# Aging, Inflation and Property Prices

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Empirical studies (in Japanese markets)

- Ootake and Shintani (1996) and Shimizu and Watanabe (2010) calculated housing demand with an index similar to that proposed by Mankiw and Weil (1989)
- The results suggested that although population factors have an effect on housing stocks, they do not have an effect on housing (residential land) prices
- These studies were not able to explicitly address changes in population makeup, such as the aging of society.

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# CPI inflation model

• Baseline model: the Phillips curve

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where

$$P_{jt}^{cpi}$$
 CPI (in levels) of country  $j$  at year  $t$   
 $Y_{jt}^{gap}$  Output gap (of real GDP)

CPI inflation model with demographic factors

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#### • Then we have

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#### RPPI inflation model with demographic factors

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An error-correction mechanism

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## Variables in the regression models

- 2 core variables in CPI inflation regression models
  - OPI inflation (pi\_cpi<sub>jt</sub>)
    - Main source: Quarterly "CPI, all items" (IFS)
    - For Germany, UK, and Korea, OECD statistics is used
    - Quarterly index are average for each year, and then log-differenced to obtain the inflation rate.

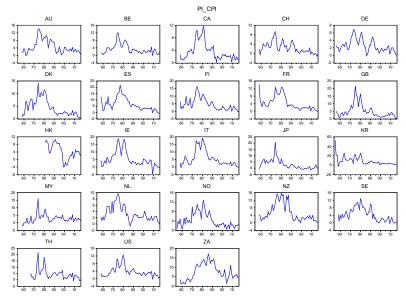
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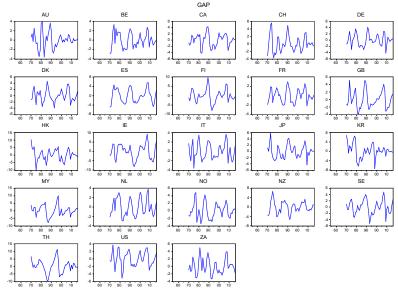
• Calculated from the annual real GDP (IFS) by Hodrick-Prescott filter

$$\mathsf{gap}_{jt} = 100 \cdot \frac{\mathsf{HP}_{jt}^{\mathsf{cyclical}}}{\mathsf{HP}_{jt}^{\mathsf{trend}}}$$

## **CPI** inflation



### Output gap (available from 1970-)



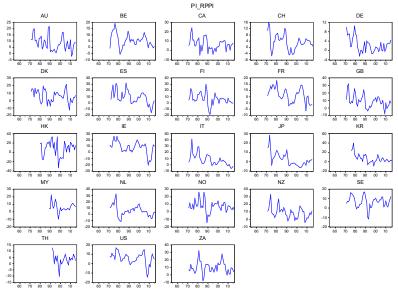
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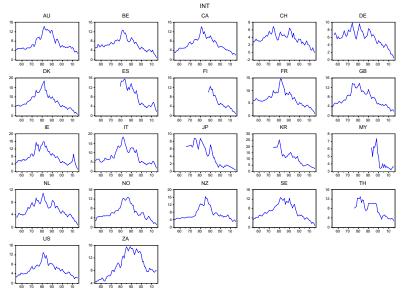
- Nominal interest rate (gbond<sub>jt</sub>)
  - Source: Annual "Interest Rates, Government Securities, Government Bonds, Percent per annum" (IFS).
- Real GDP per working population, log-differenced (dlrgdp2wpop<sub>jt</sub>)

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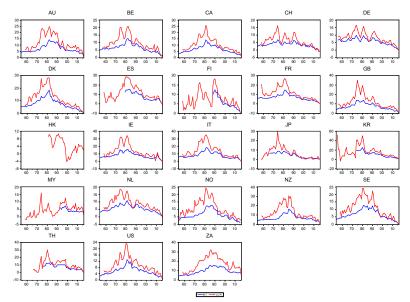
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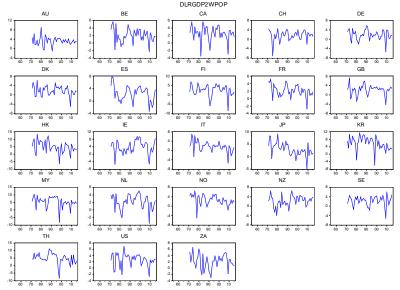
### Nominal interest rate (Government bonds yield, %)



