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   For example:


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   d. Section heads should have titles only (no numbers). Specific references to section titles (for example, “In the section Results of the Estimation . . .”) should be avoided, except in footnotes (e.g., “See the section ‘Results of the Estimation.’”)
e. **Dates**: successive years treated as a unit should be separated with slash marks: 1812/13, 1920/21, and so on. Ranges of dates in the text may use prepositions (e.g., “from 1820 to 1835”) or dashes (e.g., “1820-1835”). Specific dates should be written day-month-year: “May 1949” or “14 December 1956.”

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“McGee focused on the Supreme Court case Standard Oil v. U.S. . . .”

1 Standard Oil v. U.S., 221 U.S. 1 (1911).

“. . . provides some insight into the contemporary analog of the Standard Oil case, the court-approved divestiture of AT & T in United States v. AT & T.”


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Woonsocket [RI] Evening Call, various dates.
Newsweek, 14 November 1994.

United Telephone Voice, various dates. Museum of Independent Telephony, Abilene, KS.

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b. Columns should be numbered if, but only if, this facilitates discussion in the text.

c. Type out period dates in full (1813–1822; 1900–1920; and so on).

d. Only the first word of variables in the first column (the “stub”) should be capitalized (Value of exports, Southern farms, etc.), except for proper nouns and fully capitalized acronyms.

e. Italicize mathematical variables, N (for number), and conventional parameters, such as t-statistics, R², F-ratio, and so on.

f. Use zeros before decimal figures of less than one.

g. Use commas in all integers consisting of more than three digits (3,000; 14,751; 6,230,549; and so on).

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j. Do not use bold fonts in tables.

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* = Significant at the 5 percent level.
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This variable represents the weighted average of New York City and the rest of the state, where weights are fractions of total recipients.

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e. The figure number, title, and notes should not appear in the figure, but should be supplied separately.

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