

Change in house price structure with time and housing price index

-Centered around the approach to the problem of structural change-

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What is housing price index?: macroeconomic Indicator

- **The Paris OECD-IMF Workshop on Real Estate Price Indexes 2006:**
- **Erwin Diewert, Discussion Paper 07-01, Department of Economics, The University of British Columbia**

- Fenwick (2006; 6) suggested the following list of possible uses for house price indexes:
 - As a general macroeconomic indicator (of inflation);
 - As an input into the measurement of consumer price inflation;
 - As an element in the calculation of household (real) wealth and
 - As a direct input into an analysis of mortgage lender's exposure to risk of default.

Monetary Policy

- **Arthur (2006) also suggested some (related) uses for real estate price indexes:**
- **Real estate price bubbles (and the subsequent collapses) have repeatedly been related to financial crises and thus it is important to measure these price bubbles accurately and in a way that is comparable across countries and**
- **Real estate price indexes are required for the proper conduct of monetary policy.**

SNA (System of National Accounts)

- Fenwick also argued that various real estate price indexes are required for deflation purposes in the System of National Accounts:
- “The primary focus of a national accountant seeking an appropriate deflator for national accounts will be different. Real estate appears in the National Accounts in several ways;
- •the imputed rental value received by owner occupiers for buildings, as opposed to land, is part of household final consumption,
- •the capital formation in buildings, again as opposed to land, is part of gross fixed capital formation, depreciation, and the measurement of the stock of fixed capital,
- •and land values are an important part of the National stock of wealth.”
- David Fenwick (2006; 7-8)

1.Objectives of the study

- Houses have “particularity with few equivalents”
- There are two approaches in constructing a housing price index that takes into account issues resulting from particularity with few equivalents and changes in quality
 - 1).Hedonic price method
 - 2).Repeat-sales method
- it is necessary to estimate the price index taking into account
 - -structural changes (Shimizu and Nishimura(2007))
 - -sample selection bias (seasonal)

2. Structurally restricted hedonic housing price index: RHI

$$\ln P_{it} = \sum_{k=1}^K \beta_k X_{ikt} + \sum_{s=1}^{\tau} \delta_s D_s + \varepsilon_{it} \quad (1)$$

$t = 1, 2, \dots, T$.

$i = 1, 2, \dots, n_t$ (designates i th data among the n_t data samples in period t).

P_{it} = price of house i in period t (designates i th data among the data in period t , instead of designating the same house i over each of the t periods).

β_k = parameter of residential property characteristic k .

X_{ikt} = value of property characteristic k of house i in period t .

δ_s = parameter of the time dummy variable in period s .

D_s : when $s = 1$, this takes a constant value of 1 (constant term). When $2 \leq s \leq T$, this is a time dummy variable, and it takes a value of 1 when $s = t$ and a value of 0 otherwise.

ε_{it} = random disturbance term.

Structurally unrestricted hedonic housing price index: URHI

- RHI:

$$\ln(\hat{P}_t / \hat{P}_{t-1}) = \hat{\delta}_t - \hat{\delta}_{t-1}$$

- URHI:

$$\ln P_{it} = \sum_{k=1}^K \beta_{kt} X_{kit} + \delta_t + \varepsilon_{it}$$

$$\ln(\hat{P}_t / \hat{P}_{t-1}) = \sum_{k=1}^K (\hat{\beta}_{kt} - \hat{\beta}_{k,t-1}) X_k + (\hat{\delta}_t - \hat{\delta}_{t-1})$$

Repeat-sales housing price index

- It is also assumed that the residential property characteristics do not change with time.

$$\ln P_{ht} = \sum_{k=1}^K \beta_k X_{hk} + \sum_{s=1}^T \delta_s D_s + \varepsilon_{ht}$$

$$\ln P_{ht_1} = \sum_{k=1}^K \beta_k X_{hk} + \delta_1 + \delta_{t_1} + \varepsilon_{ht_1}$$

$$\ln P_{ht_2} = \sum_{k=1}^K \beta_k X_{hk} + \delta_1 + \delta_{t_2} + \varepsilon_{ht_2}$$

$$\ln(P_{ht_2} / P_{ht_1}) = \delta_{t_2} - \delta_{t_1} + (\varepsilon_{ht_2} - \varepsilon_{ht_1})$$

$$\ln(P_{ht_2} / P_{ht_1}) = \sum_{s=1}^T \delta_s D_s + \mu_h$$

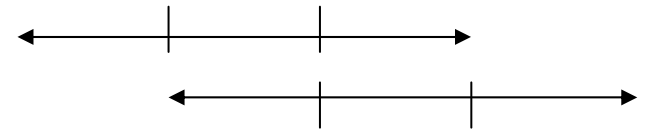
Problems in the repeat-sales method

- (i) a sample selection bias issue, that is, houses that are repeatedly on sale have different characteristics from the houses traded in the market (so-called lemons) (Clapp and Giaccotto, 1992), and
- (ii) accommodating qualitative changes and structural changes because of the assumption that there are no changes in the property characteristics and their parameters during the transaction period in the repeat-sales method

Overlapping-period hedonic housing price index: OPHI

- regression coefficients on the basis of a process of successive change by taking a certain period length τ as the estimation period.
- Assuming that we have pooled data over the periods 1, 2, ... T . With respect to some of these periods, i.e., a period length τ , we assume the following basic model.

$$\ln P_{it} = \sum_{k=1}^K \beta_k X_{ikt} + \sum_{s=1}^{\tau} \delta_s D_s + \varepsilon_{it}$$



$$q_{\tau+\tau-1} = q_{\tau+\tau-2} + (\delta_{\tau}^{(r)} - \delta_{\tau-1}^{(r)})$$

Parameter: $(\hat{\beta}_{kt} - \hat{\beta}_{k,t-1})$

3.Data

- Prices of secondhand condominiums
- Area: the 23 wards of Tokyo metropolitan area,
- Period: January 1986 and September 2006.
- Residential Information Weekly (or Shukan Jyutaku Joho in Japanese) published by RECRUIT, Co.

- Asking Price
 - -the initial asking price
 - -the price upon removal from the magazine
- Transaction Price
 - -Land Registry
 - -Mortgage

Table 1. List of analyzed data

Symbols	Variables	Contents	Unit
<i>FS</i>	Floor space/ square meters	Floor space.	m ²
<i>AGE</i>	Age of Building :Number of years since construction	Period between the date when the data is deleted from the magazine and the date of construction of the building.	month
<i>TS</i>	Time to nearest station	Time distance to the nearest station (Time by Walk or Bus).	minute
<i>TT</i>	Travel Time to central business district	Minimum of railway riding time in daytime to Terminal 7 stations in 2005*.	minute
<i>BS</i>	Balcony space/ square meters	Balcony space.	m ²
<i>NU</i>	Number of units	Total units of the condominium.	unit
<i>RT</i>	Market reservation time	Period between the date when the data appear in the magazine for the first time and the date of being deleted.	week
<i>FD</i>	First floor dummy	The property is on the ground floor 1, on other floors 0.	(0,1)
<i>HF</i>	Highest floor dummy	The property is on the top floor 1, on the other floors 0.	(0,1)
<i>SD</i>	South-facing dummy	Fenestrae facing south 1, other directions 0.	(0,1)
<i>FD</i>	Ferroconcrete dummy	Steel reinforced concrete frame structure 1, other structure 0.	(0,1)
<i>LD_j (j=0,...,J)</i>	Location (Ward) dummy	<i>j</i> th administrative district 1, other district 0.	(0,1)
<i>RDK (k=0,...,K)</i>	Railway line dummy	<i>k</i> th railway line 1, other railway line 0.	(0,1)
<i>TD_l (l=0,...,L)</i>	Time dummy (monthly)	<i>l</i> th month 1, other month 0.	(0,1)

*Terminal Station : Tokyo,Shinagawa,Shibuya,Shinjuku,Ikebukuro,Ueno, and Ootemachi

Table 2. Summary of statistical values of secondhand condominium price data.

Variables	Average	Standard Deviation	Minimum	Maximum
<i>RP</i> : Resale Price of Condominium (10,000 Yen)	3,904.66	2,348.54	850.00	19,500.00
<i>FS</i> : Floor space (m ²)	56.57	19.40	16.00	134.99
<i>RP/FS</i>	70.93	36.78	24.00	270.90
<i>Age</i> : Age of Building(months)	165.74	91.98	5.00	413.00
<i>TS</i> : Time to the nearest station: (minutes)	7.60	4.27	0.00	32.00
<i>TT</i> : Travel Time to Central Business District (minutes)	15.32	5.30	0.00	30.00
<i>NU</i> : The Number of Units	100.03	131.05	10.00	1149.00
<i>RT</i> : Market reservation time (week)	11.58	10.62	1.00	64.00

1986/01-2006/09

n=211,179

4. Estimation results

Estimation results of the RHM: 23 wards of Tokyo.

$$\log RP / FS = 4.631 + 0.0126 \cdot \log FS - 0.189 \cdot \log Age - 0.078 \cdot \log TS - 0.117 \cdot \log TT + 0.019 \cdot \log NU$$

(498.23) (+10.81) (-337.38) (-99.69) (-36.21) (40.90)

$$-0.276 \cdot BD + 0.058 \cdot (BD \times \log WT) - 0.026 \cdot FF + 0.018 \cdot HF - 0.097 \cdot FD + 0.0093 \cdot SD$$

(-13.140) (6.970) (-19.210) (8.000) (-10.150) (10.790)

$$+ \beta_{1j} \sum_j LD_j + \beta_{2k} \sum_k RD_k + \beta_{3l} \sum_l TD_l + \varepsilon$$

Adjusted R-Square: 0.837

Number of Observation: 211,178

Table 3. Estimation results of the RHM: 23 wards of Tokyo.

