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Abstract

As workforces age and life expectancy grows, understanding what motivates workers to strengthen or weaken their labor force attachment is a matter of growing policy concern. This paper asks how grandparents change their labor force attachment when grandchildren arrive by first using a multigenerational sample from the Panel Study of Income Dynamics (PSID) to study individual-level responses, and then use Current Population Survey (CPS) data to study how grandparenthood trends change labor force participation rate of older male workers. Grandchildren's impact on age of retirement, hours worked, whether the grandfather is in the labor force, or the grandmother reports non-zero annual hours worked are estimated. Endogeneity between fertility timing and grandparent characteristics is instrumented for by exploiting exogenous state-by-year variation in access to reproductive technologies. I find that grandfathers work 339 fewer hours and become 19.5% more likely to retire, while grandmothers respond to the marginal grandchild by becoming 10% more likely to retire and working 132 fewer hours a year if non-retired. This paper shows evidence that the arrival of grandchildren does change grandparents' labor supply, but that trends in grandparenthood have only had a muted impact on trends in older men's labor force participation (LFP) rate. In a predictive exercise simulating labor force participation rates, the response to grandchildren is specification-sensitive, but interactions between grandchildren measures and Social Security benefits indicating that a 1 point increase in the fraction grandparent decreases the LFP rate by 0.18 points, and by 4.1 points with a 1 child rise in the average number of grandchildren. Collectively, across alternative fertility and grandchildren histories, trends in the simulated LFP rates do not meaningfully change from trends in the observed LFP rate, although the levels of participation would have been between 3-5 points higher between 1962-1994 if the Baby Boom had not occurred.

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Introduction

Fears of a looming workforce crunch caused by population aging have been partially allayed by rising labor force participation by older workers. The rise in labor force attachment in this group since the early 1990's (from 31% to 40%) has been ascribed to changes in educational attainment, retirement incentives, and improvements in life expectancy (Maestas and Zissimopoulos, 2010). However, labor force attachment gains seen between the early 1990's have stalled out since the Great Recession: the labor force participation rate for workers 55 and older has remained essentially unchanged at 40% since 2009.² While there are many causes, researchers have largely overlooked the role of the changes in family size and composition that have occurred across the industrialized world since the 1960's. This is a curious omission given the broad reach of grandparenthood: according to a Pew survey, 51% of people aged 50-64 have grandchildren (Taylor et al. (2009)). In spite of these stylized facts, the economics literature has little to contribute to policymakers wanting to understand feedback effects between fertility trends, grandparenthood, older workers' labor force participation, and retirement timing.

For example, an important but currently unanswerable question is what the net costs to Social Security are if each additional grandchild prompts the grandparents to work 2 weeks less a year? What about over a 10 year window? Or 20 years? If we want to restore solvency to Social Security without major changes to revenue-collection or benefits, should we be hoping for a baby boom or a steady, sustained rise in the birth rate? Is the current baby bust as worrisome for entitlements if it prompts greater labor force attachment among current and prospective beneficiaries? Consequently, can policymakers expect older workers' labor force participation to begin rising again as the birth rate continues to drop?

In this study, I examine how historical trends in grandparenthood have shaped labor force attachment among older workers. First, I show new evidence that grandchildren's presence changes both grandfathers' and grandmothers' labor supply. Using the Panel Study of Income Dynamics (PSID), an intergenerational extended survey of US families, to empirically test how individuals respond to grandchildren, I find that grandmothers have both an extensive and intensive margin response: becoming 24.8% more likely to retire and work 131.7 fewer hours if non-retired with each additional grandchild. This complements a recent study by Rupert and Zanella (2017) also using PSID data showing only grandmothers' labor supply decreasing upon the arrival of the first grandchild. Since a naive model might yield biased results from endogeneity between grandparents' labor force characteristics and fertility tim-

²U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Civilian Labor Force Participation Rate: 55 years and over [LNS11324230], retrieved from FRED, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis; <https://fred.stlouisfed.org/series/LNS11324230>, April 24, 2017.

ing by their adult children, they instrument for fertility using the sex of the first born adult child, under the assumption of random assignment, and exploit the fact that conditional on the adult child's sex, older workers with a first born daughter will become grandparents on average two years earlier than those with a son. However, in their paper, they acknowledge that this approach may introduce bias because the grandparent's own outcomes will change in response to the sex of the first born. The same endogeneity concerns are addressed in this paper instead via an alternative instrumental variables approach more robust to these kinds of validity concerns: the repeal of barriers to women's access to reproductive technologies in the 1960's and 1970's. I find a labor attachment decrease effect for both grandmothers and grandfathers: I document for the first time in the literature that grandfathers are 18.3% more likely to be retired, and each additional grandchild makes them 15.6% less likely in the labor force.

Second, after establishing a labor attachment effect for both men and women, I analyze the changes in older men's labor force participation (LFP) rates are a function of the post-1960's fertility transition. This section has the additional research benefit of testing a novel hypothesis to the persistent question of why older men's labor force participation fell steadily from about 1970 to 1994: the grandparents of the baby boomers phased in to the 55 and greater cohort within this time period, and I examine whether the grandparenthood surge contributed to the LFP drop. I use the Current Population Survey (CPS) to generate estimates of national-level labor force participation rates by age. I then use Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Vital Statistics, Health and Retirement Study, and Retirement History Longitudinal Survey data to create grandparenthood measures that are merged on to the CPS data to test how LFP rates responded to changes in grandparenthood.

The individual level results point to a differential grandparent response over non-grandparents, but the deduction that grandchildren might have played a roll in the fall and rise in labor force participation of older men between the 1960's to the Great Recession is not supported by the data. I find that whether grandchildren change older men's LFP in the aggregate is sensitive to the specification of birth cohort controls, but that there is robust evidence for economically meaningful interaction effects between grandparenthood and Social Security benefit levels. Each additional average grandchild lowers their national labor force participation rate by between 2.5-4.1 points (assuming average values of other controls). Similarly, a 1% increase in the fraction who are grandparents would decrease the LFP rate by 0.19 points.

The paper proceeds as follows: Section I reviews the existing literature on grandparents, their labor supply, and trends in both phenomena and how they may be interrelated. Section II describes the PSID and its grandparent samples, the CPS, and other data sources used to

estimate national trends in LFP and grandparenthood. The research design and empirical approach for the individual-level PSID estimations and the results of those estimations are discussed in Section III. Section IV discusses the empirical approach and results for the national-level trends chiefly from the CPS data. Section IV presents various robustness checks on the results from Sections III and IV and Section V concludes.

1 The Case for Grandparenthood's Effect on Labor Force Participation

1.1 Trends in Labor Force Participation Among Older Workers

Recent trends offer some optimism because population aging's pressure on social insurance systems' solvency is being offset by rises in older worker's LFP (Organisation for Economic Development and Cooperation (2006)).³ Figure 1 shows the national trends in labor force participation among workers 55 and older. Since World War II, LFP among workers 55 and older steadily declined from 1948 to 1970 from 43.3% to 39.0% (-0.2% per year), before more steeply dropping off between 1970 to 1987 from 39% to 30% (-0.5% per year).⁴ However, since the late 1980's and early 1990's, LFP for older workers reversed and rose until the Great Recession (from 30.1% in 1994 to 40.0% in 2009), and essentially leveled off at about 40% until the present.

Nonetheless, while participation has recovered from its early 1990's lows, LFP in this age group was higher even as late as 1960. This is in spite of life expectancy at age 65 being 5 years higher in 2014 (79.3 versus 84.3 years, National Center for Health Statistics (2015)). Further, existing evidence indicates that older workers are as healthy or healthier now than they were 50 years ago. The fraction of adults aged 55-64 and 65 and over who smoke is one-third of what it was in 1965 (National Center for Health Statistics, 2015). The fraction of adults ages 40-59 reporting a work-limiting health condition or a disability has been roughly stable since 1988 (Autor (2015)), and the rate of adults claiming disability insurance for heart disease and cancer declined between 1983 and 2003 (Autor and Duggan, 2006).

³In the United States as of 2015, 24% (\$888 billion) of the federal budget goes to Social Security alone, with another 17% (\$546 billion) going to Medicare, the old age health insurance program for people 65 and older (Center for Budget and Policy Priorities, 2016). Thus, collectively, spending on retirees is now over 40% of the federal budget, so that the future of federal expenditures is sensitive to trends in labor force participation among current and future retirees.

⁴Policymakers responded in 1977 and 1983 by decreasing the generosity of Social Security with seemingly little impact on labor force participation according to Kreuger and Pischke (1992).

Several papers have tried to explain these shifts in LFP. The LFP rise since the 1980's has been ascribed partly to a society-wide shift from defined benefit to defined contribution retirement plans (Hurd and Rohwedder, 2011; Heiland and Li, 2012), changes in Social Security rules (Behaghel and Blau, 2012; Blau and Goodstein, 2010; Gustman and Steinmeier, 2009; Hurd and Rohwedder, 2011), trends in technical skill accumulation among older workers (Burlon and Vilalta-Bufi, 2016), gains in educational attainment in successive birth cohorts (Burtless, 2013; Maestas and Zissimopoulos, 2010), and rising female labor force participation causing men coordinate retirement timing with their wives (Schirle, 2008; Gustman and Steinmeier, 2000).⁵

The paper closest to this one is Blau and Goodstein (2010), who explore a variety of factors to explain the post-war fall and rise in labor force participation among older workers. While they ascribe the post-1990 rise largely to greater educational attainment and reduced Social Security-generosity, reasons why labor force participation fell remained unaccounted for. Ultimately, the problem, as stated by Blau and Goodstein (2010, p. 356), remains:

“Two key points remain unresolved by the findings reported here: what caused the long decline in LFP among older men and why is Social Security more important in accounting for recent LFP increases than in explaining the previous decline? The first question has been studied for many years without much success, and unfortunately, our results do not suggest any new avenues of research.”

The nearly 40 year fall in labor force participation among older workers seems to have progressed independently of both increases and decreases in Social Security generosity (Kreuger and Pischke (1992); Blau and Goodstein (2010)). Nor can rising educational attainment explain the four decade fall, because attainment increased steadily during this time period. Mean years of schooling for native-born workers was at about 9.5 for those turning 62 in 1970 (born in 1908), and for those turning 62 in 1994 (born in 1932), this had increased to nearly 11.5, at an implied rate of 0.08 years of schooling per birth cohort (Goldin and Katz (2007)). One major trend that has not been explored to answer this question is what role changes in grandparenthood have played in the fall and rise of older worker's LFP.

1.2 Trends in Grandparenthood

Over the same post-WWII period, grandparenthood has risen and fallen with the national birthrate. Figure 2 shows that births fell through 1920's and into the Great Depression,

⁵Wives are often younger than husbands, so a preference for a joint retirement would prompt men to delay retirement until their wives were also eligible.

before rising after World War II and spiking in the late 1950's as part of the Baby Boom. Thereafter, the birthrate flattened in the 1970's and except for minor fluctuations over the intervening years, has largely hovered around 65-75 births per 1,000 women aged 15-44.

Not only are the implied number of grandchildren changing over time, but when people become grandparents is, too. Couples throughout the world are choosing to have fewer children and to have them later (Morgan (2003); Bloom et al. (2009); Caldwell (2004)). For context, Livingstone and Cohn (2010) found that in the United States in 1990, a greater share of births were to teenagers than to women 35 and older, but by 2008, the reverse was true. The Centers for Disease Control and other agencies do not track grandparenthood, but published birth and marriage data give strong clues as to how older workers' families are evolving.

First, the age of first marriage declined for men and women between 1890 (26.1 and 22) and 1949 (22.7 and 20.5), flattened out around 23 for men and 20.5-21 for women, before starting to rise steadily from about 1975. Figure 3 shows these trends, and that median age of first marriage recently overtook 29 for men and 27 for women. These shifts are significant because the married fertility rate has always been higher than the unmarried fertility rate, and that until about 1970, over 90% of all births were to married women (Kendall and Tamura (2010)). Marital shifts in turn impacted both the age of first birth and the fraction of women remaining childless. The median women born in 1910 was first married at 22 (in 1932) and had her first baby at 23 (in 1933), and about 20% reached 45 (in 1955) childless. In contrast, the next generation of women born in 1935 was first married at 21 (in 1956), had her first baby at 22 (in 1957), and only 11.4% reached 45 (in 1980) childless (Kirmeyer and Hamilton (2011)). Since the average man married a woman roughly three years younger than himself between 1920 and 1940, these figures can be extrapolated to imply that the average man born in 1907 had *at least* a 20% childless rate versus a man born in 1932 had roughly a 12% childless rate. By extension, at minimum, the grandchild-less rate for both cohorts is 20% and 12%, respectively. Comparing these statistics to the LFP rate in Figure 1, a man born in 1907 turning 55 in 1962, when the LFP rate for those 55 and older was 40%, but a man born in 1932 turning 55 in 1987, the corresponding LFP rate was 30%.

The next generation of men and women show a different pattern: the median woman born in 1960 was first married at 22-23 (in 1982-1983), and had her first baby at 25 (in 1985), and about 15.6% reached 45 (in 2005) childless (Kirmeyer and Hamilton (2011)). When their likely partners (born in 1958) reached 55 (in 2013), the LFP rate was back up to 40%. However, these rough statistics cannot accurately convey either what fraction of older workers were actually grandchildless and what the joint distribution of grandchildlessness and labor force participation was, but these numbers help motivate the potential connection

between grandparenthood and labor force attachment.

The descriptive evidence on time transfers between grandparents and adult children indicates that the above-mentioned trend co-movements are not at odds with the microdata. Descriptive statistics on grandparent-to-adult child time transfers is presented in Table 1 courtesy of the PSID's 2013 Family Rosters and Transfers module. Adult children with their own children received on average about 25 more hours in time transfers a year from both sets of grandparents than childless households. The grandparent's marital status and sex matters, as does the sex of the adult child. Married grandparents are more time-generous than unmarried grandparents, and the mother's parents are more generous than the father's. In almost all cases, except for single grandfathers, potential or actual grandparents indeed give more time transfers to adult children with their own children than those without.

Figures 4a and 4b plot the LFP rates by selected age groups against the fraction that are grandparents in each age group by year and the average number of grandchildren in each age group by year, respectively.⁶ The figures here do not show a particularly tight link between grandparenthood trends and the labor force participation for those 50-61, partly because it is not possible to look at LFP trends in these age brackets before and during the Baby Boom. Neither, however, do they contradict the idea that there might be some causal connection. However, for those 62-64, 65-66, and 67-69, grandchildren peak just before LFP rates in those groups reaches its nadir. Although the alignment in trends is not exact, the graphs strongly suggest that at least for workers 62 and older, some relationship might exist between grandchildren trends and their labor force attachment.

1.3 The Literature on Grandparents and Grandchildren

While the past 70 years has witnessed large shifts in grandparenthood and older workers' labor force activity, the labor economics literature on grandparenthood is thin. Existing work offers mixed indications on what kind of labor market response by grandparents is most likely. Ho (2015) found using Health and Retirement Survey (HRS) data that grandparent responses seem to vary according to their marital status and financial resources. Grandparents are most likely to help with newborns, and grandparents living in close proximity provide larger time transfers. Married grandparents are both more likely to be employed and to give financial help, although to what extent that is due to married couples having more resources or being able to provide both time and financial assistance to the new parents is unclear. In comparison, single grandparents made no time or financial adjustments in response to new grandchildren. Because the study did not attempt to instrument for the adult children's

⁶The grandparent statistics reported here were generated from the methods described in Appendix B.

fertility, it is hard to know which of these results might be significant when endogeneity bias is removed from the estimates.

Most other studies have focused just on questions of time transfers. In part, this reflects what grandparents desire themselves. A Pew Survey (Taylor et al (2009)) reported that spending time with grandchildren is what the elderly most value about getting older. Hochman and Lewin-Epstein (2013) found from survey data of elderly Europeans that grandparents are more likely to report a desire to retire early. This result was higher in countries that have less generous public childcare policies, suggesting that grandparents do respond to the childcare needs of their children by decreasing labor force attachment. The intuition behind the second finding is confirmed in Compton and Pollak (2014), Posadas and Vidal-Fernandez (2013), and Aparicio-Fenoli and Vidal-Fernandez (2015) who each find that grandmothers providing childcare for new parents increases the mother's labor supply. This help may not make much difference in the grandmother's own labor supply, as Whelan (2012) found that as long as the grandmother's help was for less than 12 hours a week, labor supply was not affected.

However, these studies do not account for the possibility that fertility timing and grandparent labor force characteristics are jointly determined. Namely, adult children's fertility decisions may be based on the likelihood they will receive grandparent assistance. If adult children believe they will need assistance, they could time their childbearing to correspond to the grandparent's ability to help. This possibility could bias estimates of the grandparents' labor response, because it is then unclear if the arrival of grandchildren causes a change in grandparent's behavior or the grandparent's willingness to provide financial or childcare help influences adult children's decision on when to have their own children.

Two previous studies attempt to address the endogeneity bias by using instrumental variables to estimate how grandchildren affect grandparent labor force attachment. First, Wang and Marcotte (2007) use PSID survey data to study how grandparents who are raising grandchildren change their labor force behavior when the grandchildren move in. Their interest is chiefly in comparing three-generation versus skipped-generation households, so their instrument includes the existence and number of grandchildren.⁷ They find that compared to independent-living grandparents, grandparents co-residing with grandchildren are more likely to increase their labor force participation. However, the narrowness of the research question means that it is of limited use for understanding the relationship between grandchildren and grandparents labor force attachment, as only about 7% of grandchildren live in a grandparent-headed household according to the Population Reference Bureau.⁸

⁷The rest of their excluded instruments are state-level characteristics: teenage pregnancy and incarceration rates plus the generosity of state kinship foster care arrangements.

⁸Paola Scommegna, Population Reference Bureau, "More U.S. Children Raised by Grandparents", <http://www.pewresearch.org>

The second and more comparable study is by Rupert and Zanella (2017), which also estimates the impact of grandchildren on grandparents using the PSID. Their study finds that becoming a grandparent reduces the annual number of hours worked for grandmothers by at least 150 hours (< 4 work weeks), but no significant effect was found for grandfathers. Rupert and Zanella instrument for arrival of the first grandchild by exploiting variation in the sex of oldest adult child of the grandparents. Their empirical strategy rests on the fact that, on average, women marry and bear children at younger ages than men, meaning that parents of adult daughters will then be more likely to become grandparents at younger ages than parents of adult sons.

