Hvordan kan man evaluere de økonomiske effekter af kørselsafgifter - sammenligning af forskellige modeltilgange

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Why should we focus on HVF and the economic impacts?

- Regulating freight transport through heavy vehicle fees on the agenda in many countries
 - Discussions of the impact on transport provider, transport buyer, the final consumer, international trade etc.
 - Spill-over effects between different sectors
- Overall question: Why should e.g. Denmark introduce HVF?
 - In Germany there is a large number of transit trucks. Probably going from the Eurovignette to HVF is a good idea due to revenues raised from international haulliers
 - Can we expect the same outcome in a small country with only some transit transport ?
- There are many (adverse) effects to keep from each other

The relation between HVF and the (regional) economy

- HVF changes transport costs
 - Immediate impact on transport providers
 - What can and will they do ?
 - · Most of cost changes transferred to transport buyer
- What are the impacts on the transport buyer ?
 - Freight transport from the market to the production plant increase price on intermediate inputs
 - Substitution to other intermediate inputs and value added factors (labour and capital)
 - Price increase on output, declining demand
 - Change in size of production (output reductions)

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The relation between HVF and the (regional) economy

- The consequences for labour demand are
 - Substitution to value added factors
 - Output more expensive, production level decreases
- In addition transport to the market increases product prices even further
 - Second order effects, demand declines, substitution,...
- International competitive effects
 - Increasing prices on export markets due to
 - \cdot Increasing transport costs to the export markets (direct effect)
 - \cdot Increasing prices on intermediate inputs with increasing production costs

The relation between HVF and the (regional) economy

- Private households will be affected
 - Prices on commodities increase
 - · Decreasing disposable income
 - Employment changes
 - · Changes in disposable income
- Revenues for the government
 - The use of revenue is very important
 - e.g. compensations/subsidies or tax deductions
- Tax deductions
 - Increasing disposable income
 - Incentives to increase labour supply
 - Increasing demand for commodities

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Some model approaches

- System dynamics models
- I/O based models
- CGE and SCGE models

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System dynamics models (ASTRA)



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I/O models (LINE)

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Fixed output coefficients $b_{ij} = x_{ij}/x_i$ in matrix **B**

- The effect on industry output can be calculated using the Ghosh price multiplier (I-B)⁻¹
- Changes in output prices calculated
- Changes in output not calculated

Fixed input coefficients $b_{ij}=x_{ij}/x_j$ in matrix **B**

Changes in supply driven output calculated

No relation between demand and supply side effects

(S)CGE models



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Case studies

- Comparison of
 - I/O approach from Germany
 - I/O-SCGE approach from Denmark
 - SCGE approach from Norway
- Can illustrate common features and highlight important shortcommings and differences

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The German 'MAUT' and the German economy

- I/O based approach
 - Ghosh forward price multiplier (average increases of 0.11 per cent, but ranging from 0.07 to 0.18 per cent)
- Arbitrary HVF levels (€ 0.127)
- Exogenous changes in transport costs
 - Behavioural effects in transport sector, cost increase of 4.2 per cent
- Labour market effects
 - Leontief multiplier to calculate revenue effects
 - 45.000 jobs created no calculation of job losses due to price increases



How will the Norwegian economy react to road pricing ?

- PINGO/NEMO SCGE model
- Marginal external cost pricing in long run
 - Initial mode shift towards sea transport
 - Long run efficiency improvements in road based transport lead to an increase
 - Lower income from transport taxes due to improved fuel efficiency
- Negative welfare effects (household utility)
 - Commodity price increases
 - Even revenue redistribution does not lead to positive effects
 - Producers surplus positive and negative depending on sector
 - Welfare effects small compared to revenues

National and international HVF and the Danish regional economy

- A linearised SCGE model (I/O adapted)
- Exogenous transport costs and arbitrary HVF
 - Two scenarios, national and international HVF similar to German level
 - Average transport costs changes are 6 and 14 per cent
- Large effects on export prices (0.22 and 0.58 percent) and exports (-0.25 and -0.68 per cent)
 - large regional differences
- Negative employment effect
- Disposable income decline in international scenario
- Disposable income decline and rise due to use of revenues through income decline and rise due to use of revenues through income decline and rise due to use of revenues to the terms of terms of the terms of terms

Modelsammenligning - sammenfatning

	I/O - Germany	SCGE – I/O Denmark	SCGE - Norway
Transport costs	Exogenous	Exogenous	Endogenous *
Possible differentiation	Potentially very large (transport model)	Rather large (transport model)	Limited *
Cost changes	Arbitrary (0.127 € /KM)	Arbitrary (0.15 € /km)	MCP (0.176 to 1.045 €/km)
Behavioural effects	Not included – fixed I/O coefficients	Substitution of input factors, intermediates	Substitution of input factors, intermediates
		"Market equilibrium"	Market equilibrium
Employment	Only through revenue use (0.13 %)	Endogenous	Partly endogenous
		(-0.07 % and -0.10 %)	
Commodity prices			0.33 %
Transport costs	4.2 %	6 - 14 %	N/A
Income/Welfare	N/A	-0.04 % (foreign), 0.19 % DK	CS and externalities falls

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Konklusion

- Der er stor interesse for viden om økonomiske konsekvenser af kørselsafgifter
- Forskellige analyser og typer af værktøjer kan bidrage til at øge viden
- Her har vi særligt fokus på de forskellige muligheder for analyser via modeller
- Afvejning af detaljer overfor et egentligt teoretisk fundament
- Vigtigt at beskrive agenternes tilpasning til de(n) nye situation
- SCGE modeller bedst egnet til denne type af analyser
- Men resultaterne er forholdsvis ens på trods af forskelligheder i modeltilgang samt analyseområde
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