Method of Estimation

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Dependent Variable

RP: Resale Price of Condominiums (in log)

Independent Variables

Property Characteristics (in log)	Coefficient	t-value	Railway/Subway Line Dummy <i>LDk (k=0,...,K)</i>	Coefficient	t-value
Constant	4.631	498.230	Yamanote	0.033	4.236
<i>FS</i> : Floor space	0.013	10.810	Ginza	0.158	11.460
<i>Age</i> : Age of building	-0.190	-337.380	Marunouchi	0.056	5.556
<i>TS</i> : Time to the nearest station	-0.078	-99.690	Hibiya	0.085	9.039
<i>TT</i> : Travel Time to CBD	-0.040	-36.210	Tozai	0.040	4.727
<i>NU</i> : Number of units	0.019	40.900	Chiyoda	0.067	7.858
<i>RT</i> : Market reservation time	0.014	32.530	Yurakucho	0.053	3.609
Property Characteristics (dummy variables)	Coefficient	t-value	Hanzomon	-0.029	-2.621
<i>BD</i> : Bus Dummy	-0.276	-13.140	ToeiAsakusa	-0.265	-2.420
<i>TS</i> × <i>BD</i>	0.059	6.970	ToeiShinjuku	-0.338	-10.244
<i>FF</i> : First Floor Dummy	-0.026	-19.210	Keihinkyukou	-0.214	-15.225
<i>HF</i> : Highest floor dummy	0.018	8.000	Keihintohoku	-0.265	-6.692
<i>FD</i> : Ferroconcrete dummy	-0.010	-10.150	Ikegami	-0.089	-6.782
<i>SD</i> : South-facing dummy	0.009	10.790	Tokuyotoyoko	0.036	1.712
Location (Ward) Dummy	Coefficient	t-value	Setagaya	-0.091	-5.465
<i>LDj (j=0,...,J)</i>			Odakyu	-0.025	-1.649
Chiyoda	0.625	110.740	Inogashira	0.076	5.800
Chuo	0.347	82.770	keio	0.032	2.361
minato	0.552	154.730	Chuo	-0.045	-1.621
Shinjuku	0.407	115.620	Seibushinjuku	-0.053	-4.024
Bunkyo	0.356	95.060	Seibuikebukuro	0.040	2.455
Taito	0.047	10.080	Toubutojou	-0.126	-10.416
Koto	-0.030	-8.970	Saikyo	0.065	5.680
Shinagawa	0.315	86.020	Takasaki	-0.063	-5.655
Meguro	0.443	109.280	Toubuisezaki	-0.073	-2.694
Ota	0.233	62.930	Jouban	-0.111	-7.410
Setagaya	0.407	115.890	Soubu	-0.122	-5.927
Shibuya	0.583	155.950	Time Dummy	Coefficient	t-value
Nakano	0.284	65.620	<i>TDI (l=0,...,L)</i>		
Suginami	0.248	60.990	yes(see Figure)		
Toshima	0.243	61.220			
Kita	0.092	17.620			
Arakawa	-0.064	-14.580			
Itabashi	0.007	1.960			
Nerima	0.146	37.100			
Adachi	-0.171	-43.080			
Katsushika	-0.144	-38.390			
Edogawa	-0.080	-21.890			

Adjusted R square= 0.837
Number of Observations= 211,179

Table 4 .Estimation of URHI

Time	Constant	FS: Floor space	Age: Age of building	TS: Time to the nearest station	TT: Travel Time to CBD	NU: Number of units	RT: Market reservation time	BD: Bus Dummy	WT × BD	Number of Observations	Adjusted R square
198601	4.402	0.007	-0.143	-0.100	-0.048	-0.011	-0.010	1.333	-0.495	416	0.761
198602	4.508	0.066	-0.144	-0.089	-0.099	-0.010	-0.021	-0.323	0.068	528	0.776
198603	4.464	-0.032	-0.110	-0.070	-0.046	-0.007	-0.022	-0.994	0.480	489	0.823
198604	4.413	0.051	-0.161	-0.106	-0.029	0.006	-0.012	1.160	-0.489	455	0.824
198605	4.669	0.012	-0.155	-0.096	-0.095	-0.002	-0.034	0.722	-0.268	605	0.727
198606	4.343	0.057	-0.133	-0.132	-0.025	0.014	-0.020	-0.912	0.268	446	0.751
198607	3.930	0.083	-0.120	-0.116	-0.054	0.002	-0.046	-0.470	0.168	430	0.785
198608	4.401	0.034	-0.128	-0.113	-0.009	0.021	-0.058	0.078	-0.095	564	0.791
198609	4.526	0.069	-0.146	-0.146	-0.018	0.008	-0.020	-0.308	0.084	394	0.838
198610	4.250	0.043	-0.114	-0.092	-0.025	0.014	-0.024	0.177	-0.122	560	0.826
198611	4.310	-0.001	-0.109	-0.121	0.053	0.010	-0.031	0.036	-0.080	340	0.866
198612	4.822	0.077	-0.154	-0.133	-0.142	-0.006	-0.032	-1.199	0.425	342	0.896
199001	5.831	-0.114	-0.154	-0.084	-0.067	0.022	0.005	-0.198	0.025	857	0.763
199501	4.820	0.090	-0.208	-0.070	-0.048	0.011	0.044	-0.203	0.064	1,109	0.641
200001	4.402	0.071	-0.209	-0.036	-0.035	0.021	0.005	-0.373	0.125	778	0.697
200501	4.548	0.035	-0.208	-0.057	-0.015	0.018	0.009	-0.752	0.294	702	0.757
200601	4.303	0.084	-0.191	-0.093	-0.011	0.023	-0.002	-0.576	0.188	650	0.809
200602	4.484	0.115	-0.201	-0.106	-0.040	-0.002	-0.010	-0.382	0.125	768	0.766
200603	4.584	0.056	-0.201	-0.087	-0.024	0.025	-0.007	-0.670	0.207	1,015	0.785
200604	4.441	0.067	-0.182	-0.091	-0.024	0.012	-0.011	-0.242	0.051	826	0.775
200605	4.583	0.060	-0.186	-0.080	-0.036	0.015	-0.014	-0.224	0.049	966	0.774
200606	4.807	0.033	-0.208	-0.072	-0.022	0.000	-0.018	-0.248	0.039	776	0.775
200607	4.530	0.063	-0.187	-0.092	0.001	0.007	-0.006	-0.039	-0.043	819	0.770
200608	4.742	0.024	-0.198	-0.079	-0.015	0.011	-0.011	0.324	-0.135	901	0.784
200609	4.566	0.020	-0.198	-0.072	0.012	0.018	-0.005	0.089	-0.070	900	0.766

Figure 1. Estimation accuracy of the URHM: between 1986/01 and 2006/09.

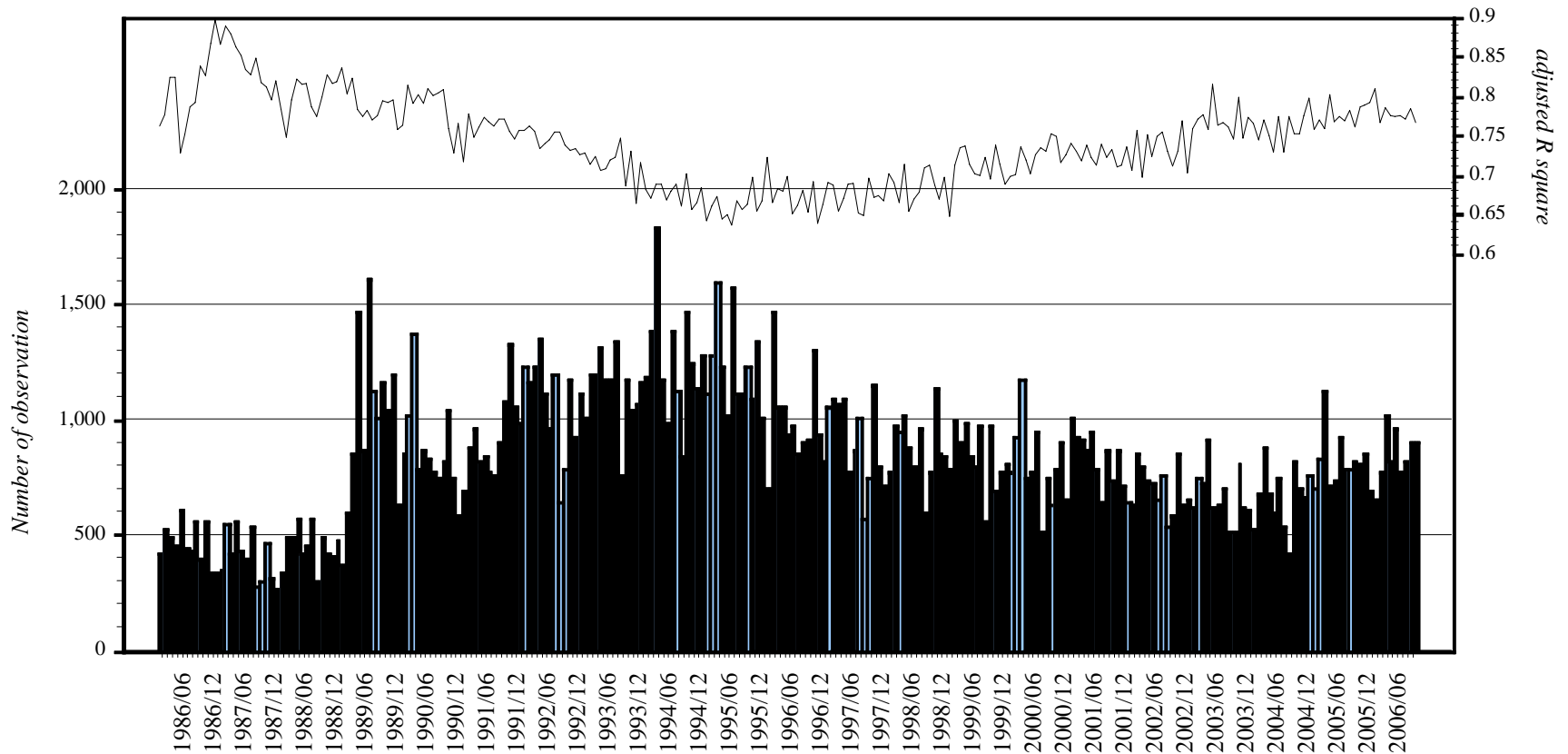


Table 5. Statistical values of major regression coefficients (URHM).