Their paper is informative but my proposed strategy overcomes several empirical difficulties that the Rupert and Zanella approach encounters. The first is that the authors eschew the PSID's sampling weights, arguing that conditioning on the covariates that the sampling weights account for is preferable to weighting directly. Chiefly, the authors condition on the families' 1967 income. This approach ignores that the oversample of low-income households was done on additional characteristics, such as race and location. Their results thus risk introducing selection bias on properties not accounted for in the covariates but are otherwise accounted for in the sampling weights. This study accordingly uses the PSID's sampling weights.

The second is that they have to use pooled 2SLS instead of a panel fixed effects model and, as they acknowledge, they cannot non-parametrically account for time-invariant factors. Since my instrument's variation occurs at the state-by-year level, I am able to include individual fixed effects in all results. A third difference is the first stage's difference-in-difference framework ensures that the local average treatment effect (LATE) will exploit more variation in the compliers' characteristics. Their model has to account for the fact that the compliers are restricted to the maternal grandparents, who are likely to bequeath greater time transfers than paternal grandparents. Since I use both the daughter and daughter-in-law's characteristics, I can calculate separate LATE's for maternal and paternal grandparents. The last significant difference is that when looking at the impact of a marginal grandchild (*i.e.*, the impact of each additional grandchild), they hold that the endogenous decision is to become a first-time parent, but subsequent children and siblings' fertility are both exogenous. However, there is no justification given for this assumption, so that their consequent finding that additional grandchildren increase labor force participation possibly has endogeneity bias. This study explicitly accounts for endogenous fertility of grandchildren regardless of birth

[//www.prb.org/Publications/Articles/2012/US-children-grandparents.aspx](http://www.prb.org/Publications/Articles/2012/US-children-grandparents.aspx), last accessed January 30, 2016. The PSID likely has a substantial subsample of these families due to the low-income OEO oversample that was originally included.

order.

Lastly, their instrument’s validity with respect to the exclusion criterion is undetermined. As they openly acknowledge, the literature is inconclusive on whether it can be assumed that the sex of the first-born child exerts no impacts on the parents’ labor supply. They run several empirical tests to support the instrument’s validity but due to the sampling issue discussed above, it is not clear that the matter is settled. Thus, it is a clear innovation to use instead state policies which more clearly satisfy the exclusion criterion.

2 Data Description

The sample of grandparents and their families is drawn from the PSID, a dataset that follows about 4,800 households initially sampled in 1968 and their lineal descendants. The original sample is composed of two subsamples: a nationally representative sample of 2,930 families (called the SRC Sample) and an oversample of 1,872 low-income families (the SEO Sample).⁹ The PSID follows the family members of the original sample households as they move out, marry, and form families of their own, resulting in about 70,000 individuals appearing in at least one survey. This survey design makes the PSID a uniquely rich source of information on intergenerational dynamics, especially because the PSID supplements the main survey with auxiliary datasets on marriage and childbirth histories. Between 1968 and 1997, the survey was conducted annually, and from 1999 to the present has been conducted biennially.

The PSID makes available a series of files that enable identification of all surveyed descendants of a given individual through their Family Identification Mapping System (FIMS). Using the FIMS, I have identified the adult children and grandchildren of each grandparent, and then merge on the survey responses of each respondent. My panel has 2,373 grandmothers and 1,712 grandfathers across 38 survey years. Location and age information in the PSID also allows me to code with a high level of precision the likely abortion and contraception access status that the female respondents had. For a complete overview of how abortion and contraception access was encoded, see Appendix A.¹⁰ In addition to observing demographic characteristics, such as marital status, age, race, and educational attainment, the dataset

⁹In 1990, the sample was updated to include 2,000 post-1968 immigrant families (exclusively of Latino origin), but they were dropped in 1995. In 1997, the sample was again refreshed by adding 500 post-1968 immigrant families. Because the instrument is dependent on the individual being observed between 1968-1980, these families are not included in this study.

¹⁰As detailed below, most states regulated access on the basis of age, but a few did so on the basis of educational attainment (minor HS graduates can buy contraceptives in Alabama and Pennsylvania) or marital status (Alabama, Florida, Maine, Missouri, New Jersey, Texas, West Virginia). Coverage can thus be ascertained with a high degree of accuracy in the PSID that other studies might overlook.

also measures respondent’s key labor market characteristics: retirement status, annual hours worked, and labor force and employment status.

Individuals who were between the ages of 22 and 54 in 1968 and were the current or future parents of at least one child were chosen as the sample of potential grandparents. Being aged 22 in 1968 as the minimum age cutoff was chosen to limit confounding variation between education and labor force characteristics. In 1968, the vast majority of adults had at most a college education, so almost all in-sample individuals would have completed their educations and moved into the workforce. The maximum 1968 age of 54 was chosen because it permits me to observe most individuals’ labor force participation before they retire. The only other condition put on the sample was to exclude observations from Kansas from the grandfather analyses because only 3 grandfathers were initially sampled.

Table 2 shows selected summary statistics on grandfathers and grandmothers. Individuals in the sample were observed to become first-time grandparents in their late 40’s,¹¹ which is still within the prime working years, and then retire about 10 years thereafter. Differences in mean ages between grandfathers and grandmothers reflect that families were usually sampled as a household, so that the age gap between husbands and wives got “passed through” into the sample.

For national-level labor force participation trends, I use March Current Population Survey (CPS) micro-data to create a synthetic panel dataset, and supplement it with data drawn from Social Security Administration (SSA). As in Blau and Goodstein (2010), I aggregate individual-level records on men aged 55-69 from the CPS into cells defined by year, birth year, and Census Division. I then supplement it with men aged 50-54 to provide more data on the impact of grandparenthood on the labor force attachment in this cohort. The resulting panel covers 74 birth cohorts (1892-1965) between 1962 to 2015.

For each birth cohort, I calculated the fraction who were grandparents and their average number of grandchildren at both the birth cohort-age-education group and birth cohort-age-state level using Health and Retirement Study and Retirement History Longitudinal Survey data. I was not able to use PSID data, primarily because it is not a large enough sample of older individuals to generate credible grandparent statistics at the birth cohort level. Instead, I combined two data sources that oversample older individuals longitudinally to estimate this fraction. The first is the Health and Retirement Study (HRS) data which sampled roughly 20,000 older individuals in successive birth cohorts from 1992 to 2014. The second is the Retirement History Longitudinal Survey (RHLS), the predecessor of the HRS, which sample 11,000 plus individuals chiefly born between 1906 and 1911 biennially from

¹¹Adult children who were not living with the Head and Wife of household in 1968 are not consistently surveyed by the PSID, so this statistic is biased upwards somewhat.

1969 to 1979. Unfortunately, only the 1975, 1977, and 1979 questionnaires asked about the number of living grandchildren but the two datasets combined provide important evidence on the evolution of grandparenthood over time. Appendix B has more detail on how this measure was constructed by using the data points to estimate the fraction grandparents and their average number of children for the various crosstabs.

I then use Blau and Goodstein’s method to create simulated work lifetime earnings histories and use these to generate expected Social Security old age and disability benefits payments for either retiring at ages 62, 65, and 70, or dropping out of the labor force and claiming disability payments from ages 50-64. More detail on how these were performed can be found in Appendix ??.

3 Individual-Level Estimation with the PSID

In this section, I test whether and how grandchildren alter grandparents’ behavior by means of a fixed effects panel regression. Regressions for grandmothers and grandfathers are estimated separately. The left-hand side variable is the grandparent’s labor market outcome: retirement status, annual hours worked, labor force status (grandfathers) and non-zero hours reported (grandmothers).¹²

I examine here three main effects of grandparenthood. First, I create an indicator to test for the impact of being a grandparent on the labor market outcomes of interest. I study total fertility effects by estimating the grandparent response to the marginal grandchild each adult child provides. The last channel is whether grandparenthood has the strongest impact on the retirement decision, in the spirit of a Gustman and Steinmeier (2000)-type structural model whereby grandparenthood raises the reservation wage by increasing the value of leisure. In that case, there should be only a small effect for workers who are not eligible yet for Social Security’s early or full retirements and bigger impacts differentially at 62 and onwards.¹³ This effect would also explain why there would be a “lag” between when people become grandparents (typically in their early 50’s) and an effect a decade or more later. I thus interact grandparenthood status with early and full retirement eligibility indicators.

¹²Labor force status is not reported for wives in every year in the PSID, so an indicator for whether the grandmother reported some working hours is used as a stand-in. Compared to a measure of being in the labor force, it codes to zero grandmothers who were unemployed and looking for work (and are technically in the labor force), and it will code to 1 grandmothers who report some hours worked, but are students, retired, or homemakers. For those years where labor force status is available (1976 onwards), the correlation between a indicator for being in the labor force and an indicator for reporting non-zero annual work hours is 0.5468.

¹³Some people do retire earlier, particularly if they have defined benefit pension plan. See Hurd and Rohwedder (2011) in particular for more discussion.

3.1 Empirical Strategy for Individual-Level Estimates

The first grandchildren impact channel is whether becoming a grandparent influences labor force attachment. The equation to estimate this channel takes the form of

$$\begin{aligned} Outcome_{gst} = & \beta_0 + \beta_1 \mathbb{1}\{Grandparent_{gst}\} + \beta_2 GPDemVars_{gst} + \beta_3 Year_t \\ & + \beta_4 State1968_s + \beta_5 (State1968_s * Year_t) + \beta_6 GP_g + u_{gst}. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

The unit of observation is the grandparent and the key variable of interest is the indicator for grandparent status, $\mathbb{1}\{Grandparent_{gst}\}$, which was created by finding the birth year of the oldest grandchild. $Outcome_{gst}$ is either grandparent g 's annual number of hours worked, retirement status, age of retirement, age of death, or whether the grandparent is in the labor force in year t in state s with adult child i . Each regression can thus be thought of the adult child's fertility choice's effect on the grandparent. The right hand side is populated with the demographic information of both the grandparent and the eldest adult child, plus state, year, state-by-year, and grandparent fixed effects. I use only the eldest daughter or daughter-in-law's controls, under the assumption that the eldest grandchild will be born to the eldest daughter(-in-law) female in the family.

$GPDemVars_{gst}$ is a vector of demographic information about the grandparent, which includes a dummy for whether the father or mother of the adult daughter is eligible for full Social Security benefits; a dummy for whether the head of household became age-eligible for early Social Security benefits;¹⁴ age and age-squared, reflecting that often labor force attachment first rises and then falls with age; and marital status. Time-invariant grandparent characteristics are not included, because the grandparent fixed effects cause them to drop out.¹⁵

$ACDemVars_{gst}$ is a vector of the adult child's demographic information. It includes age, marital status, the adult child's sex and age, and the wife's age if the adult son is married. $State1968_{is}$ and $Year_t$ are vectors of state and year dummies.¹⁶ State fixed effects control for time-invariant characteristics common to all residents who lived in state s in 1968, year fixed effects control for year-specific shocks, and state-by-year fixed effects thus control

¹⁴People can become eligible for partial benefits at 62 as long as they have worked a sufficient number of quarters, but the work requirement is difficult to accurately estimate in the PSID, so this dummy is measured only as a function of age. It's less likely that grandmothers would have been eligible to receive early retirement benefits, in particular, so in their regressions, this is changed to be the head of household's eligibility. The head of household is the husband if present, and the wife or single woman if not.

¹⁵To avoid endogeneity bias between education level and labor supply, educational attainment measures are not included, but by construction, there is very little change in educational attainment in sample, so that the individual fixed effects will effectively be conditioning for the requisite education levels.

¹⁶As stated in the data description, the state here is the individual's 1968 state. These also fall out of the model when grandparent fixed effects are added.

for state-specific yearly shocks . These could include state-specific employment or economic shocks common to all individuals in a given year that would influence labor force attachment coincident with fertility timing, also affected by economic conditions (Amialchuk (2011); Black et al. (2013); Schaller (2016)). Each regression is run separately for grandmothers and grandfathers. Grandparent fixed effects, GP_g , are included to control for unobserved, time-invariant characteristics of grandparents and their relationships with their children.

Since the greatest impact of being a grandparent may be observed when older workers are retirement-eligible, Equation (1) can be augmented by interacting the grandparent indicator with the indicators for being Social Security-eligible:

$$\begin{aligned} Outcome_{gst} = & \beta_0 + \beta_1 \mathbb{1}\{Grandparent_{gst}\} + \beta_2 \mathbb{1}\{Grandparent_{gst}\} \mathbb{1}\{EarlySSEligible_{gst}\} \\ & + \beta_3 \mathbb{1}\{Grandparent_{gst}\} \mathbb{1}\{FullSSEligible_{gst}\} + \beta_4 GPDemVars_{gst} \\ & + \beta_5 (State1968_s * Year_t) + \beta_6 GP_g + u_{gst}. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Total fertility effects are analyzed with the panel fixed effects model below:

$$\begin{aligned} Outcome_{igst} = & \beta_0 + \beta_1 ChildCount_{igst} + \beta_2 GPDemVars_{igst} + \beta_3 ACDemVars_{igst} \\ & \beta_4 ACSEX * ACBirthOrder_{igst} + (State1968_{is} * Year_t) + GP_g + u_{igst} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

The unit of observation in these regressions is at the adult child level rather than the grandparent level, to reflect the fact that the fertility decision is made by the grown children. This design also makes instrumenting for fertility more tractable. If instead I attempted to instrument for the total number of grandchildren, each adult child would require an age and birth year-dependent instrument for their fertility, so that the number of covariates would change grandparent to grandparent which is not feasible in this setting. This design allows for consistent instrumenting for total fertility and fertility timing while preserving the ability to observe the labor supply change from the marginal grandchild.¹⁷

The other advantage is that it allows me to include adult children of any birth order, in contrast to the panel in Equation (1). Grandparents may give the most to the first grandchild (usually born to the eldest adult child) and less with each subsequent grandchild as the novelty wears out or the family arrangements elasticity of labor shrinks as one moves further down the individual's labor supply function. I therefore identify different effects that adult child sex and birth order interactions might have in the $ACSEX * ACBirthOrder$ vector of dummies, where $ACSEX = 1$ if the adult child is female, and there are a series of

¹⁷One alternative is running the estimation strategy on just 1, 2, or 3 adult child families at a time, but the PSID is not a large enough national sample to permit cross-sections at this fine of a level without creating too many small cell sizes.

dummies for each birth order between 1 to 6+.

The family’s PSID-provided 1968 sampling weight is adjusted to reflect the number of times a grandparent appears in this dataset, which is simply equal to the number of adult children they have. All other variables in this regression are otherwise the same as in Equation (1).

3.1.1 Endogeneity of Timing and Number of Grandchildren

If, however, adult children are basing the fertility decisions on anticipated changes in grandparent’s labor supply, then Equations (1), (2), and (3) cannot be consistently estimated. As discussed in the introduction, parents might time their fertility with anticipated changes in their parents labor force status, so that a panel fixed effects model would overestimate the impact of grandchildren. Similarly, they might wait to have children for when their parents achieve financial stability, so that the models underestimate the impact of grandchildren.

My identification strategy in light of this likely endogeneity is based on changes in legal barriers to abortion and contraception access that occurred throughout the US in the 1960’s and 1970’s. The identifying assumption is that there were no other state-by-year variables that also affected fertility coincident with the repeal of the access barriers. The number of children an adult woman has is modeled as being a function of access to oral contraceptives and abortion on-demand, the distance to an abortion early-legalization state, and eight lags on each policy.¹⁸

These policy changes are used to instrument for all three key variables discussed in the previous section. The first-stage regression for $ChildCount_{igst}$ is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 ChildCount_{igst} = & \pi_0 + \pi_1 PillAccess_{ist} + \pi_2 AbortionAccess_{ist} + \pi_3 AbortionAccess_LT250_{ist} \\
 & + \pi_4 AbortionAccess_GT250_{ist} + \pi_5 PillAccessLags_{ist} + \pi_6 AbortionAccessLags_{ist} \\
 & + \pi_7 AbortionAccLags_LT250_{ist} + \pi_8 AbortionAccessLags_GT250_{ist} + \nu_{igst},
 \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

where $PillAccess_{igst}$ is the fraction of year t that adult daughter i in state s could buy oral contraceptives under the age of 21; similarly, $AbortionAccess_{igst}$ codes the fraction of year t that an undesired conception could occur and then later aborted. $AbortionAccess_LT250_{igst}$ and $AbortionAccess_GT250_{igst}$ are used to code access by grouping the distance a state is to either California, New York, or Washington D.C.,¹⁹ because non-residents who were age-

¹⁸More information on the policy changes can be found in Sections A.1 and A.2.

¹⁹The categorizations were done by Levine et al. (1999) and Ananat, Gruber, and Levine (2007) on the basis of how the maximal distance a person would have to drive to get an abortion within half a day (<250 miles) or greater. Those papers do not code DC as a repeal state, as I do, so I made the requisite recategorizations. Joyce, Tam, and Zhang (2013) offers compelling evidence that New York’s lack of residency

eligible could get an abortion. The three variables measure how far a pregnant woman would have to travel for an abortion, under the assumption that legalization’s impact would be strongest in neighboring states. $PillAccessLags_{ist}$, $AbortionAccessLag_{ist}$, $AbortionAccessLags_LT250_{ist}$, and $AbortionAccessLags_GT250_{ist}$ is a vector of one- to eight-period lags for each policy variable.

To illustrate the intuition behind the lags, recall that *Roe* was decided in January 22, 1973. Women who conceived in all of November or December 1972 (and part of October) were eligible to end those pregnancies. Thus, for eligible women living in states whose statutes were invalidated by *Roe* are coded as having access for 71/366=19.4% of 1972. Conceptions between October 1972-January 1973 would have resulted in births in July 1973-October 1973, just after the PSID had concluded most of its 1973 interviews. Thus, had those conceptions been carried to term, the children would have first “appeared” in the 1974 survey. Especially for the young grandchild measure, whether you had access 5 years ago to abortion or contraception will partly determine whether you have a 4 year old in year t . Including the coding for the consecutive lags going back eight years accounts for all the possible timing combinations between conceptions, the ability to abort them, and when the PSID surveys were conducted, and allows for a fertility delaying effect that abortion and contraception permit.

