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Dear colleagues,

Dear pairfam users,

The pairfam team is currently engaged with three waves: the data from Wave 9 is being prepared for our users, Wave 10 is in the field, and the question program for Wave 11 is being drafted. In early summer 2018 we will announce Release 9.0 with the following improvements to the data of the ninth wave: The anchor data set will contain additional items concerning children moving out of the parental home (age norms and specific reasons), the beginning of intimate relationships, and personality traits (Dark Triad and risk taking behavior). The parent survey was no longer continued; instead, we introduced a survey covering the relationship of anchor respondents to their teenaged and/or adult children as a continuation of the parenting survey.

In addition to this first taste of the Wave 9 data, we would also like to inform you about upcoming events and other pairfam news.

Call for Papers: 6th International pairfam-Conference in Munich

The 6th Interdisciplinary International pairfam Conference titled "Innovations in Panel Data Methods" will take place in Munich on June 28-29th, 2018. The focus will be on panel data collection and analysis, as well as on innovative family research designs. Aside from keynote lectures, the conference will give scientists from various disciplines the opportunity to present their findings to a diverse, international audience of professional colleagues. The conference is not restricted to contributions utilizing pairfam data.

Please submit abstracts by January 31st, 2018 to pairfam-conference@lmu.de.

On June 27th, 2018, we will hold a pre-conference workshop titled: "Introduction to pairfam Data and Fixed Effects Regression". For further information, please refer to the Call for Papers and the conference website.

We are looking forward to your contributions and to seeing you in Munich!
Workshop “Meet the data: The German Family Panel (pairfam)” in Mannheim on January 26th, 2018

As part of the GESIS workshop series, the workshop "Meet the data: The German Family Panel (pairfam)" will be held in Mannheim on January 26th, 2018. The main focus will be on an introduction to analyses with pairfam data and practical applications with the statistics program Stata. The workshop will be held in German.

This praxis-oriented workshop will present the data structure and available variables and data sets of the first eight pairfam waves. In addition, analysis options will be suggested using application-oriented examples, including practical tips for data management (e.g., merging various data sets for cross-sectional and longitudinal analyses, using generated variables and data sets) as well as example analyses done as a group using longitudinal (panel) data analysis methods. Further, we will offer an introduction to the project design, sample, main topics, and documentation.

Further information, including registration for the workshop, can be found on the GESIS website.

Qualitative data regarding “stopping” and Technical Paper 10

As part of the anchor questionnaire in the 8th wave of the pairfam study, we included an open question regarding the reasons behind the decision not to have (further) children (so-called “stopping”). These data have since been transcribed and coded. Technical Paper 10 (so far in German only) includes a detailed description of the data and the coding process. In the course of the next release (Release 9.0, early summer 2018), the coded responses will be made available in the usual Scientific Use File. Until then, the data are available from our user service directly. The complete transcripts can be used on specifically secured workspaces at our project locations upon request.

Please inform us of student final papers/theses

We make an effort to present a complete and up-to-date bibliography of publications based on pairfam data on our homepage. A list of student papers/theses using pairfam data forms a part of this. In order to reach our goal, we need your support: Please inform our user service of any contributions you yourself or your students have made, including the year, type of degree (Bachelor’s or Master’s), and the corresponding university.

Please also inform us of any accepted and/or published contributions. Usage of the pairfam data should be cited according to our citation guidelines. Thank you!

Personell changes in the pairfam team

We would like to warmly welcome Dr. Henriette Greischel to the pairfam team. As of October 1st, 2017 she is involved with the step up respondent sample at the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München under Prof. Dr. Sabine Walper.

As of December 1st, 2017 our colleague Dr. Christine Finn (Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena) has returned from parental leave. She will continue to oversee the thematic focus of intimate
relationships. We thank Dr. Elisabeth Borschel for her great commitment during Christine's parental leave!

Bettina Müller (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München) completed her dissertation based on pairfam data with the title "Addressing Issues of Unit Nonresponse and Sample Attrition in a Relationship and Family Panel" in July of 2017. Congratulations!

Recent publications

The following contributions using pairfam data have been published since the last newsletter in June of 2017:


Pink, Sebastian. 2017. Anticipated (Grand-)Parental ChildCare Support and the Decision to Become a Parent. *European Journal of Population (Online First).* DOI: 10.1007/s10680-017-9447-z


The abstracts and/or summaries of each article are listed on our [homepage](#).

For further information regarding the project or the pairfam data, please do not hesitate to contact us.

The pairfam team wishes you a wonderful holiday season and a great start to the New Year!

Yours sincerely on behalf of the entire pairfam team,

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