

## Online Appendix

We ran several sensitivity tests to test the robustness of our results. First, we compared the occupational homogamy rates by husband's race, ethnicity, and national origin using three samples: (a) a sample involving recent marriages with two working spouses, (b) a sample involving recent marriages with working husbands, irrespective of the wife's employment status, and (c) a sample involving recent marriages, irrespective of husband and wife's employment status. Our results revealed that Hispanic men were most likely and White men were least likely to be married to wives who are not working. Among Asian Americans, Asian Indians were most likely to be married to an unemployed wife, followed by Korean, other Asian, Chinese, and Filipino men. Nonetheless, the presence or absence of unemployed spouses did not alter our results. Please see Appendix Table A2 for group differences in share of men with unemployed wives and Appendix Table A-3 for occupational homogamy rates using the three distinct samples.

Second, we estimated our models using alternate operationalizations of occupation status (i.e., 10, 23, and 98 categories). Our general results are largely consistent, with Asian American men's occupational homogamy rates exceeding the corresponding rates for other racial/ethnic groups. Among Asian American men, Asian Indians also had the highest occupational homogamy rates. By contrast, Korean and other Asian men had the lowest occupational homogamy rates. Please see Appendix Table A-4.

Third, we documented variations in occupational homogamy rates by wife's race, ethnicity, and national origin. Our results were robust. Asian American women's occupational homogamy rates were higher than the corresponding rates for women in other racial/ethnic groups. Asian Indian women were most, and Korean women were least, likely to have married partners with the same occupation. Please see Appendix Tables A-5.

Fourth, we also estimated analogous comparisons for Hispanic men. Among Hispanic men, differences in occupational homogamy by national origin were smaller than the corresponding differences for Asian men. To illustrate, the occupational homogamy rates for all Hispanic men ranged from 5%–7%. Please see Table A-6. In fact, disparities in occupational homogamy by national origin were so small that we could not run the decomposition models for differences across dyadic pairs of Hispanic men.

Fifth, we also inquired whether Asian Americans in endogamous marriages were less likely than their peers in interracial unions to marry a spouse from the same occupation. We found that differences between the former and latter groups were minimal. Please see Appendix Table A-9.

Finally, we used measures where we restricted our variables capturing occupational traits to unmarried individuals. We also created occupational marriage markets where we captured the socio-demographic traits of occupations for each marriage market (i.e., defined as metropolitan areas for urban residents and CPUMAs for rural residents). For each occupation and occupational marriage market, we also considered other measures identified to be important correlates of mate selection behavior (Choi and Tienda 2017, 2021), such as *single co-ethnic residents of the opposite sex who were foreign-born*, *industrial diversity*, *educational similarities with co-ethnic residents of the opposite sex*, *sex ratio*, and *marriageability index*. The addition of these occupational traits did not improve model fit, only the VIF. Our results were robust.

**Table A-1: Sample restrictions**

	N	%
Couples in first, different-sex marriages formed within 3years	298,514	100.0
Sample restrictions		
Group quarters, military, unemployed	10,183	3.4
Not White, Black, Hispanic, or Asian	13,521	4.5
Husbands and wives are not b/w 25-54 years of age	111,690	37.4
Married abroad	2,761	0.9
Spouse was unemployed	10,801	3.6
Missing values in key covariates	101	0.0
Sample size	149,457	50.0%

Sources: 2006 and 2008-2019 American Community Survey  
Notes: Percentages and counts are not weighted.

**Table A-2: Percent of married men with unemployed wives by race, ethnicity, and national origin**

	%	95 <sup>th</sup> CI	
Race/ethnicity			
NH White	4.29	4.17	4.41
NH Black	7.00	6.56	7.44
Hispanic	20.92	20.41	21.42
NH Asian	14.41	13.79	15.02
Nationality			
Chinese	9.88	8.83	10.93
Filipino	6.08	4.86	7.29
Indian	20.75	19.40	22.09
Korean	17.75	15.61	19.89
Other Asian	13.55	12.37	14.73

Source: 2006 and 2008-2019 American Community Survey  
Sample: 160,258 recent marriages  
Notes: Percentages are weighted.

