VARIABLE DESCRIPTIONS FOR SOCCER_DATA.DTA

Identification Variables

PLAYER_ID
Player Identification Number

PLAYER_NAME
Player Name
Source: ESPN Soccernet

NATIONALITY
Name of Player Country of Origin
Source: ESPN Soccernet

NATION
Player Country of Origin (World Bank Country Code)
Source: ESPN Soccernet

YEAR
Soccer Season
Source: ESPN Soccernet

TEAM
Player Team
Source: ESPN Soccernet

POSITION
Player Field Position
Source: ESPN Soccernet

LEAGUE
Player League
Source: ESPN Soccernet

NUM_COUNTRY
Total observations from player’s country of origin
1. Violence Variables

YELLOW_CARD
Yellow cards per player-season
Source: ESPN Soccernet

RED_CARD
Red cards per player-season
Source: ESPN Soccernet

2. Civil Conflict Variables

CIVWAR
Number of civil war years in home country (1980-2005)
Source: PRIO/Uppsala Armed Conflict Data

WAR BEFORE
Number of civil war years pre-birth
Source: PRIO/Uppsala Armed Conflict Data

WAR AFTER
Number of civil war years post-birth
Source: PRIO/Uppsala Armed Conflict Data

3. Control Variables

A. Country Characteristics

R LAW
Degree of rule of law (2005-2006)
Source: Worldwide Governance Indicators (WGI)

INCOME
Income per capita (PPP) (2006 USD)
Source: World Development Indicators (2007)

LN_INCOME
Log of income
Source: World Development Indicators (2007)
B. Player Characteristics

AGE
Age
Source: ESPN Soccernet

WEEKLY_WAGE
Weekly Salary (in ‘000 USD)
Sources: Football Manager, 2005, and World Soccer Manager, 2006

LN_WAGE
Log of weekly_wage
Sources: Football Manager, 2005, and World Soccer Manager, 2006

CONTRACT
Transfer Fee (in ‘000 USD)
Sources: Football Manager, 2005, and World Soccer Manager, 2006

LN_CONTRACT
Log of contract
Sources: Football Manager, 2005, and World Soccer Manager, 2006

GAMES_START
Number of games started per player-season
Source: ESPN Soccernet

GAMES_SUB
Number of games as substitute per player-season
Source: ESPN Soccernet

GOALIE
Player field position indicator. Coded “1” if goalie, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet

DEFENDER
Player field position indicator. Coded “1” if defender, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet

FORWARD
Player field position indicator. Coded “1” if forward, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet
**MIDFIELD**
Player field position indicator. Coded “1” if midfield, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet

**GOALS**
Number of goals scored per player-season
Source: ESPN Soccernet

**C. Player Regions of Origin**

**AFRICA**
Region of origin indicator. Coded “1” if Africa, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet

**ASIA**
Region of origin indicator. Coded “1” if Asia, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet

**LAC**
Region of origin indicator. Coded “1” if Latin America or Caribbean, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet

**EAST_EUROPE**
Region of origin indicator. Coded “1” if Eastern Europe, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet

**OECD**
Region of origin indicator. Coded “1” if OECD, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet

**D. Soccer Leagues**

**ENGLISH**
League indicator. Coded “1” if English Premier League, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet

**CHAMPIONS**
League indicator. Coded “1” if UEFA Champions League, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet
FRENCH
League indicator. Coded “1” if French League, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet

GERMAN
League indicator. Coded “1” if German League, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet

ITALIAN
League indicator. Coded “1” if Italian League, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet

SPANISH
League indicator. Coded “1” if Spanish League, “0” otherwise.
Source: ESPN Soccernet