

Online Resource 1

Supplementary tables for “Dining Opportunities in Transition: Restaurant Spending-Tier Recomposition in Beijing, 2019-2025”

This Online Resource provides supplementary tables on the restaurant-category scope, measurement sensitivity, state-transition robustness, model standardization, full model uncertainty, and diagnostic checks for the analyses reported in the manuscript.

S1. Sample definition and measurement sensitivity

Table S1 provides the included restaurant-category scope and the two measurement sensitivity checks used in the manuscript. The included categories refer to restaurant establishment types that commonly serve main meals in the study context. The spending-tier thresholds were calculated from valid 2019 platform-recorded per-person spending values and then applied as fixed nominal thresholds to both 2019 and 2025.

Table S1. Included restaurant categories and measurement sensitivity.

Panel A. Final included restaurant categories.

Included category 1	Included category 2	Included category 3
Snacks and quick-service meals	Other food services	Hot pot
Noodle and rice-noodle restaurants	Barbecue and skewers	Sichuan cuisine
Beijing cuisine	Home-style Chinese cuisine	Western cuisine
Northeastern Chinese cuisine	General food category	Noodle restaurants
Hunan cuisine	Japanese cuisine	Buffet restaurants
Grilled meat	Cantonese cuisine	Other regional Chinese cuisines
Korean cuisine	Xinjiang cuisine	Rural-style Chinese cuisine
Freshwater and seafood	Northwestern Chinese	Specialty cuisine

Included category 1	Included category 2	Included category 3
restaurants	cuisine	
Crayfish restaurants	Private-kitchen restaurants	Shanghai/Jiangsu-Zhejiang cuisine
Other platform categories	Fish restaurants	Regional cuisines
Creative cuisine	Anhui cuisine	Jiangsu-Zhejiang cuisine
Southeast Asian cuisine	Shandong cuisine	Korean-style cuisine
Yunnan-Guizhou cuisine	Vegetarian cuisine	Hubei cuisine
Taiwanese cuisine	Jiangxi cuisine	Russian cuisine
Fish and seafood	Fujian cuisine	Luosifen rice noodles
Japanese-style cuisine	Middle Eastern cuisine	Morning tea and dim sum
Afternoon tea restaurants		

Note. Category labels are English translations of the platform categories retained for the 2019 and 2025 restaurant sample; the same inclusion scope was applied in both years.

Panel B. Fixed-threshold sensitivity.

Threshold scheme	Low cutoff (CNY)	High cutoff (CNY)	Low share, 2019	Low share, 2025	Low change (pp)	Mid dle share, 2019	Mid dle share, 2025	Mid dle chan ge (pp)	High share, 2019	High share, 2025	High chan ge (pp)
P15/P85	22	112	0.155	0.190	+3.6	0.698	0.712	+1.4	0.147	0.097	-5.0
P20/P80	25	101	0.213	0.267	+5.4	0.591	0.605	+1.4	0.196	0.128	-6.8

Th res hol d sch em e	Low cuto ff (CNY)	High cuto ff (CNY)	Low shar e, 2019	Low shar e, 2025	Low chan ge (pp)	Mid dle shar e, 2019	Mid dle shar e, 2025	Mid dle chan ge (pp)	High shar e, 2019	High shar e, 2025	High chan ge (pp)
P2 5/ P7 5	27	92	0.25 0	0.31 6	+6.6	0.50 2	0.51 8	+1.5	0.24 7	0.16 6	-8.1
P3 0/ P7 0	30	84	0.30 4	0.38 4	+8.1	0.39 9	0.40 4	+0.5	0.29 7	0.21 1	-8.6

Note. Cutoffs were calculated from valid 2019 platform-recorded per-person spending records and applied to both years. Shares are record-level shares among valid spending records.

Panel C. Spending-data coverage sensitivity.