The grandparenthood indicator, $\mathbb{1}\{Grandparent_{gst}\}$, is instrumented for after accounting for the change in the unit of observation. Grandparenthood status is now a function of the eldest daughter or daughter-in-law’s exposure to changes in contraception and abortion access barriers. This takes the form of

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{1}\{Grandparent_{gst}\} = & \pi_0 + \pi_1 PillAccess_{gst} + \pi_2 AbortionAccess_{gst} + \pi_3 AbortionAccessLT250_{gst} \\ & + \pi_4 AbortionAccessGT250_{gst} + \pi_5 PillAccessLags_{gst} + \pi_6 AbortionAccessLags_{gst} \quad (5) \\ & + \pi_7 AbortionAccessLagsLT250_{gst} + \pi_8 AbortionAccessLagsGT250_{gst} + \nu_{igst}, \end{aligned}$$

where the policy variables described in Equation (4) are now the exposure for the eldest daughter or daughter-in-law for grandparent g to the changes in access.

requirement, in particular, acted as an exogenous shock on birth rates in neighboring states. In my study, women are coded by age on the basis of how close they are to the closest early legalization state they are eligible to get an abortion at. For example, Washington State legalized abortion in December 1970, but minors needed parental permission. In May 1971, California legalized access for minors, so minors in Washington in 1971 are coded as having $AbortionAccess_GT250_{ist} = 319/365 = 0.874$ while their adult counterparts are coded $AbortionAccess_{ist} = 1$. Washington State’s policy had a residency requirement, so I assume that its legalization had no impact on women in neighboring states.

3.2 Individual-Level Results

3.2.1 Panel Fixed Effects Estimates

Estimation results for Equations (1)-(3) are in Table 3, which reports the effect of being a grandparent, the marginal effect of an additional grandchild, and interactions between these measures with grandparent g 's Social Security eligibility on five labor market outcomes: being retired, annual number of hours worked, annual number of hours worked conditional on not being retired, and being in the labor force (grandfathers) or reporting non-zero working hours (grandmothers).

Being a grandparent does have a significant labor force detachment effect. Retirement propensity increases for both grandfathers (by 8.2%) and grandmothers (3.5%), and annual hours worked decreases for grandfathers by 138.1 hours and for grandmothers by 43.9 hours. The larger effect for grandfathers seems to be driven mostly by retirement switching hours worked to zero, because the conditional hours worked effect for grandfathers shrinks to -49.6 hours (statistically significant at the 1% level) and to -33.9 hours (not significant) for grandmothers.

When Social Security eligibility is factored in, neither grandfathers nor grandmothers seem to have a differential response to grandchildren when their ability to retire and their reservation wages change. If grandchildren increase the utility of leisure, then the coefficients on the interactions between grandparenthood and Social Security eligibility should be positive for retirement and negative in the hours worked and labor force regressions. The main effect point estimates change slightly, but almost all of the interaction terms are not statistically significant, although most have the expected sign. Significant exceptions here are that non-retired grandfathers age-eligible for early Social Security work 142.5 fewer hours (significant at the 10% level), and non-retired grandmothers work 245.3 hours *more* when age-eligible for full Social Security. The first effect could well be driven by expected changes in the value of leisure, but the second is almost surely explained by idiosyncratic behavior from the relatively small pool of women still working after age 65.

The marginal effect of each additional grandchild for grandfathers is that they are 3.5% more likely to be retired, 1.1% less likely to be in the labor force, work about 41.9 hours less annually, and if non-retired, work 7.4 hours less annually with each additional grandchild. All of these except the conditional annual hours worked regression are significant at the 1% level, and the conditional hours coefficient is not significant at all. Grandmothers have a similar labor market response to the number of grandchildren: working 41.3 fewer hours annually for each additional grandchild, 32.1 hours fewer if non-retired, becoming 1.9% more likely to retire, and 1.8% less likely to report non-zero annual hours worked. The "In Labor

Force” measure and “Non-Zero Working Hours” measure are not directly comparable, but broadly speaking, both grandmothers and grandfathers decrease their labor force attachment and labor supply with each additional grandchild.

There are two main contrasts between the grandparent status regressions and the grandchild count regressions. The first contrast is that the grandparent status regressions suggest that grandfatherhood exerts a stronger intensive and extensive margin effect than grandmotherhood, likely because grandfathers have more labor supply to relinquish in the first place. The grandchild count regressions, on the other hand, suggest that while grandfathers have a stronger extensive margin response, the intensive margin response is stronger for grandmothers, particularly once conditioned on not being retired.

The second contrast is that a grandchild’s marginal effect is expressed differentially on the grandparent’s Social Security eligibility status, unlike grandparenthood status itself. Not only are most of these interactions now statistically significant, but the expected relationship between Social Security eligibility and grandchildren works in opposite directions for men and women. The grandfather retirement differential shrinks at each eligibility point: the propensity to be retired is 5.3% when the grandfather is younger than 62, but men are only 3.6% more likely to retire when the grandchild arrives between ages 62 to the full retirement age (FRA), and just 1% more likely to retire when the marginal grandchild arrives after the FRA. Grandmothers, on the other hand, are 1.1% more likely to retire when a grandchild arrives, 4.6% more likely to retire if the grandchild arrives after the early retirement age, and 2.2% more likely at their FRA.

This shrinking grandchild effect is likely driven by two forces. The first is that the cumulative differential effect of retirement might have pushed out most of the people who would respond to grandchildren before age 62. Recall that this is a person-by-year panel, so that the result holds that, on average, a grandfather is 8.3% and a grandmother 3.7% more likely to retire in a given year prior to age 62 than the grandchildless. If grandchildren start arriving around ages 40-45, this effect adds up. The second force is that so many people uptake retirement upon hitting either age 62 or their FRA that the remaining variation attributable to grandchildren may be relatively small.

3.2.2 First-Stage Results

The results in Table 3 cannot be understood as a causal labor supply effect until the endogeneity concern is addressed. Table 4 shows the first-stage estimates for Equations (4) and (5). For the access to contraception and abortion to be a valid instrument for the number and timing grandchildren, the results should show evidence that exposure to the policies changed fertility timing and total parity. Reported is the effective F-statistic for

the result of a weak instrument test estimated with cluster-robust standard errors using the procedure described in Kleibergen (2007). To date, there are not formal critical values used for the Kleibergen-Paap rk Wald F statistic. Some sources use instead the Stock and Yogo (2005) critical values for the Cragg-Donald Wald F statistic, which assumes i.i.d. errors. Nonetheless, the F statistics reported in the table substantially exceed the threshold for 5% maximal IV relative bias, which is usually between 20-25. As the smallest F-statistic in the table is 1,465.84, the weak instrument hypothesis can be safely rejected.

The coefficient estimates on the policy variables largely affirm the intuition that the pill and abortion decreased fertility and also induced delayed childbearing. Importantly, the coefficients for predicting $\mathbb{1}\{Grandparent_{gst}\}$ are negative on all contemporaneous policy variables. Having access to the pill in year t decreases the chance of being a grandfather by 4.8% and a grandmother by 3.3%. For abortion, these figures are 5.6% for both, but neither coefficient is statistically significantly different from zero. This can be straightforwardly interpreted as evidence for a fertility suppressant effect.

The induced change in fertility timing is more subtle. In the lags, all policies' coefficients are positive for grandparenthood status, and become larger in further lags. By the 8th period lag, both the pill and abortion indicators are positive, significant at the 1% level, and larger in magnitude than the contemporaneous effect. For the pill, the sum of the lags switches from negative to positive after the second lag for grandfathers and after the first lag for grandmothers, so that the total fertility suppressant effect is negligible, but there is at least a 1-2 year delay induced by the pill. For abortion, the fertility suppressant effect only dwindles to zero between the 5th and 6th lag for grandfathers, and at the 5th lag for grandmothers. The large, positive, statistically significant coefficients on the last policy lags indicates that these technologies mostly delayed childbearing in this sample rather than induced a permanent fertility decrease. One way to look at this was that everyone who was "supposed" to be a grandparent eventually became one, just sometimes years later than they otherwise would have.

If anything, this pattern is even stronger in the grandchild count regressions. Here, the fertility suppressant effects of the policies for the pill and abortion extend all the way out to the 7th lag for grandfathers and out to the 6th lag for grandmothers. For abortion, out to the 7th lag for both grandfathers and grandmothers. While the cumulative sum of the lags in all cases is positive, so that total fertility was effectively unchanged, these policies clearly induced a substantial fertility delaying effect and at least a temporary fertility drop. For the purposes of this analysis, the instruments clearly work as intended.

3.2.3 Second Stage Results

The results of the instrumental variables regressions reported here offer several insights into how the evolution of grandparenthood in the past seven decades may have influenced older workers' LFP trends. Results with the instrumented values of $\mathbb{1}\{Grandparent_{gst}\}$ and $ChildCount_{igst}$ are reported in Table 5. It's clear from a comparison with the results in Table 3, that a panel fixed effects model understates grandchildren's impact. In broad strokes, there is strong evidence that the grandparenthood/grandchildren channel exists most strongly for men at the extensive margin, and in both margins for women.

Beginning with the grandparenthood status regressions, grandfathers and grandmothers are substantially more likely to be retired, at 18.3% and 7.8%, respectively, and this effect is reinforced for grandmothers as retirement becomes more feasible. Grandmothers are generally 10.3% more likely to be retired, but this rises to 47.8% when they become age-eligible for early Social Security benefits. Otherwise, interactions between grandparenthood and Social Security benefits remain statistically insignificant with no obvious patterns in signs.

The evidence from annual hours worked and labor force status also shows that grandfathers supply less labor than grandchildless men. Grandfathers work unconditionally 302.5 fewer hours a year (significant at the 5% level) compared to the grandchildless. However, among non-retired grandfathers, this shrinks to 127.9 fewer hours a year and becomes statistically insignificant. Grandmothers have no significant intensive margin response, but are 12.3% less likely to report non-zero working hours.

The child count regressions, in contrast, report a more robust response to grandchildren. The marginal grandchild here induces grandfathers to be 18% more likely to retire, work 224.5 fewer annual hours (regardless of retirement status), and be 9.6% less likely to be in the labor force. The key result, however, is that unlike the panel fixed effects results, grandmothers report an overall stronger response to the marginal grandchild than grandfathers: 21.4% more likely to retire, work 419.9 fewer annual hours (regardless of retirement status), 169.5 fewer annual hours if non-retired, and be 18.4% less likely to report non-zero working hours.

Further, the eligibility interactions reinforce a split in behavior between men and women. As men age, the difference in labor force attachment between grandfathers and non-grandfathers steadily diminishes: in the retirement, unconditional hours, and labor force regressions, the signs on the interactions are all opposite signed from the main effect, statistically significant, and growing in magnitude from early to full age-eligibility. For grandmothers, the opposite pattern holds. The interactions are almost all statistically significant, same-signed as the main effect, and increasing in magnitude from early to full age-eligibility.

A cautious but plausible interpretation comparing the grandchild count results with the grandfather status results suggests that grandfathers are differentially less likely to be in the

labor force at all stages, and that the n^{th} grandchild (*i.e.* more likely to arrive when the grandfather is 62 or older) has a less pronounced effect than the first or second grandchild. By contrast, perhaps, grandmothers become differentially more engaged with their families the bigger they become, perhaps because childcare needs grow non-linearly with the number of grandchildren.

A more likely interpretation is that because the grandchild count regressions allow for a richer set of covariates, namely the birth order and sex interactions, important distinctions in how grandmothers allot their care are better controlled for and a clearer effect emerges. The 169.5 fewer hours per year worked by non-retired grandmothers compares favorably with the 150 fewer hours per year worked among employed grandmothers by Rupert and Zanella (2017).

From these results, it's clear that grandparents are less attached to the labor force than non-grandparents, and those with bigger extended families are even less so. It is also evident that the most economically significant responses are in the retirement and labor supply regressions. Pre-retirement, I estimate that grandfathers work between 302.5-353.74 fewer hours than non-grandfathers, but this comes out to about 7.5-8.25 fewer working weeks a year. Not a trivial amount, but still consistent with working about 34 hours a week, which would still qualify many people for benefits associated with working full time. However, I also estimate that grandfathers are between 18.3%-19.7% more likely to be retired. This means that if the fraction of men between 55-61 who are grandfathers rises 10% (like what was seen in the Baby Boom), then approximately an additional 2% will be retired.

4 National Labor Force Participation Trends Estimation

The results of Section 3 suggest that grandchildren alter grandparent's labor supply at different rates depending on their retirement eligibility. This results informs the empirical strategy for national-level trends because it gives a starting place for the expected lag between the adult children's fertility decision and the grandparent's response.

I now build off of Blau and Goodstein (2010) to estimate how changes in the supply of grandchildren change older workers' labor supply. They use data from the CPS and the Social Security Administration (SSA) to model the employment decision rule for older workers. Their model accounts for how variation in Social Security benefits, disability insurance, educational attainment, and the labor force participation of spouses impact the fall and rise in labor force participation among men aged 55-69. Identification in their model occurs from

variation at the year-by-birth year-by-education group level.

Their paper also focuses exclusively on older men, and for this analysis, I too will only analyze the labor force participation of men. Given the sea change in labor force attachment shown by women between 1962 and the present, credibly estimating a model for women is an exercise that will be left for future research. I will also use the CPS instead of the PSID, in part because the PSID sample was unrepresentative of the nation at various points in its cycle, and the CPS is designed specifically to permit credible estimates of national-level descriptive statistics from micro data.

I augment their model by extending the time series out to 2015 and by adding two grandparent measures: the fraction grandparents and the average number of grandchildren. I run all specifications under the assumption that agents have perfect foresight, because it is a more “conservative” assumption from an identification standpoint.²⁰

Addressing endogeneity by means of an instrumental variables approach like the one used in Section 3 is not straightforward in the CPS. Expanding the panel to the year-by-birth year-by-age-by-education level-by-state would allow me to identify changes in grandparenthood characteristics using state-level birth rate variation. However, this would come at the cost of generating many small cell counts and thus limits identifying variation in all causal channels with a dataset like the CPS, which can only survey so many households at a time. Further, the ability to generate grandparent measures at the state-by-year level is almost negligible. Thus, this exercise is included mostly as an exploration of grandparenthood’s effect given observed patterns, and not as a causal exercise. Nevertheless, given how little is understood about these trends, simulating how grandparenthood trends impacted labor force participation trends can still help motivate future research on these questions.

4.1 Labor Force Participation Model: Blau and Goodstein Extension

I begin by modifying the model created by Blau and Goodstein (2010), which looks at labor force participation among older men by creating a simulated panel of older men by year by birth year by education grouping and takes the form:

$$\begin{aligned}
 LFP_{eabt} = & \delta_0 + \delta_1 GP_Measure_{eabt} + \delta_2 SSB65_{eb} + \delta_3 (SSB62_{eb} - SSB65_{eb}) \\
 & + \delta_4 (SSB62_{eb} - SSB65_{eb}) + \delta_5 AME_{eb} + \delta_6 DisabilityBenefit_{eabt} + \delta_7 Demographics_{eabt} \\
 & + \delta_8 EducationGroup_e + \delta_9 Year_t + \delta_{10} BirthYear_b + \delta_{11} Age_a + u_{eabt}, \tag{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

²⁰Papers that have assumed myopic expectations have generated results that are counterintuitive and specification-sensitive (Kreuger and Pischke (1992); Blau and Goodstein (2010)).

where $GP_Measure_{eat}$, the key variable of interest, is either the fraction who are grandparents in each age cohort a and birth year b in year t at education attainment level e or the number of grandchildren; $Demographics_{eat}$ controls for the fractions married, previously married, white, black, U.S. Armed Services veteran, or reported being in bad health; $EducationGroup_e$ is a vector of indicators for either having less than high school education, a high school education, some college, or college-plus; $Year_t$ is a vector for year dummies; Age_a is a vector of age dummies; and $BirthYear_b$ is likewise a vector for birth year dummies.

The Blau and Goodstein empirical model approximates the decision rule for labor force participation at older ages under a life cycle model of employment and retirement where men seek to maximize the expected present discounted value of remaining lifetime utility, subject to various constraints.²¹ The decision rule for Social Security participation is estimated by means of the retirement benefits a worker could receive at ages 62 ($SSB6_{eb2}$, early retirement), 65 ($SSB65_{eb}$, or full retirement), and 70 ($SSB70_{eb}$, or delayed retirement). Differencing between $SSB6_{eb2}$ and $SSB65_{eb}$ models the tradeoff between early and full retirement, and likewise, the difference between $SSB70_{eb}$ and $SSB65_{eb}$ the tradeoff between earning the Delayed Retirement Credit (DRC) and accepting full retirement, or primary insurance amount (PIA). To separate the Social Security wealth effect from changes in lifetime earnings, the average monthly lifetime earnings, AME_{eb} , from ages 27 to 65 for the average worker in birth cohort b at education level e is included. Higher values of $SSB70_{eb} - SSB65_{eb}$ imply a stronger incentive to delay retirement, and likewise, lower (more negative) values of $SSB62_{eb} - SSB65_{eb}$ also imply a stronger incentive to delay retirement.

The model includes the average monthly Social Security Disability Insurance amount received by a worker in birth cohort b at education level e if they were to work until year $t - 2$, receive no earnings in year $t - 1$ and then be on SSDI from year t until age 65. The lack of earnings in year $t - 1$ mimics the 5 month waiting period a worker must observe before receiving SSDI.

The model also includes the fraction of married men whose spouse's are in the labor force, *pace* Schirle (2008) and Gustman and Steinmeier (2000) that men may prolong their labor force attachment out of a desire to jointly retire with their wives.

The birth year dummies are particularly important with respect to identification of effects other than grandparenthood. Changes in Social Security can typically be identified either by exogenous changes in eligibility rules, non-linearities in benefit rules, or variation in lifetime earnings growth across birth cohorts. The first is perfectly collinear with birth year fixed effects, and in Blau and Goodstein (2010), they report that relying on variation other than these exogenous rule changes yields counterintuitive and problematic results that do not seem

²¹More information on their model can be found on Blau and Goodstein (2010), p. 332.

to capture the variation in labor force participation. Thus, I anticipate that the results will be sensitive to what level of birth year fixed effects I include, so I run several specifications to control for birth year effects: the birth year squared; single year birth year fixed effects; the birth year squared plus 2 year birth cohort fixed effects; and the birth year squared plus 4 year birth cohort fixed effects.²² In the tables, I refer to the specifications without birth cohort fixed effects as those with “Timetrends”.

Lastly, since the results from Table 5 suggest that grandfathers are mostly influenced through the labor extensive margin, it stands to reason that grandfathers may have higher reservation wages than the grandchildless. Thus, I interact the employment decision variables with the grandchildren measures under the hypothesis that grandparenthood induces an upward shift in reservation wages.

