

Table 1. Sales of the Informal and Micro Survey Sample Firms

Panel A: Informal Survey															
Informal Survey															
		Unregistered		Registered		All		Small		Medium		Enterprise Survey			
	Year	Sales	Obs.	Sales	Obs.	Sales	Obs.	Sales	Obs.	Sales	Obs.	Sales	Obs.	All	
Burkina Faso	2009	18,262	111	.	.	18,262	111	1,226,313	196	4,590,659	105	10,800,000	56	3,719,511	357
Cameroon	2009	19,839	121	.	.	19,839	121	309,663	144	2,996,489	124	44,300,000	70	10,400,000	338
Cape Verde	2006	29,917	85	18,922	18	27,996	103	374,308	69	1,738,857	23	4,149,963	1	752,375	93
Cape Verde	2009	83,190	82	.	.	83,190	82	498,339	66	2,548,385	50	3,860,018	21	1,761,825	137
Egypt, Rep.	2008	19,572	159	29,346	28	21,035	187	1,335,882	350	5,160,261	358	28,800,000	411	12,600,000	1,119
Kenya	2003	20,297	149	30,712	36	22,323	185	1,675,268	49	6,070,552	65	31,800,000	41	11,500,000	155
Niger	2005	15,169	48	14,927	58	15,037	106	4,999,650	34	4,416,983	16	14,700,000	3	5,371,892	53
Senegal	2003	24,944	153	29,827	41	25,976	194	433,291	86	4,542,087	90	18,400,000	35	5,169,733	211
Tanzania	2003	9,212	285	19,260	23	9,963	308	278,088	77	3,754,425	62	15,700,000	38	4,796,542	177
Uganda	2003	35,082	91	45,341	23	37,152	114	297,418	107	3,222,021	58	10,700,000	28	2,681,279	193
Average		27,549	128	26,905	32	28,077	151	1,142,822		3,904,072		18,320,998		5,875,316	283
Panel B: Micro Survey															
Micro Survey															
		Unregistered		Registered		All		Small		Medium		Enterprise Survey			
Country	Year	Sales	Obs.	Sales	Obs.	Sales	Obs.	Sales	Obs.	Sales	Obs.	Sales	Obs.	All	
Angola	2006	22,524	8	46,153	107	44,509	115	219,543	353	440,131	64	826,909	6	261,533	423
Botswana	2006	27,192	27	105,688	73	84,494	100	1,054,364	212	4,027,974	86	9,497,498	39	2,790,306	337
Burkina Faso	2009	177,476	115	.	.	177,476	115	1,226,313	196	4,590,659	105	10,800,000	56	3,719,511	357
Burundi	2006	31,950	16	44,336	121	42,889	137	262,566	219	1,313,305	43	2,923,213	8	508,740	270
Cameroon	2009	19,671	3	92,758	110	90,817	113	309,663	144	2,996,489	124	44,300,000	70	10,400,000	338
Cape Verde	2009	68,171	31	50,890	73	56,041	104	498,339	66	2,548,385	50	3,860,018	21	1,761,825	137
Congo, Dem. Rep.	2006	20,150	40	32,891	64	27,991	104	156,191	258	779,580	71	1,675,336	11	335,518	340
Gambia, The	2006	12,955	47	20,307	76	17,498	123	191,976	118	975,985	47	3,564,678	7	543,472	172
Guinea	2006	93,345	27	129,568	77	120,164	104	180,759	194	979,018	19	2,246,573	7	315,430	220
Guinea-Bissau	2006	22,532	29	48,451	108	42,965	137	155,735	97	441,720	16	.	.	196,228	113
Ivory Coast	2009	6,128	47	36,858	45	21,159	92	291,630	247	2,648,291	100	11,400,000	43	2,121,482	390
Madagascar	2009	21,715	3	108,928	98	106,338	101	602,681	128	2,818,355	160	8,207,987	67	3,036,662	355
Mauritania	2006	56,070	69	38,977	53	48,644	122	258,159	181	2,287,588	44	8,216,648	5	819,408	230
Mauritius	2009	50,159	18	102,087	60	90,104	78	1,193,050	168	3,533,822	128	16,900,000	58	4,608,373	354
Namibia	2006	5,392	49	31,419	47	18,134	96	665,167	225	2,917,353	82	9,329,198	17	1,689,759	324
Rwanda	2006	8,295	22	46,821	106	40,199	128	344,204	143	2,071,016	53	7,671,968	16	1,328,946	212
Swaziland	2006	5,658	34	52,230	83	38,696	117	391,593	207	2,418,694	55	6,982,505	32	1,488,191	294
Tanzania	2006	30,093	25	48,327	40	41,314	65	326,825	259	3,430,273	111	16,400,000	44	2,866,305	414
Togo	2009	134,510	139	.	.	134,510	139	296,217	81	6,774,754	42	27,000,000	17	5,484,240	140
Uganda	2006	43,584	38	93,144	59	73,729	97	361,505	367	1,609,611	149	5,885,212	36	1,058,645	552
Average		42,879	39	62,768	78	65,884	109	449,324	193	2,480,150	77	10,404,618	29	2,266,729	299

