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Dear colleagues,

Dear pairfam users,

With the holiday season already upon us, this extraordinary year is drawing to a close. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued interest in the pairfam project and wish you a peaceful holiday season and a happy, healthy New Year. This newsletter is to inform you about recent developments in the pairfam project.

We are pleased to announce that data from the pairfam COVID-19 survey is now available. The primary focus of this web-based survey, conducted among existing pairfam anchor respondents, was how the lockdown and social distancing measures in place during the spring of 2020 impacted respondents' everyday life and well-being. Further details on this supplemental survey and on data access are given below.

Fieldwork for wave 12 presented some significant challenges. In March, interviewers were forced to pause fieldwork due to the lockdown measures. In order to complete fieldwork, the pairfam team made the decision to switch the survey mode from computer-assisted personal interviewing (CAPI) to computer-assisted telephone interviewing (CATI) supplemented with a self-administered paper-and-pencil (PAPI) questionnaire for particularly intimate questions typically included in the self-administered CASI module in the standard CAPI interview. In total, 8,197 anchor respondent interviews were completed in wave 12 in spite of the situation caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. As of wave 12, the anchor questionnaire also includes items on regretting motherhood and work-family conflicts.

Release 12.0 is projected for publication in the early summer of 2021. Fieldwork for wave 13 began in October and is running well, given the current situation. Simultaneously, we have begun with the creation of the questionnaire for wave 14, the last wave of interviews within the pairfam study.

pairfam COVID-19 survey

Data from the pairfam COVID-19 survey is now available to interested researchers! pairfam's longitudinal design was supplemented with an optional web-based survey focused on effects of the situation caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Online questionnaires with a duration of approximately 15 minutes were completed between May 12th and July 13th, 2020. The survey was targeted towards all anchor respondents who were part of the gross sample of wave 12 and had not refused participation. A total of 3,154 anchor respondents participated in this supplemental survey. The resulting dataset is well suited to studying the consequences of COVID-19 for private

lives and personal relationships.

The pairfam COVID-19 survey addresses a wide range of issues relevant for youth, young adults and adults over 30 – whether single, in a relationship, or as parents – in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic. It includes questions on personal well-being and worries related to the current situation, partnership quality and family climate during lockdown restrictions, contact and communication with non-resident parents and children, child care and the division of housework parenting experience and children’s schooling. Furthermore, special modules for younger respondents cover how they are coping with the current situation. Further details on this supplementary survey can be found in [Technical Paper 15](#).

Data from the pairfam COVID-19 survey are provided as a separate Scientific Use File in both Stata and SPSS formats, including [codebooks](#) in German and English, a [variable overview](#), syntax files for the creation of scales, [Technical Paper 15](#), as well as a supplementary [Methods Report](#). For access to the COVID-19 SUF, please send your completed and signed [application form](#) to the pairfam [user support](#). Once approved, the SUF will be made available for download by GESIS. The download will be free of charge for registered users of Release 11.0 until April 15th, 2021 (tick only “pairfam COVID-19 survey” on the form). Further details on data access – such as using the data for teaching purposes – can be found on our [homepage](#).

FReDA – The Family Demographic Panel

Since its inception in January this year, much has happened in regard to the FReDA project: The pairfam team has developed and coordinated the questionnaires for the anchor and partner surveys of the first FReDA wave in cooperation with colleagues at GESIS and the Federal Institute for Population Research (BiB). In 2021, the first internationally comparable FReDA survey will be fielded within the frame of the Generations and Gender Survey (GGS). More information concerning the FReDA project is available on the FReDA [homepage](#). By spring 2021, the homepage will be updated and appear in a new design with additional information on the study and the sample.



pairfam International Conference cancelled

We regret to announce that the postponed pairfam International Conference, planned for July 2020, has now been officially cancelled. We hope to be able to welcome you at the upcoming 7th pairfam User Conference in Bremen in September 2021. Further details and updates will be published [here](#) as soon as they become available.

Personnel changes in the pairfam team

[Lara Minkus](#) (University of Bremen) left the project. We would like to thank her for her outstanding work and wish her all the best for the future!

We also said goodbye to our long-time colleague Michel Herzig (LMU Munich) who left the project at the end of October. We would like to thank him for his invaluable work and wish him all the

best for his personal and professional future! We would also like to give a warm welcome to [Trang Phan](#) who has been supporting our survey methodology team at the LMU Munich since the start of November.

[Christiane Bozoyan](#) (LMU Munich), [Kristin Hajek](#) (LMU Munich), [Bernadette Huyer-May](#) (LMU Munich), and [Timo Peter](#) (University of Bremen) have now returned from their parental leave. Welcome back! We would like to thank Katharina Timmermann (University of Bremen) for her support during Timo's leave.

[Barbara Sawatzki](#) (LMU Munich) is currently on parental leave.

Recent Publications

These are the latest publications based on pairfam data:

Adams, Ayhan & Katrin Golsch. 2020. Gender-specific patterns and determinants of spillover between work and family: The role of partner support in dual-earner couples. *Journal of Family Research* (online first). DOI: 10.20377/jfr-373

Adams, Ayhan, Katrin Golsch & Kai-Olaf Maiwald. 2020. Solidarity in couple relationships – A mixed methods approach. *Zeitschrift für Soziologie* 49.2-3: 164–182. DOI: 10.1515/zfsoz-2020-0016

Borgmann, Lea-Sophie, Petra Rattay & Thomas Lampert. 2020. Longitudinal analysis of work-to-family conflict and self-reported general health among working parents in Germany. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health* 17.11. DOI: 10.3390/ijerph17113966

Danielsbacka, Mirikka, Antti O. Tanskanen & Francesco C. Billari. 2020. Meeting online and family-related outcomes: evidence from three German cohorts. *Journal of Family Studies* (online first). DOI: 10.1080/13229400.2020.1835694

