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# DEMOGRAPHIC ASPECTS OF HUMAN WELLBEING



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# MONDAY 11 NOVEMBER, 13:20-14:20

## DEMOGRAPHIC DIFFERENTIALS IN LIFE SATISFACTION AND WELLBEING

**Radoslaw Antczak**

*Inequalities in subjective wellbeing using life satisfaction and evaluated time index*

The author compares momentary and recall life evaluations, showing significant differences in the level of wellbeing depending on the applied measure.

**Hilal Arslan, Alanur Çavlin & Dilek Yildiz**

*Wellbeing inequality among different demographic groups in Turkey*

The study shows that wellbeing varies significantly across households in Turkey which have different demographic characteristics and socio-economic statuses.

**Cynthia Luz Cisneros Franco**

*The Mexican recipe for life satisfaction: gender differences in the role of age and education*

The author shows that educational attainment increases life satisfaction of Mexican women, while income neutralises the effects of education for Mexican men.

**Izabela Grabowska**

*Multidimensional quality of life of persons with and without disabilities in Poland – a comparative approach*

The authors show that lower multidimensional QoL was observed for persons with disabilities in Poland compared to those without disabilities, except for education.

**Guogui Huang & Fei Guo**

*The role and wellbeing of female family care givers in the provision of aged care in China*

This study suggests that an increasing proportion of Chinese females are providers of aged-care givers at home, which negatively affects their health/wellbeing.

**Natalija Miric**

*Satisfied life years in ex-Yugoslav republics*

The author shows that low economic satisfaction affects on overall wellbeing in ex-Yugoslavia, while happiness is associated with good health and personal relationships.

**Kazuma Sato**

*Unhappy obesity and happy obesity: a comparative study of the United States and China*

The author indicates that while obesity has negative effects on individuals in the United States, it has a positive effect on the individuals in China.

**Maia Sieverding**

*Determinants of subjective wellbeing over the life course in Egypt*

The authors find high levels of poor subjective wellbeing among the Egyptian population, with age- and gender-specific predictors of suffering poor wellbeing.

**Maria Pia Sorvillo & Alessandra Tinto**

*Gender differentials in wellbeing in Italy*

The authors say that measures of wellbeing in Italy show a notable gender gap, aggravated by the economic crisis.

**Dilek Yildiz, Hilal Arslan & Alanur Çavlin**

*Understanding women's wellbeing in Turkey: trends and determinants of women's satisfaction with life*

Life satisfaction of Turkish women: What matters? Education, job, income or family & children?

## **MIGRATION AND WELLBEING**

**Elena Ambrosetti, Giulia Bettin, Eralba Cela & Angela Papanusso**

*Satisfaction, wellbeing and educational attainment: how do children of immigrants perform compared to natives?*

In the Italian context no differences emerge between native and immigrant children in subjective wellbeing at school, both with schoolmates and teachers.

**Bruno Arpino, Valeria Bordone & Helga de Valk**

*Contacts with children and subjective wellbeing: do the relationships differ for older migrants and natives in Europe?*

The authors found that contact between older parents and adult children is similar among migrants and natives. Southern Europeans benefit the most from more contact.

**Hans Dietrich & Elena Ambrosetti**

*The wellbeing of forced immigrants in Germany*

In Germany, new refugees' wellbeing is lower than that of natives, whilst second-generation migrants are significantly better off than natives.

**Daniela Georges, Isabella Buber-Ennser, Gabriele Doblhammer, Bernhard Rengs & Judith Kohlenberger**

*A comparison of refugees' health determinants in Germany and Austria*

Refugees in Germany less often report good health than in Austria, which might partly reflect initially limited access to health-care in Germany.

**Judith Kohlenberger, Sebastian Leitner, Isabella Buber-Ennser & Bernhard Rengs**

*Mental wellbeing of Syrian, Iraqi and Afghan refugees in Austria: evidence on the prevalence of anxiety disorder and depression*

The authors show that rates of moderate to severe depression are twice as high among the refugee population as among the Austrian resident population.

## HEALTH AND WELLBEING OVER THE LIFE COURSE

### **Anita Abramowska-Kmon & Milena Milan**

*Is providing support to older parents detrimental to adult children's quality of life? Evidence from selected European countries.* The authors show that providing care to parents lowers SWB, mostly among women in western and central-eastern European countries.

### **Heather Booth, Steffen Peters & Mahin Raissi**

*Socio-demographic homophily in friendship networks and self-rated health in later life.*

The authors show that multidimensional homophily in non-kin networks is positively associated with self-rated health among older Australians.

### **Sirinya Kaikeaw , J. Rittirong & Sureeporn Punpuing**

*Health expectancy among older people in Thailand*

The authors show that Thai older people live longer but with poor health and disabling conditions, suggesting the expansion of disability.

### **Markus Klingel**

*The importance of dyadic functionality and social resources on ageing well*

Longitudinal interviews show the ambivalence of successful ageing norms for elderly couples, as dyadic functionals, emotional unity is crucial for ageing well.

### **Nelly Ruth Nkhoma & Catriona Towriss**

*The effects of socio-economic factors on depression and perceived health status (PHS) among a cohort of young people (15-24) in South Africa: evidence from the National Income Dynamics Study (NIDS) waves 1-5.* The authors find that completion of secondary and tertiary education reduces the chances of being depressed and increases the chances of reporting bad PHS.

### **Yekeen Sanusi**

*Interrogating age-specific wellbeing; the case of street children in Nigeria*

Increasing numbers of children in northern Nigeria become almajiri suffering severe deprivation in nutrition, education, health and material possession.

