	on	3.490348
Log likelihood	-317.6368	Hannan-Quinn criter.		3.469643
F-statistic	3.074331	Durbin-Watsor	stat	0.678589

Prob(F-statistic)

0.081212

Dependent Variable: D200

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ASSET	3.292400 -0.000424	0.472997 0.000258	6.960723 -1.644155	0.0000 0.1019
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.015127 0.009531 2.343360 966.4748 -403.1476 2.703245 0.101929	Mean depende S.D. depender Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watsor	ent var It var erion on criter. a stat	2.570326 2.354608 4.552221 4.587971 4.566718 0.623769

Dependent Variable: D200

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C EQ	2.364415 0.002633	0.328214 0.003537	7.203885 0.744479	0.0000 0.4576
R-squared	0.003139	Mean dependent var		2.570326
Adjusted R-squared	-0.002525	S.D. dependen	t var	2.354608
S.E. of regression	2.357578	Akaike info crite	erion	4.564319
Sum squared resid	978.2387	Schwarz criteri	on	4.600069
Log likelihood	-404.2244	Hannan-Quinn criter.		4.578817
F-statistic	0.554250	Durbin-Watson	stat	0.612194
Prob(F-statistic)	0.457579			

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C NI	2.735958 -0.039645	0.196765 0.021397	13.90470 -1.852785	0.0000 0.0656
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.019131 0.013558 2.338591 962.5452 -402.7850 3.432812 0.065588	Mean depender S.D. depender Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watsor	ent var ht var erion on criter. h stat	2.570326 2.354608 4.548146 4.583897 4.562644 0.658116

Dependent Variable: D300

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ASSET	4.568599 -0.000413	0.632917 0.000345	7.218325 -1.198983	0.0000 0.2321
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.008102 0.002466 3.135648 1730.483 -454.9902 1.437560 0.232146	Mean depende S.D. dependen Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watson	nt var t var erion on criter. stat	3.864003 3.139522 5.134721 5.170472 5.149219 0.670172

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C EQ	3.547881 0.004042	0.437400 0.004713	8.111292 0.857641	0.0000 0.3923
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.004162 -0.001496 3.141870 1737.357 -455.3430 0.735547 0.392257	Mean depende S.D. dependen Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watson	nt var t var erion on criter. stat	3.864003 3.139522 5.138686 5.174436 5.153183 0.664447

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C NI	4.067905 -0.048805	0.262734 0.028571	15.48296 -1.708175	0.0000 0.0894
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.016308 0.010719 3.122650 1716.166 -454.2508 2.917861 0.089367	Mean depende S.D. depender Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watsor	ent var at var erion on criter. a stat	3.864003 3.139522 5.126413 5.162164 5.140911 0.707550

Dependent Variable: D100

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ASSET NI	1.632140 -0.000174 -0.020616	0.269451 0.000147 0.012371	6.057280 -1.183787 -1.666442	0.0000 0.2380 0.0973
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.024037 0.013312 1.353044 333.1925 -316.9274 2.241213 0.109256	Mean dependent var S.D. dependent var Akaike info criterion Schwarz criterion Hannan-Quinn criter. Durbin-Watson stat		1.251428 1.362141 3.458674 3.510896 3.479838 0.685523

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ASSET NI	3.392234 -0.000391 -0.037265	0.473754 0.000257 0.021375	7.160331 -1.521648 -1.743363	0.0000 0.1299 0.0830
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.031940 0.020876 2.329900 949.9761 -401.6152 2.886941 0.058406	Mean dependent var S.D. dependent var Akaike info criterion Schwarz criterion Hannan-Quinn criter. Durbin-Watson stat		2.570326 2.354608 4.546238 4.599864 4.567985 0.667793