Samp le restri ction	Units (n)	Median coverag e-rate change (pp)	Median low-tier change (pp)	Low-tier increase (%)	Median middle- tier change (pp)	Median high-tier change (pp)	High- tier decreas e (%)
All stable units	1335	24.2	5.0	62.5	1.0	-4.5	62.6
No incre ase in spend ing- data cover age rate	128	-6.6	9.1	72.7	0.0	-7.2	70.3

Sample restriction	Units (n)	Median coverage-rate change (pp)	Median low-tier change (pp)	Low-tier increase (%)	Median middle-tier change (pp)	Median high-tier change (pp)	High-tier decrease (%)
Absolute coverage-rate change <= 5 pp	117	1.1	7.5	70.1	-2.1	-4.3	68.4
Absolute coverage-rate change <= 10 pp	240	2.8	6.9	65.4	1.0	-5.0	66.2
Absolute coverage-rate change <= 15 pp	392	6.4	6.7	66.6	0.0	-4.7	64.3

Note. Coverage rate is the share of included restaurant records with valid platform-recorded per-person spending in a unit and year. Across all stable units, correlations between coverage-rate change and tier-share change were small (low-tier: Pearson $r=-0.070$, Spearman $\rho=-0.078$; middle-tier: Pearson $r=0.042$, Spearman $\rho=0.054$; high-tier: Pearson $r=0.029$, Spearman $\rho=0.044$).

S2. State classification and transition robustness

Table S2 extends the transition analysis by showing the full matrix with low-sample states, the largest transition paths, and the sensitivity of classifications to annual valid-record and dominance-share thresholds. Low-sample states indicate units that did not meet the annual minimum valid-record threshold for assigning a spending-tier state.

Table S2. Complete transition pathways and classification robustness.

Panel A. Complete transition matrix including the low-sample state.

2019 state	Low- sample	Low-tier dominant	Middle- tier dominant	High-tier dominant	Mixed- balanced	Row total
Low- sample	4694	76	406	34	56	5266
Low- tier domin ant	14	22	46	0	11	93
Middle -tier domin ant	57	40	874	8	62	1041
High- tier domin ant	10	1	45	46	28	130
Mixed- balanc ed	12	19	97	1	35	164
Colum n total	4787	158	1468	89	192	6694

Note. Cell values are counts of 500 m units. Columns refer to 2025 states and rows refer to 2019 states.

Panel B1. Largest main transition paths under the primary m=5 rule.

Transition path	Hexagons (n)	Share of full grid (%)
Middle-tier dominant -> Middle-tier dominant	874	13.06
Low-sample -> Middle-tier dominant	406	6.07
Mixed-balanced -> Middle-tier dominant	97	1.45
Low-sample -> Low-tier dominant	76	1.14
Middle-tier dominant -> Mixed-balanced	62	0.93
Middle-tier dominant -> Low-sample	57	0.85
Low-sample -> Mixed-balanced	56	0.84
Low-tier dominant -> Middle-tier dominant	46	0.69
High-tier dominant -> High-tier dominant	46	0.69
High-tier dominant -> Middle-tier dominant	45	0.67

Note. The full grid contains 6,694 500 m units; percentages use this denominator.

Panel B2. Robustness to the annual valid-record threshold.

Annual valid- record threshold (m)	Path total excluding persistent low- sample	Top five paths	Persistenc e paths (n)	Formatio n paths (n)	Middle- tier persistenc e (n)	Middle- tier formation (n)
3	2112	Middle -tier domin ant -> Middle -tier domin ant (1043); Low- sample -> Middle -tier domin ant (373); Mixed- balanc ed -> Middle -tier domin ant (129); Low- sample -> Low- tier domin ant (89); Middle	1102	527	1043	373

Annual valid- record threshold (m)	Path total excluding persistent low- sample	Top five paths	Persistenc e paths (n)	Formatio n paths (n)	Middle- tier persistenc e (n)	Middle- tier formation (n)
		-tier domin ant -> Low- sample (81)				
5	1805	Middle -tier domin ant -> Middle -tier domin ant (874); Low- sample -> Middle -tier domin ant (406); Mixed- balanc ed -> Middle -tier domin ant (97); Low- sample ->	920	538	874	406

Annual valid- record threshold (m)	Path total excluding persistent low- sample	Top five paths	Persistenc e paths (n)	Formatio n paths (n)	Middle- tier persistenc e (n)	Middle- tier formation (n)
		Low- tier domin ant (76); Middle -tier domin ant -> Mixed- balanc ed (62)				
10	1312	Middle -tier domin ant -> Middle -tier domin ant (602); Low- sample -> Middle -tier domin ant (361); Mixed- balanc ed -> Middle -tier	652	472	602	361