### Nominal interest rate and CPI inflation



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### Opulation data

- Source: UN population database
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• Using this specification, demographic factor is transformed as

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where

$$\tilde{n}_{pjt} = \sum_{k=1}^{17} \left( k^p n_{kjt} - \frac{k^p}{17} \right)$$

with P parameters to be estimated. We select P = 4 (Juselius and Takáts (2014)).

#### Complete list of countries in our sample

Asia-Pacific (7) Austrila Hong Kong Japan Korea Malaysia Thailand New Zealand

America (2) Canada United States

Rest of the world (1) South Africa Europe (13) Belgium Switzerland Germany Denmark Spain Finland France United Kingdom Ireland Italy Netherlands Norway Sweden

• 23 countries, mainly European countries

### Unit root tests

• Before proceeding the regression analysis, we have applied a battery of unit root tests to our dataset.

|       | Common Unit<br>Root Tests | Individual Unit Root Tests |                       |                               |  |
|-------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|--|
|       |                           | Witho                      | With CD               |                               |  |
|       | LLC                       | IPS W-stat                 | ADF-Fisher $\chi^2$   | CIPS                          |  |
| $H_0$ | unit root                 | unit root                  | unit root             | homogeneous<br>non-stationary |  |
| $H_1$ | no unit root              | some CS<br>without UR      | some CS<br>without UR | otherwise                     |  |

- LLC: Levin, Lin & Chu Test
- IPS: Im, Pesaran, and Shin Test
- CD: Cross-section Dependence
- CS: Cross-section
- CIPS: Cross-sectionally augmented IPS

### Cross-section Dependence test

- Pesaran (2004) proposed a test statistic based on the average of the pairwise correlation coefficients which is asymptotically standard normal.
- Table 2 reports Pesaran's test.
- The CD test always strongly rejects the null hypothesis of no cross-section dependence.

