

Supplementary material

“Is single parenthood increasingly an experience of less educated mothers? A European comparison over five decades”

Table S1: Mean number of children by education and single motherhood

	Austria		France		Ireland		Italy		Norway		Poland		UK	
	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers
Low	1.9	1.6	2.1	1.7	2.5	2.1	1.6	1.4	1.8	1.6	1.9	1.6	1.9	1.7
Medium	1.7	1.4	1.8	1.5	2.2	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.8	1.5	1.8	1.5	1.8	1.6
High	1.7	1.4	1.8	1.5	2.1	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.8	1.5	1.6	1.3	1.9	1.6
Total	1.7	1.4	2.0	1.6	2.3	1.9	1.6	1.4	1.8	1.5	1.8	1.5	1.9	1.7

Table S2: Predictors of (0) mothers in couples vs. (1) single mothers, logistic regression models (odds ratios) excluding number of children (M2)

	Austria		France		Ireland		Italy		Norway	
	M1	M2	M1	M2	M1	M2	M1	M2	M1	M2
Year	1.017	1.018	1.040	1.040	1.048	1.051	1.026	1.028	1.026	1.027
	[1.015,1.018]	[1.017,1.019]	[1.040,1.040]	[1.040,1.040]	[1.048,1.049]	[1.050,1.051]	[1.026,1.027]	[1.027,1.028]	[1.024,1.027]	[1.025,1.029]
Education (ref. Low)										
Medium	1.018	1.100	0.785	0.812	0.650	0.672	1.144	1.173	0.773	0.789
	[0.985,1.051]	[1.065,1.135]	[0.777,0.794]	[0.803,0.821]	[0.638,0.662]	[0.659,0.685]	[1.132,1.156]	[1.161,1.185]	[0.738,0.809]	[0.755,0.826]
Higher	1.124	1.252	0.568	0.590	0.472	0.501	1.336	1.377	0.631	0.650
	[1.062,1.189]	[1.184,1.323]	[0.559,0.576]	[0.582,0.599]	[0.460,0.485]	[0.488,0.514]	[1.315,1.358]	[1.355,1.399]	[0.599,0.665]	[0.617,0.685]
Age of the youngest child (ref. 0–4)										
5–9	1.760	1.826	2.251	2.287	2.857	2.907	1.858	1.868	3.146	3.184
	[1.683,1.841]	[1.746,1.909]	[2.218,2.286]	[2.252,2.322]	[2.789,2.927]	[2.837,2.978]	[1.830,1.887]	[1.840,1.897]	[2.991,3.310]	[3.029,3.348]
10–14	2.231	2.628	2.758	3.019	4.258	4.595	2.400	2.615	3.764	4.794
	[2.114,2.354]	[2.494,2.770]	[2.707,2.809]	[2.964,3.074]	[4.134,4.385]	[4.464,4.731]	[2.357,2.444]	[2.569,2.663]	[3.533, 4.010]	[4.511,5.096]
15–19	1.929	3.048	2.490	3.369	4.450	5.883	2.395	3.189	3.727	5.708
	[1.812,2.054]	[2.870,3.237]	[2.436,2.545]	[3.300,3.440]	[4.289,4.617]	[5.682,6.091]	[2.347,2.443]	[3.128,3.251]	[3.416,4.064]	[5.248,6.208]
Number of children (ref. 1 child)										
2	0.435	-	0.572	-	0.634	-	0.548	-	0.547	-
	[0.421,0.450]		[0.566,0.579]		[0.621,0.646]		[0.542,0.554]		[0.526,0.569]	
3+	0.356	-	0.585	-	0.602	-	0.545	-	0.441	-
	[0.338,0.376]		[0.576,0.593]		[0.588,0.616]		[0.535,0.555]		[0.414,0.468]	
Mother's age	0.964	0.955	0.981	0.975	0.923	0.918	0.997	0.991	0.930	0.922
	[0.962,0.967]	[0.953,0.958]	[0.980,0.982]	[0.974,0.976]	[0.922,0.924]	[0.916,0.919]	[0.996,0.998]	[0.990,0.992]	[0.927,0.933]	[0.919,0.925]

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Mother's age squared	1.002	1.003	1.001	1.002	1.003	1.003	1.001	1.001	1.003	1.004
	[1.002,1.003]	[1.003,1.004]	[1.001,1.001]	[1.002,1.002]	[1.003,1.003]	[1.003,1.003]	[1.001,1.001]	[1.001,1.002]	[1.003,1.003]	[1.004,1.004]
<i>N</i>	277,620	277,620	7,564,803	7,564,803	501,976	501,976	4,978,235	4,978,235	116,524	116,524
<i>Pseudo R2</i>	0.048	0.025	0.083	0.074	0.112	0.104	0.046	0.037	0.072	0.059

Notes: Year is centred around first survey year in a country. Mother's age is centred around country mean.