4.2 National-Level Estimation Results

Table 6 presents the results of estimating (6) with and without interactions with retirement eligibility, both for the fraction that are grandfathers and with the average number of grandchildren as the key variables of interest. I present four different specifications for controlling for the impact of birth cohort: birth year as a second order polynomial, birth cohort fixed effects, 2 year birth cohort fixed effects and the birth year squared, and 4 year birth cohort fixed effects and the birth year squared. Like Blau and Goodstein, my results are sensitive to how the birth cohort effect is controlled for.

All fractions are multiplied by 100 before the regressions are run, so coefficients for the remaining regressions (unless otherwise noted) are interpreted as the amount the LFP rate changes on the scale of $(\% \text{ in LF}) * 100$. The coefficients in the first four rows represent the change in older workers’ LFP rate in response to a 1 point increase in the fraction of older men who are grandfathers. Columns 1, 3, and 4 show that 1 point increase in the fraction of older men who are grandparents lowers the labor force participation rate by between 0.19-0.63 points. Adding interactions for retirement eligibility changes this range to a drop of 0.66 to 0.95. The marginal grandchild likewise decrease older male workers’ LFP, either ranging from a 2.35 rate point drop (Column (3)) to a -7.76 point drop (Column(1)). Adding interactions with retirement eligibility changes this range from the marginal grandchild causing a 6.833 point drop in LFP (Column (3)) to a 12.71 point drop (Column (1)).

The clear outlier here is Column 2, which finds labor supply drops 29.88 points with no interactions with each 1 point increase in the fraction grandparent. The results for grandchild count are likewise implausible: each additional grandchild is found to decrease labor force

²²The first order birth year is perfectly collinear with year and age fixed effects, so I omit it.

participation by 369.5 points. The problem is that the remaining identification after birth year fixed effects are included comes through year-by-birth cohort, education group-by-birth cohort, or education group-by-birth year-by-year variation, such that unobserved shocks only impacting certain segments of a birth cohort or a birth cohort only in certain years are neither well-motivated nor well-understood in this empirical framework.²³ *Pace* Blau and Goodstein, 2 year birth cohort effects also leave little between-cohort variation, so I will only present results that either have the birth year squared or 4 year birth cohort fixed effects for the remainder of the paper.

In Table 7, I present the remaining coefficient estimates for the quadratic birth cohort and 4 year birth cohort effects models from Equation (6). Notably, there is practically no difference in coefficients whether I use % *Grandfather* (Column (1) and (2)) or *Grandchild Count* (Columns (5) and (6)) as my grandparent control. This suggests that grandparenthood is both an important factor in predicting LFP but that to a striking degree the two measures capture much the same variation. Also notable is that with a few exceptions, the coefficients here share the same signs as those reported in Blau and Goodstein. The social security and monthly disability benefit amounts are scaled down by 100, so that the coefficients represent the point change in the LFP rate in response to a \$100 increase in these benefits. This interpretation is also true for the lifetime average monthly earnings coefficients. The wealth effect from Social Security benefits causes the sign on *SSB65* to be negative, and a smaller gap between the PIA and benefit levels available at 62 causes greater labor force detachment, although this is not statistically significant in my model. Likewise, a greater credit for remaining in the labor force past the FRA (*SSB70* – *SSB65*) prompts a higher LFP rate.

I also find that a 1 point increase in being in bad health lowers the LFP rate by between 0.71 to 0.79 points, and that a 1 point rise in the fraction married or fraction previously married raises LFP by between 0.11 to 0.17 points and 0.07 to 0.18 points, respectively. A rise in the fraction who are veterans also decreases labor force participation, but this effect is small and not always statistically significant, with the significant values ranging between 0.06 to 0.07 points.

In the eligibility interactions (Columns (3), (4), (7), and (8)), combined with the interactions in Table 6, shed some light on whether grandparenthood prompts an employment decision response commensurate with the findings from the PSID. Namely, that their value of leisure increases, so that grandfathers would disproportionately respond to increases in their wealth or reservation wages by dropping out of the labor force. While in these tables

²³Blau and Goodstein also find that using birth cohort fixed effects yields counterintuitive and implausible results, because the remaining policy variation in Social Security benefits comes through non-exogenous rule changes in benefit calculations.

cannot be interpreted causally, they do largely agree with this intuition. The coefficients on the interactions with the social security benefit levels all have the expected signs: negative (and significant) on the FRA amount, negative (but not significant) on difference between the early retirement and FRA amounts, and positive (and significant) on the difference between the delayed retirement and FRA amounts. Similarly, the lifetime average earnings interaction is negative, suggesting that grandfathers respond to increased wealth by disproportionately leaving the labor force. The log predicted wage interaction is positive and significant, although the *ex ante* hypothesis is more ambiguous, it implies that increased wages draw marginally more grandfathers to remain in (or enter) the labor force.

The only puzzling result is on the interaction with the monthly disability benefit, which is positive, significant, and of essentially the same magnitude across all specifications. Since disability benefits can also raise reservation wages, the positive sign is hard to explain in context of the other results. As the results are descriptive, not causal, it seems likely an artifact of some heretofore unexplored source of bias. Taking these results at face value, however, they suggest that grandfathers are less likely to uptake disability benefits than the grandchildless. This means that grandfathers are saving their grandchild leisure time consumption for retirement, and perhaps are mindful of the impact on their extended families while being out of the labor force during their prime working years.

Compared to the regressions without interactions, the main effects on the employment decision variables (presented in Table 7) flip signs but retain their significance. Since these are the main effects after the interaction between two continuous variables, the true net effect is going to reflect the effect at the mean of the interacted variable. Table 8 thus presents the marginal effects of both the grandparent measures and the employment decision variables.

It's important to note that the net marginal impact of the grandparent measures is only 1/3 to 1/2 the size of the grandparent effect reported in the first row of Table 6, with the net marginal effect from grandchildren consistently smaller in the regressions with 4-year birth cohort fixed effects, the net marginal effect of a \$100 increase in the FRA amount is positive in these regressions. Since this is highly implausible, I will focus from here on out on the regressions with just birth cohort time trends (Columns (1) and (3)).

The net marginal effect on the fraction grandparent from Column (1) compares favorably with the point estimate found from the PSID 2SLS estimates: a 1% increase in the fraction grandparent decreases the LFP rate by 0.19%. As noted in Section 3.2.3, the PSID results imply that a 10% rise in the number of grandfathers will induce approximately 2% more men to retire. Here, I find that a 10% increase in the fraction grandparent would decrease the LFP rate by 1.9%. The net marginal impact of all variables are as expected, with the exception of the log predicted wage, which is negative and statistically significant at the 1%

level. In a non-causal context, this could be correlated with greater wealth accumulation and could be entering the results as a wealth effect.

Given that grandparenthood seems to have had a robust effect across specifications, it is worth seeing whether trends in grandparenthood may have played a role in trends in LFP rates, even if the net effect was not huge. I present in the next sections simulations based on the results from Tables 6 and 7 Columns (1) and (5) that iterate over different counterfactual fertility scenarios to see how LFP rate trends would have been historically altered.

4 Counterfactual Simulations

Given that labor force attachment changes from grandfatherhood seem to be concentrated around retirement, how did the shrinking in extended families seen since the 1960's and 1970's change overall labor force participation? To put some context on the results in Tables 5, 6, 7, and 8, I simulate older worker's labor force participation from 1962 onward using 4 different scenarios:

1. **No Baby Boom:** I assume that the post-WWII “boom” never happened, so that the birth rate was essentially unchanged from 1939 to 1965.
2. **No Roe:** I assume that abortion was never nationally legalized, and extend the birth rates observed in 1970-1972 outwards to the present.
3. **Ultra Low Fertility:** I assume that the birth rate for the last 100 years has been the same as the minimum one observed, which nationally was 2015's value of 12.4.
4. **Ultra High Fertility:** I assume that the birth rate for the last 100 years has been the same as the maximum one observed, which nationally was 1957's value of 24.9.

To put the greatest possible weight on the influence of grandchildren and for overall model plausibility, I use the specifications with the employment decision interactions but without 4 year birth cohort fixed effects, corresponding to Columns (1) and (5) in Table 6. If by using the results “friendliest” to grandparenthood's LFP impact, I fail to show that trends in grandchildren made little impact in older worker's labor force attachment overall, then I can conclude that grandchildren's aggregate impact is not very material to understanding these LFP trends.

Figure ?? shows the counterfactual simulation results for men 55-69. Figure 5a shows the fraction of men aged 55-69 who were grandfathers from 1962-2015, their observed LFP rate, the model's predicted LFP rate, and then the predicted LFP rate for the 4 counterfactual

scenarios for historical fraction grandparent values. Figure 5b is structured similarly. Both figures show that, absent the Baby Boom, the LFP rate would have been much 2-4 points higher through 1990, before slowly converging to the model's predicted LFP rate in 1994. Surprisingly, the *Roe* scenario shows that at least in this crude counterfactual, the fall in fertility after *Roe* matters little for the LFP rate for older workers. The greatest gap is observed only in the most recent year of data, where the observed LFP rate is 2 points higher than the simulated LFP rate without *Roe* in the average grandchild count and fraction grandparent versions.

The ultra-low and ultra-high scenarios reveal two interesting LFP trends. Sustained high fertility would have yielded a substantially LFP rate 3-5 points for older workers until around 1975 - nearly 20 years after the 1957 fertility peak. Thereafter, the gap grows between observed and simulated LFP rates to almost 10 points by the 1994 nadir, before exhibiting some convergence in both graphs. The fraction grandparent graphs shows that by 2015, an ultra-high fertility world would have had an LFP rate about 5 points lower. The average grandchild count scenarios shows a much larger gap of about 9 points in 2015, reflecting most likely that most people still get grandchildren in both scenarios, but an ultra-high fertility scenario would have meant much larger extended families than what was actually observed.

Conversely, a sustained ultra low fertility rate would have risen the LFP rate by 4 points in the mid-1960's in the fraction grandparent version or 6 points in the average grandchild count version, but these trends would have completely converged by 2015. These contrasts suggest that the grandparenthood elasticity of labor supply was likely bigger in the 1960's than it is today, possibly because other forces not previously at play are now more strongly shaping older worker's labor force attachment decisions.

One phenomenon clearly demonstrated by the fertility scenarios is that altering the grandparenthood assumptions does not meaningfully change the fall and rise pattern in older men's LFP during this period. The counterfactuals show that certain stylized facts about the LFP rate are unrelated to grandchildren trends. No matter the grandchild scenario and both for the 62-64 and 65-69 group, 1994 remains as the nadir for older men's LFP rate, although different grandchild levels would have slightly changed what that nadir was. Despite several significant changes in extended family composition between 1962 to the present, grandparenthood seems to have played only a minor role in shifting LFP trends among older workers.

5 Robustness Checks

Because many legal changes were targeted at specific age groups, it introduces the possibility that the first stage estimates are being driven by age-by-year or state-by-age shocks to

fertility coincident with the policy changes. This would violate the identification assumption and yield biased results. An augmented panel fixed effects model is now estimated by adding 10 year age group-by-year and 10 year age group-by-state interaction terms.²⁴ I also estimate a model using 10 year birth cohort fixed effects interactions with the state and year fixed effects. In both cases, the instrument retains large Kleibergen-Paap Wald F-statistics, but the second-stage results claim that grandfathers are disproportionately more likely to return to the labor force at full retirement than the grandchildless, although this is not statistically significant. This implausible result in the face of other evidence may be driven by implicit small cell sizes created by the augmented fixed effects.

I also turned age into a fourth order polynomial, retain the stage-by-age and age-by-year fixed effects, and reestimate (1)-(3) and present the final results in Table 9. Grandmother's response to the marginal grandchild becomes more modest, with or without the retirement eligibility interactions, but otherwise remains the same in sign and significance. The results here indicate that grandmotherhood retains only its intensive margin effect, where the net marginal impact of becoming a grandmother is to work 169 fewer hours a year among non-retired women. The marginal grandchild, however, induces an extensive margin response among grandmothers only: the net marginal effect is to become 13.4% more likely to be retired and work -153.5 fewer annual hours (among all grandmothers). These results are smaller in magnitude than in Table 5, but essentially confirm the main model's findings.

In contrast to the revised grandmother findings, almost all grandfather status results become insignificant after adding the cubic and quartic in age. Grandfathers do retain a significant response (at the 10% level) to the marginal grandchild, where the net effect is to become 5.2% more likely to retire. While these results are not nearly as robust as the grandmother ones, they do not overturn the idea of a grandfather extensive margin response around retirement that could be altering overall LFP rates in response to fertility trends.

Ultimately, I believe the results without the extended age coefficients and the adult daughter fixed effects presented in Table 5 should be favored because the drop of hundreds of observations between otherwise similar specifications indicate that there is likely some overfitting in the Table 9 regressions, given the limits in the PSID's cell sizes.

²⁴Specifically, the age groups are indicators for the daughter or daughter-in-law being 0-10, 11-20, 21-30, 31-40, 41-50, and 51 and over. 5 year age bands might be more ideal, but the PSID is not a broad enough sample to credibly estimate such a model.

6 Discussion and Conclusion

This paper explores grandparents' labor force attachment by testing various labor outcomes on two ways grandchildren may influence their grandparents: having the status of grandparent and the total number of grandchildren. Several questions were asked and answered to study this intergenerational dynamic. The first was whether grandparents had a labor supply response to the arrival and presence of grandchildren. The second was how to characterize this response and report it by grandparent sex. The third was to examine how grandchildren trends have altered older men's labor force attachment since the 1960's, and in particular, can the rise and fall in grandchildren partially explain the fall and rise in the labor force participation rate among men 55 and older.

The answers presented here are that there is a labor force response, and that grandparents of both sexes tend to lower their labor force attachment as their extended families grow. Compared to the grandchildless, both grandfathers and grandmothers have lower labor force attachment, with grandfathers being 19.5% more likely to be retired and to work 302.9 fewer hours a year, but do not significantly change their labor supply along the intensive margin if they are non-retired. Grandmothers have both an intensive and extensive margin response: they are 7.8% more likely to be retired and are 12.3% less likely to report having worked any hours in the previous year. Grandmothers' strongest response is to the marginal grandchild: they become 24.8% more likely to retire and 22% less likely to report non-zero workings hours along the extensive margin. Along the intensive margin, they report working 493 fewer hours and working 131.7 fewer hours if they are non-retired.

In the limited literature on this question, grandfathers' roles have not received as much attention as grandmothers', but the findings here indicate that this is an oversight, because grandfathers are robustly shown to decrease their labor force response across multiple specifications. I therefore also examine how the post-Baby Boom increase in grandchildren affected the fall in older men's labor force participation seen between 1970 and 1994, and then it's subsequent rise from 1994 to the Great Recession's advent by using the CPS to estimate representative yearly samples of male workers, aged 50-69. I find that, as in the PSID results, there are significant interactions between grandchildren and employment decision variables, and I also find significant interactions between grandchildren, retirement eligibility, and retirement benefits, but these interactions do not explain why the labor force participation rate fell, even though it did coincide with "peak" grandparenthood. Across all alternative historical grandparenthood scenarios, I find that the fall and rise would have occurred regardless, although the depth of that change would have been more gradual if the 1970's had not seen a grandparenthood peak.

There are some currently unaddressed issues that future drafts will consider. These include using the PSID to study how grandparents react specifically to the youngest grandchildren, in an effort to better understand what role grandchildren play in the grandparent's lifecycle. Another extension is using the CPS data to take a pass at seeing what role the decline in grandparenthood has played in the rising labor force participation among older female workers. Lastly, given the significance of Social Security and grandparenthood interactions, exploring other simulations that make changes to both parameters. This will also account for how policymakers make decisions about Social Security, such that a permanent boom or permanent bust in fertility would almost certainly provoke a response by policymakers to adjust Social Security accordingly.

This paper uses estimates of adult children's fertility impact on grandparents' labor market outcomes using exogenous variation in access to reproductive technology. Grandchildren's influence is examined through the effect of being a grandparent and the total number of grandchildren per household. Although much of the policy variation in the fertility instrument is historical, the results complement existing findings on grandparent aid to new parents by determining that the time transfers from grandparent to adult child are likely coming out of the labor supply of the grandmother. This paper is also the first in the literature to document a grandfather labor market response to grandchildren, an important contribution because policymakers wishing to model how new generations affect old ones need a clear understanding of how both older worker types may change their behavior.

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TABLE 1
Time Transfers (in Hours) By Number of Grandchildren

Number of Grandchildren \Rightarrow	0	1	2	3	Any Child
Mother's Parents					
Married Grandparents	21.48	58.25	52.01	51.35	55.40
Grandfather Remarried	3.51	12.88	9.63	7.38	9.23
Grandmother Remarried	40.18	59.78	19.28	42.88	43.64
Single Grandfathers	25.02	19.42	5.18	2.14	13.79
Single Grandmothers	21.24	83.17	25.21	44.13	45.31
All Mother's Parents	19.35	57.31	27.07	36.31	37.98
Father's Parents					
Married Grandparents	21.32	16.79	51.33	68.22	47.24
Grandfather Remarried	3.04	7.21	2.39	2.12	4.21
Grandmother Remarried	27.64	173.41	11.48	35.03	64.59
Single Grandfathers	1.92	1.49	6.06	2.31	5.76
Single Grandmothers	16.04	36.22	10.15	2.22	14.20
All Father's Parents	15.59	33.42	18.90	21.41	22.89
All Grandparents	34.95	90.72	45.97	57.72	60.86

Table 1 shows average time transfer in hours from parents to adult children, separated out on the basis of how many children the adult children have.

Source: 2013 PSID Family Rosters and Transfers.

