

Risk Attitude and Nonmarital Birth

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Abstract: Using data from the German Socio-Economic Panel (SOEP), we demonstrate that it is important to distinguish between single women and cohabiting women when examining the influence of risk attitude on nonmarital birth. We find that risk tolerance is associated with a higher probability of out-of-partnership birth. In contrast, we find no association between risk tolerance and the probability of cohabiting birth.

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