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ASSET NI	4.693274 -0.000373 -0.046537	0.634639 0.000344 0.028634	7.395181 -1.082405 -1.625220	0.0000 0.2806 0.1059
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.022850 0.011683 3.121129 1704.753 -453.6569 2.046153 0.132312	Mean depende S.D. depender Akaike info crit Schwarz criter Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watsor	ent var ht var terion ion criter. h stat	3.864003 3.139522 5.130977 5.184602 5.152723 0.713799

Dependent Variable: D100

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ROA	1.345134 -0.350940	0.116300 0.223928	11.56609 -1.567204	0.0000 0.1188
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.013244 0.007852 1.356783 336.8772 -317.9447 2.456129 0.118794	Mean depende S.D. dependen Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watson	nt var t var erion on criter. stat	1.251428 1.362141 3.458861 3.493676 3.472971 0.664977

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ROA	2.739632 -0.645542	0.203417 0.391292	13.46803 -1.649770	0.0000 0.1008
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.015229 0.009634 2.343238 966.3748 -403.1384 2.721742 0.100774	Mean depende S.D. depender Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watsor	ent var ht var erion on criter. h stat	2.570326 2.354608 4.552117 4.587868 4.566615 0.642406

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ROA	4.066324 -0.771425	0.271639 0.522523	14.96957 -1.476346	0.0000 0.1416
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.012233 0.006620 3.129112 1723.276 -454.6188 2.179599 0.141638	Mean depende S.D. depender Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watsor	ent var It var erion on criter. a stat	3.864003 3.139522 5.130548 5.166298 5.145046 0.691610

Results for 25% Recovery Rates:

Dependent Variable: D125

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ASSET	2.075871 -0.000250	0.349795 0.000192	5.934541 -1.297239	0.0000 0.1962
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.009112 0.003697 1.770676 573.7585 -367.2000 1.682828 0.196182	Mean depende S.D. dependen Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watson	ent var t var erion on criter. stat	1.654700 1.773958 3.991351 4.026166 4.005461 0.646404

Dependent Variable: D125

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C EQ	1.482581 0.002181	0.244739 0.002623	6.057802 0.831406	0.0000 0.4068
R-squared	0.003763	Mean dependent var		1.654700
Adjusted R-squared	-0.001681	S.D. dependent var		1.773958
S.E. of regression	1.775448	Akaike info criterion		3.996735
Sum squared resid	576.8557	Schwarz criterion		4.031550
Log likelihood	-367.6980	Hannan-Quinn criter.		4.010845
F-statistic	0.691236	Durbin-Watson	stat	0.639891
Prob(F-statistic)	0.406828			

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C NI	1.774194 -0.028554	0.146099 0.016085	12.14381 -1.775214	0.0000 0.0775
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.016929 0.011557 1.763677 569.2321 -366.4674 3.151385 0.077525	Mean depende S.D. depender Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watsor	ent var ht var erion on criter. h stat	1.654700 1.773958 3.983431 4.018246 3.997541 0.677643

Dependent Variable: D225

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ASSET	4.315060 -0.000545	0.610931 0.000333	7.063092 -1.637877	0.0000 0.1032
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.015013 0.009417 3.026723 1612.345 -448.6969 2.682642 0.103234	Mean depende S.D. dependen Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watson	ent var It var erion on criter. I stat	3.385978 3.041075 5.064010 5.099761 5.078508 0.621951

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C EQ	3.112228 0.003500	0.423862 0.004567	7.342543 0.766407	0.0000 0.4445
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.003326 -0.002337 3.044626 1631.476 -449.7467 0.587380 0.444461	Mean depende S.D. dependen Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watson	nt var t var erion on criter. stat	3.385978 3.041075 5.075806 5.111556 5.090303 0.610691

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C NI	3.602756 -0.051887	0.254064 0.027628	14.18052 -1.878020	0.0000 0.0620
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.019646 0.014076 3.019597 1604.762 -448.2774 3.526960 0.062032	Mean depende S.D. depender Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watsor	ent var at var erion on criter. a stat	3.385978 3.041075 5.059296 5.095047 5.073794 0.657277