TABLE 2
Summary Statistics for Grandparent Sample, 1968

	Grandfathers		Grandmothers	
	Mean	St Dev	Mean	St Dev
Age When First PSID Grandchild Born	50.28	6.91	46.06	7.11
Age When First Retired	59.29	7.81	57.55	8.93
Fraction Retired	10.2%	0.30	5.8%	23.5%
Annual Hours Worked	2,155.80	791.07	1,596.87	1,094.90
In Labor Force (ILS)	95.2%	0.21		
Age	38.33	8.10	35.93	7.33
Number of Children	3.19	2.02	3.36	2.16
Family Income (2016 \$)	\$82,023.41	78,584.04	\$61,038.37	48,462.59
Fraction White	55.5%	0.50	42.0%	0.49
Fraction Black	41.3%	0.49	51.9%	0.50
Fraction Married	93.5%	0.25	72.0%	0.45
Highest Education Level Attained:				
<i>Primary School</i>	34.3%	0.47	27.1%	0.44
<i>Secondary School</i>	21.8%	0.41	30.4%	0.46
<i>HS Grad</i>	22.2%	0.42	29.3%	0.46
<i>Some College</i>	7.9%	0.27	5.4%	0.23
<i>Bachelors or More</i>	8.7%	0.28	3.1%	0.17
Grandparents	1,712		2,373	
Adult Children	5,465		7,970	
Observations	160,761		221,818	

Table 2 shows selected summary statistics for in-sample grandfather and grandmother characteristics in 1968. Sample is individuals who were aged 22-54 in 1968 and who have at least one child in the PSID.

TABLE 3
Panel Fixed Effects Estimation of Grandparents' Labor Response to Grandchildren

Grandchild Measure ↓	Grandfathers				Grandmothers			
	Retired	Hrs Worked	Cond. Hrs Worked	In Labor Force	Retired	Hrs Worked	Cond. Hrs Worked	Non-Zero Hours
	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)
Grandparent Status Regressions								
<u>Without interactions</u>								
$\mathbb{1}\{Grandparent\}$	0.082*** (0.012)	-138.142*** (26.795)	-49.567** (18.697)	-0.019* (0.010)	0.035*** (0.012)	-43.915* (23.209)	-33.941 (21.757)	-0.023* (0.013)
Adj. R^2	0.69	0.62	0.44	0.64	0.69	0.48	0.58	0.46
F	149.72	137.46	11.74	237.96	90.23	148.94	61.25	139.98
<u>With interactions</u>								
$\mathbb{1}\{Grandparent\}$	0.081*** (0.012)	-144.185*** (27.570)	-46.992** (18.128)	-0.021* (0.011)	0.034*** (0.012)	-46.643* (23.884)	-37.384* (21.851)	-0.024* (0.013)
* $\mathbb{1}\{Early\ SS\ Elig\}$	0.022 (0.037)	-69.781 (82.798)	-142.546* (78.979)	-0.012 (0.038)	0.009 (0.029)	88.724 (61.271)	52.55 (76.381)	0.052 (0.040)
* $\mathbb{1}\{Full\ SS\ Elig\}$	0.006 (0.055)	118.309 (92.202)	124.057 (102.242)	0.024 (0.034)	0.005 (0.024)	-13.488 (80.590)	245.329* (140.042)	-0.009 (0.057)
Margin	0.083*** (0.014)	-129.02*** (28.10)	-47.88** (18.77)	-0.018* (0.010)	0.035** (0.014)	-43.25* (25.64)	-26.04 (22.08)	-0.023 (0.016)
Adj. R^2	0.69	0.62	0.45	0.64	0.69	0.48	0.58	0.46
F	138.11	182.24	9.89	209.07	79.46	125.81	52.25	143.04
N	44,249	44,249	30,590	43,614	61,963	61,963	43,232	61,963
Child Count Regressions								
<u>Without interactions</u>								
<i>Child Count</i>	0.035*** (0.005)	-41.955*** (7.537)	-7.388 (7.378)	-0.011*** (0.004)	0.019*** (0.005)	-41.299*** (8.101)	-32.130*** (8.993)	-0.018*** (0.005)
Adj. R^2	0.71	0.64	0.49	0.64	0.72	0.52	0.61	0.49
F	109.039	188.002	19.08	116.444	73.132	90.272	64.805	94.355
<u>With interactions</u>								
<i>Child Count</i>	0.053*** (0.006)	-67.628*** (9.372)	-1.891 (6.363)	-0.023*** (0.005)	0.011* (0.005)	-29.484*** (8.839)	-31.647*** (8.632)	-0.011** (0.005)
* $\mathbb{1}\{Early\ SS\ Elig\}$	-0.017** (0.007)	6.369 (13.300)	-49.354* (24.717)	0.006 (0.008)	0.035*** (0.006)	-33.335** (14.391)	-8.014 (16.640)	-0.013* (0.007)
* $\mathbb{1}\{Full\ SS\ Elig\}$	-0.043*** (0.012)	69.031*** (21.710)	-25.075 (23.598)	0.030** (0.011)	0.011 (0.007)	-24.352** (11.812)	1.502 (18.520)	-0.017** (0.007)
Margin	0.046*** (0.005)	-57.58*** (7.65)	-3.25 (6.51)	-0.018*** (0.004)	0.015*** (0.005)	-34.86*** (8.18)	-31.48*** (8.68)	-0.015*** (0.005)
Adj. R^2	0.71	0.64	0.49	0.64	0.72	0.52	0.61	0.49
F	106.62	182.84	17.37	105.68	74.47	85.95	57.23	104.58
N	130,584	130,584	91,653	129,127	179,780	179,780	130,678	179,780

Table 3 shows the panel fixed effects regression estimates for the $\mathbb{1}\{Grandparent\}$ measure of the effect being a grandparent on labor force attachment outcomes. Likewise, the coefficients for *Child Count* measure the marginal effect of an additional grandchild on each outcome. All regressions include individual-level and state-by-year fixed effects. Regressions are weighted with the core family sampling weights provided by the PSID, adjusted for the number of adult children each grandparent has. Robust standard errors clustered at the state level are reported. All regressions include the adult child and grandparent demographic variables listed in Section 3.1.

* $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE 4
First-Stage Estimates of Grandchild Measures from PSID

Access Policy ↓	$\mathbb{1}\{\text{Grandparent}\}$		Child Count	
	Grandfathers (1)	Grandmothers (2)	Grandfathers (3)	Grandmothers (4)
	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)
Pill Access				
No Lag	-0.048*** (0.014)	-0.033* (0.018)	-0.151*** (0.021)	-0.134*** (0.025)
Lag (t-1)	0.043*** (0.011)	0.044*** (0.012)	0.004 (0.014)	0.012 (0.012)
Lag (t-2)	0.015* (0.009)	0.022*** (0.007)	-0.005 (0.012)	0.012 (0.012)
Lag (t-3)	0.027*** (0.009)	0.025*** (0.008)	0.015 (0.012)	0.034** (0.013)
Lag (t-4)	0.01 (0.013)	0.018 (0.013)	0.024* (0.013)	0.036*** (0.011)
Lag (t-5)	0.056*** (0.012)	0.051*** (0.008)	0.040*** (0.014)	0.041*** (0.013)
Lag (t-6)	0.045*** (0.014)	0.038*** (0.010)	0.020** (0.008)	0.029** (0.011)
Lag (t-7)	0.021 (0.016)	0.01 (0.008)	0.037* (0.019)	0.051*** (0.015)
Lag (t-8)	0.123*** (0.020)	0.128*** (0.016)	0.208*** (0.028)	0.234*** (0.026)

Table 4 shows the first-stage regression results estimating Equation (4) for the grandchild measure *Child Count* and Equation (5) for $\mathbb{1}\{\text{Grandparent}\}$. “Pill Access” and “Abortion Access” are the treatment variables for whether the adult daughter had access to the reproductive technology in year t . “Early Abortion Nearby State” is a dummy for whether individual i ’s 1968 state was within 250 miles of a state with legalized abortion prior to *Roe*. “F-Statistic” is the cluster-robust Kleibergen-Paap Wald rk F-statistic. All regressions include state-by-year fixed effects and are weighted with the core family sampling weights provided by the PSID, adjusted for the number of adult children each grandparent has. Robust standard errors clustered at the state level are reported. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE 4
First-Stage Estimates of Grandchild Measures from PSID

Access Policy ↓	1{Grandparent}		Child Count	
	Grandfathers	Grandmothers	Grandfathers	Grandmothers
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)
Abortion Access				
No Lag	-0.056 (0.038)	-0.056 (0.047)	-0.107*** (0.022)	-0.118*** (0.028)
Lag (t-1)	0.002 (0.012)	0.004 (0.011)	-0.023** (0.011)	-0.035*** (0.012)
Lag (t-2)	0.001 (0.012)	0.01 (0.011)	-0.027** (0.011)	-0.019 (0.013)
Lag (t-3)	0.022 (0.015)	0.012 (0.015)	0.002 (0.016)	-0.006 (0.018)
Lag (t-4)	0.01 (0.017)	0.003 (0.013)	-0.011 (0.012)	-0.008 (0.014)
Lag (t-5)	0.018 (0.012)	0.029*** (0.010)	0.007 (0.014)	0.004 (0.016)
Lag (t-6)	0.028** (0.011)	0.033*** (0.011)	0.008 (0.012)	0.014 (0.010)
Lag (t-7)	0.011 (0.024)	0.027 (0.023)	0.012 (0.020)	0.004 (0.017)
Lag (t-8)	0.142*** (0.035)	0.138*** (0.027)	0.200*** (0.056)	0.193*** (0.040)

Table 4 shows the first-stage regression results estimating Equation (4) for the grandchild measure *Child Count* and Equation (5) for $1\{Grandparent\}$. “Pill Access” and “Abortion Access” are the treatment variables for whether the adult daughter had access to the reproductive technology in year t . “Early Abortion Nearby State” is a dummy for whether individual i ’s 1968 state was within 250 miles of a state with legalized abortion prior to *Roe*. “F-Statistic” is the cluster-robust Kleibergen-Paap Wald rk F-statistic. All regressions include state-by-year fixed effects and are weighted with the core family sampling weights provided by the PSID, adjusted for the number of adult children each grandparent has. Robust standard errors clustered at the state level are reported. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE 4
First-Stage Estimates of Grandchild Measures from PSID

Access Policy ↓	$\mathbb{1}\{\text{Grandparent}\}$		Child Count	
	Grandfathers	Grandmothers	Grandfathers	Grandmothers
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)
Early Abortion Nearby State				
No Lag	-0.046 (0.034)	-0.049 (0.032)	-0.218*** (0.045)	-0.170*** (0.040)
Lag (t-1)	0.004 (0.028)	0.024 (0.020)	-0.058** (0.025)	-0.031 (0.030)
Lag (t-2)	0.019 (0.027)	0.038 (0.024)	-0.029 (0.037)	-0.013 (0.036)
Lag (t-3)	0.017 (0.032)	0.032 (0.028)	-0.066 (0.040)	-0.052 (0.042)
Lag (t-4)	0.043 (0.026)	0.063*** (0.018)	0.057 (0.069)	0.068 (0.061)
Lag (t-5)	0.048** (0.019)	0.080*** (0.023)	-0.012 (0.034)	0.048 (0.033)
Lag (t-6)	0.03 (0.025)	0.028 (0.022)	-0.086** (0.034)	-0.056* (0.032)
Lag (t-7)	0.043 (0.033)	0.062** (0.027)	0.044 (0.045)	0.093** (0.038)
Lag (t-8)	0.123** (0.055)	0.146*** (0.047)	0.017 (0.037)	0.079 (0.050)

Table 4 shows the first-stage regression results estimating Equation (4) for the grandchild measure *Child Count* and Equation (5) for $\mathbb{1}\{\text{Grandparent}\}$. “Pill Access” and “Abortion Access” are the treatment variables for whether the adult daughter had access to the reproductive technology in year t . “Early Abortion Nearby State” is a dummy for whether individual i ’s 1968 state was within 250 miles of a state with legalized abortion prior to *Roe*. “F-Statistic” is the cluster-robust Kleibergen-Paap Wald rk F-statistic. All regressions include state-by-year fixed effects and are weighted with the core family sampling weights provided by the PSID, adjusted for the number of adult children each grandparent has. Robust standard errors clustered at the state level are reported. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE 4
First-Stage Estimates of Grandchild Measures from PSID

Access Policy ↓	$\mathbb{1}\{\text{Grandparent}\}$		Child Count	
	Grandfathers	Grandmothers	Grandfathers	Grandmothers
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)
Early Abortion Distant State				
No Lag	-0.016 (0.038)	-0.007 (0.026)	-0.043 (0.034)	-0.032 (0.044)
Lag (t-1)	-0.008 (0.023)	0.016 (0.021)	-0.03 (0.022)	-0.006 (0.028)
Lag (t-2)	0.007 (0.033)	0.026 (0.027)	0.014 (0.033)	0.015 (0.042)
Lag (t-3)	0.029 (0.024)	0.052** (0.019)	0.003 (0.029)	0.043 (0.043)
Lag (t-4)	0.049* (0.027)	0.069*** (0.019)	0.037 (0.029)	0.053 (0.041)
Lag (t-5)	0.052** (0.025)	0.066*** (0.021)	0.034 (0.035)	0.066 (0.045)
Lag (t-6)	0.057** (0.026)	0.069*** (0.023)	0.029 (0.031)	0.052 (0.041)
Lag (t-7)	0.064*** (0.022)	0.074*** (0.016)	0.05 (0.032)	0.090** (0.039)
Lag (t-8)	0.076*** (0.022)	0.087*** (0.022)	0.065* (0.034)	0.086* (0.044)

Table 4 shows the first-stage regression results estimating Equation (4) for the grandchild measure *Child Count* and Equation (5) for $\mathbb{1}\{\text{Grandparent}\}$. “Pill Access” and “Abortion Access” are the treatment variables for whether the adult daughter had access to the reproductive technology in year t . “Early Abortion Nearby State” is a dummy for whether individual i ’s 1968 state was within 250 miles of a state with legalized abortion prior to *Roe*. “F-Statistic” is the cluster-robust Kleibergen-Paap Wald rk F-statistic. All regressions include state-by-year fixed effects and are weighted with the core family sampling weights provided by the PSID, adjusted for the number of adult children each grandparent has. Robust standard errors clustered at the state level are reported. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE 4
First-Stage Estimates of Grandchild Measures from PSID

Access Policy ↓	1{Grandparent}		Child Count	
	Grandfathers (1)	Grandmothers (2)	Grandfathers (3)	Grandmothers (4)
	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)
Adj R^2	0.59	0.57	0.52	0.51
F-Statistic	2100.29	1465.84	2868.31	3657.70
N	44,249	61,963	130,584	179,780

Table 4 shows the first-stage regression results estimating Equation (4) for the grandchild measure *Child Count* and Equation (5) for $1\{Grandparent\}$. “Pill Access” and “Abortion Access” are the treatment variables for whether the adult daughter had access to the reproductive technology in year t . “Early Abortion Nearby State” is a dummy for whether individual i ’s 1968 state was within 250 miles of a state with legalized abortion prior to *Roe*. “F-Statistic” is the cluster-robust Kleibergen-Paap Wald rk F-statistic. All regressions include state-by-year fixed effects and are weighted with the core family sampling weights provided by the PSID, adjusted for the number of adult children each grandparent has. Robust standard errors clustered at the state level are reported. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE 5
2nd-Stage IV Results of Grandparents' Labor Response to Grandchildren

Grandchild Measure ↓	Grandfathers				Grandmothers			
	Retired	Hrs Worked	Cond. Hrs Worked	In Labor Force	Retired	Hrs Worked	Cond. Hrs Worked	Non-Zero Hours
	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)
Grandparent Status Regressions								
<u>Without interactions</u>								
1{Grandparent}	0.183*** (0.059)	-302.459** (128.061)	-127.909 (169.099)	-0.032 (0.051)	0.078* (0.043)	-94.93 (138.430)	-105.172 (129.804)	-0.123* (0.067)
<u>With interactions</u>								
1{Grandparent}	0.197*** (0.057)	-353.738*** (116.762)	-205.735 (169.571)	-0.061 (0.050)	0.103** (0.045)	-122.381 (143.772)	-118.803 (123.605)	-0.143** (0.066)
*1{Early SS Elig}	0.128 (0.106)	-325.202 (210.035)	34.012 (206.709)	-0.1 (0.100)	0.375** (0.146)	-228.485 (223.392)	479.479 (297.286)	-0.068 (0.113)
*1{Full SS Elig}	-0.062 (0.159)	418.131 (298.592)	585.26 (528.511)	-0.025 (0.118)	-0.158 (0.232)	149.698 (572.355)	292.783 (503.898)	0.256 (0.271)
Margin	0.195*** (0.057)	-302.788*** (124.800)	-190.362 (168.598)	-0.061 (0.057)	0.100** (0.051)	-110.552 (125.195)	-92.197 (119.537)	-0.102** (0.070)
N	44,249	44,249	30,590	43,614	61,963	61,963	43,232	61,963
Child Count Regressions								
<u>Without interactions</u>								
Child Count	0.180*** (0.029)	-224.457*** (64.558)	-15.292 (94.152)	-0.096*** (0.026)	0.214*** (0.027)	-419.938*** (55.138)	-169.529** (67.214)	-0.184*** (0.027)
<u>With interactions</u>								
Child Count	0.265*** (0.030)	-393.255*** (60.484)	-28.856 (87.400)	-0.171*** (0.029)	0.232*** (0.031)	-459.627*** (51.339)	-129.551** (61.282)	-0.205*** (0.026)
*1{Early SS Elig}	-0.101*** (0.037)	108.808 (77.105)	81.964 (108.914)	0.073** (0.032)	0.090*** (0.011)	-105.182*** (24.947)	-21.836 (27.692)	-0.040*** (0.012)
*1{Full SS Elig}	-0.222*** (0.023)	331.645*** (66.548)	34.433 (200.378)	0.079** (0.030)	0.077*** (0.014)	-182.318*** (23.904)	-56.433* (30.201)	-0.085*** (0.014)
Margin	0.227*** (0.028)	-339.118*** (55.961)	-26.688 (86.571)	-0.156*** (0.026)	0.248*** (0.031)	-493.370*** (48.479)	-131.703** (60.867)	-0.220*** (0.024)
N	130,584	130,584	91,653	129,127	179,780	179,780	130,678	179,780

Table 5 shows the second-stage regression estimates of grandparents' labor force characteristics. The coefficients for 1{Grandparent} measure the effect being a grandparent. The coefficients for Child Count measure the marginal effect of an additional grandchild on each outcome. Second stage estimates are from Equation (4) and the grandparent flag from Equation (5). Retired is 1 if the grandmother reports being retired, 0 else. Hours Worked is the annual number of hours worked. In Labor Force is an indicator for whether the grandfather is in the labor force, and Non-Zero Working Hrs is an indicator for whether the grandmother reported non-zero working hours in year t . All regressions include individual-level and state-by-year fixed effects and are weighted with the core family sampling weights provided by the PSID, adjusted for the number of adult children each grandparent has where necessary. Standard errors are clustered at the state level.

