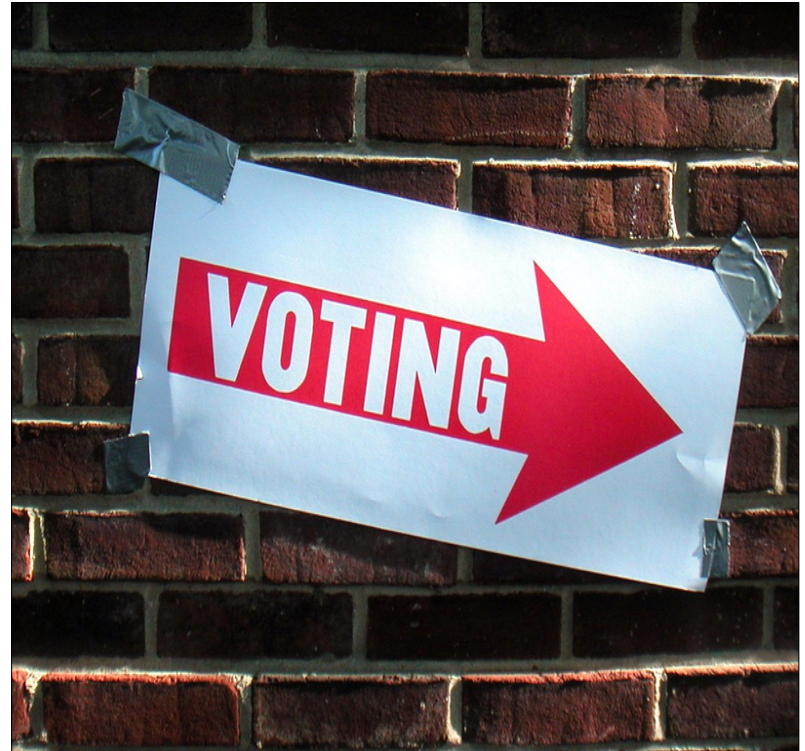


Why do immigrant not vote more often when they are given the opportunity?