Table 2. Attributes of firms in the Informal Survey Sample

	Informal Survey				Enterprise Survey				Differences		
	Unregistered	Registered	All	Small	Medium	Big	All	Enterprise vs Informal	Registered vs Unregistered	Small vs Unregistered	Big vs Small
<i>General Characteristics:</i>											
Age of the firm (in years)	10.1	10.7	9.9	16.0	20.2	24.8	18.7	8.8 ^a	0.6	5.9 ^a	8.8 ^a
% of firms that are registered with a central government agency	0.0%	100.0%	15.5%	.	.	.	.	.	100.0%	.	.
% of firms that are registered with a local government agency	35.1%	57.6%	37.2%	.	.	.	.	.	22.5%	.	.
% of firms that are registered with an industry board or agency	14.3%	23.7%	16.9%	.	.	.	.	.	9.4%	.	.
% of occupied land that is owned by the firm	41.8%	56.0%	45.6%	60.6%	69.2%	73.9%	66.6%	21.0%	14.2%	18.7%	13.4%
% of occupied buildings that is owned by the firm	44.8%	52.9%	46.2%	43.8%	58.7%	69.8%	52.9%	6.7%	8.1%	-1.0%	26.1%
% of firms that own a generator	2.7%	5.6%	2.9%	24.6%	54.2%	80.5%	44.9%	42.0% ^a	2.9% ^b	21.9% ^a	55.9% ^a
Average capacity utilization (%)	56.4%	63.7%	57.7%	62.2%	66.0%	67.4%	65.2%	7.6% ^c	7.3%	5.8%	5.1%
% of firms for which the main buyer are large firms	1.6%	2.9%	1.8%	10.0%	18.7%	12.7%	13.9%	12.1% ^a	1.3%	8.4% ^b	2.7%
<i>Employees</i>											
Average number of employees	3.0	4.6	3.1	9.9	41.8	389.0	94.6	91.4 ^a	1.7 ^b	7.0 ^a	379.1 ^a
Index of education of top manager	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.5	3.1	3.6	2.9	1.1 ^a	0.2	0.7 ^a	1.1 ^a
% of top managers with primary education	47.3%	42.1%	47.2%	48.6%	38.7%	34.3%	44.1%	-3.1%	-5.3%	1.3%	-14.3%
% of top managers with secondary education	23.7%	14.8%	22.9%	51.1%	42.8%	36.1%	45.6%	22.7%	-8.9%	27.3% ^b	-14.9%
% of top managers with vocational education	13.2%	23.9%	14.0%	45.7%	42.5%	36.6%	43.5%	29.5% ^c	10.8%	32.5% ^b	-9.1%
% of top managers with college education	7.2%	8.5%	7.4%	54.7%	76.0%	93.0%	66.9%	59.5% ^a	1.3%	47.5% ^a	38.3% ^a
Index of education of average employee	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.1	2.2	2.4	2.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.3	0.3
% of employees with primary education	52.4%	48.3%	51.4%	44.1%	39.6%	39.5%	41.6%	-9.8%	-4.1%	-8.3%	-4.6%
% of employees with secondary education	36.9%	40.0%	38.0%	34.7%	30.7%	25.3%	33.8%	-4.2%	3.0%	-2.2%	-9.5%
% of employees with college education	10.7%	11.7%	10.7%	20.6%	29.8%	31.0%	24.7%	14.1% ^b	1.1%	10.0% ^b	10.3%
<i>Finance</i>											
%firms that have ever had a loan	16.9%	26.6%	18.6%	.	.	.	.	.	9.7%	.	.
% of financing from internal funds	68.6%	74.8%	70.7%	73.9%	66.4%	60.7%	69.8%	-0.9% ^c	6.2%	5.3%	-13.2% ^b
% financing from family	10.4%	5.8%	8.6%	2.8%	1.6%	0.8%	1.9%	-6.7% ^a	-4.6%	-7.5% ^a	-2.0% ^b
% of financing from banks	4.2%	4.8%	4.2%	11.3%	16.5%	21.4%	14.4%	10.2% ^a	0.6%	7.1% ^c	10.1% ^a
<i>Growth</i>											
Avg two-year employment growth	7.4%	8.9%	7.7%	6.5%	8.8%	9.2%	7.8%	0.1%	1.5%	1.0%	2.4%
Median two-year employment growth	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	2.6%	4.0%	2.1%	2.1% ^a	0.0%	1.0%	3.0%

Notes: ^a significant at the 1% level. ^b significant at the 5% level. ^c significant at the 10% level.