Gonzalez Avilés, Tita, Christine Finn & Franz J. Neyer. 2020. Patterns of romantic relationship experiences and psychosocial adjustment from adolescence to young adulthood. *Journal of youth and adolescence* (online first). DOI: 10.1007/s10964-020-01350-7

Hank, Karsten & Anja Steinbach. 2020. The virus changed everything, didn't it? Couples' division of housework and childcare before and during the Corona crisis. *Journal of Family Research* (online first). DOI: 10.20377/jfr-488

Hiekel, Nicole & Michael Wagner. 2020. Individualized relationship practices and union dissolution: Differences between marriage and cohabitation. *European Sociological Review* (online first). DOI: 10.1093/esr/jcaa021

Hudde, Ansgar. 2020. Homogamy in gender role attitudes among young couples: evidence from Germany. *Kölner Zeitschrift für Soziologie und Sozialpsychologie* (online first). DOI: 10.1007/s11577-020-00711-1

Hudde, Ansgar & Henriette Engelhardt. 2020. Intra-couple (dis)similarity in gender role attitudes and the transition to parenthood in Germany. *European Sociological Review* (online first). DOI: 10.1093/esr/jcaa024

Johnson, Matthew D., Franz J. Neyer & Christine Finn. 2020. Subjective well-being across partnerships. *Journal of Family Psychology* (online first). DOI: 10.1037/fam0000793

Johnson, Matthew D., Karsten Hank & Jennifer Yurkiw. 2020. Longitudinal associations between adult relations with intimate partners and siblings. *Journal of Marriage and Family*

(online first). DOI: 10.1111/jomf.12710

Kislev, Elyakim. 2020. How do relationship desire and sociability relate to each other among singles? Longitudinal analysis of the pairfam survey. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships* (online first). DOI: 10.1177/0265407520933000

Kislev, Elyakim. 2020. The sexual activity and sexual satisfaction of singles in the second demographic transition. *Sexuality Research and Social Policy* (online first). DOI: 10.1007/s13178-020-00496-0

Köppen, Katja, Michaela Kreyenfeld & Heike Trappe. 2020. Gender differences in parental well-being after separation: Does shared parenting matter? In *Parental Life Courses after Separation and Divorce in Europe* edited by Michaela Kreyenfeld & Heike Trappe, 235–264. Life Course Research and Social Policies 12. Cham: Springer. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-44575-1_12

Kuhnt, Anne-Kristin, Lara Minkus & Petra Buhr. 2020. Uncertainty in fertility intentions from a life course perspective: Which life course markers matter? *Journal of Family Research* (online first). DOI: 10.20377/jfr-426

Lim, HanNa & Preston Morgan. 2020. Financial integration and financial conflict: Does less financial integration relate to increased financial conflict between romantic partners? *Journal of Family and Economic Issues* (online first). DOI: 10.1007/s10834-020-09703-x

Mönkediek, Bastian, Wiebke Schulz, Harald Eichhorn & Martin Diewald. 2020. Is there something special about twin families? A comparison of parenting styles in twin and non-twin families. *Social Science Research* (online first). DOI: 10.1016/j.ssresearch.2020.102441

Morgan, Preston & HanNa Lim. 2020. Depressive symptom and financial conflict relate over time among couples. *Journal of Family and Economic Issues* (online first). DOI: 10.1007/s10834-020-09693-w

Park, Yoobin, Emily A. Impett & Geoff MacDonald. 2020. Generalizability of results from dyadic data: Participation of one versus two members of a romantic couple is associated with breakup likelihood. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin* (online first). DOI: 10.1177/0146167220920167

Park, Yoobin, Emily A. Impett & Geoff MacDonald. 2020. Singles' sexual satisfaction is associated with more satisfaction with singlehood and less interest in marriage. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin* (online first). DOI: 10.1177/0146167220942361

Passet-Wittig, Jasmin, Martin Bujard, Julia McQuillan & Alfred L. Greil. 2020. Is perception of inability to procreate a temporal phenomenon? A longitudinal exploration of changes and determinants among women and men of reproductive age in Germany. *Advances in Life Course Research* (online first). DOI:10.1016/j.alcr.2020.100339

Sacchi, Livia, Mariia Merzhvynska & Mareike Augsburg. 2020. Effects of cumulative trauma load on long-term trajectories of life satisfaction and health in a population-based study. *BMC public health* 20.1, 1612. DOI: 10.1186/s12889-020-09663-9

Schmid, Lisa, Jonathan Wörn, Karsten Hank, Barbara Sawatzki & Sabine Walper. 2020. Changes in employment and relationship satisfaction in times of the COVID-19 pandemic: Evidence from the German Family Panel. *European Societies* (online first). DOI: 10.1080/14616696.2020.1836385

Walper, Sabine, Stefanie Amberg, Carolin Thönnissen & Sharon L. Christ. 2020. The role of gatekeeping in non-resident fathers' contact with their children: mothers' and fathers' views. In *Parental Life Courses after Separation and Divorce in Europe*, edited by Kreyenfeld, Michaela & Heike Trappe, 235-264. Life Course Research and Social Policies 12. Cham: Springer. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-44575-1_9

Wenzel, Mario, Doris Staab, Zarah Rowland & Manon A. van Scheppingen. 2020. Relationship satisfaction can help to maintain the positive effect of childbirth on parental self-esteem. *Social Psychology and Personality Science* (online first). DOI: 10.1177/1948550620971532

Yucel, Deniz & Beth A. Latshaw. 2020. How do mothers' and fathers' work-family conflict impact children's problem behaviors? *Journal of Family Issues* (online first). DOI: 10.1177/0192513X20926209

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

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