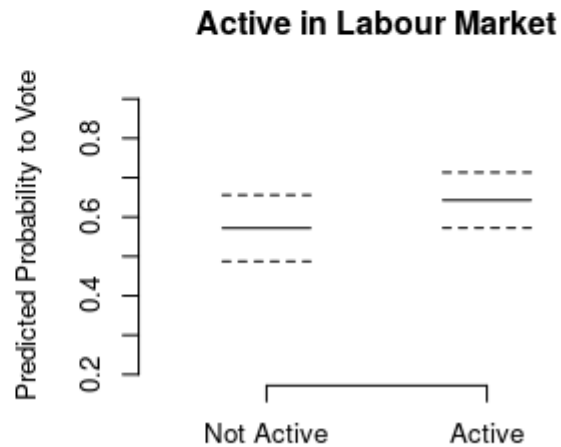
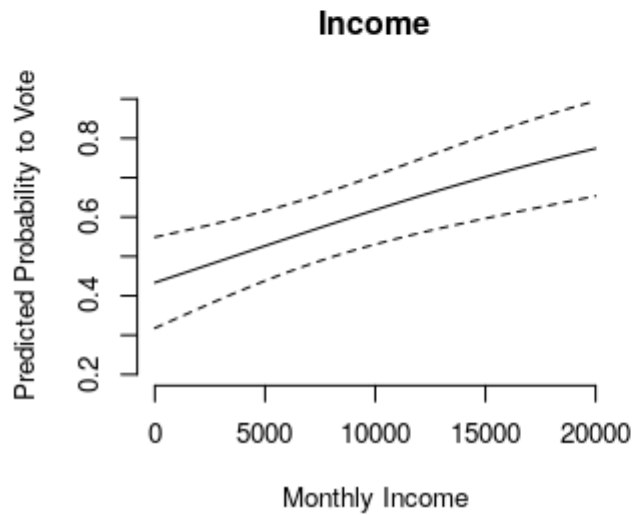
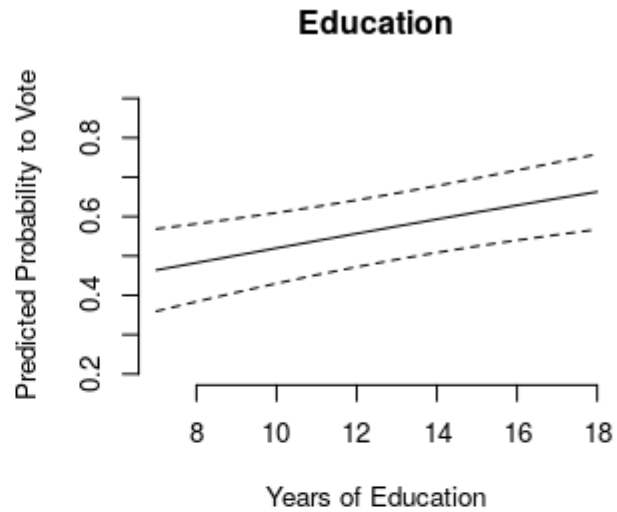
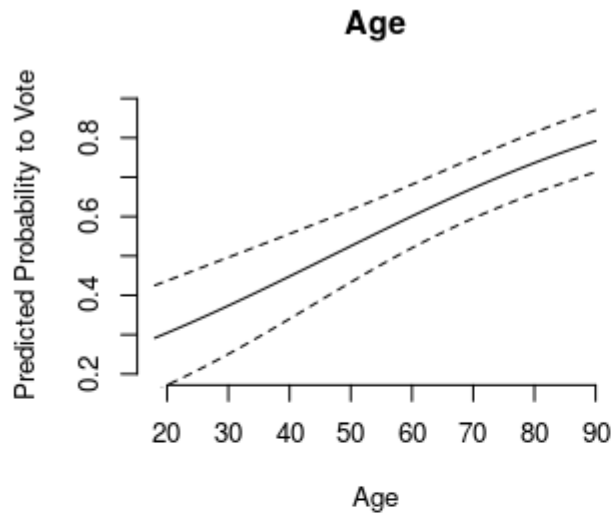