Dependent Variable: D325

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ASSET	5.961653 -0.000521	0.805208 0.000439	7.403865 -1.188222	0.0000 0.2363
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.007958 0.002322 3.989228 2800.854 -497.8458 1.411871 0.236347	Mean depende S.D. dependen Akaike info critt Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watson	nt var t var erion on criter. stat	5.073298 3.993867 5.616245 5.651995 5.630743 0.664822

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C EQ	4.652558 0.005380	0.556318 0.005995	8.363124 0.897472	0.0000 0.3707
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.004556 -0.001100 3.996064 2810.460 -498.1505 0.805456 0.370693	Mean depende S.D. dependen Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watson	nt var t var erion on criter. stat	5.073298 3.993867 5.619669 5.655419 5.634167 0.659651

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C NI	5.338843 -0.063559	0.334098 0.036332	15.97986 -1.749408	0.0000 0.0820
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.017092 0.011507 3.970822 2775.067 -497.0226 3.060427 0.081964	Mean depender S.D. depender Akaike info crit Schwarz criteri Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watsor	ent var It var erion on criter. It stat	5.073298 3.993867 5.606996 5.642746 5.621493 0.704020

Dependent Variable: D125

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ASSET NI	2.150711 -0.000226 -0.027198	0.350850 0.000192 0.016108	6.130000 -1.180096 -1.688468	0.0000 0.2395 0.0930
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.024394 0.013673 1.761788 564.9095 -365.7623 2.275386 0.105673	Mean dependent var S.D. dependent var Akaike info criterion Schwarz criterion Hannan-Quinn criter. Durbin-Watson stat		1.654700 1.773958 3.986619 4.038841 4.007784 0.684461

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ASSET NI	4.445875 -0.000502 -0.048829	0.611753 0.000332 0.027601	7.267431 -1.513887 -1.769067	0.0000 0.1319 0.0786
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.032319 0.021260 3.008576 1584.017 -447.1194 2.922351 0.056438	Mean dependent var S.D. dependent var Akaike info criterion Schwarz criterion Hannan-Quinn criter. Durbin-Watson stat		3.385978 3.041075 5.057521 5.111146 5.079267 0.666743

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ASSET NI	6.124300 -0.000468 -0.060710	0.807086 0.000438 0.036415	7.588164 -1.069014 -1.667199	0.0000 0.2865 0.0973
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.023469 0.012308 3.969212 2757.063 -496.4433 2.102850 0.125183	Mean depende S.D. depender Akaike info crit Schwarz criter Hannan-Quinn Durbin-Watsor	ent var ht var erion ion criter. h stat	5.073298 3.993867 5.611723 5.665348 5.633469 0.709964

Dependent Variable: D125

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ROA	1.778625 -0.464116	0.151429 0.291567	11.74559 -1.591800	0.0000 0.1132
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.013657 0.008267 1.766610 571.1268 -366.7748 2.533827 0.113156	Mean dependent var S.D. dependent var Akaike info criterion Schwarz criterion Hannan-Quinn criter. Durbin-Watson stat		1.654700 1.773958 3.986754 4.021569 4.000864 0.663889

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ROA	3.608244 -0.847473	0.262655 0.505240	13.73760 -1.677366	0.0000 0.0952
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.015735 0.010142 3.025615 1611.164 -448.6317 2.813557 0.095246	Mean dependent var S.D. dependent var Akaike info criterion Schwarz criterion Hannan-Quinn criter. Durbin-Watson stat		3.385978 3.041075 5.063278 5.099028 5.077776 0.641395

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C ROA	5.338591 -1.011528	0.345426 0.664458	15.45510 -1.522336	0.0000 0.1297
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.012997 0.007389 3.979085 2786.629 -497.3926 2.317506 0.129720	Mean dependent var S.D. dependent var Akaike info criterion Schwarz criterion Hannan-Quinn criter. Durbin-Watson stat		5.073298 3.993867 5.611153 5.646904 5.625651 0.687784