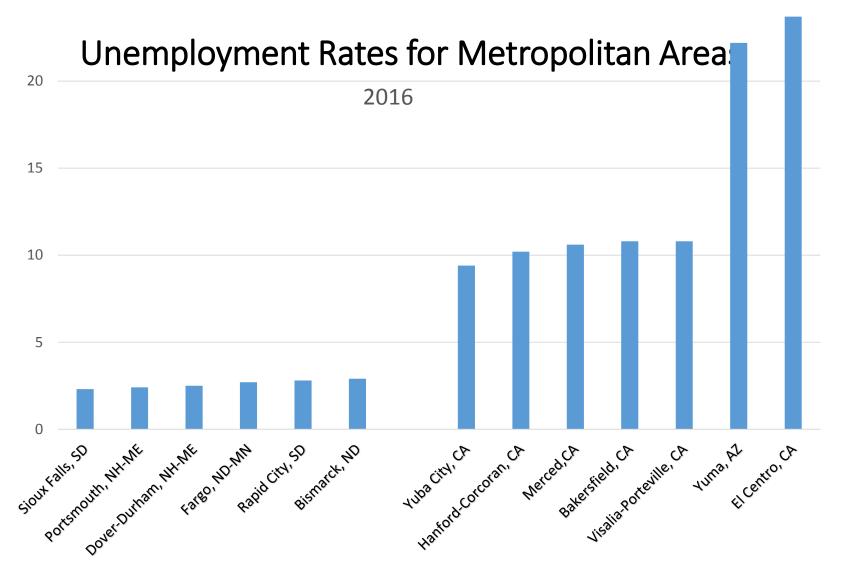
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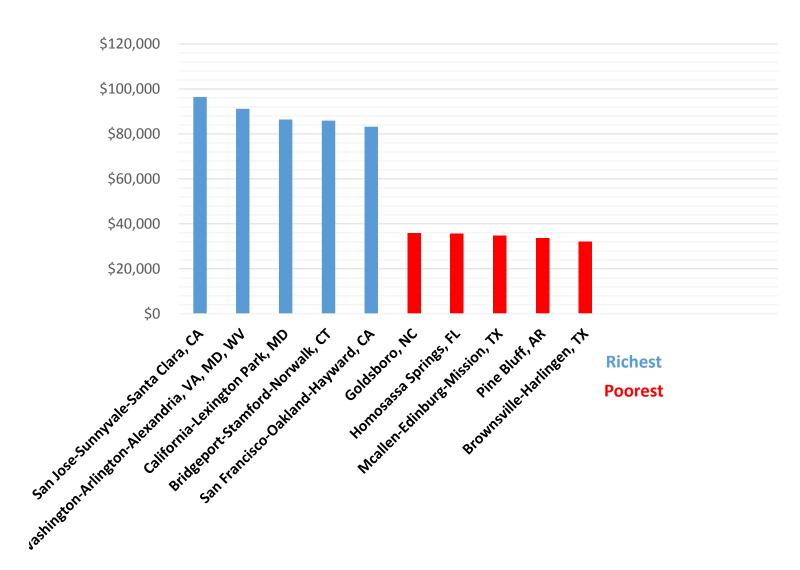
David B. Audretsch



■ Local Area Unemployment Statistics

America's Richest and Poorest Cities

Median household income



What Influences Place-Based Economic Performance?

"Combine liberal amounts of technology, entrepreneurs, capital, and sunshine. Add one (1) University. Stir vigorously."

Gordon Moore, Founder, Intel

Factors & Resources

- Physical Capital
- Natural Resources
- Unskilled Labor
- Skilled Labor
- Human Capital
- Creative Class
- Knowledge

Spatial Structure & Organization

- Clusters
- Specialization
- Diversification
- Market Power
- Competition
- Entrepreneurship

Culture

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Human Dimension (Behavior)

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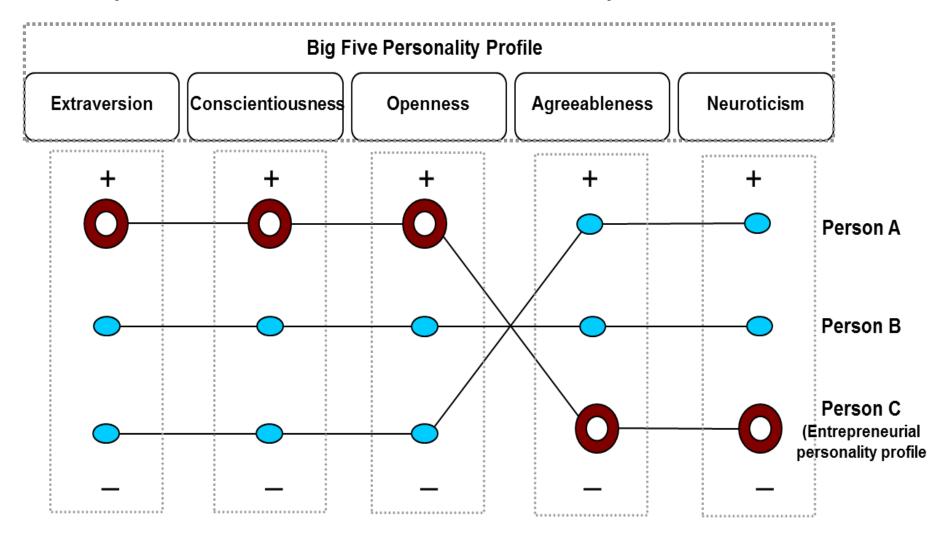
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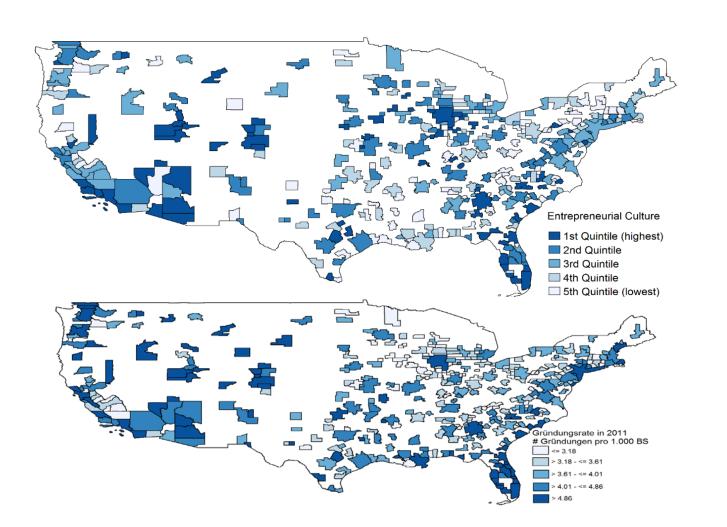
Measuring Entrepreneurship Culture