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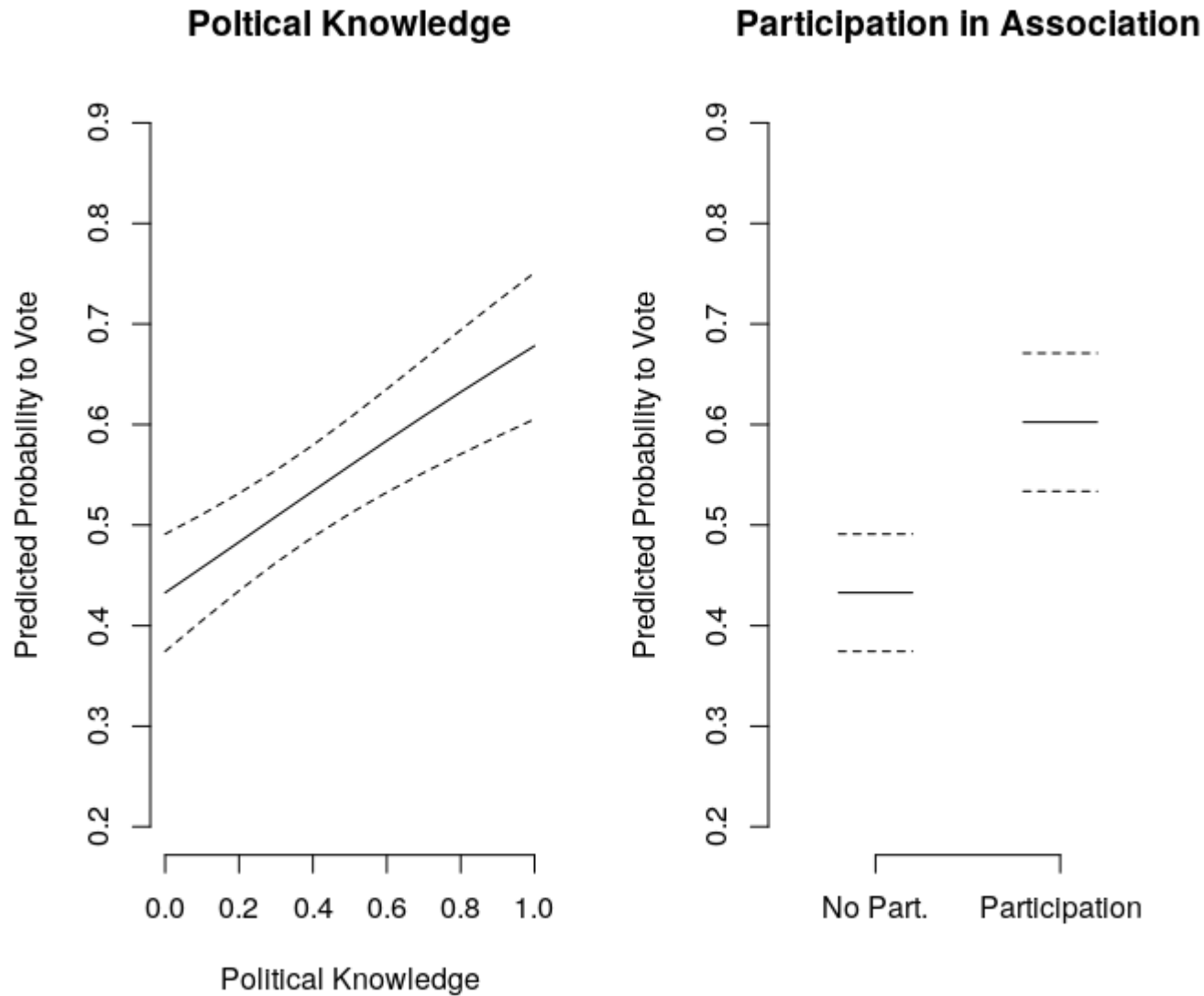
Immigrants are less likely to vote

