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Dear colleagues,

Dear pairfam users,

We are pleased to announce that Release 10.0 of the pairfam data is now available. Data from the 10th survey wave have been fully processed and can be accessed immediately as part of the Release 10.0 Scientific Use File. Furthermore, we would like to inform you of further updates regarding the pairfam project, for example the International pairfam User Conference which took place in Cologne at the end of May.

Release 10.0 available with data from Wave 10

Release 10.0 is now obtainable, including the latest pairfam data from Wave 10. This survey wave (2017/2018) contains data from 4,750 anchor respondents, 1,799 partners, and 1,282 children. The anchor survey has been expanded to include new items regarding work flexibility and frequency of working from home, trust in people, use of dating apps, relationship status and former marriages of the current partner, physical conflict and cyber bullying during separation from a partner, the physical and psychological burden of menopause, the assessment of one's own social status, the importance of tidiness and housework, employment of housework help, and age at first ejaculation. Alteri surveys have also been updated to include new items: The children's survey now incorporates items concerning personality traits (Big Five) as well as help with household chores and general satisfaction with life, and the partner survey now includes questions on the importance of tidiness and housework. An overview of the survey content for each individual wave can be found in the respective [Codebooks](#) and [Variable Lists](#).

For the second time, the **PAYA** survey ("Parenting of Adolescents and Young Adults") targeted at respondents' relationships to their adolescent and young adult children (in addition to, and as a continuation of, the parenting survey), was implemented in Wave 10. This survey focuses on relationship quality and management between parents and their children, as well as items concerning parental roles.

New data from **step-up respondents** and their partners are also available. Each year, the sample sizes increase: 410 step-up respondents and 47 step-up partners are available as part of

Wave 10. For these respondents, questions regarding helicopter parenting, autonomy support, and methods to induce a pregnancy have been included. For the second time, additional questions for step-ups, who until Wave 8 received a drop-off questionnaire, were included into the standard CAPI interview. As a result, the separate transition questionnaire and data set for new step-ups are no longer necessary. Data and documentation for step-up respondents and the step-up partner survey are archived in a separate folder in the Scientific Use File. More information on step-up respondents is available in the [Data Manual](#).

The **Data Manual** and the **Scales and Instruments Manual** have both been modified and updated accordingly for Release 10.0. The latter provides information on key item groups that are part of the various pairfam surveys. In addition, this manual presents guidelines for the creation of index variables and scales (including reliability scores) based on pairfam instruments used. Syntax files used to generate these scales are also part of the Scientific Use File.

As in previous years, all data sets are available as both **Stata** and **SPSS** files. We provide Stata data sets in Unicode, which was implemented in Stata 14.

In order to **obtain data from Release 10.0**, please proceed as follows:

Once the [application form](#) has been completed, signed, and sent to our [user support](#) team via e-mail, post, or fax, the Scientific Use File will be made available directly from the GESIS Data Service. Registered users of Release 9.0 or 9.1 data will receive data from Release 10.0 free of charge if the application form is sent to our user support office by **September 30, 2019**. It pays to be quick!

The pairfam data are to be used exclusively for **scientific purposes** by those persons indicated on the application form as part of the project or research plan noted. Data may be given to internal third parties if these a) will work with the pairfam data in the context of the project mentioned, or b) are students using the data for a paper or thesis. In both cases, the pairfam [user support](#) must be informed. Please fill out the [distribution form](#) on the pairfam website. In accordance with data protection laws and in order to keep our user database up to date, **all parties** (including students and research assistants) with access to pairfam data must complete and sign the distribution form. It is no longer possible to include multiple users on one application form. The distribution contract is valid independently of the specific release version. If you have previously signed a distribution contract with third parties, you are permitted to provide data from the next release to these specific persons without completing a new distribution form.

Release 10.0 also includes the syntax for a reduced **teaching version** with 50% of the observations. This version may be made available to students without filling out the distribution form.

Several [Quick Start do-files](#) that have been adjusted for working with data from Release 10.0 are available on our homepage. These syntax files have been made available to facilitate the introduction to analyses with pairfam data.

Recent event: International pairfam User Conference in Cologne

The 6th International pairfam User Conference took place on May 16th and 17th in Cologne. All research based on pairfam data, independent of topic, were able to be presented. Topics ranged from indicators on the partner market to housework distribution, sexual intercourse and infidelity in partnerships, fertility, child development, and child well-being in different family settings.