Principal Independent Variables	<i>RHI</i> :1986.01 - 2006.09	<i>NRHI</i> :Summary statistics of estimated parameter			
		Average	Standard deviation	Skewness	Kurtosis
<i>FS</i> :Floor space/square meters	0.013	0.033	0.081	-0.758	-0.627
<i>Age</i> :Age of building	-0.190	-0.185	0.033	0.474	0.110
<i>WT</i> :Distance to nearest station	-0.078	-0.082	0.019	-0.640	0.799
<i>TT</i> :Travel Time to central business district	-0.040	-0.041	0.032	-0.320	0.136
Adjusted-R Square	0.837	0.741	0.054	0.190	-0.379
Number of Samples	211,179	844.720	282.977	0.369	0.123

1986.01 - 2006.09:Monthly ,Number of Mode=250

Fig2. Time profile of regression coefficient of the URHM, constant term *cnst*: 1986/01–2006/09.

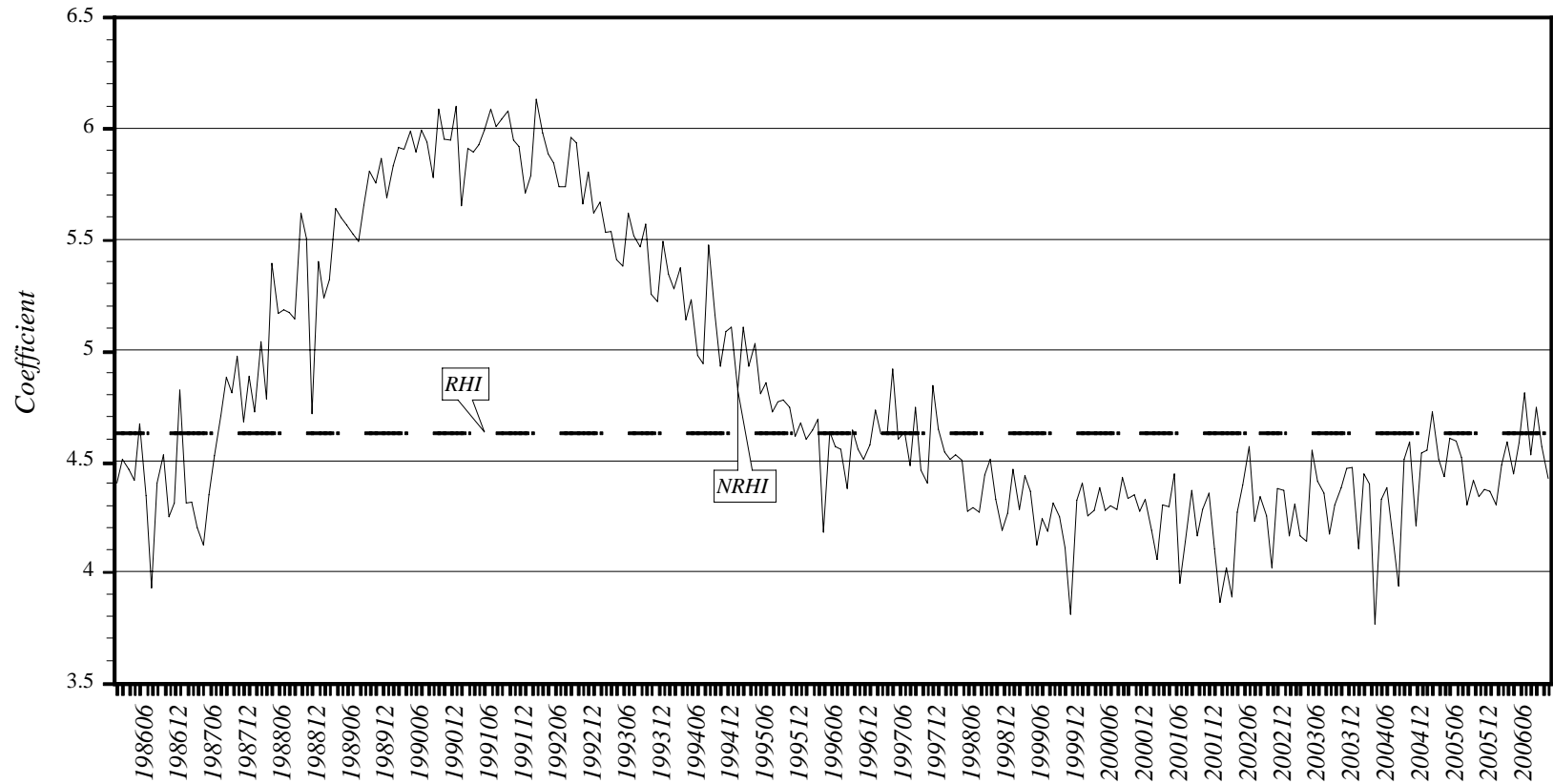


Fig3. Time profile of regression coefficient of the URHM, floor space FS : 1986/01–2006/09.

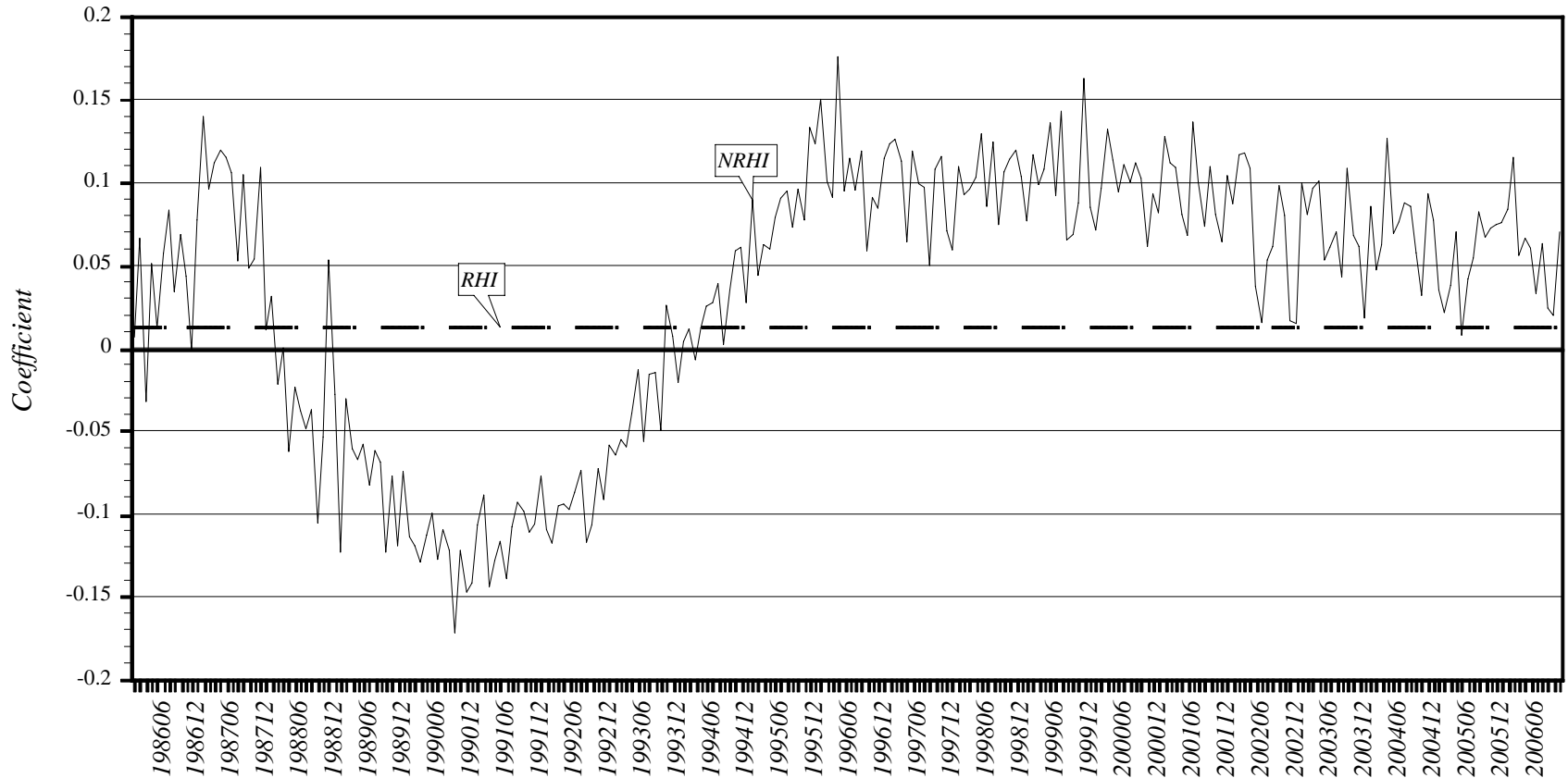


Fig4. Time profile of regression coefficient of the URHM, age of building *Age*: 1986/01–2006/09.