Table 3. Attributes of firms in the Micro Survey Sample

	Micro Survey				Enterprise Survey				Differences		
	Unregistered	Registered	All	Small	Medium	Big	All	Enterprise vs Micro	Registered vs Unregistered	Small vs Unregistered	Big vs Small
<i>General Characteristics:</i>											
Age of the firm (in years)	8.0	8.4	8.2	10.4	15.4	20.6	12.6	4.4 ^a	0.4	2.4 ^b	10.3 ^a
% of firms that are registered with a central government agency	0.0%	100.0%	72.4%	.	.	.	.	.	100.0%	.	.
% of firms that are registered with a local government agency	45.9%	82.9%	71.5%	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
% of firms located in the owners home	17.2%	13.4%	13.8%	.	.	.	.	.	-3.9%	.	.
% of firms located in a permanent structure	71.4%	80.4%	77.0%	.	.	.	.	.	9.0%	.	.
% of occupied land that is owned by the firm	22.7%	22.6%	22.7%	30.7%	53.0%	67.4%	37.8%	0.2 ^a	-0.1%	.	0.4 ^a
% of firms forced to move last year because of lack of secure title	11.3%	8.8%	9.8%	.	.	.	.	.	-2.5%	.	.
% of firms that own a generator	9.3%	18.3%	14.4%	30.4%	47.9%	71.4%	42.2%	0.3 ^a	9.0% ^c	0.2 ^a	0.4 ^a
% of firms with an electrical connection	60.0%	79.2%	73.6%	.	.	.	.	.	19.2% ^c	.	.
% uses own transportation equipment	6.6%	22.9%	18.2%	.	.	.	.	.	16.3% ^a	.	.
Hours per week that the firm operates	62.3	61.9	61.5	57.4	58.6	74.9	60.2	-1.4	-39.9%	-5.0	17.5 ^a
% of firms for which the main buyer are large firms	0.1%	2.4%	1.6%	.	.	.	.	.	2.3% ^a	.	.
% exports	0.8%	1.0%	1.4%	2.5%	6.6%	22.2%	5.6%	4.1% ^a	0.2%	1.7% ^c	19.8% ^a
% of firms that use email to connect with clients	3.2%	9.1%	7.1%	37.0%	63.7%	82.3%	47.7%	40.6% ^a	5.9% ^a	33.7% ^a	45.4% ^a
% of firms that use a webpage to connect with clients	0.9%	2.8%	2.2%	10.7%	24.8%	43.7%	17.6%	15.3% ^a	2.0% ^b	9.8% ^a	33.0% ^a
<i>Employees</i>											
Average number of employees	3.2	4.1	3.9	9.3	38.7	306.0	46.9	42.9 ^a	0.9	6.1 ^a	296.7 ^a
Index of education of top manager	1.8	2.2	2.1	2.6	3.1	3.7	2.8	0.7 ^a	0.4 ^b	0.8 ^a	1.0 ^a
% of top managers with primary education	50.8%	37.2%	41.3%	24.7%	14.9%	3.0%	20.5%	-20.7% ^a	-13.5%	-26.1% ^a	-21.7% ^a
% of top managers with secondary education	26.7%	25.0%	25.0%	24.5%	14.9%	8.7%	20.8%	-4.1% ^c	-1.7%	-2.2%	-15.8% ^a
% of top managers with vocational education	10.7%	13.9%	13.0%	15.7%	13.8%	8.0%	14.6%	1.6%	3.1%	4.9% ^b	-7.6% ^a
% of top managers with college education	11.8%	23.9%	20.8%	35.1%	56.4%	80.3%	44.0%	23.2% ^a	12.1% ^a	23.3% ^a	45.1% ^a
Index of education of average employee	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.5	2.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.3
% of employees with primary education	48.0%	44.3%	46.0%	47.8%	41.8%	31.2%	44.8%	-1.2%	-3.7%	-0.2%	-16.5% ^b
% of employees with secondary education	47.7%	47.7%	46.9%	42.9%	49.8%	52.8%	45.8%	-1.1%	0.0%	-4.9%	9.9%
% of employees with college education	4.1%	8.0%	7.0%	9.3%	8.4%	16.0%	9.4%	2.4%	3.9%	5.2% ^c	6.6%
<i>Finance</i>											
%firms that have ever had a loan	7.3%	12.5%	10.9%	.	.	.	.	.	5.1% ^b	.	.
% of financing from internal funds	79.1%	77.9%	79.4%	75.5%	66.5%	62.9%	72.5%	-7.0% ^b	-1.2%	-3.6%	-12.6% ^a
% of financing from family	6.5%	5.9%	5.7%	4.3%	2.9%	0.7%	3.8%	-1.8%	-0.5%	-2.2%	-3.5% ^a
% of financing from banks	3.8%	3.7%	3.7%	6.3%	12.1%	16.6%	8.5%	4.8% ^b	-0.1%	10.3% ^a	.
<i>Growth</i>											
Avg two-year employment growth	17.1%	19.9%	17.8%	13.4%	14.3%	10.8%	13.4%	-4.4%	2.7%	-3.8%	-2.6%
Median two-year employment growth	0.0%	4.0%	0.0%	11.8%	9.8%	6.1%	11.8%	11.8% ^a	4.0% ^b	11.8% ^a	-5.7% ^a

Notes: ^a significant at the 1% level. ^b significant at the 5% level. ^c significant at the 10% level.

Table 4. Legal Status of Enterprise Survey Firms in Africa

Country	Number of Observations	% Registered at Start	% Does not know
Benin	149	83.3%	0.7%
Burkina Faso	381	79.1%	1.8%
Cameroon	360	82.4%	0.3%
Cape Verde	147	81.4%	1.9%
Chad	148	79.3%	1.3%
Congo Rep	142	78.8%	8.6%
Eritrea	152	96.1%	3.9%
Gabon	179	64.2%	1.7%
Ghana	615	63.6%	0.2%
Ivory Coast	524	56.1%	3.2%
Lesotho	150	86.8%	1.3%
Liberia	150	73.3%	1.3%
Madagascar	442	95.7%	0.2%
Malawi	148	88.0%	0.0%
Mali	619	80.9%	0.0%
Mauritius	393	81.9%	2.0%
Mozambique	597	86.3%	0.0%
Niger	127	90.7%	0.0%
Senegal	625	75.8%	0.0%
Sierra Leone	150	86.7%	0.0%
South Africa	1056	88.1%	0.0%
Togo	153	75.5%	0.6%
Zambia	602	88.1%	0.0%
Average Africa		81.0%	1.3%
Average Latin America		90.0%	1.3%

Table 5. Indicators of the Institutional Environment Facing Informal and Micro Survey Firms