	Poland		UK	
	M1	M2	M1	M2
Year	1.028	1.028	1.060	1.061
	[1.027,1.029]	[1.027,1.029]	[1.060,1.061]	[1.060,1.061]
Education (ref. Low)				
Medium	0.712	0.745	0.773	0.781
	[0.694,0.731]	[0.726,0.764]	[0.760,0.786]	[0.768,0.794]
Higher	0.555	0.625	0.525	0.533
	[0.536,0.574]	[0.605,0.646]	[0.514,0.536]	[0.522,0.544]
Age of the youngest child (ref. 0–4)				
5–9	1.535	1.602	2.647	2.605
	[1.492,1.580]	[1.557,1.648]	[2.593,2.703]	[2.553,2.659]
10–14	1.894	2.108	3.724	3.724
	[1.829,1.960]	[2.039,2.180]	[3.634,3.817]	[3.635,3.814]
15–19	1.797	2.375	3.784	4.416
	[1.726,1.872]	[2.287,2.466]	[3.673,3.899]	[4.292,4.544]
Number of children (ref. 1 child)				
2	0.594	-	0.611	-
	[0.581,0.607]		[0.601,0.621]	
3+	0.624	-	0.775	-
	[0.606,0.643]		[0.760,0.791]	
Mother's age	0.976	0.970	0.932	0.930
	[0.974,0.977]	[0.969,0.972]	[0.931,0.933]	[0.929,0.931]
Mother's age squared	1.002	1.003	1.003	1.003
	[1.002,1.002]	[1.002,1.003]	[1.002,1.003]	[1.003,1.003]
<i>N</i>	1,104,823	1,104,823	567,628	567,628
<i>Pseudo R2</i>	0.030	0.022	0.095	0.088

Table S3: Mothers' mean age by age of the youngest child, education and single parenthood

(A) All

	Austria		France		Ireland		Italy		Norway		Poland		UK	
Age of the youngest child	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers
0-4	30.9	28.9	30.1	29.6	32.9	29.0	31.8	33.4	31.6	28.6	29.9	28.6	30.0	26.7
5-9	36.3	35.2	36.6	35.9	39.8	35.5	37.8	38.2	37.2	34.8	35.6	34.6	36.2	33.6
10-14	41.1	40.7	42.0	42.0	45.4	42.7	42.7	42.9	42.5	41.1	40.9	40.7	41.1	39.9
15-19	45.7	45.7	47.0	47.5	50.5	49.4	47.4	48.1	45.6	44.5	45.6	45.8	46.1	45.9

(B) Low education

	Austria		France		Ireland		Italy		Norway		Poland		UK	
Age of the youngest child	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers
0-4	29.7	26.9	30.0	29.2	32.4	29.0	30.8	31.8	30.3	26.4	29.7	28.0	29.3	26.3
5-9	35.5	34.1	36.7	36.2	39.7	35.8	37.2	37.4	36.5	34.1	36.6	35.5	35.8	33.3
10-14	41.1	40.9	42.3	42.7	45.5	43.5	42.5	42.7	42.5	41.6	42.8	42.8	40.8	39.8
15-19	46.0	46.4	47.4	48.4	50.8	50.1	47.4	48.4	45.2	44.5	47.5	48.5	45.8	45.6

(C) Medium education

	Austria		France		Ireland		Italy		Norway		Poland		UK	
Age of the youngest child	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers
0-4	30.7	29.0	29.4	29.2	32.8	28.4	32.5	33.9	30.6	28.0	29.7	28.5	29.8	26.9
5-9	36.1	35.0	35.6	34.7	39.5	34.7	38.3	38.5	36.3	33.9	35.2	34.2	35.9	33.3
10-14	40.8	40.1	40.7	40.3	45.0	41.7	42.8	42.5	41.7	40.1	40.2	40.0	40.8	39.0
15-19	45.2	44.9	45.4	45.2	50.0	48.3	47.1	46.8	44.9	43.7	44.7	44.7	45.3	43.9