Annual valid- record threshold (m)	Path total excluding persistent low- sample	Top five paths	Persistenc e paths (n)	Formatio n paths (n)	Middle- tier persistenc e (n)	Middle- tier formation (n)
		dominant (70); Low- sample -> Low- tier dominant (63); Low- sample -> Mixed- balanced (48)				
15	1026	Middle -tier dominant -> Middle -tier dominant (423); Low- sample -> Middle -tier dominant (348);	457	442	423	348

Annual valid- record threshold (m)	Path total excluding persistent low- sample	Top five paths	Persistenc e paths (n)	Formatio n paths (n)	Middle- tier persistenc e (n)	Middle- tier formation (n)
		Mixed- balanc ed -> Middle -tier domin ant (52); Low- sample -> Low- tier domin ant (49); Low- sample -> Mixed- balanc ed (45)				
20	807	Low- sample -> Middle -tier domin ant (313); Middle -tier domin ant ->	327	395	304	313

Annual valid- record threshold (m)	Path total excluding persistent low- sample	Top five paths	Persistenc e paths (n)	Formatio n paths (n)	Middle- tier persistenc e (n)	Middle- tier formation (n)
		Middle -tier domin ant (304); Mixed- balanc ed -> Middle -tier domin ant (43); Low- sample -> Low- tier domin ant (38); Low- sample -> Mixed- balanc ed (37)				

Note. The threshold m is the minimum number of valid spending records required to assign an annual state. Persistent low-sample paths are omitted from Panel B2 so that the table focuses on interpretable state paths. Rare direct low-high switches should be read from the complete primary matrix in Panel A and the dominance-threshold summary in Panel C.

Panel C. Robustness to the dominance-share threshold.

Domina nce- share threshol d	Units identifi able in both years (n)	Persiste nt structur e (%)	Middle- tier persiste nce (n)	Middle- tier formati on (n)	High- tier formati on (n)	High-to- middle among high- tier exits (%)	Direct low- high switche s (n)
0.30	1335	78.05	960	415	34	71.11	7
0.35	1335	78.05	960	415	34	71.11	7
0.40	1335	77.83	958	415	34	70.79	6
0.45	1335	77.00	938	409	34	65.17	4
0.50	1335	73.18	874	406	34	53.57	1
0.55	1335	65.54	684	378	28	38.33	0
0.60	1335	63.15	522	317	25	17.31	0
0.65	1335	63.22	302	247	14	10.71	0
0.70	1335	67.49	172	205	12	10.00	0
0.75	1335	72.51	77	155	10	0.00	0
0.80	1335	80.90	36	116	9	0.00	0

Note. The primary manuscript threshold is 0.50. Higher thresholds classify more units as mixed-balanced unless one tier reaches a stronger majority. The threshold-specific transition matrices are also provided in the machine-readable supplementary file

table_s2_machine_readable_dominance_transition_matrices_long.csv.

S3. Extended variable measurement and standardization parameters

Table S3 complements the main-text variable definitions by documenting model fields, transformations, standardization parameters, and availability checks used in the main spatial association models. Continuous variables were z-standardized using the mean and population standard deviation calculated from non-missing observations among the 1,335 stable comparable units; for transformed variables, these parameters were calculated after applying the transformation shown in the table.

Table S3. Standardization, availability, and extended measurement notes.

Main-text variable name	Model variable / source field	Transform	Standardization mean	Standardization SD	Non-missing N	Final model availability	Extended measurement note
Initial low-tier share (2019)	fixed_low_share_2019	Share; z-standardized	0.210	0.160	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Initial high-tier share (2019)	fixed_high_share_2019	Share; z-standardized	0.193	0.189	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Restaurant supply (2019)	n_restaurants_2019_log1p	log(1+x); z-standardized	3.509	0.720	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Distance to Tiananmen	dist_tiananmen_km	Distance in km; z-standardized	9.262	4.707	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in	

Main-text variable name	Model variable / source field	Transformation	Standardization mean	Standardization SD	Non-missing N	Final model availability	Extended measurement note
						complete-case model.	
Distance to nearest commercial center	dist_commercial_center_km	Distance in km; z-standardized	3.560	2.460	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Nearest commercial center level: secondary vs. primary	commercial_center_level_2	Binary indicator; not z-standardized	Not standardized	Not standardized	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	Primary commercial centers are the reference category.
Distance to nearest metro station	dist_metro_km_2020	Distance in km; z-standardized	0.739	0.698	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Metro stations within	metro_station_count_80	Count; z-standard	1.291	1.189	1335	Available for all stable	