^a See Section 3.1 for list of variables included.

* $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE 6
Panel Regression of Older Men's National Labor Force Participation Rates

	Birth Cohort Specification ^a							
	Time Trends	1 Year FE	2 Year FE	4 Year FE	Time Trends	1 Year FE	2 Year FE	4 Year FE
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)
	Fraction Grandparent Regressions				Average Grandchild Count Regressions			
<u>Without interactions</u>								
<i>GP_Measure</i>	-0.627*** (0.064)	-29.882*** (9.710)	-0.190 (0.410)	-0.588*** (0.200)	-7.756*** (0.793)	-369.503*** (120.079)	-2.345 (5.073)	-7.269*** (2.468)
<u>With interactions</u>								
<i>GP_Measure</i>	-0.946*** (0.125)	-34.156*** (9.944)	-0.657 (0.420)	-0.780*** (0.217)	-12.708*** (1.465)	-417.019*** (121.249)	-6.833 (5.161)	-9.530*** (2.633)
×SSB65	-0.036*** (0.006)	-0.013 (0.011)	-0.023** (0.009)	-0.038*** (0.008)	-0.339*** (0.071)	-0.073 (0.122)	-0.192** (0.096)	-0.360*** (0.090)
×(SSB62-SSB65)	-0.003 (0.008)	0.027 (0.018)	0.018 (0.014)	-0.015 (0.013)	0.032 (0.094)	0.487** (0.206)	0.341** (0.160)	-0.052 (0.145)
×(SSB70-SSB65)	0.012** (0.006)	0.021** (0.008)	0.026*** (0.007)	0.028*** (0.007)	0.062 (0.070)	0.168* (0.094)	0.248*** (0.083)	0.269*** (0.076)
×Avg. Earnings	-0.003*** (0.001)	0.000 (0.001)	-0.000 (0.001)	-0.001 (0.001)	-0.038*** (0.007)	0.008 (0.009)	0.001 (0.009)	-0.007 (0.008)
×Disability Benefit	0.024*** (0.003)	0.029*** (0.003)	0.029*** (0.003)	0.029*** (0.003)	0.240*** (0.028)	0.279*** (0.030)	0.281*** (0.029)	0.285*** (0.029)
×Log Predicted Wage	0.456*** (0.029)	0.228*** (0.032)	0.239*** (0.032)	0.274*** (0.032)	5.095*** (0.359)	2.471*** (0.388)	2.614*** (0.394)	3.023*** (0.391)
Adj. R^2	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98
F	187.017	163.331	161.246	163.484	182.300	160.168	157.835	160.005
N	4121	4120	4121	4121	4121	4120	4121	4121

Table 6 shows the panel fixed effects regression estimates of labor force characteristics, including grandparenthood status, on national labor force participation rates. The coefficients for % *Grandparent* measure the effect of an additional 1 point in the fraction of individuals in a given age-sex-year-birth year-educational attainment group cell who are grandparents. The coefficients for *Grandchild Count* measure the marginal effect of an additional grandchild on national LFP. These are second stage estimates after instrumenting for *SpouseInLF* in Equation (B.1) as described in Section 4.1. All regressions are weighted by the number of individuals in each cell, and include age and education group-by-year fixed effects. All rate and fractional variables are multiplied by 100, so that that coefficients can be interpreted as how many points the LFP rate changes per one unit change in the variable. The regressions are estimated with heteroskedastic robust standard errors.

^a See Section 4.1 for list of variables included.

* p<0.10, ** p<0.05, *** p<0.01

TABLE 7
Extended Estimates from National LFP Panel Regression

	% Grandfathers				Grandchild Count			
	No Elig. Interactions		Elig. Interactions		No Elig. Interactions		Elig. Interactions	
	Time Trends	4 Year FE	Time Trends	4 Year FE	Time Trends	4 Year FE	Time Trends	4 Year FE
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)
SSB65	-0.689*** (0.112)	-0.383*** (0.131)	2.072*** (0.370)	2.421*** (0.468)	-0.689*** (0.112)	-0.383*** (0.131)	1.274*** (0.291)	1.577*** (0.348)
(SSB62-SSB65)	-0.597*** (0.147)	-0.353* (0.212)	0.078 (0.579)	0.754 (0.826)	-0.597*** (0.147)	-0.353* (0.212)	-0.321 (0.482)	0.049 (0.638)
(SSB70-SSB65)	0.794*** (0.079)	0.332*** (0.124)	-0.490 (0.396)	-1.661*** (0.417)	0.794*** (0.079)	0.332*** (0.124)	0.033 (0.316)	-1.023*** (0.332)
Lifetime Avg. Monthly Earnings	0.016 (0.011)	-0.025** (0.011)	0.311*** (0.038)	0.095** (0.044)	0.016 (0.011)	-0.025** (0.011)	0.233*** (0.030)	0.065* (0.036)
Monthly Disability Benefit	-0.115*** (0.043)	-0.198*** (0.047)	-1.657*** (0.165)	-2.071*** (0.171)	-0.115*** (0.043)	-0.198*** (0.047)	-1.173*** (0.128)	-1.435*** (0.131)
Log Predicted Wage	2.427*** (0.808)	2.339*** (0.796)	-32.016*** (2.115)	-18.720*** (2.310)	2.427*** (0.808)	2.339*** (0.796)	-24.676*** (1.835)	-14.076*** (1.988)
% Married	0.153*** (0.029)	0.111*** (0.029)	0.162*** (0.028)	0.157*** (0.027)	0.153*** (0.029)	0.111*** (0.029)	0.166*** (0.028)	0.157*** (0.028)
% Previously Married	0.168*** (0.034)	0.072** (0.033)	0.166*** (0.032)	0.124*** (0.032)	0.168*** (0.034)	0.072** (0.033)	0.175*** (0.033)	0.128*** (0.032)
% Veteran	-0.071*** (0.007)	-0.055*** (0.009)	-0.058*** (0.008)	-0.067*** (0.009)	-0.071*** (0.007)	-0.055*** (0.009)	-0.061*** (0.008)	-0.067*** (0.009)
% White	-0.014 (0.014)	0.010 (0.014)	-0.011 (0.013)	0.011 (0.014)	-0.014 (0.014)	0.010 (0.014)	-0.025* (0.014)	0.007 (0.014)
% Black	0.024 (0.025)	0.043* (0.025)	-0.005 (0.024)	0.027 (0.024)	0.024 (0.025)	0.043* (0.025)	-0.024 (0.025)	0.020 (0.025)
% In Bad Health	-0.730*** (0.021)	-0.793*** (0.021)	-0.707*** (0.021)	-0.754*** (0.021)	-0.730*** (0.021)	-0.793*** (0.021)	-0.712*** (0.021)	-0.768*** (0.021)
Birth Year ²	0.001* (0.001)	0.002 (0.002)	-0.002 (0.002)	0.006** (0.003)	0.000 (0.001)	0.000 (0.002)	-0.003 (0.002)	0.004* (0.002)
% Spouse in LF	0.119*** (0.010)	0.092*** (0.010)	0.100*** (0.009)	0.092*** (0.009)	0.119*** (0.010)	0.092*** (0.010)	0.103*** (0.010)	0.096*** (0.009)

Table 7 shows the remaining coefficient estimates for the panel fixed effects regression estimates of labor force characteristics, including grandparenthood status, first shown in Table 6 (Equation (6)). All rate and fractional variables are multiplied by 100, so that that coefficients can be interpreted as how many points the LFP rate changes per one unit change in the variable. The regressions are estimated with heteroskedastic-robust standard errors. * p<0.10, ** p<0.05, *** p<0.01.

TABLE 8
Marginal Effects for Interacted Variables

	% Grandparent		Grandchild Count	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)
<i>GP_Measure</i>	-0.187***	-0.129***	-4.087***	-2.525***
	(0.087)	(0.199)	(1.024)	(2.455)
SSB65	-0.140***	0.114***	-0.136***	0.080***
	(0.126)	(0.138)	(0.128)	(0.139)
(SSB62-SSB65)	-0.128	-0.134	-0.187	-0.169
	(0.177)	(0.197)	(0.175)	(0.200)
(SSB70-SSB65)	0.251	0.067***	0.291	0.096***
	(0.097)	(0.119)	(0.098)	(0.121)
Lifetime Avg. Monthly Earnings	0.100***	0.051**	0.074***	0.035*
	(0.012)	(0.012)	(0.011)	(0.012)
Monthly Disability Benefit	-0.213***	-0.292***	-0.176***	-0.250***
	(0.039)	(0.039)	(0.039)	(0.040)
Log Predicted Wage	-4.277***	-2.081***	-3.494***	-1.509***
	(0.811)	(0.788)	(0.807)	(0.786)
Birth Cohort Time Trends	Y	Y	Y	Y
4-Year Birth Cohort FE's	N	Y	N	Y

Table 8 shows the net effect of increasing either $GP_{Measure}$ by one unit, or increasing each of the three Social Security benefit measures by \$100, derived from the results in Table 6.

* $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE 9
PSID 2nd-Stage IV Results with Age as a 4th Order Polynomial

Grandchild Measure ↓	Grandfathers				Grandmothers			
	Retired	Hrs Worked	Cond. Hrs Worked	In Labor Force	Retired	Hrs Worked	Cond. Hrs Worked	Non-Zero Hours
	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)	(b/se)
Grandparent Status Regressions								
<u>Without interactions</u>								
$\mathbb{1}\{Grandparent\}$	-0.02 (0.072)	74.553 (175.030)	187.7 (216.857)	0.05 (0.082)	-0.073 (0.067)	44.569 (142.379)	-163.78 (127.247)	-0.105 (0.078)
<u>With interactions</u>								
$\mathbb{1}\{Grandparent\}$	0.001 (0.070)	27.765 (160.298)	107.486 (231.141)	0.029 (0.075)	-0.074 (0.066)	55.722 (137.922)	-210.945* (119.919)	-0.092 (0.077)
× $\mathbb{1}\{Early\ SS\ Elig\}$	0.024 (0.120)	-197.631 (255.202)	3.405 (197.772)	-0.052 (0.119)	0.335*** (0.123)	322.038 (231.864)	781.044** (291.437)	0.101 (0.102)
× $\mathbb{1}\{Full\ SS\ Elig\}$	-0.005 (0.192)	33.718 (362.256)	5.68 (359.882)	0.012 (0.184)	0.124 (0.148)	497.838 (460.254)	430.876 (428.006)	0.286 (0.182)
<i>Margin</i>	0.002 (0.094)	20.451 (159.924)	107.713 (230.806)	0.028 (0.085)	-0.029 (0.070)	168.375 (171.149)	-168.908* (119.890)	-0.033 (0.089)
N	43,444	43,444	29,782	42,913	61,411	61,411	42,679	61,411
Child Count Regressions								
<u>Without interactions</u>								
<i>Child Count</i>	0.041 (0.033)	-44.301 (99.628)	-46.524 (86.363)	-0.002 (0.035)	0.132*** (0.028)	-169.347** (74.946)	-30.271 (65.622)	-0.072* (0.041)
<u>With interactions</u>								
<i>Child Count</i>	0.075* (0.039)	-110.037 (93.701)	6.639 (78.745)	-0.051 (0.039)	0.125*** (0.031)	-142.528** (64.404)	-3.593 (61.123)	-0.061 (0.036)
× $\mathbb{1}\{Early\ SS\ Elig\}$	-0.034 (0.035)	0.209 (80.439)	-17.869 (85.438)	0.049 (0.033)	0.064*** (0.009)	-42.515* (24.272)	15.976 (24.268)	-0.009 (0.013)
× $\mathbb{1}\{Full\ SS\ Elig\}$	-0.142*** (0.028)	174.374* (101.492)	-243.934 (230.174)	0.059 (0.039)	0.038** (0.016)	-54.714* (27.301)	-30.532 (26.356)	-0.017 (0.016)
<i>Margin</i>	0.052* (0.040)	-83.278 (92.983)	2.342 (78.554)	-0.039 (0.037)	0.134*** (0.032)	-153.503** (63.122)	-4.1 (61.156)	-0.064 (0.036)
N	124,892	124,892	86,115	123,741	175,985	175,985	127,046	175,985

Table 9 shows the second-stage regression estimates of grandparents' labor force characteristics with including age as a fourth order polynomial. The coefficients for $\mathbb{1}\{Grandparent\}$ measure the effect being a grandparent. The coefficients for *Child Count* measure the marginal effect of an additional grandchild on each outcome. Second stage estimates are from Equation (4) and the grandparent flag from Equation (5). *Retired* is 1 if the grandmother reports being retired, 0 else. *Hours Worked* is the annual number of hours worked. *In Labor Force* is an indicator for whether the grandfather is in the labor force, and *Non-Zero Working Hrs* is an indicator for whether the grandmother reported non-zero working hours in year t . All regressions include individual-level and state-by-year fixed effects and are weighted with the core family sampling weights provided by the PSID, adjusted for the number of adult children each grandparent has where necessary. Standard errors are clustered at the state level.

^a See Section 3.1 for list of variables included.

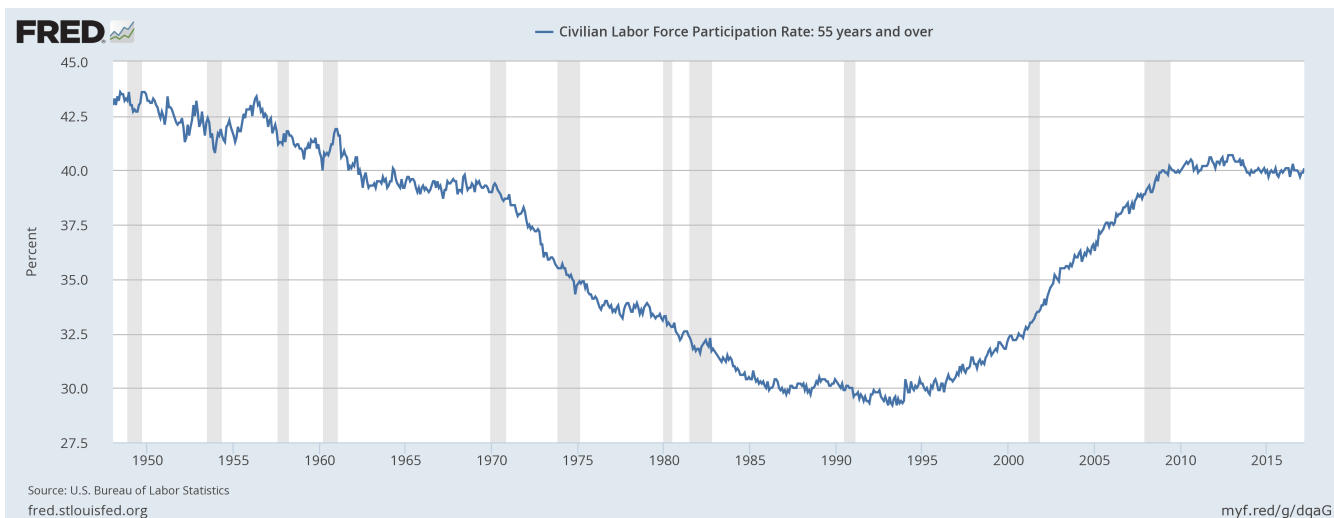


Figure 1 shows the civilian labor force participation rate for workers 55 and over from 1948 to April 2017.

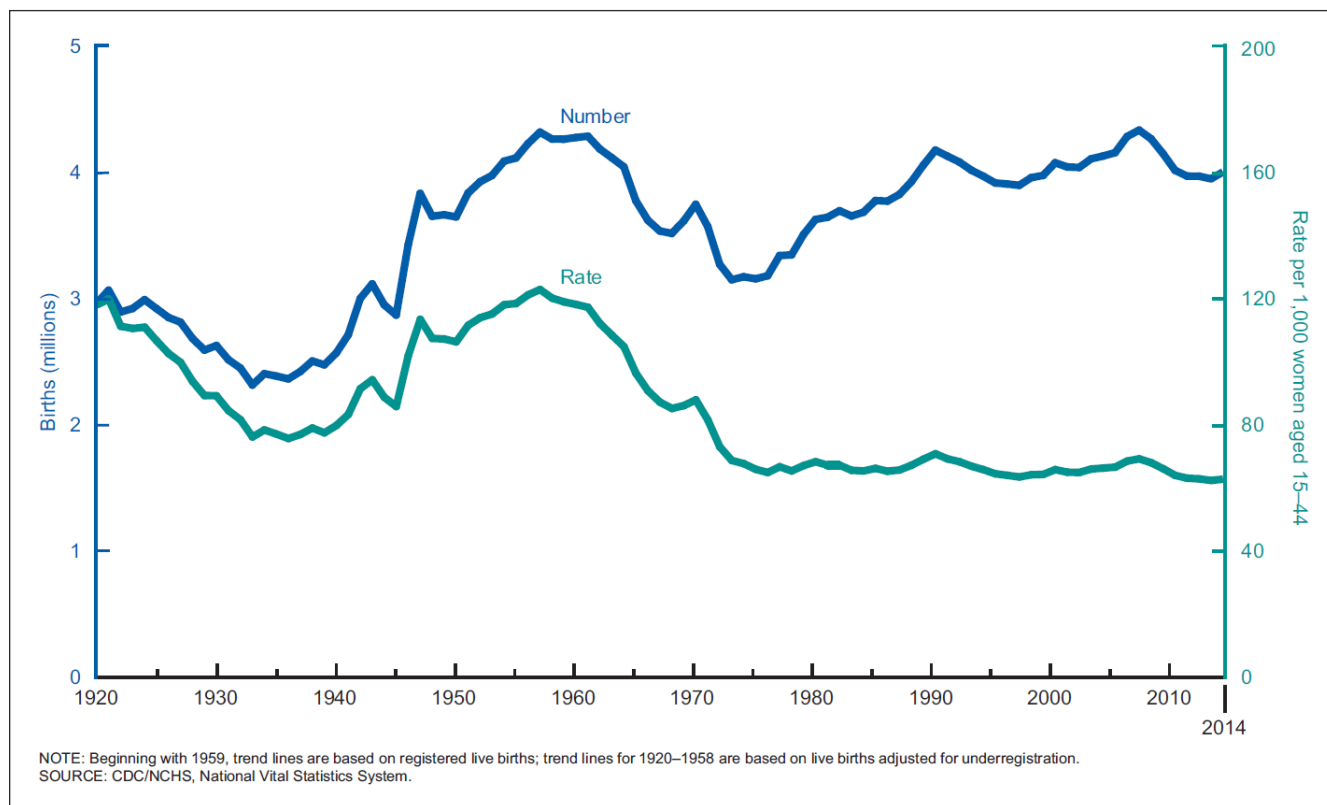


Figure 2 shows the birth rate and birth count by year for the United States from 1920 to 2014. Source: National Center for Health Statistics.