Nationality	Measured	Survey	Over- Estimation
Switzerland	42%	76%	1.8
Other Western	39%	65%	1.7
France	38%	61%	1.6
Italy	34%	60%	1.7
Rest of World	27%	45%	1.6
Spain	22%	44%	2
Eastern Europe	–	40%	–
Portugal	17%	36%	2.1
Overall	38%	59%	1.6

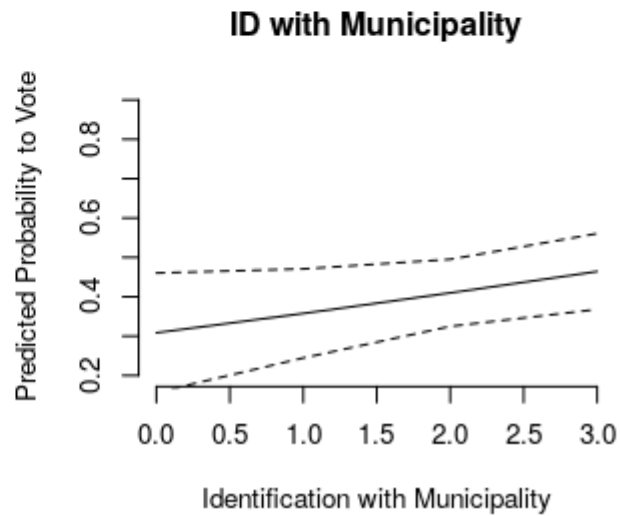
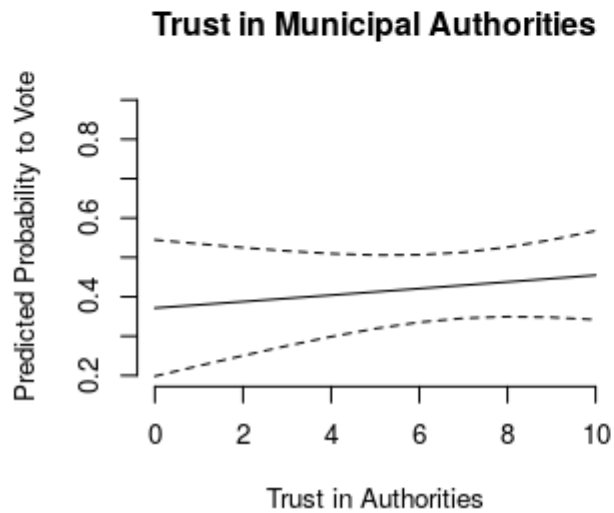
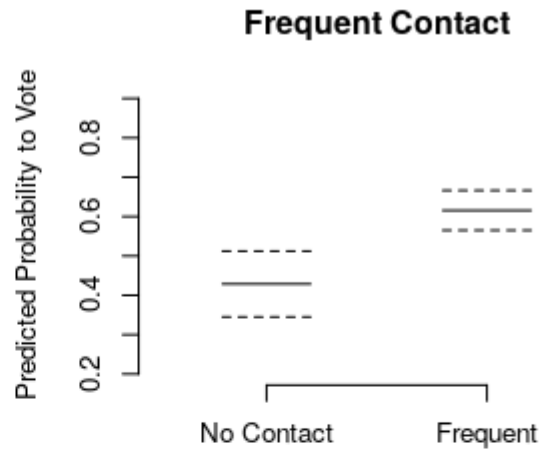
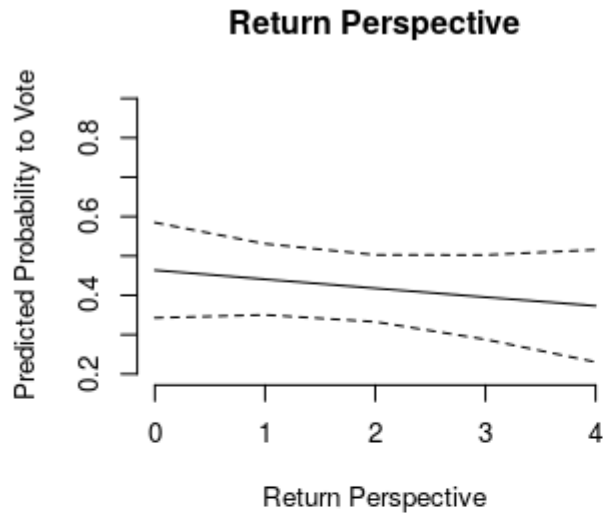
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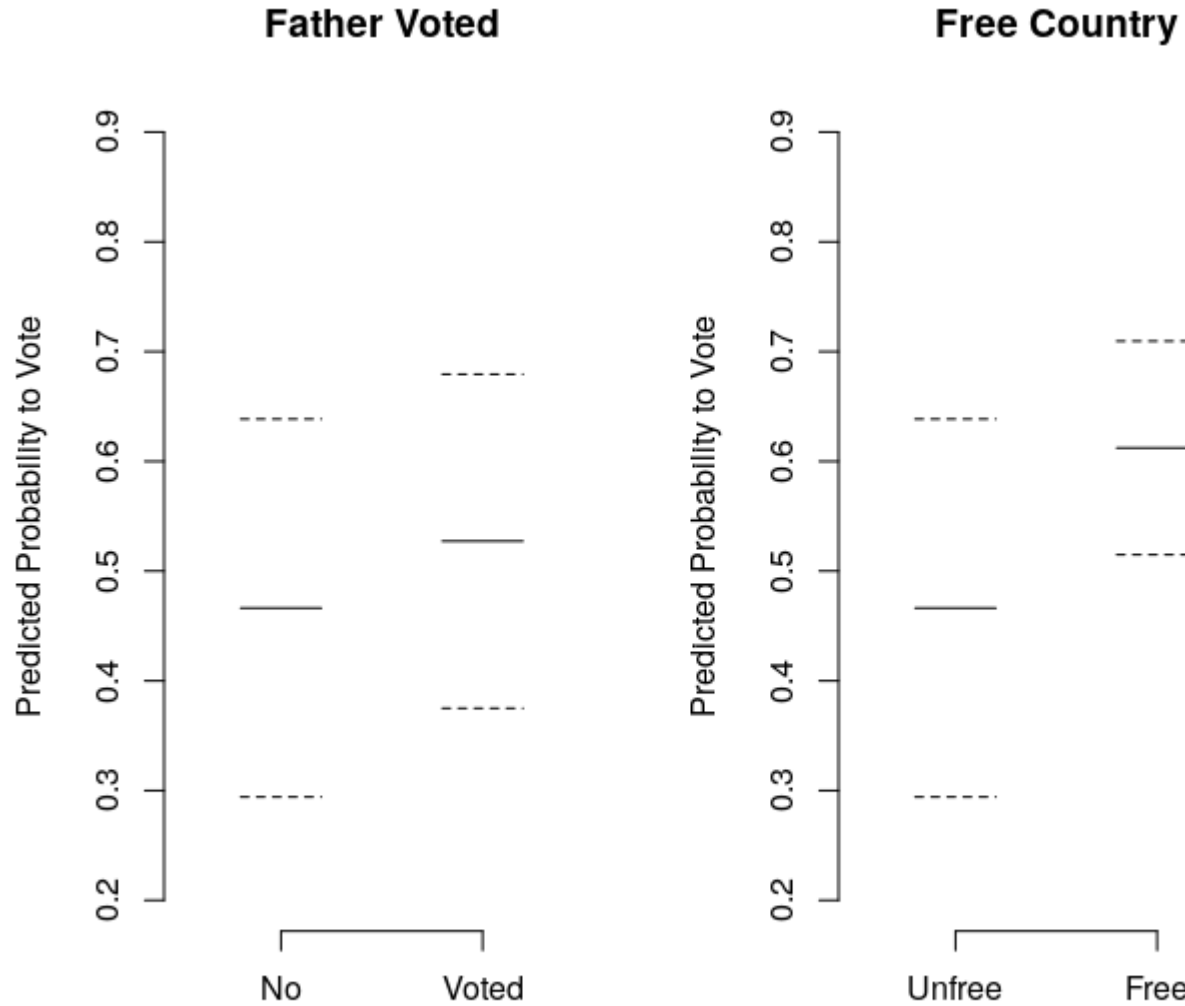