	Panel A: Informal Survey										Differences		
	Informal Survey				Enterprise Survey				Enterprise vs Informal	Registered vs Unregistered	Small vs Unregistered	Big vs Small	
	Unregistered	Registered	All	Small	Medium	Big	All						
<i>Compliance with government regulations</i>													
% of tax liability evaded by "typical" firm	54.5	37.6	51.4	27.6	24.0	18.2	24.8	-26.7 ^a	-16.9	-26.9 ^b		-9.4	
% of management's time spent dealing with government regulations	9.5	7.3	8.4	10.9	16.1	14.3	13.5	5.1 ^c	-2.2	1.4		3.4	
% of sales a "typical" firm pays in informal gifts or payments to get things done	6.9	6.3	7.1	3.7	3.1	2.2	3.4	-3.7 ^a	-0.6	-3.2 ^b		-1.5	
<i>Public goods</i>													
Days last year with power outages	45.0	63.2	47.5	58.9	69.6	74.4	65.0	17.5	18.1	13.8		15.6	
Days last year with water outages	60.2	70.1	62.6	47.8	50.5	44.1	50.5	-12.0	9.9	-12.5		-3.6	
Days last year with telephone outages	7.2	42.6	32.5	27.7	20.5	21.9	23.1	-9.4	35.3	20.5 ^c		-5.8	
Days last year with transportation outages	60.0	46.9	58.9	17.0	19.0	17.3	18.0	-40.9	-13.1	-43.1		0.3	
<i>Property rights</i>													
% of sales lost last year owing to theft	3.6	5.3	3.9	1.8	1.3	0.4	1.4	-2.5	1.8	-1.8		-1.4	
% of sales spent on security expenses	2.4	1.9	2.2	2.3	3.2	3.2	2.9	0.7 ^c	-0.5	-0.2		1.0	
% of sales spent on "protection payments"	2.6	1.8	2.5	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	-2.3	-0.8	-2.4 ^c		0.1	
% of incidents reported to the police	22.7	32.9	28.2	46.6	55.1	70.2	55.7	27.5	10.2	23.9		23.6	
Days it took a typical court case to be resolved	70.6	105.8	79.7	90.3	73.4	95.7	83.8	4.1	35.2	19.8		5.4	
<i>Panel B: Micro Survey</i>													
	Micro Survey				Enterprise Survey				Differences				
	Unregistered	Registered	All	Small	Medium	Big	All	Enterprise vs Micro	Registered vs Unregistered	Small vs Unregistered	Big vs Small		
	62.3	52.6	53.5	41.0	32.4	29.7	38.2	-15.2 ^b	-9.6	-21.3 ^a	-11.3 ^c		
<i>Compliance with government regulations</i>													
% of tax liability evaded by "typical" firm	4.5	5.0	5.0	8.7	10.1	11.4	9.3	4.3 ^a	0.5	4.2 ^b	2.7 ^c		
% of management's time spent dealing with government regulations	3.4	3.2	2.9	6.1	6.4	4.8	5.9	3.0 ^a	-0.2	2.7 ^b	-1.3		
<i>Public goods</i>													
Number of power outages in the last year	138.1	110.5	118.3	92.9	101.6	103.4	96.4	-21.9	-27.6	-45.2		10.5	
Days last year with water outages	.	.	.	78.6	71.0	59.1	69.2	.	.	.		-19.5	
<i>Property rights</i>													
% of sales lost last year owing to theft	0.8	0.6	0.6	1.8	1.3	1.1	1.7	1.1 ^b	-0.1	1.1 ^c	-0.8		
% of sales spent on security expenses	3.2	3.9	3.6	2.3	1.9	1.2	2.0	-1.6	0.7	-0.9	-1.1 ^b		
% of firms that had payment dispute in last 2 years	6.0%	8.4%	7.5%	9.5%	16.6%	19.4%	11.4%	4.0% ^c	2.3%	3.5%	9.9% ^a		
If there was a payment dispute, % of firms that used court to resolve it	29.2%	33.2%	30.1%	51.3%	67.6%	81.8%	58.3%	28.3% ^a	4.1%	22.1% ^c	30.5% ^a		
Days it took a typical court case to be resolved	.	25.7	25.7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.

Notes: ^a significant at the 1% level. ^b significant at the 5% level. ^c significant at the 10% level.

Table 6. Expenditure on Production Inputs by Informal and Micro Survey Firms

	Informal Survey				Enterprise Survey				Differences		
	Unregistered	Registered	All	Small	Medium	Big	All	Enterprise vs Informal	Registered vs Unregistered	Small vs Unregistered	Big vs Small
Expenditure on raw materials / Sales (%)	39.5%	43.4%	39.5%	37.3%	37.6%	39.3%	36.9%	-2.6%	3.9%	-2.1%	1.9%
Expenditure on energy / Sales (%)	9.4%	8.0%	8.7%	4.6%	3.2%	4.0%	5.3%	-3.4%	-1.4%	-4.9% ^a	-0.5%
Expenditure on labor / Sales (%)	22.4%	21.8%	22.8%	18.3%	15.6%	13.0%	16.3%	-6.4% ^c	-0.6%	-4.1%	-5.2% ^c
Expenditure on machines / Sales (%)	7.3%	9.5%	7.3%	6.9%	8.1%	6.2%	7.4%	0.1%	2.2%	-0.4%	-0.6%
Expenditure on land / Sales (%)	5.3%	14.4%	6.8%	3.2%	1.4%	2.2%	3.0%	-3.8%	9.2%	-2.1%	-1.0%

	Micro Survey				Enterprise Survey				Differences		
	Unregistered	Registered	All	Small	Medium	Big	All	Enterprise vs Micro	Registered vs Unregistered	Small vs Unregistered	Big vs Small
Expenditure on raw materials / Sales (%)	37.8%	37.6%	36.2%	37.9%	39.6%	38.9%	38.5%	2.3%	-0.2%	0.1%	1.0%
Expenditure on energy / Sales (%)	3.9%	3.8%	4.1%	3.6%	3.3%	3.2%	3.5%	-0.7%	-0.1%	-0.3% ^c	-0.4%
Expenditure on labor / Sales (%)	23.5%	21.3%	22.0%	21.8%	20.3%	15.9%	20.8%	-1.3%	-2.2%	-1.7%	-5.9% ^a
Expenditure on machines / Sales (%)	4.5%	4.0%	5.2%	8.6%	9.0%	6.1%	7.9%	2.7% ^c	-0.6%	4.1% ^b	-2.6%
Expenditure on land / Sales (%)	2.5%	0.9%	1.4%	1.2%	0.9%	1.1%	1.0%	-0.4%	-1.6%	-1.4%	-0.1%

Notes: ^a significant at the 1% level. ^b significant at the 5% level. ^c significant at the 10% level.