Main-text variable name	Model variable / source field	Transformation	Standardization mean	Standardization SD	Non-missing N	Final model availability	Extended measurement note
800 m	0m_2020	dized				units; retained in complete-case model.	
Bus stops within 500 m	bus_stop_count_500m_2020	Count; z-standardized	4.418	2.170	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Road network density	road_density_km_per_km2	Density; z-standardized	16.655	7.862	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Building coverage ratio	building_coverage_ratio_2019	Share; z-standardized	0.241	0.069	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	

Main-text variable name	Model variable / source field	Transform	Standardization mean	Standardization SD	Non-missing N	Final model availability	Extended measurement note
Floor-area ratio (proxy)	buildin_g_floor_area_ratio_proxy_2019_log1p	log(1+x); z-standardized	0.936	0.269	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	This is a built-form proxy, not an official parcel-level FAR.
Commercial-service land-use share	euluc_commercial_service_ratio_2018	Share; z-standardized	0.022	0.086	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Business-office land-use share	euluc_business_office_ratio_2018	Share; z-standardized	0.040	0.103	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Residential land-use share	euluc_residential_ratio_2018	Share; z-standardized	0.489	0.286	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in	

Main-text variable name	Model variable / source field	Transformation	Standardization mean	Standardization SD	Non-missing N	Final model availability	Extended measurement note
						complete-case model.	
POI diversity	poi_diversity_2018	Shannon entropy ; z-standardized	2.339	0.219	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Shopping POI density	shopping_poi_density_2018_log1p	log(1+x) ; z-standardized	5.093	0.969	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Leisure-service POI density	leisure_poi_density_2018_log1p	log(1+x) ; z-standardized	3.083	1.064	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Tourism-accom	tourism_hotel_poi_density	log(1+x) ; z-standardized	3.406	1.251	1335	Available for all stable	

Main-text variable name	Model variable / source field	Transformation	Standardization mean	Standardization SD	Non-missing N	Final model availability	Extended measurement note
modation POI density	ty_2018_log1p	dized				units; retained in complete-case model.	
Office-company POI density	office_company_poi_density_2018_log1p	log(1+x) ; z-standardized	4.569	1.138	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Residential POI density	residential_poi_density_2018_log1p	log(1+x) ; z-standardized	3.886	0.891	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Restaurant-category diversity	restaurant_category_entropy_2019	Shannon entropy ; z-standardized	1.601	0.419	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	

Main-text variable name	Model variable / source field	Transform	Standardization mean	Standardization SD	Non-missing N	Final model availability	Extended measurement note
Platform review intensity	review_count_log_mean_2019	Mean log(1+review count); z-standardized	2.963	1.023	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	Platform-visible review activity based on review counts.
Population density	population_density_2020	Density; z-standardized	21395.599	8793.313	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Floating-population share	pop_out_ratio	Share; z-standardized	0.554	0.116	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in complete-case model.	
Population aged 60+ share	pop_share_60p	Share; z-standardized	0.222	0.049	1335	Available for all stable units; retained in	

Main-text variable name	Model variable / source field	Transform	Standardization mean	Standardization SD	Non-missing N	Final model availability	Extended measurement note
						complete-case model.	
Nearby median housing price	housing_nearby_price_median_2018_2019_log1p	log(1+x) ; z-standardized	11.168	0.296	1327	Available for 1,327 units; determines the complete-case model sample.	Eight stable units lacked nearby housing-market variables.
Median built year of nearby housing	housing_nearby_build_year_median	Median year; z-standardized	1997.630	7.293	1327	Available for 1,327 units; determines the complete-case model sample.	Eight stable units lacked nearby housing-market variables.

Note. Standardization means and standard deviations were calculated after the transformation shown in the Transform column. The commercial-center indicator was not z-standardized. Models used complete cases, leaving 1,327 units after excluding 8 units with missing housing-market variables. Platform review intensity refers to platform-visible review activity based on review counts.

S4. Model results, robustness, and diagnostics

Table S4 provides the complete uncertainty information corresponding to the main spatial association estimates. Coefficients are expressed in percentage

points. Low- and high-tier equations were independently estimated using OLS with HC3 robust p-values. Middle-tier coefficients were derived from compositional closure as the negative sum of the low- and high-tier coefficients; no independent middle-tier regression p-values are reported. All 95% confidence intervals are percentile intervals from 5,000 paired-bootstrap resamples.