(D) High education

	Austria		France		Ireland		Italy		Norway		Poland		UK	
Age of the youngest child	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers	Mothers in couples	Single mothers
0-4	34.0	34.5	31.8	32.5	34.8	32.0	35.6	37.1	33.3	33.0	31.8	30.9	32.6	31.8
5-9	39.5	38.4	38.1	37.4	40.9	36.8	41.2	41.4	38.8	37.3	36.7	35.9	38.2	36.9
10-14	43.8	43.3	42.9	42.3	45.8	42.5	45.4	45.0	43.7	42.3	41.8	41.2	42.7	41.5
15-19	48.2	47.6	47.3	46.8	50.5	48.3	49.3	49.0	46.9	45.6	46.0	45.7	46.9	45.9

Table S4: Predictors of (0) mothers in couples vs. (1) single mothers, logistic regression models (odds ratios) excluding mother's age (and mother's age squared) (M2) and age of the youngest child (M3), respectively

	Austria			France			Ireland			Italy		
	M1	M2	M3	M1	M2	M3	M1	M2	M3	M1	M2	M3
Year	1.017	1.012	1.014	1.040	1.039	1.038	1.048	1.044	1.051	1.026	1.026	1.024
	[1.015,1.018]	[1.011,1.013]	[1.013,1.016]	[1.040,1.040]	[1.038,1.039]	[1.038,1.039]	[1.048,1.049]	[1.043,1.045]	[1.050,1.052]	[1.026,1.027]	[1.025,0.026]	[1.023,1.024]
Education (ref. Low)												
Medium	1.018	0.975	0.984	0.785	0.776	0.773	0.650	0.629	0.592	1.144	1.135	1.075
	[0.985,1.051]	[0.944,1.007]	[0.952,1.016]	[0.777,0.794]	[0.767,0.785]	[0.764,0.781]	[0.638,0.662]	[0.618,0.641]	[0.581,0.603]	[1.132,1.156]	[1.123,1.146]	[1.064,1.086]
Higher	1.124	0.950	0.982	0.568	0.537	0.507	0.472	0.367	0.364	1.336	1.322	1.139
	[1.062,1.189]	[0.899,1.004]	[0.929,1.037]	[0.559,0.576]	[0.529,0.544]	[0.500,0.515]	[0.460,0.485]	[0.358,0.376]	[0.355,0.373]	[1.315,1.358]	[1.301,1.343]	[1.121,1.157]
Age of the youngest child (ref. 0-4)												
5-9	1.760	1.248	-	2.251	1.855	-	2.857	1.471	-	1.858	1.774	-
	[1.683,1.841]	[1.200,1.297]		[2.218,2.286]	[1.831,1.878]		[2.789,2.927]	[1.441,1.502]		[1.830,1.887]	[1.751,1.797]	
10-14	2.231	1.287	-	2.758	2.076	-	4.258	1.333	-	2.400	2.279	-
	[2.114,2.354]	[1.238,1.338]		[2.707,2.809]	[2.049,2.103]		[4.134,4.385]	[1.304,1.363]		[2.357,2.444]	[2.249,2.309]	
15-19	1.929	1.022	-	2.490	1.820	-	4.450	0.968	-	2.395	2.321	-
	[1.812,2.054]	[0.981,1.064]		[2.436,2.545]	[1.795,1.845]		[4.289,4.617]	[0.945,0.991]		[2.347,2.443]	[2.292,2.350]	
Number of children (ref. 1 child)												
2	0.435	0.401	0.430	0.572	0.541	0.565	0.634	0.521	0.596	0.548	0.536	0.518
	[0.421,0.450]	[0.388,0.414]	[0.417,0.444]	[0.566,0.579]	[0.535,0.547]	[0.559,0.571]	[0.621,0.646]	[0.511,0.531]	[0.585,0.608]	[0.542,0.554]	[0.530,0.541]	[0.513,0.523]
3+	0.356	0.286	0.315	0.585	0.522	0.502	0.602	0.381	0.486	0.545	0.526	0.454
	[0.338,0.376]	[0.272,0.301]	[0.300,0.332]	[0.576,0.593]	[0.515,0.529]	[0.495,0.509]	[0.588,0.616]	[0.373,0.389]	[0.476,0.497]	[0.535,0.555]	[0.517,0.535]	[0.446,0.462]
Mother's age	0.964	-	0.987	0.981	-	1.015	0.923	-	0.968	0.997	-	1.030
	[0.962,0.967]		[0.986,0.989]	[0.980,0.982]		[1.014,1.015]	[0.922,0.924]		[0.967,0.969]	[0.996,0.998]		[1.029,1.030]
Mother's age squared	1.002	-	1.001	1.001	-	1.000	1.003	-	1.002	1.001	-	1.000
	[1.002,1.003]		[1.001,1.002]	[1.001,1.001]		[1.000,1.000]	[1.003,1.003]		[1.002,1.002]	[1.001,1.001]		[1.000,1.000]
<i>N</i>	277,620	277,620	277,620	7,564,803	7,564,803	7,564,803	501,976	501,976	501,976	4,978,235	4,978,235	4,978,235
<i>Pseudo R2</i>	0.048	0.039	0.041	0.083	0.080	0.070	0.112	0.067	0.083	0.046	0.046	0.039