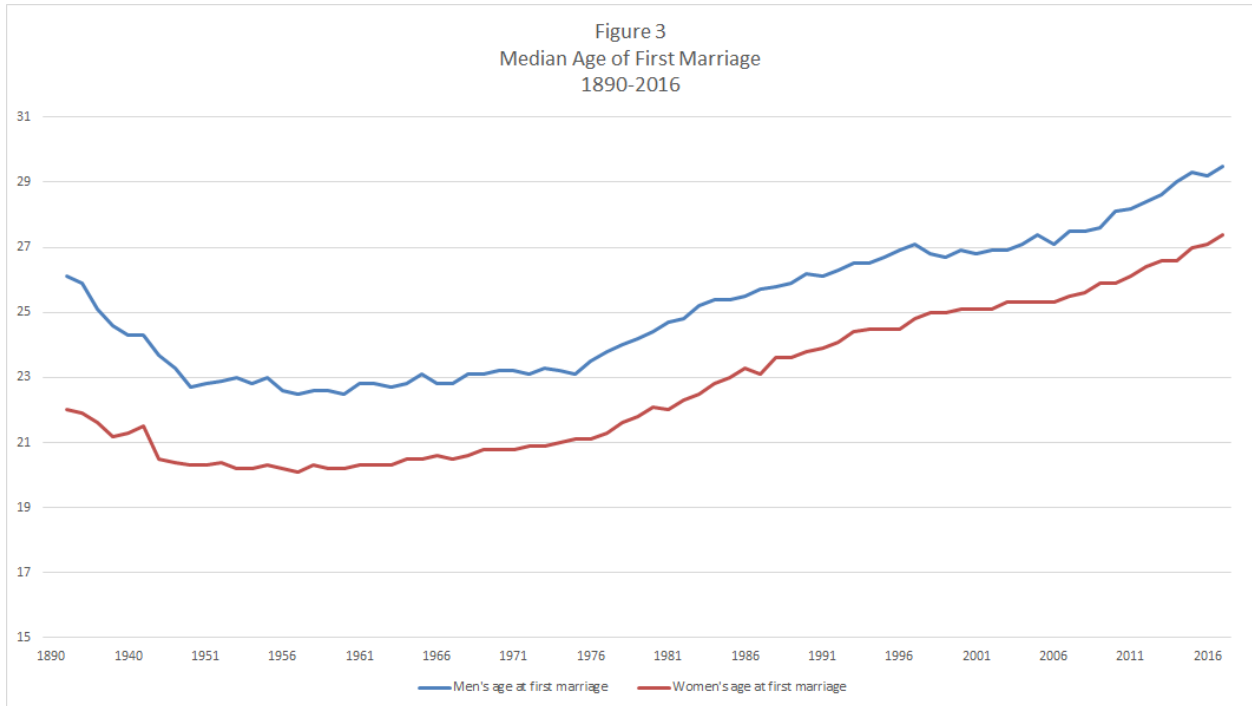
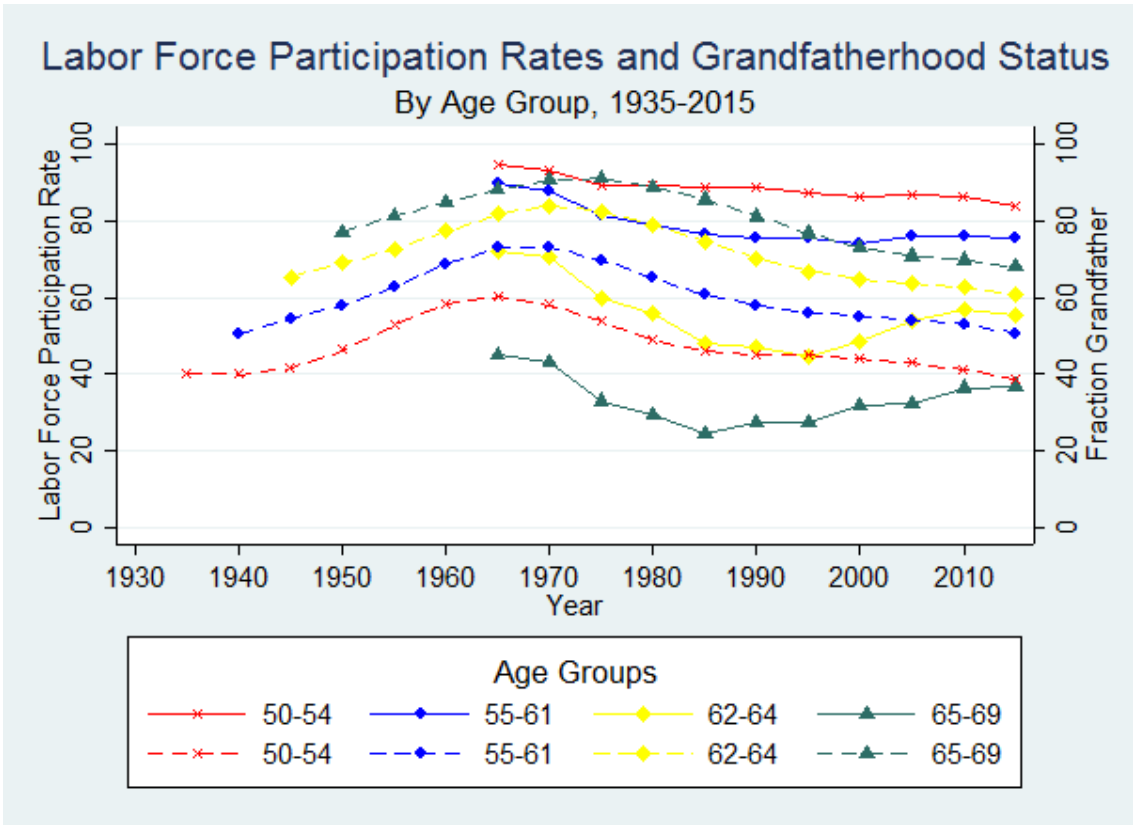
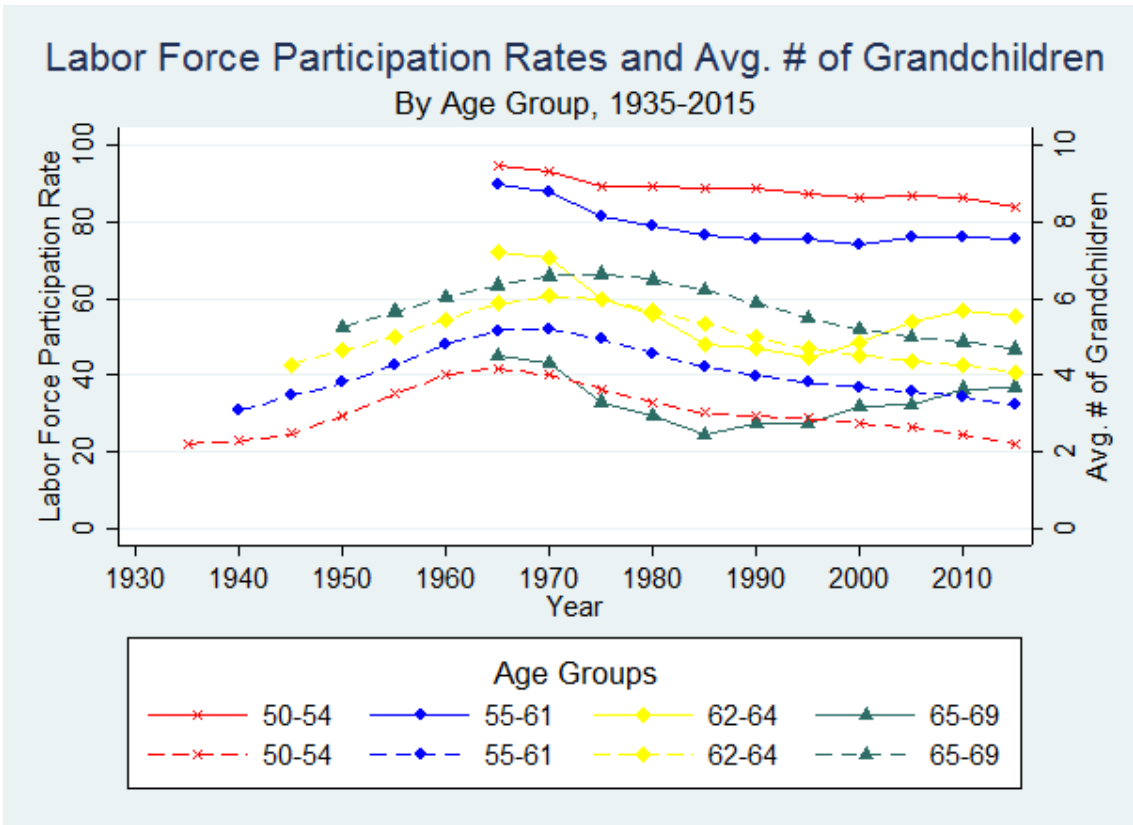


Figure 3 shows the median age of first marriage for men and for women from 1890 to 2016. Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, March and Annual Social and Economic Supplements.

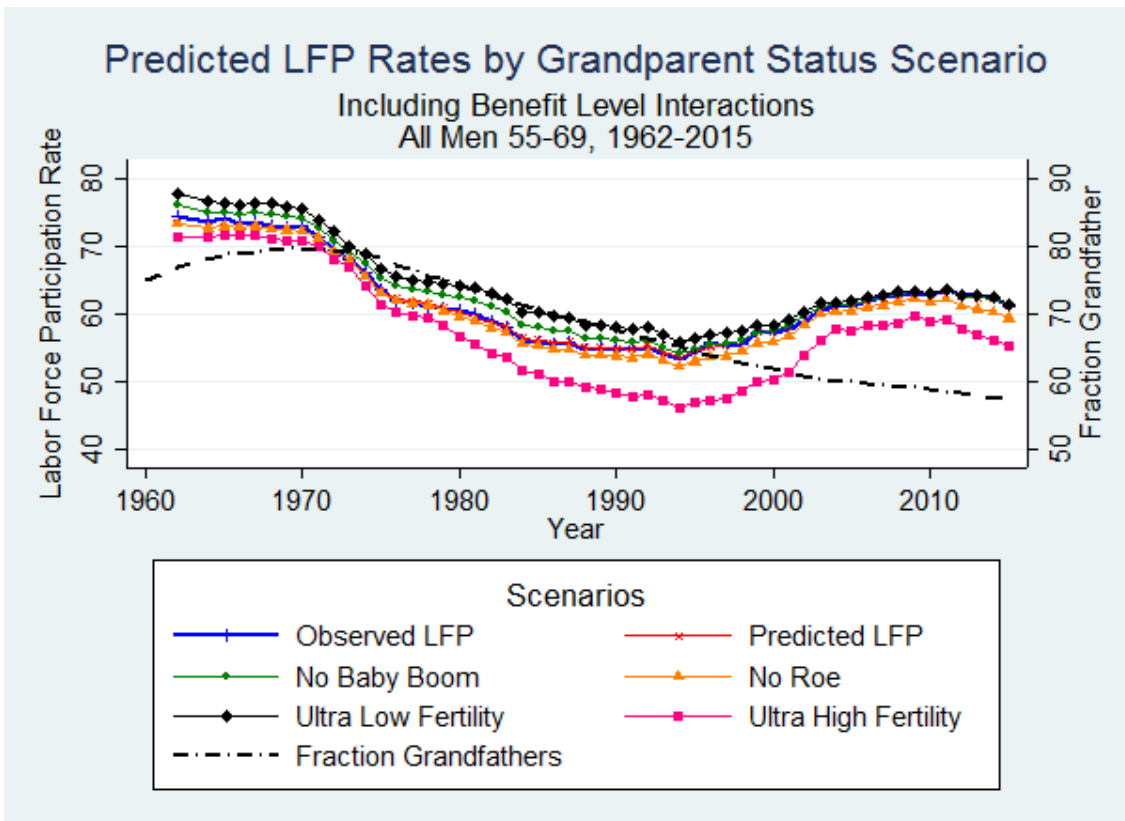


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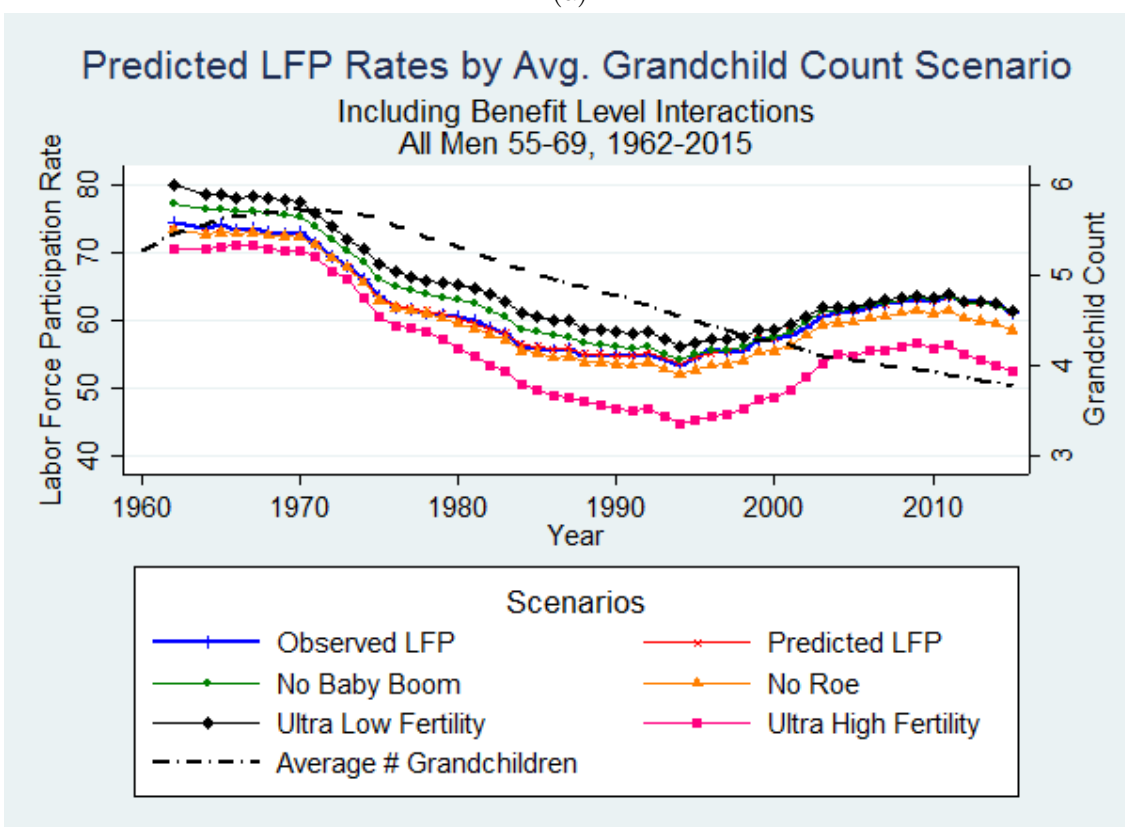


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Figure 4: Figure 4a shows the fraction of men who are grandfathers and their labor force participation (LFP) rate by age groups. LFP rates are in solid lines, and average grandchildren counts are in dashed lines. Figure 4b shows men's average number of grandchildren and their labor force participation (LFP) rate by age groups. LFP rates are in solid lines, and average grandchildren counts are in dashed lines.



(a)



(b)

Figure 5: Figure 5a shows the fraction of men who are grandparents according to different assumptions about fertility and the labor force participation (LFP) rate for ages 55-69 under these scenarios. Figure 5b shows men's average number of grandchildren according to different assumptions about fertility and the labor force participation (LFP) rate for ages 55-69 under these scenarios.

Appendix

A Legal History and Policy Coding Detail

I am indebted to the detailed research conducted by Middlebury's Caitlin Knowles Myers, without which, this paper would not be possible. For the instrument, access is coded as the fraction of the year that a conception could be blocked or aborted. Abortion was legalized by *Roe* and most other state statutes through the first trimester, so eligibility is backdated 93 days (or the equivalent for other eligibility periods) prior to the legalization date. For the pill, the policy is coded as is.

In the PSID, the first wife's age, year of birth, and other characteristics were used to code access for adult sons. Access is coded based on the state where the daughter or daughter-in-law was living in 1968, to avoid introducing potential endogeneity from women moving to states where contraception or abortion was legalized. Unless directly observed, the daughter-in-law's 1968 state is assumed to be the same as her husband's. Following the exhaustive reviews of the state laws on abortion and contraception given in Myers (2016, 2017) and Bailey et al. (2011) each daughter or daughter-in-law is coded as having access to abortion or access to contraception if there were no barriers to her access, such as spousal or parental consent requirements.²⁵

The variation in state laws I use for the instrument is given in four tables. Tables A1-A3 shows the state-by-year policy variation. Table A1 shows the month and year of access to oral contraceptives for unmarried women between ages 18-20 and under 18. Table A2 shows the month and year of access to abortion on-demand for women 21 and over and between

²⁵There are some cases where a fair reading of the law prohibited or potentially allowed access, but either the provision was not enforced or contemporary sources indicated that physicians did not perform reproductive services until the laws were clarified. I am indebted to Myers (2016, 2017) for identifying which provisions were likely enforced, and which were not, beyond a fair reading of the plain text. In those cases where Myers (2016, 2017) indicated that a law was not enforced or not followed, I have deferred to her work. Additional ambiguities were resolved with supplemental information from Joyce, Tan, and Zhang (2013), Levine (2003), Sabia and Anderson (2016), Bailey (2006), Levine et al. (1999), and Bitler and Zavodny (2001).

18-20. Table A3 shows the month and year of access to abortion by minors, and shows that there is substantial variation between and within states when minors did and did not have free access to abortion. Where exemptions existed for married individuals or minors who graduated from high school, I used PSID data to code these minors as having access for the individual-level estimates.

Table A4 shows the frequency distribution of birth years for the daughters and daughters-in-law. For adult sons who never married, the birth year of the mother of their oldest child is used. For adult sons who never married and never had children, their birth year minus 2 is used, reflecting the fact that on average, men marry women 2 years younger than themselves. Including them this way reflects their potential to provide grandchildren, even if it is never realized.