Table 7. Ratio of wages per employee to GDP per capita

<i>Panel A: Informal Survey</i>												
Country	Year	Informal Survey			Enterprise Survey				Differences			
		Unregistered	Registered	All	Small	Medium	Big	All	Enterprise vs Informal	Registered vs Unregistered	Small vs Unregistered	Big vs Small
Burkina Faso	2009	0.95	.	0.95	3.46	4.46	3.06	3.70	2.75 ^a	.	2.50 ^a	-0.40
Cameroon	2009	0.96	.	0.96	1.90	2.39	3.84	2.50	1.54 ^a	.	0.95 ^a	1.94 ^a
Cape Verde	2006	0.90	1.25	0.96	2.92	4.03	.	3.19	2.23 ^a	0.35	2.03 ^a	.
Cape Verde	2009	0.76	.	0.76	0.66	0.81	0.60	0.71	-0.05	.	-0.10	-0.06
Average		0.89	1.25	0.91	2.24	2.92	2.50	2.52	1.62 ^b	0.35	1.34 ^c	0.49

<i>Panel B: Micro Survey</i>												
Country	Year	Micro Survey			Enterprise Survey				Differences			
		Unregistered	Registered	All	Small	Medium	Big	All	Enterprise vs Micro	Registered vs Unregistered	Small vs Unregistered	Big vs Small
Angola	2006	.	2.23	2.17	3.26	3.02	.	3.20	1.03 ^a	.	.	.
Botswana	2006	0.35	0.58	0.52	0.89	1.05	1.03	0.95	0.43 ^a	0.23 ^a	0.54 ^a	0.14
Burkina Faso	2009	2.76	.	2.76	3.48	4.51	3.06	3.73	0.97 ^b	.	0.72	-0.42
Burundi	2006	1.76	3.13	2.97	5.84	7.29	.	6.04	3.07 ^a	1.37 ^c	4.08 ^a	.
Cameroon	2009	.	1.98	1.95	1.90	2.39	3.84	2.50	0.54 ^b	.	.	1.94 ^a
Cape Verde	2009	1.08	0.89	0.95	0.65	0.80	0.60	0.70	-0.25 ^b	-0.19	-0.43 ^b	-0.05
Congo, Dem. Rep.	2006	5.64	5.45	5.52	8.25	11.35	9.26	8.93	3.41 ^a	-0.18	2.62 ^a	1.01
Gambia, The	2006	0.54	1.04	0.85	1.52	2.41	.	1.78	0.94 ^a	0.49 ^a	0.98 ^a	.
Guinea	2006	0.83	1.23	1.13	1.30	1.13	.	1.27	0.15 ^c	0.40 ^b	0.47 ^a	.
Guinea-Bissau	2006	6.11	7.21	6.97	9.64	6.92	.	9.25	2.29 ^b	1.10	3.53 ^c	.
Ivory Coast	2009	0.53	0.87	0.69	1.67	2.90	2.64	2.09	1.40 ^a	0.34 ^b	1.14 ^a	0.98 ^a
Madagascar	2009	.	1.11	1.11	2.44	2.66	2.31	2.52	1.40 ^a	.	.	-0.12
Mauritania	2006	2.12	2.10	2.11	3.88	3.98	.	3.91	1.80 ^a	-0.02	1.76 ^a	.
Mauritius	2009	0.39	0.45	0.44	0.56	0.68	0.68	0.62	0.19 ^a	0.06	0.17	0.12
Namibia	2006	0.27	0.79	0.55	2.48	2.56	2.30	2.49	1.94 ^a	0.51 ^a	2.21 ^a	-0.19
Rwanda	2006	1.29	1.52	1.47	4.01	5.70	3.12	4.36	2.89 ^a	0.23	2.72 ^a	-0.89
Swaziland	2006	0.50	1.20	1.05	1.92	2.21	1.88	1.97	0.92 ^a	0.69 ^a	1.42 ^a	-0.04
Tanzania	2006	1.44	1.59	1.53	3.59	5.07	5.72	4.21	2.68 ^a	0.16	2.15 ^a	2.13 ^a
Togo	2009	4.61	.	4.61	4.89	12.35	7.74	7.59	2.98 ^a	.	0.28	2.85
Uganda	2006	3.08	3.93	3.60	4.32	4.90	3.91	4.45	0.85 ^b	0.85	1.24 ^b	-0.42
Average		1.96	2.07	2.15	3.32	4.19	3.43	3.63	1.48 ^b	0.40	1.51 ^c	0.50

Notes: ^a significant at the 1% level. ^b significant at the 5% level. ^c significant at the 10% level.

Table 8. Productivity of Firms in the Informal and Micro Sector Survey

Panel A: Log value added per employee for firms in countries covered by the Informal Survey

