

# PLSC 473: American Judicial Behavior

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Frame: “Empathy” → Personal Relationships

Four theories:

- **Learning**
- **Protectionism**
- **Lobbying**
- **Preference Realignment**

# Glynn and Sen (2015) (continued)

## Analytical approach:

- U.S. Court of Appeals Judges, 1996-2002.
- Data = Decisions in cases involving discrimination against women or women's rights ( $N = 990$ ).
- Outcome = votes in a “pro-feminist” direction.
- Methods: regression (“weighted least squares”) on judges' aggregate records + individual votes.

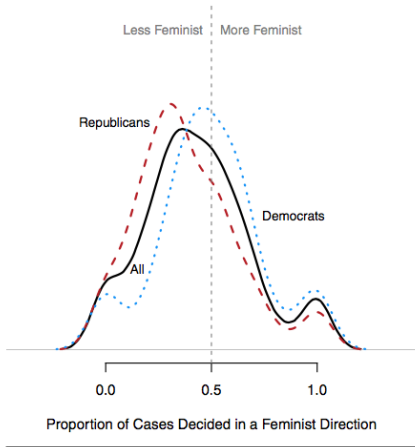
**TABLE 1 Number of Children and Girls for U.S. Courts of Appeals Judges Participating in Gender-Related Cases, 1996-2002**

<b>Number of Children</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>N</b>
Democrat	12	13	33	24	15	4	–	1	–	1	103
Republican	13	8	44	30	15	7	3	–	1	–	121
<b>Number of Girls</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	
Democrats	26	35	29	10	1	2	–	–	–	–	
Republicans	36	43	31	9	2	0	–	–	–	–	

# Glynn and Sen (2015) (continued)

**FIGURE 1** Distribution of the Proportion of Cases Decided in a Feminist Direction out of All Gender-Related Cases Decided, 1996-2002

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# Glynn and Sen (2015) (continued)

**TABLE 4 Weighted Least Squares Results, Gender-Related Cases Only**

	Voting Record in a Feminist Direction, Gender-Related Cases Only							
	All Judges				Judges with 1–4 Children			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
At Least 1 Girl		0.07** (0.03)	0.09** (0.04)	0.07* (0.04)		0.07** (0.04)	0.09** (0.04)	0.07* (0.04)
1 Girl	0.09** (0.04)				0.09** (0.04)			
2 Girls	0.05 (0.04)				0.05 (0.04)			
3 Girls	0.06 (0.06)				0.08 (0.07)			
4 Girls	−0.35 (0.46)							
5 Girls	0.27 (0.17)							
Republican			−0.15*** (0.04)	−0.17*** (0.03)			−0.15*** (0.04)	−0.17*** (0.04)

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## Findings:

- Effect of one or more daughters is about 7 percent
- Only an effect for gendered civil cases (not criminal)
- No “daughter effect” in *all* cases (only cases involving gender discrimination / rights)
- Results “driven primarily by GOP men” (Table 7)