Notes: Year is centred around first survey year in a country. Mother's age is centred around country mean.

	Norway			Poland			UK		
	M1	M2	M3	M1	M2	M3	M1	M2	M3
Year	1.026	1.021	1.024	1.028	1.027	1.027	1.060	1.055	1.057
	[1.024,1.027]	[1.019,0.023]	[1.022,1.026]	[1.027,1.029]	[1.026,1.028]	[1.026,1.028]	[1.060,1.061]	[1.054,1.055]	[1.056,1.058]
Education (ref. Low)									
Medium	0.773	0.740	0.727	0.712	0.687	0.706	0.773	0.749	0.728
	[0.738,0.809]	[0.707,0.773]	[0.695,0.760]	[0.694,0.731]	[0.669,0.705]	[0.688,0.725]	[0.760,0.786]	[0.737,0.762]	[0.716,0.740]
Higher	0.631	0.500	0.504	0.555	0.494	0.508	0.525	0.413	0.438
	[0.599,0.665]	[0.475,0.526]	[0.479,0.531]	[0.536,0.574]	[0.478,0.511]	[0.491,0.525]	[0.514,0.536]	[0.405,0.421]	[0.429,0.447]

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Age of the youngest child (ref. 0–4)									
5–9	3.146	1.773	-	1.535	1.194	-	2.647	1.452	-
	[2.991,3.310]	[1.699,1.850]		[1.492,1.580]	[1.165,1.225]		[2.593,2.703]	[1.427,1.478]	
10–14	3.764	1.380	-	1.894	1.258	-	3.724	1.413	-
	[3.533,4.010]	[1.320,1.442]		[1.829,1.960]	[1.227,1.290]		[3.634,3.817]	[1.387,1.439]	
15–19	3.727	1.198	-	1.797	1.126	-	3.784	1.110	-
	[3.416,4.064]	[1.119,1.282]		[1.726,1.872]	[1.097,1.156]		[3.673,3.899]	[1.087,1.132]	
Number of children (ref. 1 child)									
2	0.547	0.472	0.515	0.594	0.544	0.570	0.611	0.540	0.593
	[0.526,0.569]	[0.454,0.490]	[0.496,0.535]	[0.581,0.607]	[0.532,0.555]	[0.558,0.582]	[0.601,0.621]	[0.531,0.548]	[0.584,0.602]
3+	0.441	0.320	0.348	0.624	0.516	0.542	0.775	0.578	0.635
	[0.414,0.468]	[0.301,0.339]	[0.328,0.368]	[0.606,0.643]	[0.501,0.531]	[0.527,0.557]	[0.760,0.791]	[0.566,0.589]	[0.623,0.647]
Mother's age	0.930	-	0.978	0.976	-	0.995	0.932	-	0.976
	[0.927,0.933]		[0.976,0.980]	[0.974,0.977]		[0.994,0.996]	[0.931,0.933]		[0.976,0.977]
Mother's age squared	1.003	-	1.001	1.002	-	1.001	1.003	-	1.002
	[1.003,1.003]		[1.001,1.002]	[1.002,1.002]		[1.001,1.001]	[1.002,1.003]		[1.002,1.002]
<i>N</i>	116,524	116,524	116,524	1,104,823	1,104,823	1,104,823	567,628	567,628	567,628
<i>Pseudo R2</i>	0.072	0.048	0.046	0.030	0.024	0.025	0.095	0.065	0.071