**Table A-3: Occupational homogamy rates by husband's race, ethnicity, and national origin, distinct samples defined by spouses' employment status**

	N	%	95th CI	
<b>A. Main text</b>				
<b>Both spouses are working</b>				
<b>Race/ethnicity</b>				
NH White	106,036	5.32	5.18	5.45
NH Black	11,909	4.36	3.99	4.72
Hispanic	20,488	5.84	5.53	6.17
NH Asian	11,024	11.74	11.16	12.36
<b>National origin</b>				
Chinese	2,853	11.47	10.30	12.64
Filipino	1,412	10.03	8.47	11.60
Indian	2,844	16.80	15.42	18.17
Korean	1,041	8.19	6.52	9.86
Residual group of Asians	2,874	8.90	7.86	9.94
<b>B. Working husbands, irrespective of wives' employment</b>				
<b>Race/ethnicity</b>				
NH White	109,834	5.09	4.96	5.22
NH Black	12,770	4.05	3.71	4.39
Hispanic	25,085	4.63	4.37	4.89
NH Asian	12,569	10.06	9.54	10.59
<b>National origin</b>				
Chinese	3,113	10.33	9.26	11.40
Filipino	1,495	9.42	7.94	10.91
Indian	3,493	13.31	12.18	14.44
Korean	1,228	6.74	5.33	8.14
Residual group of Asians	3,240	7.69	6.78	8.61
<b>C. Couples, irrespective of employment</b>				
<b>Race/ethnicity</b>				
NH White	111,828	5.6	5.4	5.7
NH Black	13,692	5.8	5.4	6.2
Hispanic	25,917	5.8	5.5	6.1
NH Asian	13,013	11.2	10.7	11.8
<b>National origin</b>				
Chinese	3,216	11.5	10.4	12.6
Filipino	1,545	9.8	8.3	11.3
Indian	3,572	14.1	13.0	15.3
Korean	1,310	8.7	7.2	10.2
Residual group of Asians	3,370	9.4	8.4	10.4

**Table A-4: Occupational homogamy rates by husband's race, ethnicity, and national origin, using different numbers of occupational categories**

	N	%	95th CI	
<b>A. 453 categories</b>				
Race/ethnicity				
NH White	106,036	5.32	5.18	5.45
NH Black	11,909	4.36	3.99	4.72
Hispanic	20,488	5.84	5.53	6.17
NH Asian	11,024	11.74	11.16	12.36
National origin				
Chinese	2,853	11.47	10.30	12.64
Filipino	1,412	10.03	8.47	11.60
Indian	2,844	16.80	15.42	18.17
Korean	1,041	8.19	6.52	9.86
Other Asian	2,874	8.90	7.86	9.94
<b>B. 10 categories</b>				
Race/ethnicity				
NH White	106,036	23.47	23.21	23.72
NH Black	11,909	21.89	21.15	22.63
Hispanic	20,488	26.23	25.63	26.83
NH Asian	11,024	35.05	34.16	35.94
National origin				
Chinese	2,853	37.36	35.58	39.13
Filipino	1,412	29.74	27.35	32.12
Indian	2,844	43.12	41.30	44.94
Korean	1,041	31.45	28.63	34.28
Other Asian	2,874	28.49	26.83	30.14
<b>C. 23 categories</b>				
Race/ethnicity				
NH White	106,036	13.0	12.8	13.3
NH Black	11,909	12.1	11.5	12.7
Hispanic	20,488	14.5	14.0	15.0
NH Asian	11,024	21.3	20.5	22.0
National origin				
Chinese	2,853	21.0	19.5	22.5
Filipino	1,412	17.6	15.6	19.6
Indian	2,844	27.6	26.0	29.3
Korean	1,041	16.1	13.8	18.3
Other Asian	2,874	18.4	17.0	19.9

**Table A-4: (Continued)**

	N	%	95th CI	
D. 98 categories				
Race/ethnicity				
NH White	106,036	7.79	7.63	7.95
NH Black	11,909	6.73	6.28	7.18
Hispanic	20,488	8.07	7.70	8.45
NH Asian	11,024	16.03	15.34	16.71
National origin				
Chinese	2,853	15.09	13.77	16.40
Filipino	1,412	12.65	10.92	14.39
Indian	2,844	23.77	22.21	25.34
Korean	1,041	10.51	8.64	12.37
Other Asian	2,874	12.44	11.23	13.65

Source: 2006 and 2008-2019 American Community Survey.