Country	Year	Informal Survey			Enterprise Survey			Differences					
		Unregistered	Registered	All	Small	Medium	Big	All	Enterprise vs Informal	Registered vs Unregistered	Small vs Unregistered	Big vs Small	Big vs Unregistered
Burkina Faso	2003	8.3	.	8.3	9.5	10.0	10.5	10.0	1.6 ^a	.	1.2 ^a	1.0 ^b	2.2 ^a
Cameroon	2006	7.9	.	7.9	8.3	9.3	10.3	9.3	1.4 ^a	.	0.4	2.0 ^a	2.4 ^a
Cape Verde	2006	8.1	7.85	8.1	8.5	9.2	.	8.8	0.7 ^a	-0.3	0.4	.	.
Cape Verde	2009	8.4	.	8.4	9.0	9.7	.	9.1	0.7 ^c	.	0.6	.	.
Egypt	2009	7.0	7.40	7.1	8.9	9.4	9.4	9.2	2.1 ^a	0.4	1.8 ^a	0.6 ^a	2.4 ^a
Kenya	2009	7.8	8.04	7.8	9.6	10.0	10.3	9.9	2.1 ^a	0.3	1.8 ^a	0.7 ^a	2.5 ^a
Niger	2003	.	.	8.2	11.4	10.0	.	10.8	2.6 ^b	.	.	.	.
Senegal	2003	7.2	7.22	7.2	9.1	9.8	10.0	9.5	2.3 ^a	0.0	1.9 ^a	0.9 ^a	2.8 ^a
Tanzania	2003	6.2	.	6.2	.	.	.	8.9	2.6 ^a	.	.	.	.
Uganda	2003	7.2	7.92	7.3	8.7	9.3	10.0	9.1	1.8 ^a	0.8	1.6 ^a	1.3 ^a	2.9 ^a
Average		7.6	7.69	7.7	9.2	9.6	10.1	9.5	1.8 ^a	0.2	1.2 ^a	1.1 ^a	2.5 ^a

Panel B: Log value added per employee for firms in countries covered by the Micro Survey

Country	Year	Micro Survey			Enterprise Survey			Differences					
		Unregistered	Registered	All	Small	Medium	Big	All	Enterprise vs Informal	Registered vs Unregistered	Small vs Unregistered	Big vs Small	Big vs Unregistered
Angola	2006	.	8.3	8.3	9.0	8.9	.	9.0	0.7 ^a	.	.	.	.
Botswana	2006	.	8.8	8.9	9.5	10.0	9.5	9.6	0.8 ^b	.	.	0.0	.
Burkina Faso	2009	8.7	.	8.7	9.5	10.0	10.5	10.0	1.3 ^a	.	0.8	1.0 ^b	1.8 ^a
Burundi	2006	.	7.8	7.9	8.2	9.2	.	8.5	0.6 ^a	.	.	.	.
Cameroon	2009	.	8.4	8.4	8.9	9.8	10.9	9.9	1.4 ^a	.	.	2.0 ^a	.
Cape Verde	2009	8.6	9.0	8.8	9.0	9.7	.	9.1	0.3	0.4	0.5	.	.
Congo, Dem. Rep.	2006	6.9	7.6	7.4	8.2	8.9	8.5	8.5	1.1 ^a	0.7 ^b	1.3 ^a	0.3	1.6 ^a
Gambia, The	2006	6.9	7.4	7.3	8.3	8.8	.	8.5	1.2 ^a	0.5 ^c	1.4 ^a	.	.
Guinea	2006	8.0	8.7	8.5	8.3	8.7	.	8.4	-0.1	0.6 ^c	0.3	.	.
Guinea-Bissau	2006	.	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.4	.	8.3	0.0	.	.	.	.
Ivory Coast	2009	6.7	7.8	7.2	8.3	9.1	10.7	8.9	1.7 ^a	1.0 ^a	1.5 ^a	2.4 ^a	4.0 ^a
Madagascar	2009	.	8.4	8.3	8.2	8.6	8.6	8.5	0.1	.	.	0.3	.
Mauritania	2006	8.4	.	8.2	8.7	9.2	.	8.9	0.8 ^a	.	0.3	.	.
Mauritius	2009	8.3	8.8	8.7	9.2	9.4	10.4	9.5	0.8 ^a	0.5	0.9 ^b	1.2 ^a	2.1 ^a
Namibia	2006	.	7.8	7.5	9.8	10.2	10.4	10.0	2.5 ^a	.	.	0.6 ^b	.
Rwanda	2006	.	8.4	8.3	9.1	9.4	9.1	9.2	0.9 ^a	.	.	0.0	.
Swaziland	2006	.	8.6	8.5	9.8	9.5	9.6	9.6	1.1 ^a	.	.	-0.2	.
Tanzania	2006	7.9	8.2	8.1	8.9	9.7	10.4	9.3	1.2 ^a	0.3	1.0 ^a	1.4 ^a	2.5 ^a
Togo	2009	.	.	8.4	8.8	.	.	9.6	1.1	.	.	.	.
Uganda	2006	8.2	8.4	8.3	8.7	9.0	9.8	8.8	0.5 ^a	0.3 ^a	0.5 ^a	1.0 ^a	1.6 ^a
Average		7.9	8.3	8.2	8.8	9.3	9.9	9.1	0.9 ^a	0.6	0.8 ^a	0.9 ^a	2.3 ^a

Notes: ^a significant at the 1% level. ^b significant at the 5% level. ^c significant at the 10% level.