Factor	Weak expression	Strong expression	Correlation with entrepreneurship
Openness	conservative, cautious	Inventive, curious	0.36
Conscientiousness	Easy going, careless	Efficient, organised	0.45
Extraversion	Solitary, reserved	Outgoing, energetic	0.22
Agreeableness	Challenging, detached	Compasionate, friendly	- 0.16
Neuroticism	Secure, confident	Sensitive, nervous	- 0.37

Entrapreneurial Personality Profile

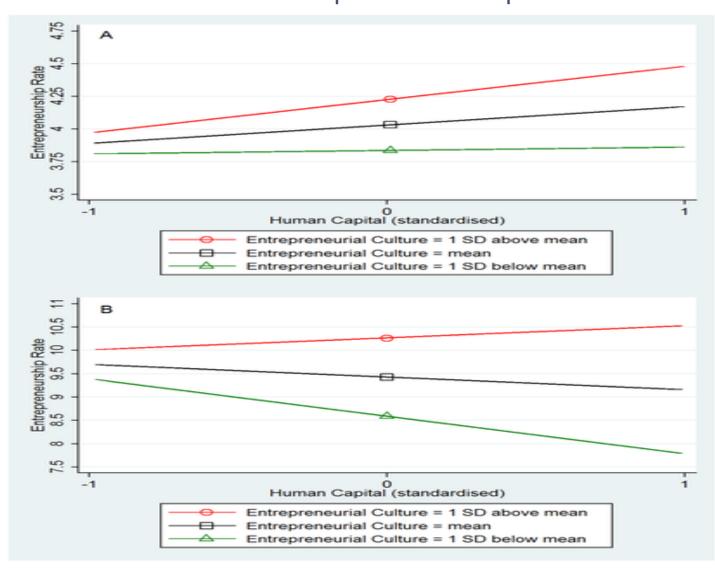


Entrepreneurial Culture of Cities

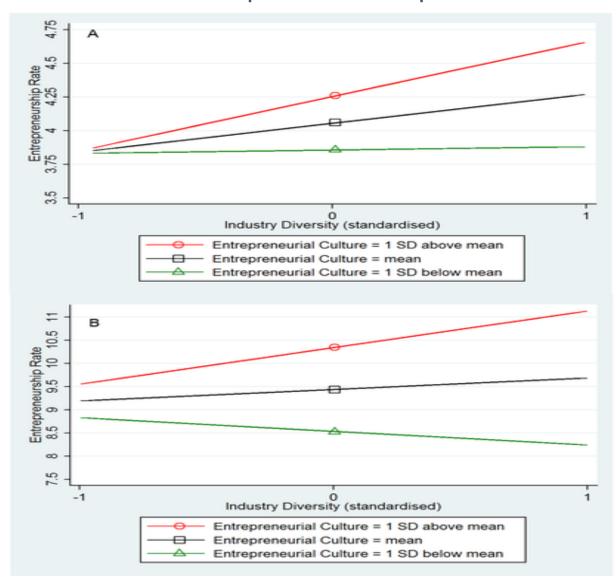


Startup Rates

Impact of Cultural Context on Human Capital & Entrepreneurship



Impact of Cultural Context on Industry Diversity & Entrepreneurship



The Strategic Management of Places (SMP) Framework

Underlying Forces

Natural Resources
Physical Capital
Infrastructure
Human Capital
Creative Class
Skilled Labor
Unskilled Labor

Spatial and Organizational Structure

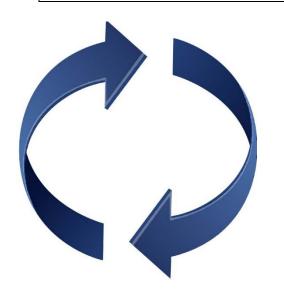
Competition
Specialization
Diversity
Market Power
Entrepreneurship
Clusters

Behavior (Human Dimension)

Identity and Image
Networks and Linkages
Leadership
Social Capital
Learning

Policy

Not the same for every place
Can have negative effects
The underlying factors are interrelated



Economic Performance

Measured by quantifiable units:
GDP per capita
Unemployment Rate
Etc.

Conclusions

 Place-Based Economic Performance Shaped by Resources & Factors, Spatial Structure & Organization, Human Dimension (Behavior)

Can Policy Make A Difference?

 Answer may not be "yes" or "no" but rather depend upon (cultural) context