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Phillips curve

fixed effects

### Types of demographic factors

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| Model:        | 1         | 2           | 3         | 4           | 5         | 6           | 7         | 8           |
|---------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| Dep. Var:     | PI_CPI    |             |           |             |           |             |           |             |
| INTERCEPT     | 4.757     | 4.756       | -9.099    | 4.291       | 2.942     | 5.291       | 1.884     | 2.539       |
|               | 0.126**   | 0.071**     | 0.867**   | 0.713**     | 0.987**   | 0.787**     | 1.676     | 1.388       |
| GAP           | 0.318     | 0.217       | 0.287     | 0.216       | 0.270     | 0.216       | 0.275     | 0.217       |
|               | 0.049**   | 0.032**     | 0.044**   | 0.032**     | 0.038**   | 0.032**     | 0.037**   | 0.032**     |
| DEPR          |           |             | 0.262     | 0.009       |           |             |           |             |
|               |           |             | 0.016**   | 0.013       |           |             |           |             |
| DEPR_Y        |           |             |           |             | 0.229     | 0.029       |           |             |
|               |           |             |           |             | 0.014**   | 0.015       |           |             |
| DEPR O        |           |             |           |             | -0.319    | -0.081      |           |             |
| _             |           |             |           |             | 0.034**   | 0.033*      |           |             |
| N YOUNG       |           |             |           |             |           |             | 0.449     | 0.105       |
| -             |           |             |           |             |           |             | 0.016**   | 0.026**     |
| N WORKING     |           |             |           |             |           |             | -0.027    | 0.023       |
| -             |           |             |           |             |           |             | 0.031     | 0.025       |
| N OLD         |           |             |           |             |           |             | -0.422    | -0.128      |
| -             |           |             |           |             |           |             | 0.035**   | 0.037**     |
| Fixed effects | CS        | cs & period |
| Period        | 1971-2015 | 1971-2015   | 1971-2015 | 1971-2015   | 1971-2015 | 1971-2015   | 1971-2015 | 1971-2015   |
| No. of Obs:   | 1025      | 1025        | 1025      | 1025        | 1025      | 1025        | 1025      | 1025        |
| R-squared:    | 0.159     | 0.741       | 0.333     | 0.741       | 0.505     | 0.743       | 0.524     | 0.746       |
| F-statistic:  | 8.241     | 40.847      | 20.771    | 40.228      | 40.754    | 40.091      | 44.066    | 40.543      |
| AIC           | 5.646     | 4.555       | 5.417     | 4.557       | 5.121     | 4.549       | 5.080     | 4.541       |
| BIC           | 5.762     | 4.882       | 5.538     | 4.889       | 5.246     | 4.886       | 5.206     | 31 4.8750   |
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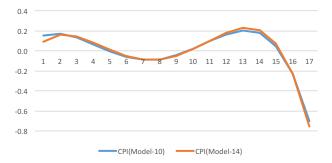
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| Dep. Var:     | PI_CPI    |             |  |  |  |
| INTERCEPT     | -60.253   | 6.699       |  |  |  |
|               | 14.739**  | 13.331      |  |  |  |
| GAP           | 0.271     | 0.217       |  |  |  |
|               | 0.034**   | 0.032**     |  |  |  |
| NTILDE1       | 0.954     | 0.173       |  |  |  |
|               | 0.113**   | 0.109       |  |  |  |
| NTILDE2       | -0.271    | -0.069      |  |  |  |
|               | 0.025**   | 0.025**     |  |  |  |
| NTILDE3       | 0.026     | 0.008       |  |  |  |
|               | 0.002**   | 0.002**     |  |  |  |
| NTILDE4       | -0.001    | 0.000       |  |  |  |
|               | 0.000**   | 0.000**     |  |  |  |
| Fixed effects | CS        | cs & period |  |  |  |
| Period        | 1971-2015 | 1971-2015   |  |  |  |
| No. of Obs:   | 1025      | 1025        |  |  |  |
| R-squared:    | 0.606     | 0.751       |  |  |  |
| F-statistic:  | 56.888    | 40.564      |  |  |  |
| AIC           | 4.895     | 4.522       |  |  |  |
| BIC           | 5.030     | 4.868       |  |  |  |



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|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| Dep. Var:     |             | PI_CPI      |             |               | PI_CPI      |
| INTERCEPT     | 4.850       | 5.592       | 2.145       | INTERCEPT     | -7.940      |
|               | 0.709**     | 0.774**     | 1.394       |               | 15.372      |
| GAP           | 0.206       | 0.208       | 0.210       | GAP           | 0.209       |
|               | 0.032**     | 0.032**     | 0.032**     |               | 0.032**     |
| DEPR          | -0.007      |             |             | NTILDE1       | 0.275       |
|               | 0.014       |             |             |               | 0.119*      |
| DEPR_Y        |             | 0.018       |             | NTILDE2       | -0.091      |
|               |             | 0.018       |             |               | 0.028**     |
| DEPR_O        |             | -0.082      |             | NTILDE3       | 0.010       |
|               |             | 0.035*      |             |               | 0.002**     |
| N_YOUNG       |             |             | 0.104       | NTILDE4       | 0.000       |
|               |             |             | 0.030**     |               | 0.000**     |
| N_WORKING     |             |             | 0.031       |               |             |
|               |             |             | 0.025       |               |             |
| N_OLD         |             |             | -0.135      |               |             |
|               |             |             | 0.039**     |               |             |
| DLNUM_TOTAL   | 0.365       | 0.105       | -0.043      | DLNUM_TOTAL   | 0.273       |
|               | 0.205       | 0.233       | 0.224       |               | 0.248       |
| Fixed effects | cs & period | cs & period | cs & period | Fixed effects | cs & period |
| Period        | 1971-2015   | 1971-2015   | 1971-2015   | Period        | 1971-2015   |
| Observations: | 1047        | 1047        | 1047        | Observations: | 1047        |
| R-squared:    | 0.735       | 0.736       | 0.738       | R-squared:    | 0.745       |
| F-statistic:  | 38.575      | 38.289      | 38.718      | F-statistic:  | 38.928      |
| AIC           | 4.572       | 4.568       | 4.560       | AIC           | 4.537       |
| BIC           | 4.908       | 4.909       | 4.900       | BIC           | 4.887       |