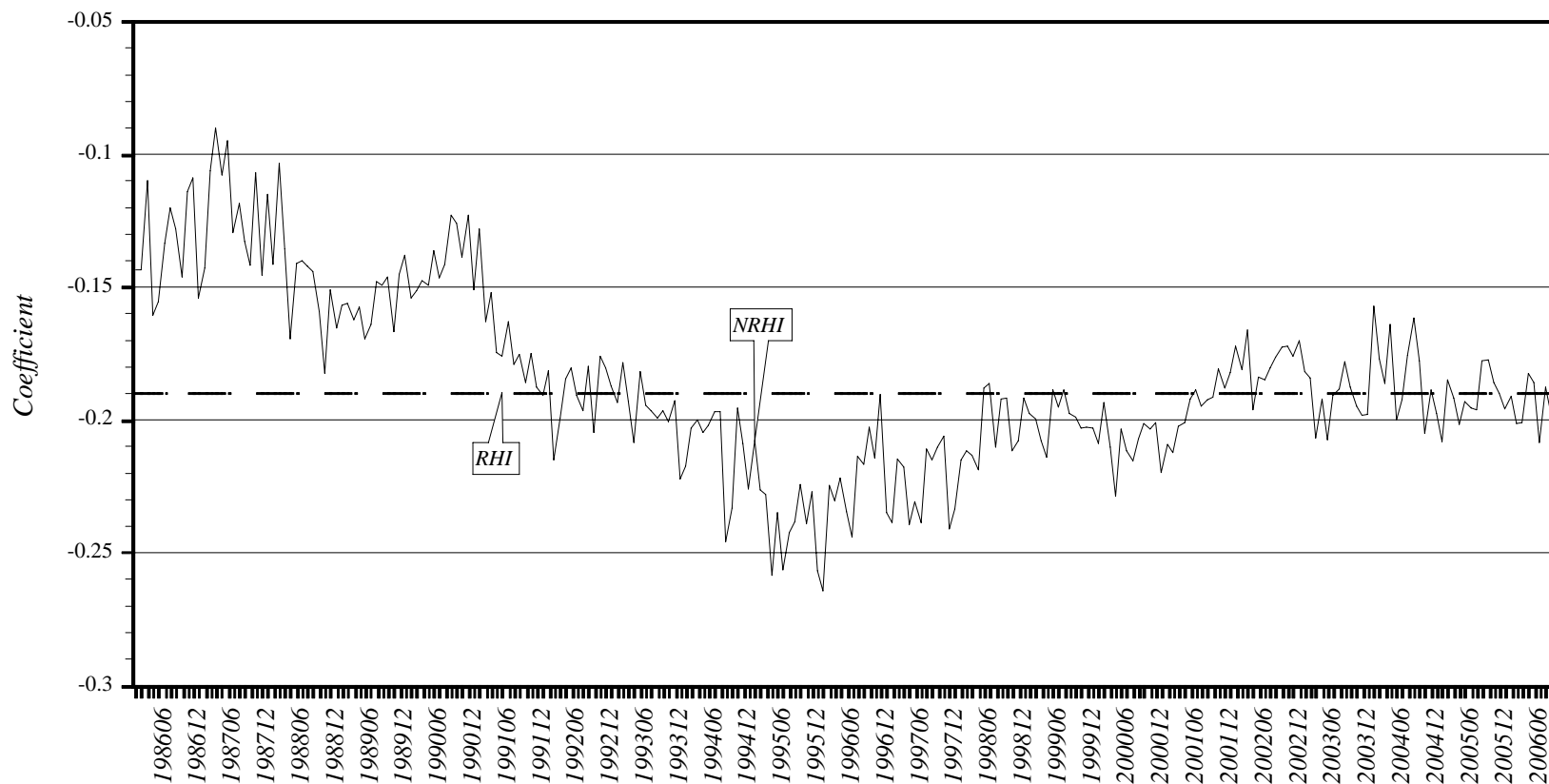


Fig5. Time profile of regression coefficient of the URHM, time to nearest station *TS*: 1986/01–2006/09.

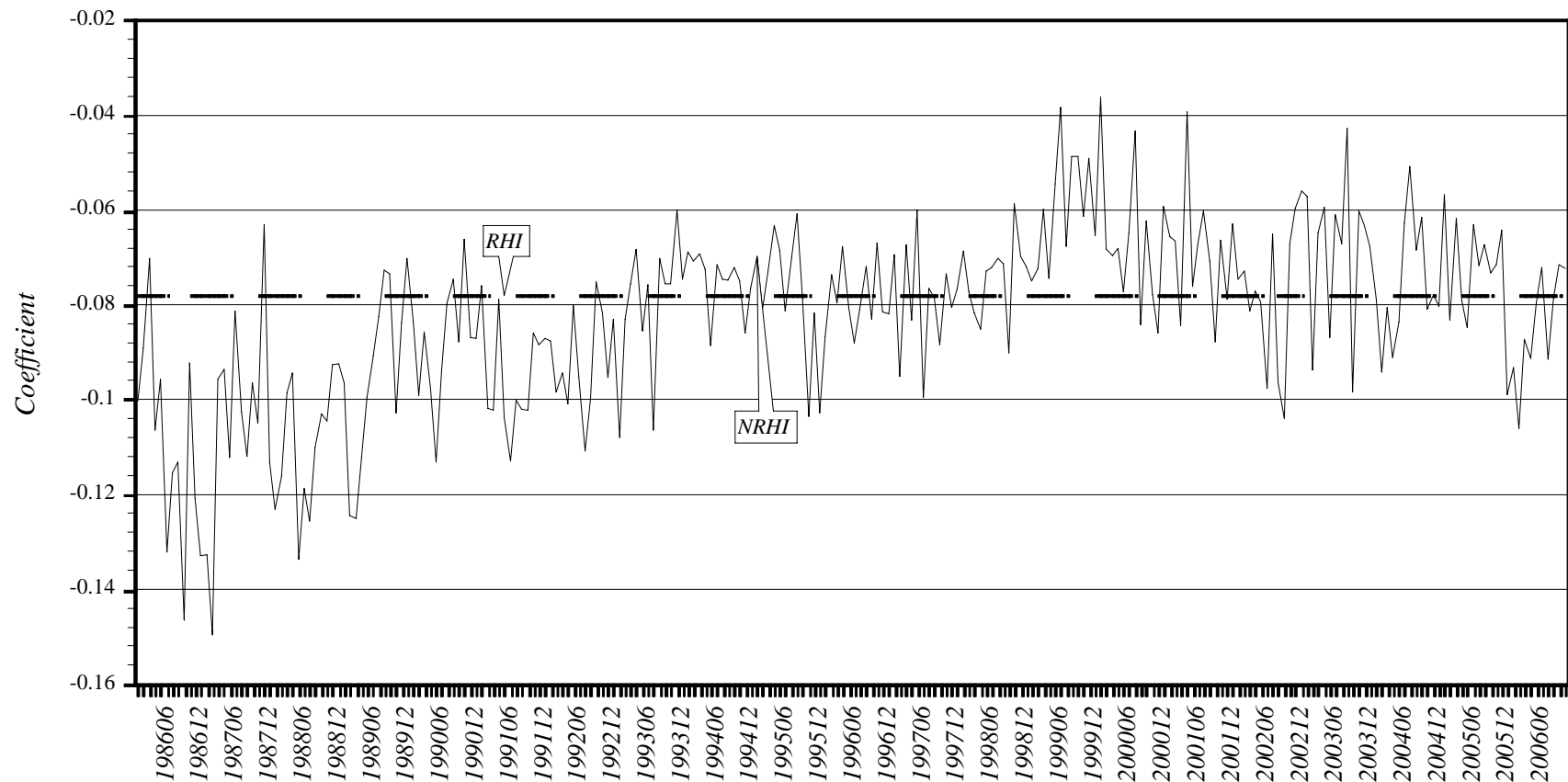
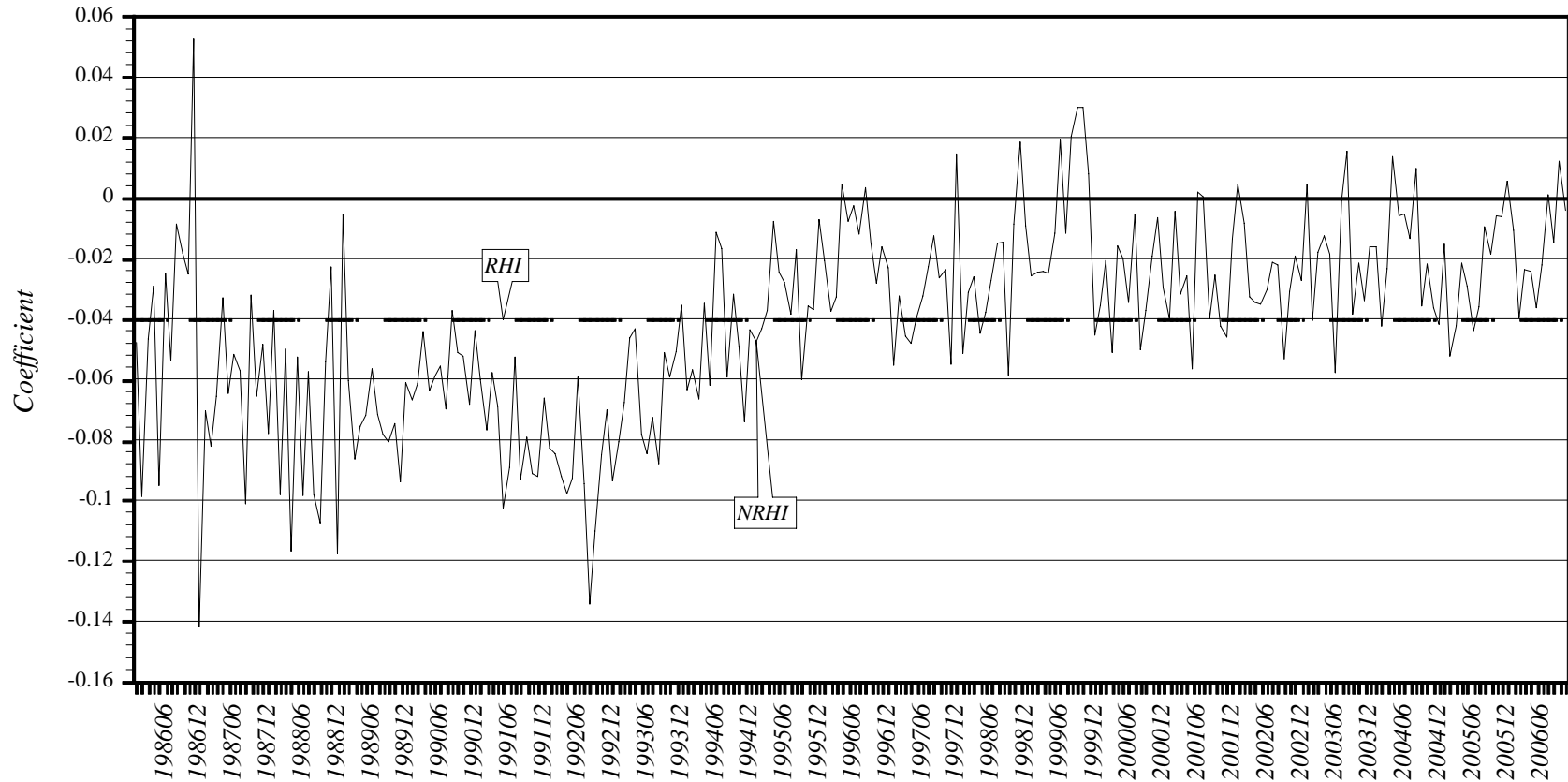