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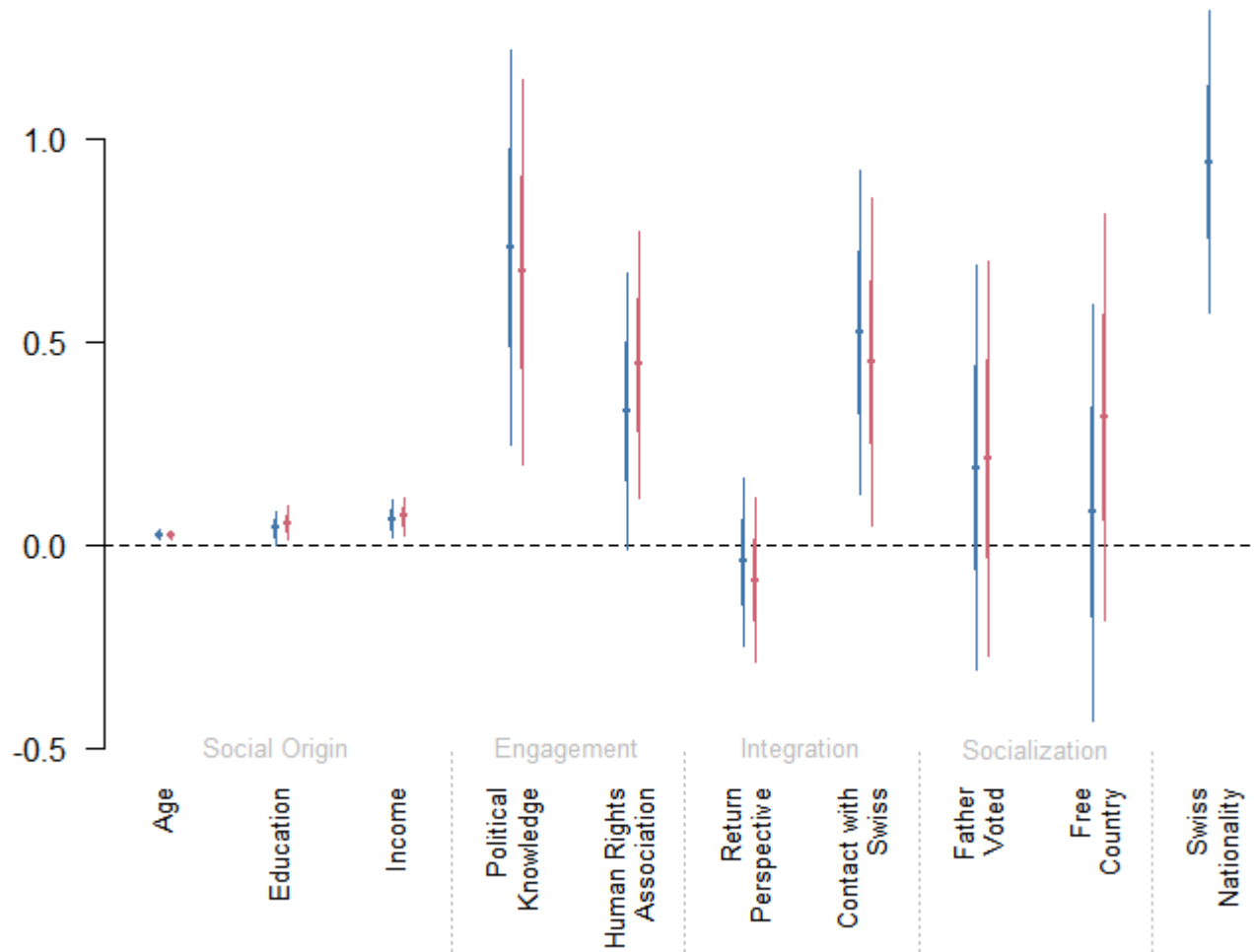
Integration shapes participation



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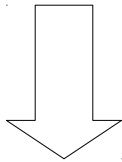


Engagement and contact matter



In summary, immigrants are like the majority

Predictors of participation
like for majority population



They are just younger, less
educated, poorer, less
engaged, and have less
contact