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## RPPI inflation models

#### RPPI inflation model with demographic factors

#### A long-run equilibrium relation

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#### An error-correction mechanism

$$\Delta \log P_{jt}^{rppi} = m + a_0 \Delta \log P_{jt}^{cpi} + a_1 \Delta \log \left(\frac{Y_{jt}}{pop_{jt}^{working}}\right) + a_2 \Delta R_{jt} + m_{j0} + l_t + [\text{demo.factors (in diff)}]_{jt} + \theta \hat{\epsilon}_{j,t-1} + \nu_{jt}$$

#### Demography and RPPI inflation (Long-run equilibrium, Period: 1971-2015)

| Eq Name:      | 15-L                | 16-L        | 17-L    | 18-L        | 19-L    | 20-L        | 21-L    | 22-L        |
|---------------|---------------------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| Dep. Var:     | LRPPI (log of RPPI) |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |
| с             | -5.211              | -0.950      | -5.972  | 0.803       | -7.375  | 1.072       | -5.267  | 0.955       |
|               | 1.350**             | 1.496       | 1.404** | 1.711       | 1.307** | 1.524       | 1.264** | 1.402       |
| LRGDP2WPOP    | 0.295               | 0.112       | 0.310   | 0.055       | 0.632   | 0.325       | 0.671   | 0.329       |
|               | 0.058**             | 0.068       | 0.059** | 0.073       | 0.061** | 0.067**     | 0.064** | 0.070**     |
| GBOND         | -0.018              | -0.012      | -0.017  | -0.010      | -0.021  | -0.012      | -0.020  | -0.012      |
|               | 0.003**             | 0.005*      | 0.003** | 0.005*      | 0.003** | 0.004**     | 0.003** | 0.004**     |
| LCPI          | 1.042               | 1.098       | 1.057   | 1.065       | 1.162   | 1.126       | 1.147   | 1.093       |
|               | 0.026**             | 0.040**     | 0.027** | 0.042**     | 0.027** | 0.038**     | 0.026** | 0.038**     |
| DEPR          |                     |             | 0.004   | -0.005      |         |             |         |             |
|               |                     |             | 0.002   | 0.003*      |         |             |         |             |
| DEPR_Y        |                     |             |         |             | 0.025   | 0.015       |         |             |
|               |                     |             |         |             | 0.003** | 0.003**     |         |             |
| DEPR_0        |                     |             |         |             | -0.021  | -0.040      |         |             |
|               |                     |             |         |             | 0.003** | 0.003**     |         |             |
| N_YOUNG       |                     |             |         |             |         |             | 0.038   | 0.034       |
|               |                     |             |         |             |         |             | 0.003** | 0.003**     |
| N_WORKING     |                     |             |         |             |         |             | -0.008  | 0.015       |
|               |                     |             |         |             |         |             | 0.003*  | 0.004**     |
| N_OLD         |                     |             |         |             |         |             | -0.030  | -0.048      |
|               |                     |             |         |             |         |             | 0.003** | 0.004**     |
| LNUM_TOTAL    | 0.468               | 0.073       | 0.511   | -0.044      | 0.489   | -0.179      | 0.324   | -0.291      |
|               | 0.147**             | 0.167       | 0.148** | 0.176       | 0.138** | 0.157       | 0.139*  | 0.158       |
| Fixed effects | cs                  | cs & period | cs      | cs & period | cs      | cs & period | cs      | cs & period |
| Observations: | 919                 | 919         | 919     | 919         | 919     | 919         | 919     | 919         |
| R-squared:    | 0.928               | 0.938       | 0.928   | 0.938       | 0.938   | 0.951       | 0.937   | 0.950       |
| F-statistic:  | 458.641             | 184.965     | 442.502 | 183.116     | 501.2   | 230.628     | 489.715 | 224.689     |

