

Appendix Table, The associations between tobacco prices and smoking onset, alternative specification.

Variable	Cigarette smoking onset			Bidi smoking onset			Any smoking onset		
	All	Urban	Rural	All	Urban	Rural	All	Urban	Rural
Cigarette prices (OR, 95% CI)	0.88 (0.51, 1.49)	0.74 (0.30, 1.78)	1.28 (0.77,2.15)	--	--	--	0.87 (0.71, 1.07)	0.72 (0.38, 1.38)	1.33 (0.59,3.01)
Bidi prices (OR, 95% CI)	--	--	--	0.26*** (0.13,0.52)	0.19* (0.03, 2.21)	0.31 (0.03,3.4)	0.30*** (0.22, 0.39)	0.24** (0.08, 0.72)	0.36 (0.03,4.51)

Note: * $p < 0.1$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$. Weighted logistic regressions controlled for duration dependency, time-varying age, age squared, gender, a dummy of residing in rural areas at the time of survey, year and state fixed effects, and state-specific year trend. Standard errors were clustered to adjust for inter-temporal correlations within the same states. Standard errors were also estimated using wild cluster bootstrapping (not reported) and the associations remain significant.