Fig6. Time profile of regression coefficient of the URHM, travel time to CBD *TT*: 1986/01–2006/09.



**Table6. Estimation results of the OPHM ($\tau = 12$):
1986/01–2006/09.**

Time	Constant	FS : Floor space	Age : Age of building	TS : Time to the nearest station	TT : Travel Time to CBD	NU : Number of units	RT : Market reservati on time	BD : Bus Dummy	WT × BD	Number of Observati ons	Adjusted R square
198612	4.232	0.041	-0.129	-0.108	-0.046	0.002	-0.028	-0.156	0.035	5,497	0.785
198701	4.176	0.055	-0.129	-0.112	-0.047	0.003	-0.028	-0.106	0.010	5,425	0.796
198702	4.133	0.058	-0.126	-0.117	-0.043	0.007	-0.025	-0.075	-0.009	5,446	0.812
198703	4.067	0.068	-0.126	-0.120	-0.045	0.008	-0.022	-0.023	-0.034	5,383	0.824
198704	4.038	0.075	-0.123	-0.122	-0.050	0.011	-0.021	-0.088	-0.006	5,492	0.835
198705	3.994	0.085	-0.120	-0.124	-0.048	0.014	-0.019	-0.133	-0.005	5,316	0.849
198706	4.015	0.089	-0.122	-0.119	-0.050	0.013	-0.021	-0.095	-0.019	5,268	0.854
198707	4.053	0.087	-0.121	-0.118	-0.050	0.013	-0.021	-0.053	-0.037	5,372	0.856
198708	4.104	0.089	-0.120	-0.115	-0.057	0.012	-0.018	-0.049	-0.041	5,083	0.859
198709	4.139	0.091	-0.120	-0.111	-0.059	0.012	-0.020	-0.084	-0.031	4,986	0.857
198710	4.183	0.091	-0.119	-0.111	-0.059	0.012	-0.020	-0.162	0.002	4,888	0.852
198711	4.293	0.093	-0.123	-0.108	-0.066	0.010	-0.016	-0.231	0.024	4,863	0.846
198712	4.315	0.092	-0.121	-0.109	-0.066	0.012	-0.009	-0.257	0.033	4,792	0.839
199001	5.522	-0.083	-0.154	-0.092	-0.074	0.020	0.007	-0.275	0.049	12,360	0.788
199501	5.191	0.030	-0.209	-0.074	-0.047	0.019	0.030	-0.360	0.105	14,903	0.681
200001	4.244	0.105	-0.201	-0.059	-0.008	0.021	0.008	-0.307	0.084	10,033	0.710
200501	4.327	0.069	-0.185	-0.076	-0.020	0.023	0.000	-0.172	0.027	8,131	0.755
200601	4.454	0.057	-0.189	-0.075	-0.026	0.018	-0.006	-0.404	0.117	9,684	0.776
200602	4.443	0.062	-0.191	-0.076	-0.025	0.017	-0.006	-0.461	0.141	9,622	0.777
200603	4.450	0.063	-0.191	-0.079	-0.024	0.017	-0.006	-0.544	0.172	9,506	0.780
200604	4.439	0.064	-0.190	-0.080	-0.023	0.017	-0.007	-0.486	0.149	9,617	0.778
200605	4.438	0.069	-0.189	-0.080	-0.024	0.016	-0.007	-0.486	0.148	9,844	0.777
200606	4.446	0.069	-0.189	-0.082	-0.022	0.014	-0.008	-0.444	0.130	9,699	0.778
200607	4.449	0.070	-0.189	-0.083	-0.018	0.014	-0.008	-0.409	0.118	9,726	0.777
200608	4.485	0.064	-0.190	-0.084	-0.018	0.014	-0.007	-0.347	0.098	9,837	0.778
200609	4.494	0.060	-0.192	-0.083	-0.015	0.015	-0.008	-0.249	0.061	9,920	0.778

Fig7. Estimation accuracy of the OPHM: between 1986/01 and 2006/09.

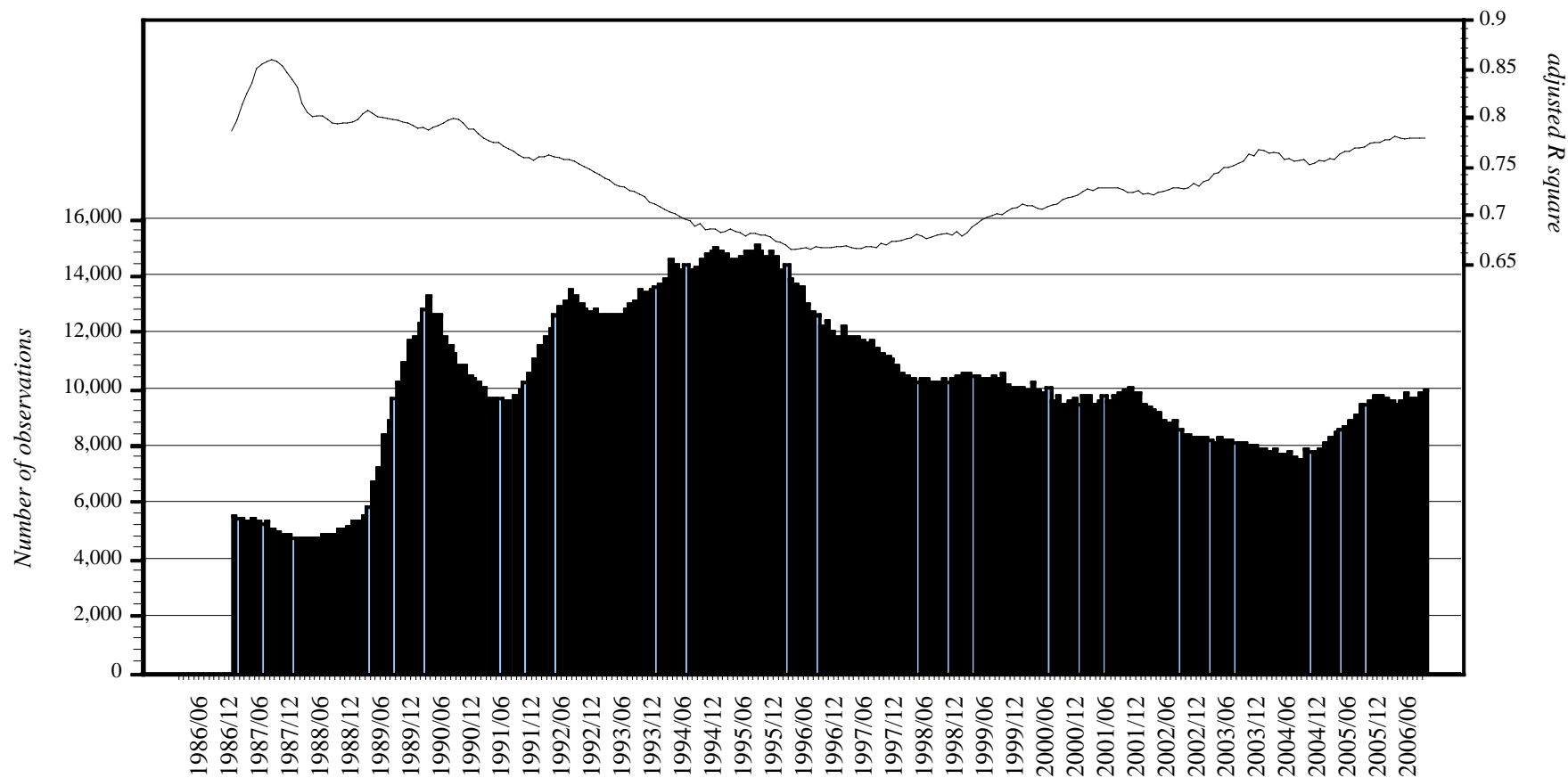


Fig. 8. Time profile of regression coefficient of the OPHM, constant term *cnst*: 1986/01–2006/09.