The conference program and further information are available on the pairfam [homepage](#). Many thanks to all the participants for this interesting conference!

pairfam Awards 2019

In the course of this year's International pairfam User Conference, two competitive awards were granted for excellent scientific work based of pairfam data. Two papers received the [Best Publication Award](#):

- Kreutz, Gunter & Michael Feldhaus. 2018. Does music help children grow up? Parental views from a longitudinal panel study. *Musicae Scientiae*. DOI: 10.1177/1029864918782581
- Tanskanen, Antti O. 2017. Intergenerational relations before and after offspring arrive: A within-person investigation. *Social Science Research* 67: 138-146. DOI: 10.1016/j.ssresearch.2017.08.001

The [Best Presentation Award](#) was won by Stephanie Hess and Matthias Pollmann-Schult for their presentation "Does maternal depression really lower child well-being? A comparison of parents' and children's (self-)assessment".

Congratulations!

Awards were sponsored by Kantar Public.

Announcement: pairfam workshop in Mannheim

A pairfam workshop will take place on January 27 at the gesis institute in Mannheim. After an introduction to the design, sample, and data structure, we will provide participants with tips and tricks for cross-sectional data management, weighting options, and multi-actor links in the data. In addition, longitudinal data management as well as fixed effects regression techniques will be demonstrated with a practical orientation.

If you would like to organize an in-house course at your institute, please get in touch with our user [support team](#).

Personnel changes in the pairfam team

As of March 2019, our long-standing colleague [Dr. Bettina Müller](#) from the LMU Munich left the project team. Thank you very much for your exceptional dedication. We wish you all the best for your professional and private future.

[Renate Frister](#) has taken over her data management responsibilities. In addition, [Tita Gonzales Avilés](#) joined the staff in Jena. Welcome to the team!

Recent Publications

These are the latest publications based on pairfam data:

Bastin, Sonja. 2019. Single mothers' new partners: Partnership and household formation in Germany. *Journal of Marriage and Family* (online first). DOI:10.1111/jomf.12575

Brömmelhaus, Ana, Michael Feldhaus & Monika Schlegel. 2019. Family, work, and spatial mobility: The influence of commuting on the subjective well-being of couples. *Applied Research in Quality of Life* (online first). DOI: 10.1007/s11482-019-9710-z

Danielsbacka, Mirkka, Antti O. Tanskanen & Francesco C. Billari. 2019. Who meets online? Personality traits and sociodemographic characteristics associated with online partnering in Germany. *Personality and Individual Differences* 143: 139-144. DOI: 10.1016/j.paid.2019.02.024

El Ghaziri, Nahema, Joëlle Darwiche & Jean-Philippe Antonietti. 2019. Is self-esteem a resource for the parental couple? A longitudinal study on the quality of the romantic and coparental relationships. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships* (online first). DOI: 10.1177/0265407519838349

Filser, Andreas & Richard Preetz. 2019. Subjective and local sex ratios. *SocArXiv*. April 17. DOI: 10.31235/osf.io/vs9r3

Fulda, Barbara E., Bernhard Nauck, & Qiang Ren. 2019. The transition to adulthood in China, Germany and the US: Prevalence and timing in private and professional life. *Chinese Journal of Sociology* 5.2: 193-213. DOI: 2057150X19838728

Grünwald, Olga. 2018. How do family relations influence interethnic partner choices? The role of cohesion, affection and diversity in native and migrant families. *Zeitschrift für Familienforschung - Journal of Family Research* 30: 339-351. DOI: 10.3224/zff.v30i3.06