Table S4. Complete model uncertainty table.

Variable	Low coef.	Low p	Low 95% CI	Middle coef.	Middle 95% CI	High coef.	High p	High 95% CI
Initial low-tier share (2019)	-11.20	3.76e-9	[-12.12, -10.25]	11.19	[10.19, 12.18]	0.00	0.991	[-0.72, 0.74]
Initial high-tier share (2019)	-2.03	4.57e-6	[-2.84, -1.14]	10.67	[9.56, 11.78]	-8.64	2.87e-4	[-9.76, -7.60]
Restaurant supply (2019)	-0.14	0.786	[-1.13, 0.82]	0.97	[-0.11, 2.08]	-0.83	0.064	[-1.71, 0.06]
Distance to Tiananmen	-0.82	0.360	[-2.57, 0.90]	0.86	[-0.94, 2.69]	-0.04	0.960	[-1.42, 1.32]

Variable	Low coef.	Low p	Low 95% CI	Middle coef.	Middle 95% CI	High coef.	High p	High 95% CI
Distance to nearest commercial center	1.01	0.081	[-0.10, 2.15]	-0.16	[-1.37, 1.07]	-0.85	0.069	[-1.74, 0.06]
Near est commercial center level : secondary vs. primary	1.14	0.363	[-1.33, 3.66]	-0.95	[-3.57, 1.70]	-0.20	0.864	[-2.41, 2.02]
Distance to nearest metro station	-0.28	0.574	[-1.23, 0.63]	0.50	[-0.53, 1.57]	-0.23	0.456	[-0.83, 0.32]
Metro	-0.07	0.863	[-0.91, 0.74]	0.52	[-0.36, 1.44]	-0.45	0.238	[-1.17, 0.29]

Variable	Low coef.	Low p	Low 95% CI	Middle coef.	Middle 95% CI	High coef.	High p	High 95% CI
stations within in 800 m								
Bus stop s with in 500 m	0.12	0.750	[-0.58, 0.83]	-0.11	[-0.88, 0.65]	-0.00	0.998	[-0.56, 0.57]
Road netw ork dens ity	-1.00	0.018	[-1.82, -0.17]	0.69	[-0.19, 1.57]	0.32	0.384	[-0.40, 1.02]
Buil ding cove rage ratio	-0.77	0.058	[-1.55, 0.00]	0.96	[0.10, 1.84]	-0.19	0.555	[-0.83, 0.44]
Floo r- area ratio (pro xy)	0.37	0.459	[-0.58, 1.36]	-0.81	[-1.87, 0.25]	0.44	0.303	[-0.37, 1.30]
Com mer cial- servi ce land -use	-0.38	0.290	[-1.05, 0.32]	-0.10	[-1.02, 0.76]	0.48	0.217	[-0.22, 1.27]

Variable	Low coef.	Low p	Low 95% CI	Middle coef.	Middle 95% CI	High coef.	High p	High 95% CI
share								
Business-office land-use share	-0.63	0.114	[-1.43, 0.10]	-0.36	[-1.15, 0.53]	0.99	0.024	[0.16, 1.82]
Residential land-use share	0.18	0.677	[-0.69, 1.04]	-0.23	[-1.18, 0.73]	0.05	0.904	[-0.72, 0.82]
POI diversity	0.69	0.079	[-0.07, 1.45]	-0.03	[-0.92, 0.92]	-0.66	0.126	[-1.54, 0.14]
Shopping POI density	0.17	0.744	[-0.80, 1.13]	-0.01	[-1.08, 1.13]	-0.16	0.742	[-1.09, 0.77]
Leisure-service POI density	-0.28	0.549	[-1.20, 0.63]	-1.01	[-2.06, -0.02]	1.29	0.001	[0.53, 2.06]
Tourism- acco	-1.00	0.037	[-1.92, -0.06]	1.28	[0.32, 2.29]	-0.28	0.451	[-1.01, 0.45]