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|--------------------------|---------|-------------|---------|--------------|-------------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| Dep. Var:                |         |             |         | PI_RPPI (dlo | og of RPPI) |             |         |             |
| с                        | -2.253  | -2.322      | -2.130  | -2.917       | -3.590      | -2.677      | -3.827  | -2.775      |
|                          | 0.574** | 0.675**     | 0.568** | 0.671**      | 0.729**     | 0.815**     | 0.762** | 0.855**     |
| DLRGDP2WPOP              | 1.286   | 1.358       | 1.234   | 1.326        | 1.237       | 1.320       | 1.236   | 1.313       |
|                          | 0.085** | 0.100**     | 0.084** | 0.098**      | 0.083**     | 0.098**     | 0.083** | 0.099**     |
| D(GBOND)                 | 0.429   | 0.504       | 0.513   | 0.539        | 0.501       | 0.558       | 0.490   | 0.546       |
|                          | 0.185*  | 0.218*      | 0.184** | 0.214*       | 0.182**     | 0.214**     | 0.182** | 0.214*      |
| PI_CPI                   | 0.728   | 0.735       | 0.592   | 0.730        | 0.588       | 0.722       | 0.596   | 0.726       |
|                          | 0.056** | 0.098**     | 0.062** | 0.096**      | 0.062**     | 0.096**     | 0.061** | 0.096**     |
| D(DEPR)                  |         |             | -1.808  | -2.525       |             |             |         |             |
|                          |         |             | 0.374** | 0.434**      |             |             |         |             |
| D(DEPR_Y)                |         |             |         |              | -2.952      | -2.412      |         |             |
|                          |         |             |         |              | 0.543**     | 0.559**     |         |             |
| D(DEPR_0)                |         |             |         |              | 1.048       | -1.650      |         |             |
|                          |         |             |         |              | 0.830       | 0.974       |         |             |
| D(N_YOUNG)               |         |             |         |              |             |             | -4.136  | -2.223      |
|                          |         |             |         |              |             |             | 0.901** | 0.928*      |
| D(N_WORKING)             |         |             |         |              |             |             | 1.698   | 3.146       |
|                          |         |             |         |              |             |             | 0.611** | 0.743**     |
| D(N_OLD)                 |         |             |         |              |             |             | 2.439   | -0.922      |
|                          |         |             |         |              |             |             | 1.091*  | 1.220       |
| Error Correction Term(-1 | -5.295  | -5.460      | -5.667  | -5.737       | -6.443      | -6.022      | -6.483  | -6.029      |
|                          | 0.970** | 0.971**     | 0.960** | 0.956**      | 0.984**     | 1.012**     | 0.980** | 1.006**     |
| DLNUM_TOTAL              | 2.780   | 2.604       | 3.173   | 2.916        | 3.583       | 2.446       | 3.843   | 2.599       |
|                          | 0.630** | 0.620**     | 0.627** | 0.611**      | 0.633**     | 0.608**     | 0.653** | 0.626**     |
| Fixed effects            | cs      | cs & period | cs      | cs & period  | cs          | cs & period | CS      | cs & period |
| Observations:            | 897     | 897         | 897     | 897          | 897         | 897         | 897     | 897         |
| R-squared:               | 0.419   | 0.512       | 0.435   | 0.530        | 0.446       | 0.530       | 0.445   | 0.530       |
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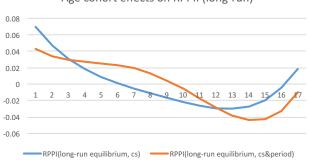
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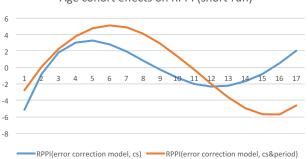
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| Dep. Var:     | LRPPI   |             |                       | PI_RPPI |             |  |
| с             | 0.676   | 4.104       | С                     | -1.010  | 0.211       |  |
|               | 1.939   | 1.872*      |                       | 1.461   | 1.433       |  |
| LRGDP2WPOP    | 0.836   | 0.528       | DLRGDP2WPOP           | 1.239   | 1.303       |  |
|               | 0.071** | 0.074**     |                       | 0.085** | 0.099**     |  |
| GBOND         | -0.022  | -0.015      | D(GBOND)              | 0.486   | 0.546       |  |
|               | 0.003** | 0.004**     |                       | 0.184** | 0.215*      |  |
| LCPI          | 1.101   | 1.025       | PI_CPI                | 0.496   | 0.681       |  |
|               | 0.033** | 0.040**     |                       | 0.077** | 0.098**     |  |
| NTILDE1       | -0.035  | -0.021      | D(NTILDE1)            | 7.673   | 3.629       |  |
|               | 0.011** | 0.011       |                       | 1.798** | 2.047       |  |
| NTILDE2       | 0.005   | 0.005       | D(NTILDE2)            | -1.289  | -0.245      |  |
|               | 0.002*  | 0.003*      |                       | 0.409** | 0.485       |  |
| NTILDE3       | 0.000   | -0.001      | D(NTILDE3)            | 0.077   | -0.013      |  |
|               | 0.000   | 0.000**     |                       | 0.036*  | 0.043       |  |
| NTILDE4       | 0.000   | 0.000       | D(NTILDE4)            | -0.001  | 0.001       |  |
|               | 0.000*  | 0.000**     |                       | 0.001   | 0.001       |  |
| LNUM_TOTAL    | 0.648   | -0.014      | DLNUM_TOTAL           | 3.025   | 1.458       |  |
|               | 0.152** | 0.163       |                       | 0.769** | 0.770       |  |
|               |         |             | Error Correction (-1) | -5.587  | -5.849      |  |
|               |         |             |                       | 0.999** | 1.030**     |  |
| Fixed effects | cs      | cs & period | Fixed effects         | cs      | cs & period |  |
| Observations: | 919     | 919         | Observations:         | 897     | 897         |  |
| R-squared:    | 0.940   | 0.952       | R-squared:            | 0.446   | 0.530       |  |
| F-statistic:  | 480.409 | 231.893     | F-statistic:          | 23.229  | 12.707      |  |