Sample: 149,457 recent marriages.

Notes: Percentages are weighted.

**Table A-5: Occupational homogamy rates by wife's race, ethnicity, and nationality**

	Main text				Appendix			
	Husband's race/ethnicity/nationality				Wife's race/ethnicity/nationality			
	N	%	95th CI		N	%	95th CI	
Race/ethnicity								
NH White	106,036	5.32	5.18	5.45	104,765	5.23	5.10	5.37
NH Black	11,909	4.36	3.99	4.72	10,297	4.56	4.16	4.96
Hispanic	20,488	5.84	5.53	6.17	20,952	5.84	5.52	6.15
NH Asian	11,024	11.74	11.16	12.36	13,443	10.96	10.43	11.49
National origin								
Chinese	2,853	11.47	10.30	12.64	3,587	11.24	10.20	12.27
Filipino	1,412	10.03	8.47	11.60	2,018	6.91	5.80	8.01
Asian Indian	2,844	16.80	15.42	18.17	2,742	17.55	16.12	18.97
Korea	1,041	8.19	6.52	9.86	1,430	8.45	7.00	9.89
Other Asian	2,874	8.90	7.86	9.94	3,666	8.63	7.72	9.54

Source: 2006 and 2008-2019 American Community Survey

Sample: 149,457 recent marriages

Notes: Percentages are weighted.

**Table A-6: Occupational homogamy rates by husband's race, ethnicity, and national origin, disaggregating Hispanics according to their national origin**

	N	%	95th CI	
<b>Race/ethnicity</b>				
NH White	106,036	5.32	5.18	5.45
NH Black	11,909	4.36	3.99	4.72
Hispanic	20,488	5.84	5.53	6.17
NH Asian	11,024	11.74	11.16	12.36
<b>National origin</b>				
Chinese	2,853	11.47	10.30	12.64
Filipino	1,412	10.03	8.47	11.60
Asian Indian	2,844	16.80	15.42	18.17
Korea	1,041	8.19	6.52	9.86
Other Asian	2,874	8.90	7.86	9.94
<b>Hispanic nationality</b>				
Mexican	12,113	6.01	5.59	6.43
Puerto Rican	1,986	4.95	4.00	5.91
Cuban	826	6.86	5.13	8.58
Other Hispanic	5,563	5.70	5.09	6.31

Source: 2006 and 2008-2019 American Community Survey

Sample: 149,457 recent marriages

Notes: Percentages are weighted.

Numbers are unweighted.

**Table A-7: Logistic regression models predicting the odds of forming an occupational homogamy by husband's traits, estimated separately by race/ethnicity**