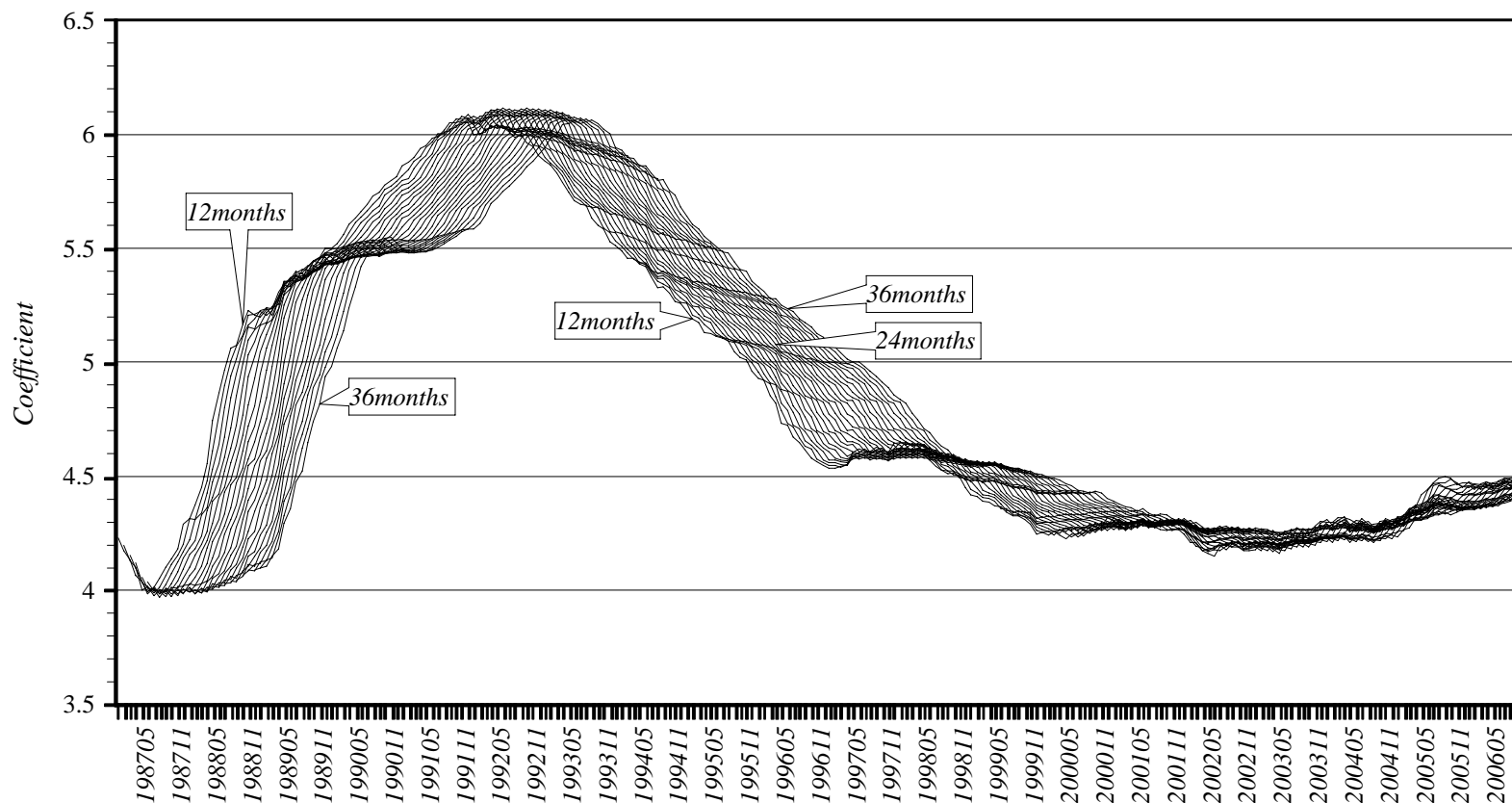


Fig9. Time profile of regression coefficient of the OPHM, floor space FS : 1986/01–2006/09.

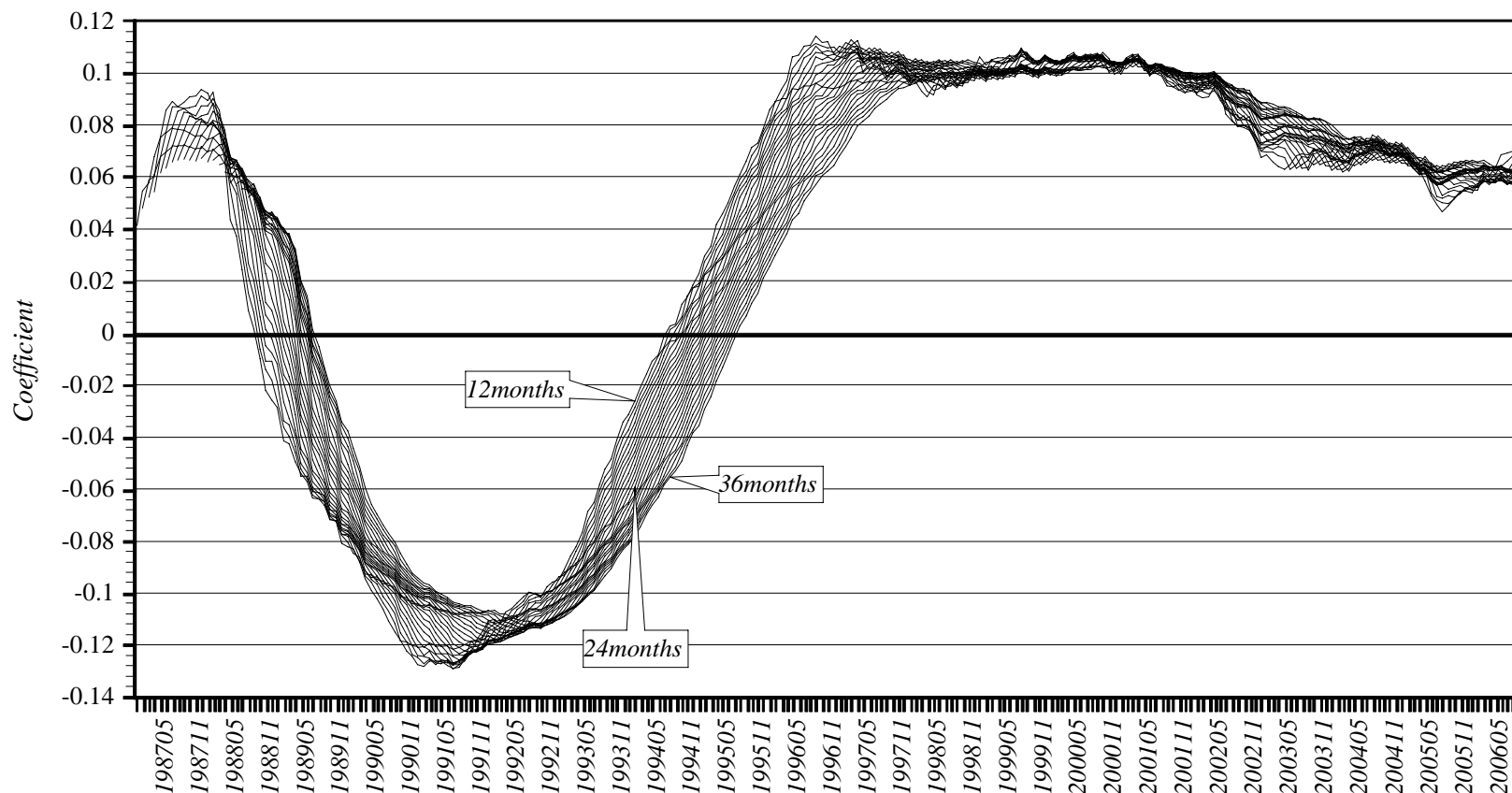


Fig10. Time profile of regression coefficient of the OPHM, age of building Age: 1986/01–2006/09.

