

Econ 400/Pubp 491 - American Economic Mobility Over Two Centuries

This bibliography contains readings relevant for Econ 400/Pubp 491. The bibliography is divided into three main sections. The first two sections cover textbooks and articles useful for general understanding of the economics research process both in terms of economic analysis and economic writing. The third section covers the articles and books related to the specific topics included in the course outline in the syllabus. Readings that are required are designated with a \diamond . You will receive updates in lecture as to which reading are required for the upcoming lectures. Note that this is a dynamic document and may be updated with additional readings throughout the semester.

1 Recommended resources for reviewing econometric theory

- Angrist, J. D., & Pischke, J.-S. (2008). *Mostly harmless econometrics: An empiricist's companion*. Princeton university press
- Wooldridge, J. M. (2010). *Econometric analysis of cross section and panel data*. MIT press
- Acock, A. C. (2008). *A gentle introduction to Stata*. Stata press

2 Recommended resources for tips on economic writing

- Hamermesh, D. S. (1992). The young economist's guide to professional etiquette. *The Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 6(1), 169–179
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3 Articles and book excerpts for class

3.1 The Measurement of Modern Mobility and Inequality

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3.2 Quantifying Historical Mobility and Inequality

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- ◇ Olivetti, C., & Paserman, M. D. (2015). In the name of the son (and the daughter): Intergenerational mobility in the United States, 1850–1940. *The American Economic Review*, 105(8), 2695–2724

3.3 Structural Change, Mobility and Inequality

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3.4 Racial Gaps in Opportunities and Outcomes

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