Table 9. Regressions explaining value added per employee

Informal Survey	-1.5729 ^a (0.2536)	-1.5943 ^a (0.2290)	-1.4886 ^a (0.2000)	-0.8088 ^a (0.2770)	-0.7199 ^a (0.2295)	-0.7308 ^a (0.2356)	-0.6424 ^a (0.2255)	0.2841 ^c (0.1503)
Informal Survey & Registered	0.1565 (0.1408)	0.1554 (0.1382)	0.1253 (0.1153)	-0.0902 (0.1566)	-0.0347 (0.1641)	-0.0299 (0.1644)	-0.0678 (0.1566)	0.0081 (0.0754)
Micro Survey	-1.2945 ^a (0.2440)	-1.2717 ^a (0.2357)	-1.2814 ^a (0.2411)	-0.9916 ^a (0.2324)	-0.7465 ^a (0.1997)	-0.7311 ^a (0.1979)	-0.6541 ^a (0.1841)	0.3645 ^a (0.0854)
Micro Survey & Registered	0.4895 ^a (0.1694)	0.4768 ^a (0.1586)	0.4092 ^b (0.1487)	0.3347 ^a (0.1050)	0.3037 ^a (0.1053)	0.2920 ^b (0.1051)	0.2632 ^b (0.1047)	0.1057 ^b (0.0479)
LN (GDP Per Capita)	0.1957 (0.1300)	0.1796 (0.1236)	0.1818 ^c (0.1036)	0.1594 (0.0950)	0.1537 (0.0912)	0.1718 ^c (0.0877)	0.0672 (0.0686)	
Ln(Raw Materials / Employee)				0.2810 ^a (0.0896)	0.2273 ^b (0.0863)	0.2212 ^b (0.0866)	0.2133 ^b (0.0858)	0.0278 (0.0406)
Ln(Energy/Employee)					0.1637 ^a (0.0322)	0.1535 ^a (0.0309)	0.1440 ^a (0.0299)	0.0333 ^b (0.0140)
Ln(Expenditure Machines / Employee)						0.0280 ^a (0.0064)	0.0248 ^a (0.0063)	-0.0012 (0.0038)
Manager's Education							0.1452 ^a (0.0337)	-0.0599 ^a (0.0175)
Ln(Sales)								0.5648 ^a (0.0381)
Constant	8.9910 ^a (0.1174)	7.5627 ^a (1.0042)	7.2358 ^a (0.9944)	3.7778 ^b (1.3749)	2.9736 ^b (1.1439)	3.0406 ^b (1.1158)	2.7195 ^b (1.0716)	0.6590 (0.6269)
Observations	4,075	4,075	3,955	3,955	3,955	3,955	3,955	3,955
Adjusted R-Squared	14%	15%	19%	34%	38%	39%	40%	66%
Industry Dummies	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Notes: ^a significant at the 1% level. ^b significant at the 5% level. ^c significant at the 10% level.

Table 10: Manager ability and self-selection

Panel A: Probit regressions

	Registered with central government	Firm has ever had a loan	Main buyer are large firm	Occupies a permanent structure	Located in owner's house	Owns building it occupies	Owns the land it occupies	Owns transportation equipment	Owns a generator	Uses email to communicate with clients	Uses website to communicate with clients	Firm has electrical connection
Secondary	0.2869 ^c (0.1644)	0.2544 ^a (0.0806)	0.2416 (0.2254)	0.1396 (0.1673)	0.2473 ^a (0.0825)	-0.1292 (0.1439)	0.0570 (0.1141)	0.0118 (0.1979)	0.3022 ^c (0.1692)	0.4325 ^a (0.0975)	0.4411 ^a (0.1041)	0.6632 ^a (0.1407)
Vocational	0.3932 ^a (0.1453)	0.4450 ^a (0.1627)	0.5228 ^b (0.2379)	0.3674 ^b (0.1840)	0.3561 ^a (0.1301)	-0.1547 (0.1772)	0.1156 (0.1287)	0.4289 ^b (0.1937)	0.2733 ^c (0.1657)	0.5421 ^a (0.1389)	0.5302 ^a (0.1127)	0.7607 ^a (0.2246)
College	0.6917 ^a (0.1916)	0.3228 ^a (0.0994)	0.8350 ^a (0.2682)	0.2853 (0.2122)	0.0354 (0.1164)	0.2301 (0.2500)	0.2650 ^b (0.1036)	0.4140 ^a (0.1097)	0.8488 ^a (0.2269)	1.2567 ^a (0.1452)	1.0111 ^a (0.1113)	1.2099 ^a (0.2204)
Ln(GDP/POP)	0.0447 (0.1959)	-0.0294 (0.0588)	0.0508 (0.1215)	-0.2605 ^a (0.0992)	-0.1220 (0.1251)	-0.1010 (0.2550)	-0.1077 (0.0859)	0.0375 (0.0870)	-0.1220 (0.1199)	0.1119 (0.1160)	0.1004 (0.0891)	-0.0630 (0.1660)
Constant	-0.9911 (1.5093)	-0.8918 ^b (0.4245)	-2.8640 ^a (0.9284)	2.8888 ^a (0.8811)	-0.4320 (0.9311)	0.5201 (1.8687)	0.2025 (0.6188)	-1.6668 ^b (0.7875)	-0.2655 (0.8682)	-1.7767 ^c (0.9104)	-2.5397 ^a (0.6832)	1.0422 (1.3772)
Obs	2,390	2,224	1,288	1,429	1,439	1,494	7,375	1,438	5,308	8,069	8,112	1,439
Pseudo R ²	8%	3%	11%	4%	2%	11%	5%	3%	11%	13%	9%	13%

Notes: ^a significant at the 1% level. ^b significant at the 5% level. ^c significant at the 10% level.

Table 10 -- Manager ability and self-selection (continued)

Panel B: OLS Regressions

	Dependent Variables				
	%Investment financed with internal funds	Expenditure on raw materials / Sales	Expenditure on energy / Sales	Expenditure on machines / Sales	%Capacity utilization
Secondary School	-0.9120 (2.1722)	-0.0237 firms	-0.4084 (0.5400)	-0.7236 (0.7365)	0.9662 (2.0966)
Vocational School	-0.6260 (1.6657)	-0.0100 (0.0187)	-0.5316 (0.4066)	0.6415 (0.7915)	4.6005 ^c (2.3397)
College	-6.6813 ^a (1.9788)	0.0044 (0.0236)	-1.1386 ^b (0.4958)	0.3194 (0.8975)	6.7849 ^a (2.2222)
Ln(GDP/POP)	-4.3642 ^a (1.2611)	-0.0157 (0.0182)	0.1985 (0.2470)	0.8420 (0.6951)	0.7082 (0.6239)
Constant	106.7237 ^a (9.1257)	0.4942 ^a (0.1581)	3.7011 ^c (1.8890)	-0.2367 (4.8612)	56.7218 ^a (5.0422)
Obs	8641	4729	7780	7472	3578
Adj R ²	3%	2%	4%	2%	30%
F-test	12.15 ^a	7.16 ^a	31.34 ^a	8.19 ^a	69.77 ^a
Industry Dummies	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Notes: ^a significant at the 1% level. ^b significant at the 5% level. ^c significant at the 10% level.