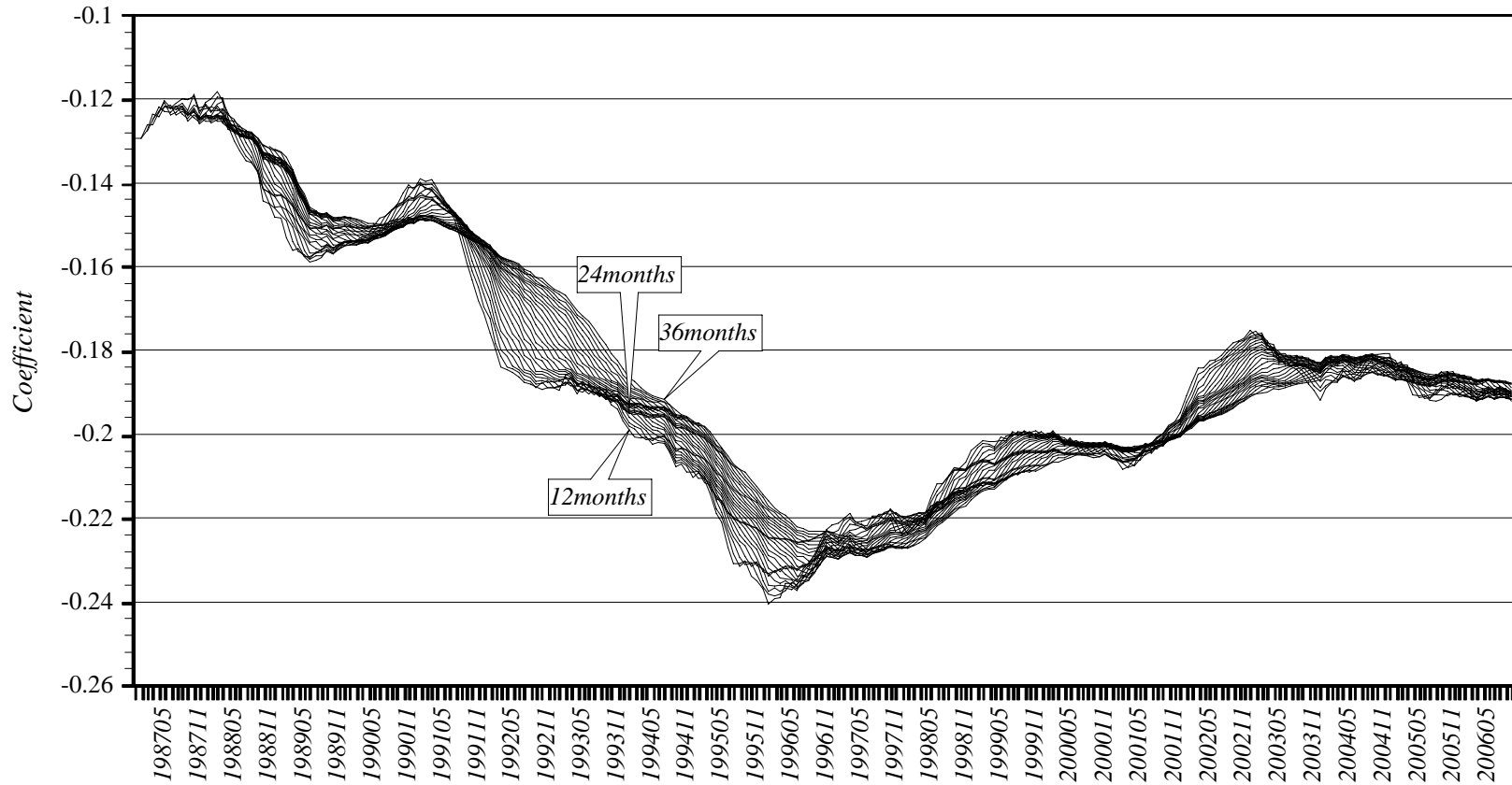


Fig11. Time profile of regression coefficient of the OPHM, time to nearest station *TS*: 1986/01–2006/09.

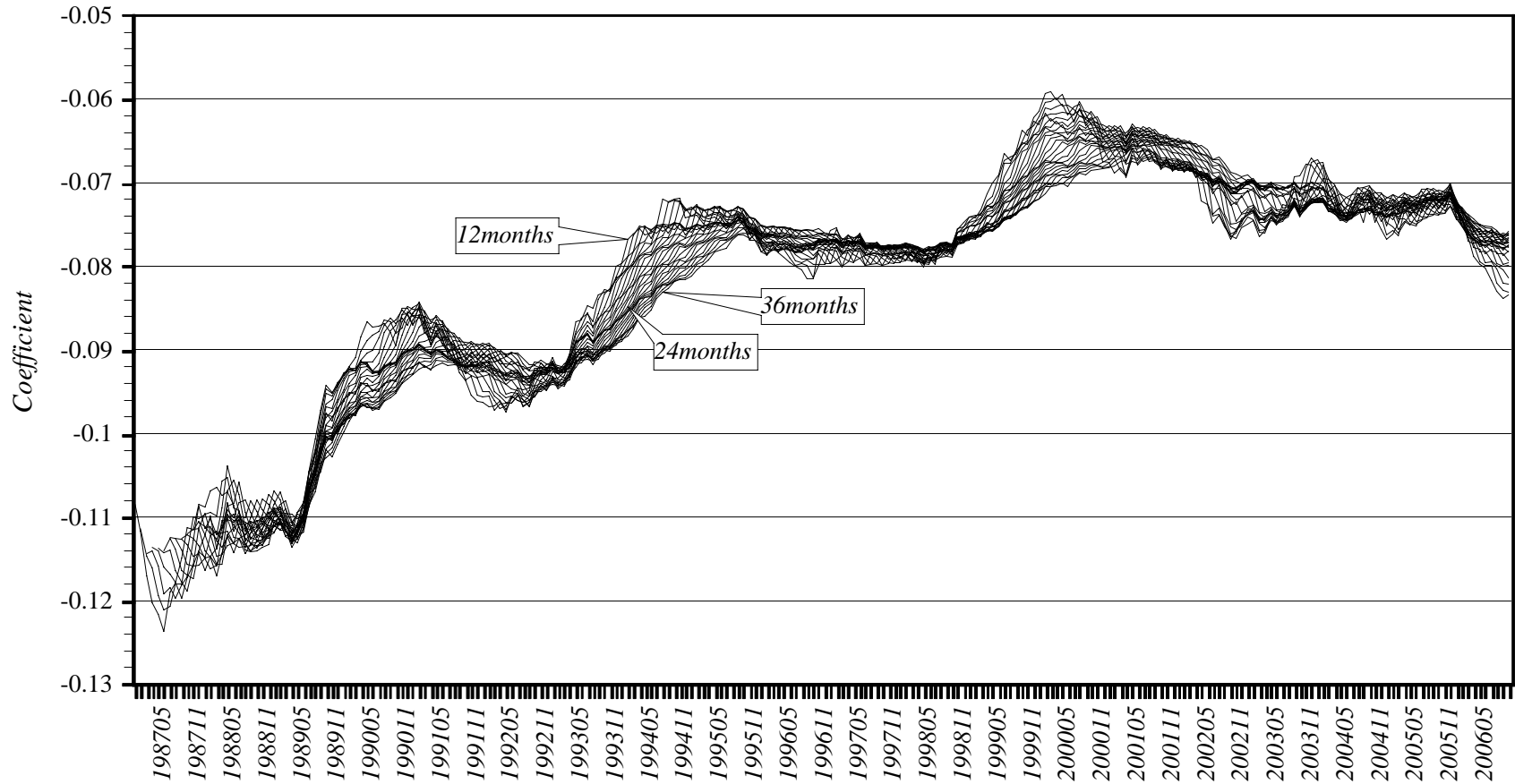


Fig12. Time profile of regression coefficient of the OPHM, travel time to CBD TT : 1986/01–2006/09.