- Hajek, Kristin. 2019. Sex and housework: Does perceived fairness of the distribution of housework actually matter? *Zeitschrift für Familienforschung - Journal of Family Research* 31.1. DOI: 10.3224/zff.v31i1.05
- Heintz-Martin, Valerie & Cordula Zabel. 2018. The stability of partnerships across the transition from education to employment. *Journal of Youth Studies*. DOI: 10.1080/13676261.2018.1562164
- Horne, Rebecca M. & Matthew D. Johnson. 2018. Gender role attitudes, relationship efficacy, and self-disclosure in intimate relationships. *The Journal of Social Psychology* 158: 37-50. DOI: 10.1080/00224545.2017.1297288
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- Huyer-May, Bernadette, Claudia Schmiedeberg & Nina Schumann. 2018. Neighborhood effects on children's subjective deprivation: Are poor children's perceptions of the economic situation in their home influenced by their neighborhood? *Child Indicators Research* 11: 291-305. DOI: 10.1007/s12187-017-9445-z
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- Ivanova, Katya & Nicoletta Balbo. 2019. Cementing the stepfamily? Biological and stepparents' relationship satisfaction after the birth of a common child in stepfamilies. *Journal of Family Issues* (online first). DOI: 10.1177/0192513X19836456
- Johnson, Matthew. D. & Franz. J. Neyer. 2019. (Eventual) stability and change across partnerships. *Journal of Family Psychology* 43. DOI: 10.1037/fam0000523
- Johnson, Matthew D., Franz J. Neyer, and Jared R. Anderson. 2019. Development of immigrant couple relations in Germany. *Journal of Marriage and Family* (online first). DOI: 10.1111/jomf.12580
- Krapf, Sandra. 2018. Moving in or breaking up? The role of distance in the development of romantic relationships. *European Journal of Population* 34: 313-336. DOI: 10.1007/s10680-017-9428-2
- Kuhnt, Anne-Kristin, Eva Depenbrock & Sabrina Unkelbach. 2018. Reproduktionsmedizin und Familiengründung-Potentiale sozialwissenschaftlicher Datensätze in Deutschland. *Zeitschrift für Familienforschung - Journal of Family Research* 30.2: 194-215. DOI: 10.3224/zff.v30i2.04
- Lux, Ulrike & Sabine Walper. 2019. A systemic perspective on children's emotional insecurity in relation to father: Links to parenting, interparental conflict and children's social well-being. *Attachment & Human Development* (online first). DOI: 10.1080/14616734.2019.1582597
- Nauck, Bernhard & Qiang Ren. 2018. Coresidence in the transition to adulthood: The case of the United States, Germany, Taiwan, and Mainland China. *Chinese Sociological Review* 50: 443-473. DOI: 10.1080/21620555.2018.1522953
- Raab, Marcel & Emanuela Struffolino. 2019. The Heterogeneity of partnership trajectories to childlessness in Germany. *European Journal of Population* (online first). DOI: 10.1007/s10680-019-09519-y
- Reifman, Alan & Sylvia Niehuis. 2018. Over- and under-perceiving social support from one's partner and relationship quality over time. *Marriage & Family Review* 54.8: 793-805. DOI: 10.1080/01494929.2018.1501632

Seilbeck, Carolin & Alexandra Langmeyer. 2018. Ergebnisse der Studie „Generationenübergreifende Zeitverwendung: Großeltern, Eltern, Enkel.“ *Deutsches Jugendinstitut e.V.*

Stamm, Isabell, Fabian Bernhard & Nicole Hameister. 2019. Empirische Befunde zu Unternehmerfamilien in Deutschland. In *Soziologie der Unternehmerfamilie*, edited by Kleve Heiko & Tobias Köllner, 115-141. Wiesbaden: Springer. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-658-22388-5

Wagner, Michael, Clara H. Mulder, Bernd Weiß & Sandra Krapf. 2019. The transition from living apart together to a coresidential partnership. *Advances in Life Course Research* 39: 77-86. DOI: 10.1016/j.alcr.2018.12.002

Wagner, Michael, Johannes Huinink & Aart C. Liefbroer. 2019. Running out of time? Understanding the consequences of the biological clock for the dynamics of fertility intentions and union formation. *Demographic Research* 40: 1-26. DOI: 10.4054/DemRes.2019.40

Zemp, Martina, Matthew D. Johnson & Guy Bodenmann. 2019. Out of balance? Positivity-negativity ratios in couples' interaction impact child adjustment. *Developmental Psychology* 55: 135-147. DOI: 10.1037/dev0000614

Zimmermann, Okka & Nicole Hameister. 2019. Stable cohabitational unions increase quality of life: Retrospective analysis of partnership histories also reveals gender differences. *Demographic Research* 40: 657-692

The abstracts and/or summaries of each article can be accessed on our [homepage](#).

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We wish you all the best for your research with pairfam data. For further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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