### **Cosmo Strozza, Patrizio Pasqualetti, Viviana Egidi, Claudia Loreti, Federica Vannetti, Claudio Macchi & Luca Padua**

*Health profiles among nonagenarians from Mugello district (Tuscany, Italy) and their socio-economic characteristics.* This study highlights four latent-groups labelled according to the health conditions of the nonagenarians populating them: "healthy", "semi-autonomous senile", "un-healthy" and "non-testable".

### **Joshua Wilde, Benedicte Apouey & Joseph Coleman**

*The effect of antimalarial campaigns on child mortality and fertility in sub-Saharan Africa*

The authors show that African bed net distribution campaigns has temporarily increased fertility in spite of increased contraceptive use and reduced fertility preferences.

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# TUESDAY 12 NOVEMBER, 13:10-14:10

## WELLBEING AND THE FAMILY

**Radoslaw Antczak, Bruno Arpino, Nekehia T. Quashie & Christine A. Mair**

*Number of children and later life health in 20 countries*

The authors are showing that the effect of low or high numbers of children on different health measures varies by national context.

**Thananon Buathong, Raya Muttarak, Roman Hoffmann & Montakarn Chimmamee**

*Fertility patterns and subjective wellbeing among low-income households: evidence from Thailand*

A higher number of children has a positive effect on life satisfaction, but this effect strongly varies by gender, age and education level.

**Andrew E. Clark, Conchita D'Ambrosio & Nicholas Rohde**

*Prenatal economic shocks and birth outcomes in UK cohort data*

The authors find that mother-reported financial problems during the first 18 weeks of gestation are associated with births of lower weight and smaller head circumference.

**Alisa C. Lewin & Haya Stier**

*Marital status and wellbeing in later life: does the timing of events affect their outcomes? Evidence from Israel.*

Marital status is associated with economic and emotional wellbeing later in life; married people enjoy highest levels while long-divorced and never-married have the lowest.

**Malgorzata Mikucka**

*Do parenthood and partnership protect life satisfaction in the old age?*

The author shows that life satisfaction of parents in Switzerland is shaped by the economic costs of parenthood and the work-family conflict.

**Natalie Nitsche & Mikko Myrskylä**

*Changes in self-rated health around the time of childbirth among couples in Europe.* Changes in parental self-rated health around the time of childbirth vary across Europe, and are partly mediated by the partner's health.

**Ognjen Obućina, Sven Drefahl & Siddartha Aradhya**

*Partner choice and mortality in Sweden*

The analysis shows that there is an association between mortality risk and intermarriage among men in Sweden, whereas we find no such evidence for women.

**Somefun D. Oluwaseyi**

*The effect of family and neighbourhood social capital on youth mental health in South Africa*

Our results confirm the independent effect of neighbourhood characteristics on youth mental health and did not support family social capital as being protective for developing depression.

**Bernhard Riederer**

*Singles in the city: happily ever after?*

This study compares subjective wellbeing across household types and shows why "the happy young single" is not better off than "the lonely elderly person".

**Jiaxin Shi, José Manuel Aburto, Pekka Martikainen & Alyson van Raalte**

*Beyond differences in means: rising mortality stratification among income groups in Finland, 1996-2014*

The new measurement proposed by the authors yields an upward trend of mortality stratification between income groups in Finland since 1996.

## **EDUCATION, LABOUR MARKET OUTCOMES AND (ECONOMIC) WELLBEING**

**Felix Bittmann**

*Education at any cost? About the effects of secondary-track mismatch on pupils' wellbeing in Germany*

The author demonstrates that pupils in the academic schooling track without a teacher's recommendation display persistently lower abilities and wellbeing than their peers.

**Andrea Bonanomi**

*The impact of change of employment status on quality of life indicators. A longitudinal study on young Italian people by using traditional and social media data*

The transitions from and to the Neet condition have a significant impact on wellbeing and quality of life of young Italians.

**Agnieszka Chłoń-Domińczak, Iga Magda & Paweł Strzelecki**

*Mothers' life-course work and career choices and intergenerational ties at older age*

Using SHARE data, the authors analyse womens' economic activity over the life course and intergenerational relations in later life.

**Richard Clarke, Michael Förster, Julia Hélie & Sebastian Königs**

*Demographic transitions, changing family structures and their impact on economic inequalities – evidence and policy implications*

Socio-demographic trends have collectively had a limited overall impact on income inequality, though some groups have fared worse than others.

**Hippolyte d'Albis, Denis Fougère & Pierre Gouëdard**

*Slow down before you stop: the effect of the 2010 French pension reform on older teachers' sick leaves*

The authors show that increasing the minimum retirement age has increased the short sick leaves taken by school teachers in France.

  
**Gabriela Flores, Clémence Kieny & Jürgen Maurer**

*Deconstructing gender differences in experienced utility among older adults in the developing world: the roles of time use and activity-specific affective experiences*

Female disadvantage in old-age experienced wellbeing in five developing countries is more attributable to gender differences in activity-specific affects than to time use.

**Giang Nghiem**

*Consumer credit and life satisfaction: the role of financial literacy and financial advice*

Using consumer credit makes German households unhappy, but the distress disappears for those who are financially literate and use financial advice simultaneously.

**Noufelie Romus**

*Gender, education and income inequality on the Cameroon labour market*

**Ashish Singh & Laeek Siddiqui**

*Indices for measuring socioeconomic inequality in longevity: theory and an application to India*

The poster shows that India suffers from substantial socioeconomic inequalities in longevity with economically, demographically and socially disadvantaged groups having severe under-representation in longevity.

**Jonas Vossemer & Anna Baranowska-Rataj**

*Unemployment and the wellbeing of families: the mediating role of household income and the quality of relationships*

Only a small part of the negative effect of unemployment on the wellbeing of the partner is due to poorer relationship quality.

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