	NH White			NH Black			Hispanic			NH Asian		
	OR	95th CI		OR	95th CI		OR	95th CI		OR	95th CI	
<b>Age at marriage (25-29)</b>												
30-34	0.98	0.90	1.08	0.80	0.63	1.01	1.07	0.90	1.28	0.79	0.66	0.93
35-39	0.82	0.71	0.96	0.61	0.41	0.89	1.12	0.87	1.43	0.68	0.50	0.92
40+	0.98	0.83	1.16	0.66	0.46	0.97	1.07	0.85	1.36	0.90	0.58	1.40
<b>Nativity/Age at mig (US-born)</b>												
FB, <12	0.98	0.76	1.26	1.90	1.10	3.26	1.04	0.78	1.40	0.81	0.62	1.05
FB, 12-19	0.97	0.68	1.37	1.10	0.63	1.90	1.36	1.04	1.76	0.81	0.62	1.05
FB, 20-29	1.21	0.93	1.59	1.15	0.76	1.74	1.51	1.18	1.92	1.60	1.13	2.25
FB, 30+	1.17	0.86	1.58	1.75	0.98	3.12	1.25	0.86	1.82	1.75	1.23	2.48
<b>Education (HS or less)</b>												
Some college	0.82	0.69	0.97	0.94	0.69	1.29	0.89	0.70	1.14	0.69	0.43	1.12
College graduates	0.84	0.65	1.10	0.84	0.58	1.20	1.23	0.93	1.62	0.65	0.38	1.12
Master's degree	2.18	1.38	3.42	1.94	1.06	3.53	2.77	1.71	4.48	0.95	0.47	1.90
<b>STEM (Not)</b>	1.34	1.03	1.74	1.51	1.05	2.19	1.55	1.05	2.28	1.28	0.67	2.43
<b>EAM (Wife=Husband)</b>												
Wife < Husband	0.29	0.18	0.48	0.54	0.34	0.87	0.45	0.33	0.60	0.36	0.20	0.66
Wife > Husband	0.50	0.41	0.61	0.62	0.47	0.84	0.42	0.33	0.53	0.55	0.39	0.77
<b>Age gap (W&lt;H)</b>												
H≥W: 0-2 years	0.85	0.79	0.92	1.14	0.83	1.57	0.90	0.75	1.09	0.82	0.66	1.02
H>W: 3+	0.95	0.84	1.07	1.31	0.96	1.78	1.13	0.94	1.36	0.76	0.59	0.98
<b>Interracial (Same)</b>	1.10	0.96	1.26	0.82	0.63	1.06	0.87	0.70	1.07	1.05	0.81	1.35
<b>Region (Northeast)</b>												
Midwest	1.04	0.90	1.19	0.93	0.58	1.49	1.10	0.76	1.59	1.35	0.96	1.91
South	1.07	0.93	1.24	1.01	0.68	1.50	1.09	0.84	1.42	1.28	0.97	1.68
West	1.13	1.02	1.26	1.00	0.58	1.74	1.15	0.89	1.50	1.07	0.90	1.28
<b>Metro (Non-metro)</b>	0.88	0.74	1.04	1.20	0.80	1.81	0.62	0.47	0.82	0.63	0.40	1.00
% Co-ethnic	1.27	1.05	1.54	1.23	1.00	1.51	1.58	0.92	2.72	1.88	1.61	2.21
% Immigrant	1.16	1.01	1.33	1.02	0.82	1.27	1.10	0.76	1.61	0.86	0.62	1.18
% Single	0.84	0.69	1.02	0.78	0.63	0.95	0.81	0.66	0.99	0.65	0.53	0.80
% Occupation	1.32	1.20	1.46	1.36	1.20	1.53	1.34	1.20	1.51	1.39	1.19	1.63
% Female	1.88	1.63	2.16	1.86	1.57	2.21	2.10	1.80	2.45	2.03	1.67	2.46
Intercept	0.06	0.05	0.08	0.04	0.02	0.08	0.08	0.05	0.13	0.19	0.09	0.39

Source: 2006 and 2008-2019 American Community Survey. Analyses are weighted.

**Table A-8: Logistic regression models predicting the odds of forming an occupational homogamy by husband's traits, estimated separately by national origin**

