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Highlights

- We study the effect of economic activity on the rise of extremist political parties.
- We face the challenge that economic activity is endogenous to electoral outcomes.
- Our identification strategy exploits the variation of world mineral prices.
- Small *GDPpc* changes have a large impact on the vote share of far-right parties.

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