#### Age cohort effects on RPPII (long-run)

- The long-run impact is larger for younger cohorts
- Overall, the long-run impact decreases over the age cohort



#### Age cohort effects on RPPI (short-run)

• The short-run impact is larger for the cohorts in working generation

# Summary: Findings about RPPI inflation

- In the long-run equilibrium, P<sup>cpi</sup> and Y/pop<sup>working</sup> are positively, and R is negatively related with P<sup>rppi</sup> as theory predicts.
- 2 Depending on the time horizon, the demographic impacts are very different

| generations | long-run              | short-run             |
|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| young       | strongly inflationary | strongly deflationary |
| working     |                       | strongly inflationary |
| old         | strongly deflationary |                       |

### Our research

- Question
  - How will the declining birthrate and aging of society affect the goods and services prices and residential property prices?
  - How the changes in population makeup affect short-run inflation in both the goods and services markets and the residential property markets?
- In this paper, we investigate the demographic effects on:
  - OPI(Consumer Price Index) inflation
  - PPI(Residential Property Price Index) inflation
  - and
    - Using panel data from 23 economies for the period 1971-2015
    - Effects of demographic factors, such as <u>age dependency ratios</u>, and <u>shares of generations</u>, on the CPI and housing price inflations are examined.

## Conclusion

### • Major findings of this paper

- Demographic impacts have similar impacts between goods and services price inflation and residential property prices in the long-run.
- Short-run residential property price inflation dynamics has markedly different demographic impacts from the long-run counterpart.

## Leftovers

- Issues on the data
  - Missing observations may be extrapolated (especially for RPPI regression models)
- Issues on the specifications
  - Models with higher degree of polynomial function may be estimated
- Issues on testing
  - Re-examination of the integration order of variables may be needed
  - Panel co-integration may be formally tested

# Thank you very much