Variable	Low coef.	Low p	Low 95% CI	Middle coef.	Middle 95% CI	High coef.	High p	High 95% CI
mm odati on POI dens ity								
Offic e- com pany POI dens ity	0.44	0.361	[-0.45, 1.38]	-0.73	[-1.76, 0.25]	0.29	0.434	[-0.42, 1.02]
Resi dent ial POI dens ity	0.57	0.251	[-0.37, 1.53]	-0.65	[-1.76, 0.42]	0.08	0.834	[-0.67, 0.81]
Rest aura nt- cate gory dive rsity	-0.65	0.183	[-1.63, 0.28]	0.81	[-0.15, 1.80]	-0.15	0.653	[-0.80, 0.53]
Platf orm revi ew inte nsity	-2.38	2.35e-0 8	[-3.20, -1.56]	1.41	[0.46, 2.36]	0.96	0.022	[0.16, 1.76]
Popu latio n dens	1.17	0.005	[0.34, 1.95]	-0.01	[-0.87, 0.87]	-1.17	6.56e-0 4	[-1.81, -0.53]

Variable	Low coef.	Low p	Low 95% CI	Middle coef.	Middle 95% CI	High coef.	High p	High 95% CI
ity								
Float ing- pop ulati on shar e	-0.36	0.524	[-1.43, 0.70]	-0.12	[-1.33, 1.07]	0.47	0.325	[-0.46, 1.44]
Popu latio n aged 60+ shar e	0.16	0.755	[-0.82, 1.20]	-0.71	[-1.82, 0.40]	0.55	0.199	[-0.26, 1.39]
Near by medi an hous ing price	-0.86	0.151	[-2.03, 0.29]	-0.24	[-1.48, 1.03]	1.10	0.017	[0.21, 2.00]
Medi an built year of near by hous ing	0.51	0.190	[-0.26, 1.26]	0.29	[-0.54, 1.12]	-0.80	0.018	[-1.45, -0.16]

Note. All 95% confidence intervals are percentile intervals from 5,000 paired-bootstrap resamples. Low- and high-tier p-values are HC3 robust p-values from independently estimated equations. Middle-tier estimates are derived from

compositional closure and report only the derived coefficient and paired-bootstrap confidence interval; no middle-tier p-value is reported.

Table S5 documents robustness and diagnostics for the main spatial association models.

Table S5. Robustness and diagnostic summary.

Check	Setting	Result	Interpretive use
Complete-case sample	Main OLS-HC3 model using complete cases for baseline composition, restaurant supply, spatial covariates, population covariates, and nearby housing covariates.	Final model N = 1,327; 8 stable units lacked housing-market variables.	Defines the estimation sample for the main spatial association models.
Residual Moran's I	Directed row-standardized 8-nearest-neighbor weights from hexagon centroids, zero diagonal, 999 two-sided permutations; applied to residuals from the main model.	low I=-0.006, p=0.677; high I=0.055, p=0.001; middle I=0.018, p=0.159	Residual spatial autocorrelation was retained as a diagnostic; spatial-HAC inference was used for coefficient robustness.
Prediction bounds	Fitted changes from the main model compared with each unit's feasible change interval implied by its 2019 baseline share.	low 1 (0.08%); middle 0 (0.00%); high 105 (7.91%)	Coefficients were interpreted as average conditional associations rather than bounded unit-level predictions.

Check	Setting	Result	Interpretive use
Spatial-HAC inference	Main low- and high-tier equations; symmetric Gaussian kernel; bandwidths set to the median distance to the 4th, 8th, and 12th nearest neighbor (0.500, 1.000, and 1.323 km); finite-sample correction $n/(n-k_params)$.	All low- and high-tier associations that met the HC3 evidence criterion retained $p < .05$ and the same coefficient sign under symmetric Gaussian spatial-HAC inference (k=4: 13/13; k=8: 13/13; k=12: 13/13).	Supports robustness of the main low- and high-tier inference to spatial dependence.
Weighted least squares	Weighted model using <code>weight_min_valid</code> = the smaller valid-spending-record count across 2019 and 2025 in each unit; HC3 p-values retained.	12/13 main associations that met the HC3 evidence criterion retained the same sign; 9/13 retained $p < .05$ with the same sign.	Used as a weighting sensitivity check based on the smaller valid-record count across the two years.
Stable sample threshold $m=10$	Stable comparable units redefined as units with at least 10 valid spending records in both 2019 and 2025; the main model was re-estimated on complete cases.	12/13 comparable main associations that met the HC3 evidence criterion retained the same sign; 5/13 retained $p < .05$ with the same sign. Both low- and high-tier equations used $n=865$.	Used as a robustness comparison; terms not present in the alternative specification were not counted.
Stable sample threshold $m=15$	Stable comparable units	12/13 comparable main associations	Used as a robustness

