

APPENDIX 2: All considered and selected datasets.

Table A2: List of all surveys considered, sample size (women aged 15-49) and the share of non-response, nonnumerical responses and “do not know” responses to the question on ideal family size, 1979-2012 (more detailed list with key indicators for each survey is available as a spreadsheet in Online Data Appendix 4).

Country	Surveys			
Albania	1998 WVS (362, 8%)	2002 WVS (363, 3%)	2008-9 DHS (7584, 1%)	
Austria	1988 ISSP (299, 0%) [2006 EB (324, 32%)]	1990 EVS (496, 2%) 2008-9 GGS (3001, 0%)	1994 ISSP (299, 3%) 2011 EB (329, 15%)	[2001 EB (316, 23%)] 2012-13 GGS (2808, 1%)
Belarus	1990 EVS (418, 1%)	1996 WVS (743, 2%)		
Belgium	1979 EB (297, 4%) 2006 EB (296, 7%)	1981 EVS (358, 17%) 2011 EB (272, 6%)	1990 EVS (841, 9%)	2001 EB (298, 15%)
Bulgaria	1991 EVS (367, 2%) 2011 EB (274, 7%)	1994 ISSP (361, 0%)	1997 WVS (315, 3%)	2006 EB (292, 10%)
Croatia	1996 WVS (432, 4%)	2006 EB (322, 8%)		
Czech Republic	1990 WVS (289, 0%) 2006 EB (348, 9%)	1991 EVS (670, 1%) 2011 EB (363, 8%)	1994 ISSP (359, 0%)	1998 WVS (327, 2%)
Denmark	1979 EB (371, 8%) [2006 EB (250, 21%)]	[1981 EVS (398, 20%)] 2011 EB (204, 12%)	1990 EVS (310, 4%)	2001 EB (281, 12%)
Estonia	1990 EVS (381, 2%)	1996 WVS (356, 1%)	2006 EB (308, 8%)	2011 EB (256, 4%)
Finland	1990 EVS (217, 12%) 2011 EB (241, 7%)	1996 WVS (339, 6%)	2001 EB (301, 19%)	2006 EB (251, 7%)
France	1955 EC (777, 6%) 1981 EVS (453, 5%) 1998 EIF (1391, 2%) 2011 EB (266, 6%)	1967 EC (407, 4%) 1982 EC (816, 2%) 2001 EB (339, 12%)	1976 EC (716, 6%) 1987 EC (762, 1%) 2006 EB (309, 7%)	1979 EB (370, 5%) 1990 EVS (364, 4%) 2010 EF (2425, 4%)
eastern Germany	1990 EVS (413, 1%) 2006 EB (119, 8%)	1994 ISSP (289, 1%) 2011 EB (163, 13%)	1997 WVS (341, 6%)	2001 EB (290, 13%)
western Germany	1979 EB (331, 14%) 1994 ISSP (648, 3%) 2011 EB (258, 14%)	1981 EVS (442, 17%) 1997 WVS (395, 14%)	1988 ISSP (954, 4%) 2001 EB (280, 19%)	1990 EVS (595, 10%) 2006 EB (276, 14%)
Greece	2001 EB (289, 2%)	2006 EB (298, 4%)	2011 EB (288, 8%)	
Hungary	1988 ISSP (601, 0%) 2006 EB (285, 4%)	1991 EVS (283, 2%) 2011 EB (276, 5%)	1994 ISSP (421, 3%)	1998 WVS (191, 5%)
Ireland	1979 EB (310, 7%) 1994 ISSP (301, 6%)	1981 EVS (453, 10%) [2001 EB (359, 30%)]	1988 ISSP (349, 3%) [2006 EB (331, 26%)]	1990 EVS (324, 3%) [2011 EB (351, 23%)]
Italy	1979 EB (363, 4%) 1994 ISSP (327, 1%)	1981 EVS (471, 4%) 2001 EB (290, 16%)	1988 ISSP (341, 0%) 2006 EB (452, 15%)	1990 EVS (712, 7%) 2011 EB (354, 14%)

Latvia	1990 EVS (412, 9%)	1996 WVS (437, 1%)	2006 EB (361, 5%)	2011 EB (355, 3%)
Lithuania	1990 EVS (329, 10%)	1997 WVS (313, 5%)	2006 EB (312, 2%)	2011 EB (314, 6%)
Macedonia	1998 WVS (376, 6%)	2001 WVS (361, 3%)		
Moldova	1996 WVS (324, 2%)	2002 WVS (376, 6%)		
Netherlands	1979 EB (369, 6%) 1994 ISSP (742, 0%)	1981 EVS (521, 10%) [2001 EB (341, 20%)]	1988 ISSP (649, 4%) [2006 EB (345, 25%)]	1990 EVS (400, 13%) 2011 EB (271, 16%)
Norway	1982 EVS (291, 11%)	1990 EVS (388, 10%)	1994 ISSP (813, 4%)	1996 WVS (372, 10%)
Poland	1990 EVS (316, 7%)	1994 ISSP (511, 11%)	1997 WVS (347, 9%)	2006 EB (292, 5%) 2011 EB (308, 15%)
Portugal	1990 EVS (383, 1%)	2001 EB (295, 7%)	2006 EB (232, 7%)	2011 EB (286, 6%)
Romania	1993 EVS (345, 0%)	1998 WVS (439, 1%)	2006 EB (312, 11%)	2011 EB (323, 11%)
Russia	1990 WVS (711, 8%)	1994 ISSP (887, 3%)	1995 WVS (664, 2%)	
Serbia	1996 WVS (381, 2%)	2001 WVS (350, 3%)		
Slovakia	1990 WVS (162, 0%) 2011 EB (320, 8%)	1991 EVS (388, 2%)	1998 WVS (316, 1%)	2006 EB (387, 8%)
Slovenia	1992 EVS (332, 6%) 2011 EB (274, 11%)	1994 ISSP (340, 1%)	1995 WVS (340, 2%)	2006 EB (374, 6%)
Spain	1981 EVS (739, 8%) 1995 EVS (361, 4%) 2011 EB (305, 7%)	1990 EVS (924, 4%) 2000 WVS (348, 3%)	1990 WVS (504, 5%) 2001 EB (319, 10%)	1994 ISSP (754, 5%) 2006 EB (307, 10%)
Sweden	1982 EVS (269, 7%) 1999 EVS (307, 10%)	1990 EVS (302, 12%) 2001 EB (277, 16%)	1994 ISSP (410, 4%) 2006 EB (255, 15%)	1996 WVS (308, 7%) 2011 EB (266, 10%)
Switzerland	1989 WVS (440, 9%)	1996 WVS (378, 8%)	2002 SHP5 (1089, 8%)	2005 SHP5 (2038, 8%)
Ukraine	1996 WVS (1003, 5%)	2007 DHS (6841, 4%)		
United Kingdom	1979 EB (330, 8%) 1994 ISSP (307, 7%) [2011 EB (293, 21%)]	1981 EVS (390, 7%) 1998 WVS (355, 6%)	1988 WVS (447, 9%) 2001 EB (354, 17%)	1990 EVS (457, 8%) [2006 EB (280, 23%)]

Notes: Surveys excluded from our analyses are listed in square brackets. Surveys in countries with population below 1 million and Northern Ireland are not listed (see Online Appendix 3).