	Chinese			Filipino			Asian Indian			Korean		
	OR	95th CI		OR	95th CI		OR	95th CI		OR	95th CI	
<b>Age at marriage (25-29)</b>												
30-34	0.71	0.49	1.01	0.84	0.53	1.33	0.89	0.71	1.12	0.75	0.33	1.69
35-39	0.76	0.47	1.23	0.40	0.17	0.98	0.69	0.43	1.10	0.46	0.18	1.18
40+	1.17	0.56	2.44	0.75	0.35	1.61	0.62	0.18	2.13	0.59	0.22	1.60
<b>Nativity/Age migr (US-born)</b>												
FB, <12	0.89	0.53	1.51	0.54	0.23	1.29	0.78	0.49	1.26	1.33	0.61	2.92
FB, 12-19	0.64	0.39	1.04	0.74	0.45	1.22	0.58	0.30	1.11	1.90	0.91	3.94
FB, 20-29	1.25	0.69	2.24	1.40	0.78	2.51	1.44	0.90	2.31	1.86	0.88	3.97
FB, 30+	1.44	0.62	3.34	1.87	0.88	3.98	1.65	1.01	2.72	2.00	0.61	6.54
<b>Education (HS or less)</b>												
Some college	0.30	0.12	0.80	0.39	0.13	1.14	1.39	0.37	5.18	0.81	0.20	3.31
College graduates	0.53	0.22	1.28	0.32	0.11	0.91	1.55	0.55	4.34	0.44	0.13	1.51
Master's degree	0.68	0.26	1.79	1.48	0.41	5.36	1.83	0.52	6.40	0.87	0.24	3.11
<b>STEM (Not)</b>	0.79	0.35	1.76	1.36	0.62	2.98	1.72	0.81	3.65	1.09	0.51	2.33
<b>EAM (Wife=Husband)</b>												
Wife < Husband	0.41	0.22	0.76	0.13	0.06	0.29	0.52	0.23	1.15	0.28	0.11	0.67
Wife > Husband	0.70	0.39	1.27	0.40	0.21	0.75	0.47	0.29	0.78	0.25	0.09	0.67
<b>Age gap (W&lt;H)</b>												
H≥W: 0-2 years	0.82	0.53	1.28	0.92	0.48	1.75	0.76	0.54	1.05	0.66	0.38	1.15
H>W: 3+	0.59	0.35	0.99	1.07	0.52	2.22	0.59	0.44	0.79	1.08	0.51	2.28
<b>Interracial (Same)</b>	0.99	0.60	1.64	1.74	1.03	2.94	0.82	0.44	1.52	1.20	0.68	2.12
<b>Region (Northeast)</b>												
Midwest	2.04	1.07	3.89	0.71	0.32	1.55	1.30	0.84	2.01	1.41	0.70	2.87
South	1.60	1.10	2.33	0.62	0.29	1.31	1.22	0.93	1.60	1.52	0.80	2.90
West	1.48	1.05	2.08	0.76	0.38	1.53	1.03	0.75	1.42	1.46	0.84	2.54
<b>Metro (Non-metro)</b>	0.67	0.36	1.23	1.93	0.41	9.01	0.77	0.39	1.49	0.82	0.16	4.12
% Female												
% Same nation	2.35	1.80	3.08	1.76	1.31	2.36	1.48	1.12	1.96	2.08	1.39	3.12
% Foreign-born	1.45	0.97	2.18	1.28	0.84	1.96	2.01	1.63	2.48	1.51	1.22	1.86
% Single	0.96	0.72	1.30	1.51	0.88	2.59	0.78	0.64	0.95	1.13	0.82	1.55
% Occupation	0.57	0.43	0.76	0.59	0.39	0.88	0.59	0.42	0.84	0.75	0.46	1.21
_Intercept	1.27	1.03	1.56	1.32	1.03	1.68	1.51	1.17	1.94	1.20	0.95	1.51

Source: 2006 and 2008-2019 American Community Survey. Analyses are weighted.



**Table A-9: Occupational homogamy rates by husband's race, ethnicity, and national origin, no interracial unions**

	N	%	95th CI	
Main text				
Race/ethnicity				
NH White	106,036	5.32	5.18	5.45
NH Black	11,909	4.36	3.99	4.72
Hispanic	20,488	5.84	5.53	6.17
NH Asian	11,024	11.74	11.16	12.36
National origin				
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Indian	2,844	16.80	15.42	18.17
Korean	1,041	8.19	6.52	9.86
Other Asian	2,874	8.90	7.86	9.94
Endogamous union				
Race/ethnicity				
NH White	96,237	5.21	5.07	5.35
NH Black	9,191	4.43	4.01	4.86
Hispanic	14,356	6.02	5.64	6.41
NH Asian	7,979	12.40	11.68	13.12
National origin				
Chinese	2,169	11.56	10.21	12.90
Filipino	919	8.60	6.78	10.42
Asian Indian	2,263	18.08	16.49	19.66
Korean	744	8.27	6.29	10.26
Other Asian	1,884	9.46	8.13	10.78

Source: 2006 and 2008-2019 American Community Survey.  
Notes: Percentages are weighted. Numbers are not weighted.