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	redefined as units with at least 15 valid spending records in both 2019 and 2025; the main model was re-estimated on complete cases.	that met the HC3 evidence criterion retained the same sign; 6/13 retained $p < .05$ with the same sign. Both low- and high-tier equations used $n=598$.	comparison; terms not present in the alternative specification were not counted.
Alternative demographic age specification	Replace population aged 60+ share with population aged 15-59 share; the main model was otherwise unchanged.	13/13 comparable main associations that met the HC3 evidence criterion retained the same sign; 13/13 retained $p < .05$ with the same sign. Both low- and high-tier equations used $n=1,327$.	Used as a robustness comparison; terms not present in the alternative specification were not counted.
Alternative centrality specification	Replace distance to Tiananmen with categorical urban ring-zone controls; the main model was otherwise unchanged.	13/13 comparable main associations that met the HC3 evidence criterion retained the same sign; 13/13 retained $p < .05$ with the same sign. Both low- and high-tier equations used $n=1,327$.	Used as a robustness comparison; terms not present in the alternative specification were not counted.
Alternative land-use mix specification	Replace three EULUC land-use shares with EULUC land-use	12/12 comparable main associations that met the HC3 evidence criterion	Used as a robustness comparison; terms not present

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	mix entropy; the main model was otherwise unchanged.	retained the same sign; 11/12 retained $p < .05$ with the same sign. Both low- and high-tier equations used $n=1,327$.	in the alternative specification were not counted.
Alternative built-form specification	Drop floor-area ratio (proxy), retaining building coverage ratio as the built-form control; the main model was otherwise unchanged.	13/13 comparable main associations that met the HC3 evidence criterion retained the same sign; 13/13 retained $p < .05$ with the same sign. Both low- and high-tier equations used $n=1,327$.	Used as a robustness comparison; terms not present in the alternative specification were not counted.
Alternative platform-review specification	Replace platform review intensity with median platform rating in 2019; the main model was otherwise unchanged.	11/11 comparable main associations that met the HC3 evidence criterion retained the same sign; 11/11 retained $p < .05$ with the same sign. Both low- and high-tier equations used $n=1,327$.	Used as a robustness comparison; terms not present in the alternative specification were not counted.
Alternative road-accessibility specification	Replace road network density with intersection density; the main model was	12/12 comparable main associations that met the HC3 evidence criterion retained the same	Used as a robustness comparison; terms not present in the alternative

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	otherwise unchanged.	sign; 12/12 retained $p < .05$ with the same sign. Both low- and high-tier equations used $n=1,327$.	specification were not counted.
Alternative restaurant-scale specification	Replace log restaurant supply count with an area-normalized restaurant-supply measure; the main model was otherwise unchanged.	13/13 comparable main associations that met the HC3 evidence criterion retained the same sign; 13/13 retained $p < .05$ with the same sign. Both low- and high-tier equations used $n=1,327$.	Used as a robustness comparison; terms not present in the alternative specification were not counted.
Specification excluding housing-market variables	Model excluding nearby median housing price and median built year of nearby housing; otherwise the same covariate blocks as the main model.	11/11 comparable main associations that met the HC3 evidence criterion retained the same sign; 11/11 retained $p < .05$ with the same sign; 2 main terms were not present in this comparison.	Checks whether non-housing associations depend on housing controls.
Comparison without baseline composition	Model excluding initial low-tier and high-tier shares while retaining the remaining main-	8/10 comparable main associations that met the HC3 evidence criterion retained the same sign; 1/10 retained	Used as an interpretive boundary for the role of baseline composition controls.

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	model covariate blocks.	p < .05 with the same sign; 3 main terms were not present in this comparison.	
Multicollinearity diagnostics	Main complete-case design matrix; VIF by predictor and condition indices from the scaled model matrix.	Maximum VIF = 6.69 (1 term > 5; 0 terms > 10). Maximum condition index = 7.84 (0 dimensions > 15; 0 dimensions > 30).	Used to assess multicollinearity in the main complete-case design matrix.

Note. Counts of retained associations refer to low- and high-tier associations in the main model that met the HC3 evidence criterion. Alternative specifications were used to assess direction and inference stability, not to replace the main baseline-adjusted model.