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**Summary:** Regardless of area density, people who spent more years living with their parents had fewer children. Four extra years with parents implied about 0.15 to 0.3 fewer children, a quite considerable effect. These longitudinal results should motivate a clearer awareness of what factors absolutely do matter for fertility. Most notably, extending the years that young people live with their parents has a huge negative effect in both cross-sectional and longitudinal data. If I use interaction terms, the huge negative effects of parental coresidence are not substantially diminished: for individuals with similar amounts of lifetime income, living with parents reduces fertility; for individuals with similar early-in-life test scores, living with parents reduces fertility; for individuals with similar early-in-life family size desires, living with parents reduces fertility; for individuals with similar lifetime marital histories, living with parents reduces fertility.

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