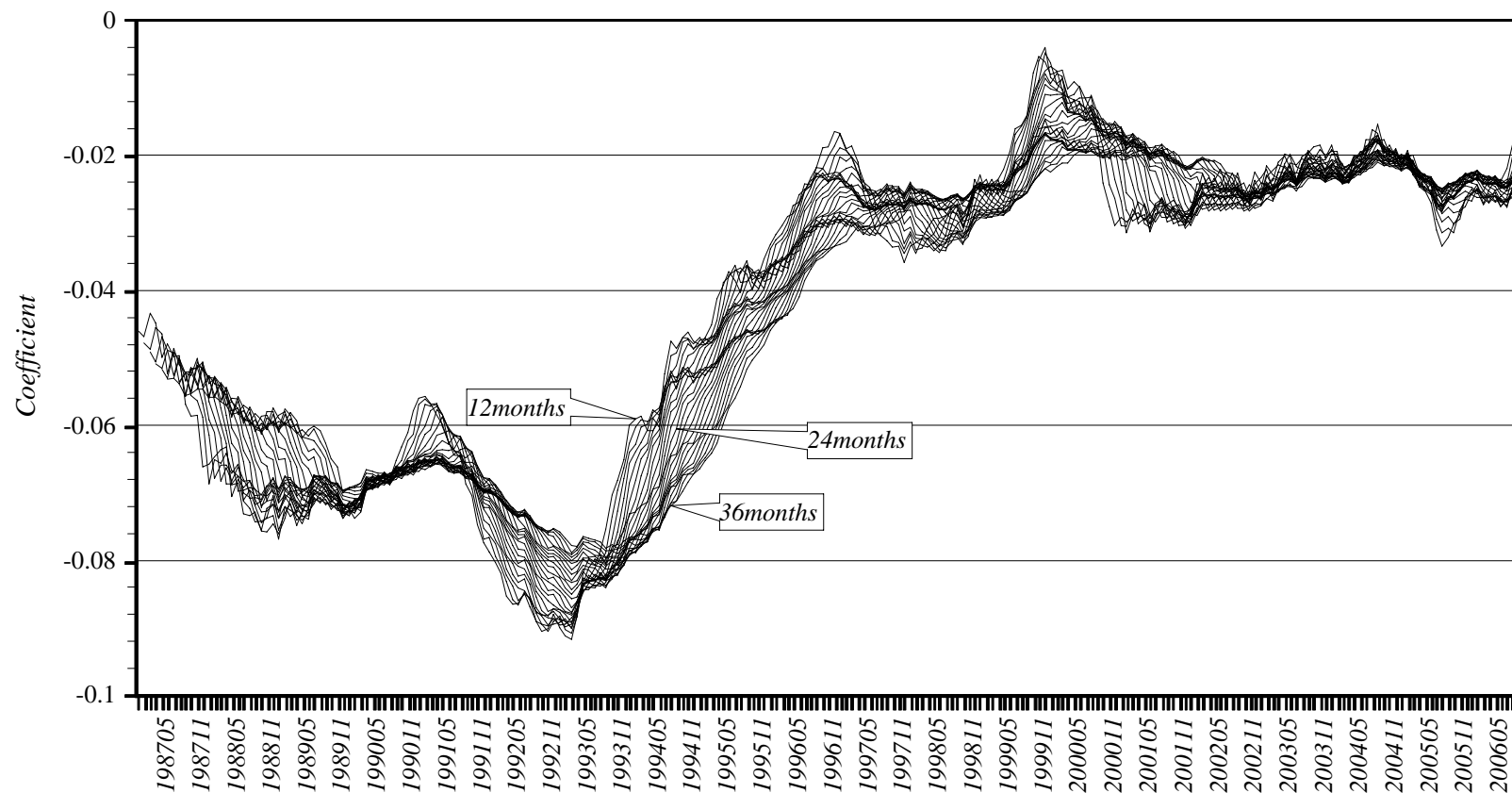


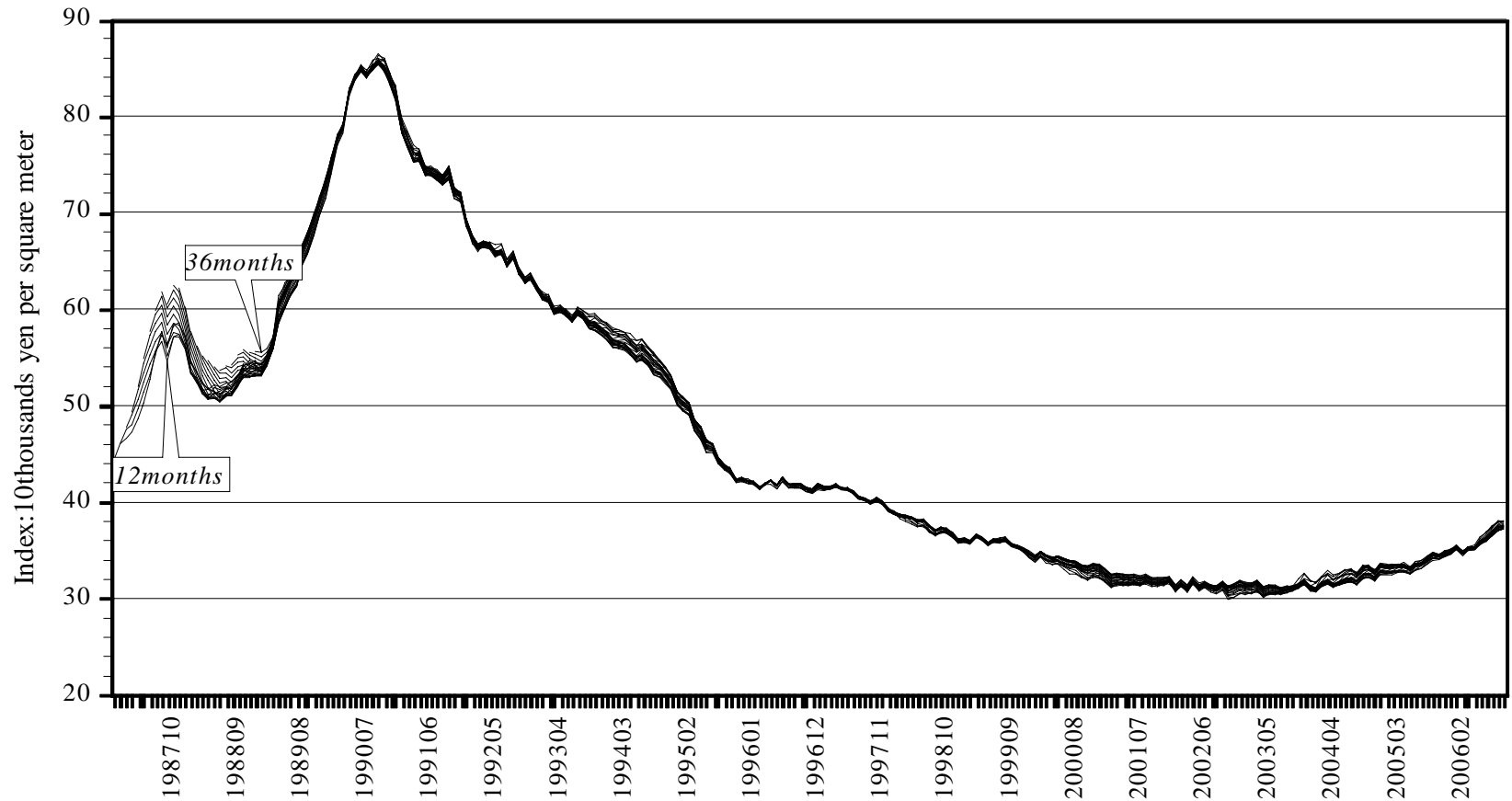
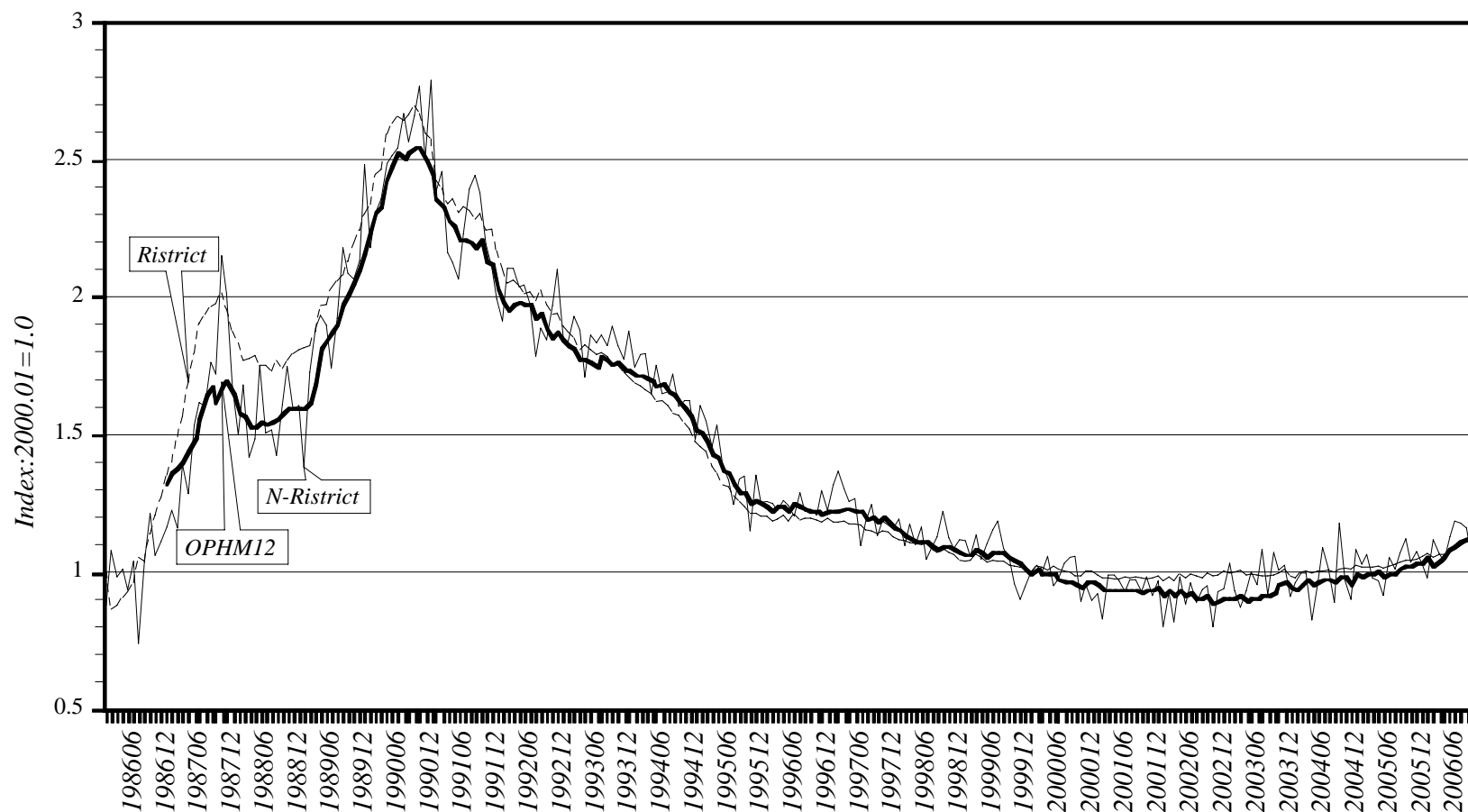
Fig13. Time profile of OPHI: 1986/01–2006/09.

Fig14. Comparison of indices between RHI,URHI and OPHI($\tau =12$): 1986/01–2006/10.



Conclusions:

- URHI :the regression coefficients widely fluctuate in each period or every couple of periods
- →this fluctuation is observed within short periods, a specific trend is observed in the long term /seasonal sample selection bias
- →we proposed OPHM.

- OPHM:we set τ from 12 months to 36 months for the estimation.
- →Temporal changes in the regression coefficients revealed by OPHM
- →When τ between 12 months and 36 months were compared, the existence of a time lag in the regression coefficients was observed.

- The results of the above series of analyses indicated the superiority of the estimation by OPHI ($\tau = 12$ months) in the secondhand condominium market in Japan, when structural changes in the market are to be accommodated.