Table 11. Obstacles to Doing Business in the Informal and Micro Survey Samples

	Micro Survey			Enterprise Survey			Differences				
	Unregistered	Registered	All	Small	Medium	Big	All	Enterprise vs Micro	Registered vs Unregistered	Small vs Unregistered	Big vs Small
Obstacles (% of firms identifying an obstacle as the most important)											
Macro Instability	4.0%	8.0%	7.0%	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Telecommunications	2.0%	1.9%	2.0%	.	.	.	.	.	-0.1%	.	.
Electricity	17.1%	23.4%	20.0%	30.0%	31.3%	32.9%	30.4%	10.4%	6.3%	12.9% ^c	2.9%
Access to Financing	29.2%	20.0%	23.1%	20.0%	17.7%	14.4%	18.6%	-4.5%	-9.1% ^c	-9.2% ^b	-5.6%
Tax Rates	4.5%	6.3%	5.4%	10.9%	7.6%	9.8%	10.1%	4.7% ^c	1.7%	6.3% ^b	-1.1%
Practices of competitors in the informal economy	9.7%	7.9%	8.5%	9.4%	7.7%	9.3%	8.9%	0.4%	-1.8%	-0.3%	-0.1%
Uneducated Workforce	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	2.3%	3.4%	5.8%	2.8%	2.0% ^c	0.0%	1.5%	3.6%
Political instability	2.8%	2.2%	2.9%	4.5%	6.7%	5.3%	5.0%	2.1%	-0.5%	1.7%	0.8%
Customs and Trade Regulations	1.5%	1.7%	1.7%	2.0%	2.5%	4.8%	2.3%	0.7%	0.1%	0.5%	2.7% ^c
Transportation	6.3%	6.4%	6.5%	3.5%	4.2%	3.8%	3.8%	-2.7% ^c	0.1%	-2.8%	0.3%
Crime	3.4%	4.8%	4.9%	4.7%	4.3%	3.8%	4.6%	-0.3%	1.3%	1.3%	-0.9%
Corruption	1.8%	2.3%	2.0%	4.1%	4.9%	3.0%	4.4%	2.4% ^b	0.5%	2.3% ^b	-1.2%
Tax Administration	1.4%	1.6%	1.4%	1.7%	2.4%	2.8%	2.1%	0.7%	0.2%	0.2%	1.1%
Legal System	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.4%	1.2%	1.4%	0.8%	0.6% ^a	0.2%	0.4% ^b	1.0%
Business licensing and permits	3.8%	2.6%	2.8%	2.5%	2.4%	1.2%	2.3%	-0.4%	-1.2%	-1.4%	-1.2%
Labor Regulations	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%	0.5%	1.2%	1.1%	0.7%	0.5%	0.3% ^c	0.5% ^b	0.6%
Access to Land	7.6%	4.7%	5.4%	3.5%	2.4%	0.5%	3.1%	-2.3% ^c	-2.8%	-4.0% ^b	-3.0% ^a

Table 12: Costs and benefits of registering

Panel A: Percentage of Informal Survey respondents rating the following as either the most important or second most important benefit that their firm could obtain from registering

	Burkina Faso	Cape Verde	Mauritius	Madagascar	Nepal	Average
Better access to financing	63%	70%	72%	67%	64%	67%
Better access to raw materials	27%	32%	46%	25%	6%	27%
Better access to markets	13%	14%	17%	14%	4%	12%
Less bribes to pay	26%	15%	2%	16%	0%	12%
Better opportunities with formal firms	5%	10%	15%	3%	10%	9%
More access to government programs or services	8%	1%	9%	9%	12%	8%
Better legal foundations on the property	3%	3%	6%	10%	4%	5%
Better access to infrastructure service	2%	0%	4%	6%	0%	2%

Table 12: Costs and benefits of registering (continued)

Panel B: Percentage of Micro Survey respondents that indicate that the following present either a "major obstacle" or a "very serious obstacle" with respect to registering a business

	Angola	Burundi	Botswana	Ivory Coast	Gambia	Guinea Bissau	Guinea	Madagascar	Mauritius	Namibia	Rwanda	Swaziland	Tanzania	Uganda	Average
Bribes that registered firms need to pay	.	.	.	85%	.	.	.	20%	.	.	.	.	.	.	52%
Financial burden of taxes	12%	28%	12%	79%	27%	34%	55%	46%	19%	15%	30%	20%	37%	60%	34%
Financial cost of completing registration	22%	28%	13%	70%	24%	40%	42%	30%	14%	26%	4%	22%	28%	48%	29%
Administrative burden complying with Minimum capital requirements	17%	20%	7%	63%	14%	43%	43%	37%	23%	8%	9%	12%	31%	35%	26%
Other administrative burdens	16%	17%	11%	76%	10%	35%	34%	27%	16%	7%	2%	9%	20%	23%	22%
Time to complete registration	28%	12%	15%	63%	9%	13%	25%	20%	11%	18%	3%	18%	11%	31%	20%
Difficulty of getting information	14%	1%	14%	58%	12%	17%	30%	19%	10%	22%	5%	14%	9%	23%	18%
Labor market rules	4%	18%	9%	48%	6%	23%	41%	9%	23%	3%	1%	20%	9%	7%	16%