A.1 Access to Oral Contraceptives

The legislative history of access to oral contraceptives begins in 1960 when Enovid was approved by the Food and Drug Administration for the prevention of pregnancy (Junod and Marks (2002)). At this time, legal minors were largely defined as being under 21 and could not freely obtain hormonal birth control.²⁶ In fact, many states had complete or partial bans on contraceptive sales through a series of laws known as “Comstock Laws”.²⁷ In 1965, the Supreme Court ruled in *Griswold v Connecticut* that Connecticut’s Comstock law banning the sale of contraceptives to married couples was unconstitutional, holding that the Constitution ensured a right to privacy.²⁸ In practice, in every state except for Massachusetts, this meant that all women of the age of the legal majority could freely buy oral contraceptives. The right to privacy for unmarried woman of legal majority was formally established by the 1972 Supreme Court ruling *Eisenstadt v Baird*.²⁹ Here, the Supreme Court struck down a Massachusetts law that prohibited the sale of contraceptives to unmarried individuals. In

²⁶Only in Arkansas and Alaska was 18 the age of full legal majority for women in 1960.

²⁷For a history and discussion of the influence of the state Comstock Laws, see Bailey (2010)

²⁸405 U.S. 438 (1965)

²⁹405 U.S. 438 (1972)

between these rulings, states and courts directly or indirectly reshaped the laws governing access to contraception. Many studies have exploited this variation, including Goldin and Katz (2002), Bailey (2006), Bailey, Guldi, Davido, and Buzuvis (2011), Guldi (2008), Myers (2012), among others, to find that access to the pill allowed women to increase their labor supply, chiefly by delaying births.

For women between 18-20, states lowered the age of legal majority to 18 or 19 in waves, culminating in unimpeded access to oral contraceptives for all 18-20 year olds by 1976. Bailey (2006) establishes that the laws that permitted young women to purchase oral contraceptives were passed for reasons mostly orthogonal to expanding access to reproductive technology. Commonly, states in this period lowered their age of legal majority from 21 to 18, which incidentally allowed women of those ages to buy birth control. These legislative actions were taking place in the context of the debate over the draft, voting rights of soldiers, and the Vietnam War, and so had little connection to greater demands for reproductive freedom of choice. Other states had mature minor statutes, which hold that minors can consent to medical procedures and services if the minor clearly demonstrates they understand the implications. Often, these predated the introduction of the pill or court rulings that established the doctrine, usually for reasons have nothing to do with access to oral contraceptives. For example, the Ohio Supreme Court established a mature minor doctrine in 1956 (four years before the introduction of the pill) following *Lacey v Laird*, which was litigated over a nose surgery performed on a minor.³⁰ While the age of majority laws would open up access for women aged 18-20, the mature minor doctrines would often allow all minors to obtain contraceptives. The same rulings that would grant access to 18-20 year olds were often extended to all minors, creating further exploitable variation in access. There is thus substantial state-by-year variation in who could freely buy birth control pills that forms the basis for the empirical strategy used in this paper.

³⁰Lacey v. Laird 166 Ohio St. 12, 139 N.E. 2d 25 (1956).

A.2 Access to Abortion

Prior to the January 1973 Supreme Court *Roe v Wade* decision legalizing abortion on-demand through the first trimester, 6 states had already done so: California in Sept 1969,³¹ followed by Hawaii,³² Alaska,³³ New York,³⁴ and Washington State³⁵ in 1970, and Washington D.C. in 1971, with *de facto* legalization occurring there in the wake of *United States v. Vuitch*.^{36,37} Ananat, Gruber, and Levine (2007), Levine et al. (1999), Gruber, Levine, and Staiger (1999), Joyce, Tan, and Zhang (2013), and others have shown that live births declined for women in their prime childbearing years in the early repeal states compared to the non-repeal states in a manner consistent with a response to the change in policy.

Within the early repeal states, abortion on-demand was legalized inconsistently by age. California initially required minors (20 and younger) to obtain parental consent for an abortion, whereas hospitals in New York City announced they would perform them on minors between 17 and 20 without it. Further, Joyce, Tan, and Zhang (2013) demonstrate that the residency requirements (or lack thereof) acted as an exogenous shock on neighboring states, inducing women to travel to have an abortion, and lowering the birth rate of neighboring states, a finding also corroborated in Klerman (1999), Ananat, Gruber, and Levine (2007), and Levine et al. (1999) among others.

After *Roe*, some states acted to impose restrictions on abortion access, mostly requiring minors to obtain parental consent or to notify their parents before an abortion. These laws have been shown to effectively reduce access to abortion, such that variation in access

³¹People v. Belous 71 Cal. 2d 954 (September 5, 1969)

³²Haw. Rev. Stat. § 453-16 (2010)

³³Alaska Stat. § 18.16.010 (2010)

³⁴Klerman (1999)

³⁵Wash. Stat. § 9.02.100 et seq. Washington's statute permitted abortion through the first four months instead of just the first trimester

³⁶402 U.S. 62 (April 1, 1971)

³⁷Myers(2014) and Klerman (1999) point out that in addition to the full-repeal states, 11 states had adopted the American Law Institutes' Model Penal Code (MPC) statutes on abortion, which permitted it if the progression of the pregnancy would cause mental or physical harm to the mother. The convention I use in this paper is to code access as being only those states that granted abortion on-demand, which the MPC statutes did not. Myers (2012, 2014) duly shows that while abortion rates in the MPC states were somewhat higher than in the non-reform states, they were significantly lower than the full-repeal states.

continues after 1973. They are included as a source of variation although their ultimate impact on pregnancy incidence is unclear.³⁸ This can also be exploited to identify changes in the likelihood to have a child exogenous to the labor force characteristics of either the potential grandparents or parents. Thus, a key innovation in this paper is to instrument for timing and number of grandchildren by using state-by-year differences in access to abortion and oral contraceptives.

³⁸Bitler and Zavodny (2001) showed that requiring parental notification or consent did in fact lower the abortion rate among teens in the states that passed these laws. Levine (2003) also found that parental involvement laws lower the abortion rate but did not find a statistically significant reduction in the overall birth rate. The mechanism is itself unclear: Sabia and Anderson (2016) extend Levine's finding by testing specifically for the effect of the parental involvement laws on teen birth control use. Their findings suggest that parental involvement laws do increase the probability that sexually active minors use birth control, but Colman, Dee, and Joyce (2013) examine the same question and do not.

TABLE A1
Month and Year of Unhindered Access to Oral Contraception for Women Under 21

State	18-20	Under 18
Alabama ^a	10/1971	10/1971 (14)
Arizona	5/1972	10/1977
Arkansas	7/1873	3/1973
California	3/1972	1/1976
Colorado	4/1971	4/1971
Connecticut	10/1971	
District of Columbia	8/1971	8/1971
Florida ^a	7/1973	
Georgia	4/1971	7/1972
Illinois	10/1961	
Indiana	9/1973	
Iowa ^b	7/1973	
Kansas	5/1970	5/1970
Kentucky	6/1968	7/1972
Louisiana	8/1972	7/1975
Maine ^{a,b}	6/1972	
Maryland	7/1971	7/1971
Massachusetts ^c	1/1974	1/1977
Michigan	1/1972	2/1980
Minnesota ^c	6/1973	1/1976
Mississippi	5/1966	5/1966
Missouri ^d	7/1977	
Nebraska ^b	7/1972 (19)	
New Jersey ^d	1/1973	
New York ^b	9/1973	7/1975
North Carolina	7/1971	7/1977
Ohio	6/1965	6/1965
Oregon	9/1971	9/1971
Pennsylvania	4/1970	9/1997
South Carolina	6/1972	6/1972 (16)
South Dakota	7/1972	
Tennessee	5/1971	7/1971
Texas ^d	8/1973	
Utah	7/1960	7/1975
Virginia	11/1971	11/1971
Washington	7/1968	7/1968
West Virginia	7/1972	7/1992
Wisconsin ^c	3/1972	7/1978

Table A1 shows the date of access as the earliest year and month that unmarried, childless women under 21 could obtain contraception without parental or spousal consent.

^a Access for minors under certain exemptions: being married, already being a parent, being a high school graduate, or the physician believes there is harm to the minor by not providing service.

^b IA lowered its age of majority first to 19 in July 1972; ME lowered it to 20 first in 10/1969. NE lowered it to 20 first in 3/1969. NY first lowered age of access to 16 in 1973.

^c Granted access to married minors before granting it to all: MA (1965), MN (1971), and WI (1960).

^d Married minors can get access, year effective in parenthesis: NJ (1965), TX (1974).

Sources: Author's coding using the state statutes, Myers (2012, 2014), Bailey (2006), Bailey et al. (2011).

TABLE A2

Month and Year of Unhindered Access to Abortion On-Demand for Women 18 and Over

State	21 and Over	18-20
Alabama	1/1973	1/1973
Arizona	1/1973	1/1973
Arizona	1/1973	1/1973
California	9/1974	5/1971
Colorado	1/1973	7/1973
Connecticut	1/1973	1/1973
District of Columbia	4/1971	8/1974
Florida	1/1973	7/1973
Georgia	1/1973	1/1973
Illinois	1/1973	1/1973
Indiana	1/1973	1/1973
Iowa	1/1973	1/1973
Kansas	1/1973	1/1973
Kentucky	1/1973	1/1973
Louisiana	1/1973	1/1973
Maine	1/1973	1/1973
Maryland	1/1973	1/1973
Massachusetts	1/1973	1/1974
Michigan	1/1973	1/1973
Minnesota	1/1973	1/1973
Mississippi	1/1973	1/1973
Missouri ^a	7/1976	7/1976
Nebraska ^b	1/1973	1/1973
New Jersey ^c	1/1973	1/1973
New York	7/1970	7/1970
North Carolina	1/1973	1/1973
Ohio	1/1973	1/1973
Oregon	1/1973	1/1973
Pennsylvania	1/1973	1/1973
South Carolina	1/1973	1/1973
South Dakota	1/1973	1/1973
Tennessee	1/1973	1/1973
Texas	1/1973	1/1973
Utah	1/1973	1/1973
Virginia	1/1973	1/1973
Washington	12/1970	12/1970
West Virginia	1/1973	1/1973
Wisconsin ^c	1/1973	1/1973

Table A2 shows the date of access as the earliest year and month that unmarried, childless women under 21 could obtain an abortion without parental or spousal consent.

^a Prior to the Supreme Court's *Danforth* decision, Missouri had a spousal consent requirement for married women seeking abortions.

^b Minors in NE are 18 and under.

^c New Jersey and Wisconsin had pending court cases challenging the validity of anti-abortion statutes and the legality of abortion on-demand prior to *Roe* is unclear. Most studies do not treat these as repeal states.

Sources: Author's coding using the state statutes, Myers (2012, 2014), Ananat, Gruber, and Levine (2007), Levine et al. (1999), Joyce, Tam, and Zhang (2013).

TABLE A3

Parental Involvement Laws for Legal Minors, Date Enjoined or Enforced, 1968-2013

State	Enjoined or Explicit Access	Enforced
Alabama	1/1973-9/1987	9/1987
	1/1973-7/1982	7/1982-10/1985
Arizona	10/1985-5/1986	5/1986-8/1987
	8/1987-2/2003	3/2003-9/2009
	10/2009-8/2011	2011-present
Arkansas ^a		1/1973-2/1976
	2/1976-2/1989	3/1989-present
California		9/1969-5/1971
Colorado		1/1973-2/1975
	2/1975-6/2003	6/2003-present
Connecticut ^a		1/1973-11/1998
District of Columbia		4/1971-8/1974
Florida		1/1973-1/1978
	1/1978-6/2005	7/2005-present

Table A3 gives the effect dates of free or conditional access to women under the age of 18 for 1968 PSID states that had changes in the law. Statute dates should be read left to right on down.

^a Preexisting parental consent or notification law or attorneys general ruling whose legality was left unclear after *Roe* and *Danforth*.

^b Spousal consent law in effect between 6/1974 and 2/1975.

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State	Enjoined or Explicit Access	Enforced
Georgia ^a		9/1991-present
Illinois	1/1973-8/2013	8/2013-present
Indiana	1/1973-4/1973	4/1973-1/1975
	2/1975-8/1984	9/1984-present
Iowa	1/1973-12/1996	1/1997-present
Kansas	1/1973-6/1992	7/1992-present
		1/1973-11/1974
Kentucky ^a	11/1974-3/1989	3/1989-7/1991
	7/1991-7/1994	7/1994-present
Louisiana	1/1973-6/1973	6/1973-1/1976
	1/1976-9/1978	9/1978-3/1980
	3/1980-7/1980	7/1980-present
Maryland	1/1973-5/1977	5/1977-12/1985
	1/1986-present	

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Massachusetts		8/1974-6/1976
Michigan	1/1973-3/1991	3/1991-8/1992
	8/1992-3/1993	4/1993-present
Minnesota	1/1973-7/1981	8/1981-11/1986
	11/1986-8/1988	8/1988-present
Mississippi	1/1973-7/1993	7/1993-present
	11/1973-6/1974	6/1974-2/1975
Missouri ^b	2/1975-6/1983	6/1983-11/1983
	11/1983-8/1985	8/1985-present
Nebraska	1/1973-5/1973	5/1973-11/1975
	11/1975-6/1977	7/1977-12/1978
	1/1979-5/1981	5/1981-9/1983
	9/1983-9/1991	9/1991-present
North Carolina	5/1973-10/1995	10/1995-present

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Ohio	1/1973-9/1974	3/1976-8/1976
	8/1976-10/1990	10/1990-present
Oklahoma	2/1973-5/1975	5/1975-6/1976
	7/1976-6/2001	7/2001-6/2002
	6/2002-11/2004	11/2004-present
Pennsylvania	1/1973-3/1994	3/1994-present
		7/1973-11/1974
South Carolina ^c	11/1974-5/1990	5/1990-present
South Dakota	1/1973-3/1973	3/1973-6/1976
	7/1976-6/1997	7/1997-present
Tennessee	1/1973-11/1992	11/1992-7/1996
	7/1996-1/2000	1/2000-present
Texas	1/1973-12/1999	1/2000-present
Utah	1/1973-3/1973	3/1973-9/1973

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	9/1973-4/2006	5/2006-present
Virginia ^a		1/1973-6/1976
	7/1976-6/1997	7/1997-present
Washington		11/1970-1/1975
West Virginia	1/1973-5/1984	5/1984-present
Wisconsin	1/1973-6/1992	6/1992-present

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TABLE A4
PSID In-Sample Daughter/Daughter-in-Law Year of Birth Distribution

Year of Birth ↓	Grandfather Sample			Grandmother Sample		
	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Before 1940	21	0.385	0.385	64	0.806	0.806
1940-1944	60	1.1	1.485	140	1.763	2.569
1945-1949	359	6.582	8.067	716	9.015	11.584
1950-1954	950	17.418	25.486	1,578	19.869	31.453
1955-1959	1,200	22.002	47.488	1,917	24.137	55.591
1960-1964	1,257	23.047	70.535	1,808	22.765	78.356
1965-1969	862	15.805	86.34	978	12.314	90.67
1970-1974	419	7.682	94.023	441	5.553	96.223
After 1974	326	5.977	100	300	3.777	100

Table A4 shows the birth year distribution of four types of adult children: adult daughters, the first wife of an adult son, the mother of the adult son's oldest child if the adult son did not marry, or if the adult son never married and never had a child, his birth year minus 2. The first frequency table is adult children in the grandfather sample and the second table is for the grandmother sample.

B Estimating Grandparenthood Measures

As far as I am aware, no one data source tracks longitudinally how many grandchildren respondents have. Thus, the average number of grandchildren and the fraction of each birth cohort that are grandparents has to be estimated from extant sources. Unfortunately, the PSID is not a broad enough sample to credibly estimate this figure at the state level or education group level by birth cohort. I thus used the Health and Retirement Study (HRS) and Retirement History Longitudinal Survey (RHLS) data,³⁹ which cover information from 1973-1979 (biennially) and from 1992-2014 (biennially).⁴⁰ Specifically, I used the RAND HRS files which compress the survey responses into a “wide” dataset of each’s respondent’s longitudinal responses.⁴¹ These retirement surveys have large samples of older individuals and provide the necessary sampling breadth to credibly calculate grandparent statistics.

I combined the HRS and RHLS responses into a synthetic panel covering biennially 1973-1979 and 1992-2014 that estimated by age, birth cohort, and education group the fraction who are grandfathers and their total number of grandchildren. However, this left many cells with missing information. Thus, the second step fits a simple model of either the fraction grandfather or number of grandchildren by age by birth year to extrapolate these results to missing years, ages, and birth cohorts:

$$\begin{aligned} GP_Measure_{etab} = & \beta_0 + \beta_1 CumulativeBirthrate_{etab} + \beta_2 \mathbb{1}\{Age_{etab} \geq 33\} \\ & + \beta_3 BirthYear_{db} + \beta_4 BirthYear_{db}^2 + \delta EducationGroup_e + \epsilon_{etab}, \end{aligned} \quad (B.1)$$

where $GP_Measure_{etab}$ is either the fraction who are grandfathers in birth cohort b at age a in year t , and are in education group e or the number of grandchildren each grandfather

³⁹The HRS (Health and Retirement Study) is sponsored by the National Institute on Aging (grant number NIA U01AG009740) and is conducted by the University of Michigan.

⁴⁰While the RHLS in fact covers 1969-1979 for the 1906-1911 birth cohort, the first three survey years (1969, 1971, and 1973) did not ask about grandchildren.

⁴¹The RAND HRS Data file is an easy to use longitudinal data set based on the HRS data. It was developed at RAND with funding from the National Institute on Aging and the Social Security Administration.

has. $EducationGroup_e$ is a vector of education group dummies for the four categories: less than high school, high school, some college, and college degree. $CumulativeBirthrate_{tab}$ is the cumulative sum of the national crude birthrate that starts at age 33 for grandfathers and then monotonically increases until age 84 for each intervening age a in year t .

This model was calibrated only for the very earliest grandparent years. For men under 33, the fraction grandparent and the number of grandchildren was set to zero. For men 33 to 34, the fraction grandparent is set to 0.5% and the grandchild count is set to 0.005. For men aged 35, the fraction grandparent is set to 1% and the grandchild count is set to 0.01. Remaining values for other ages are set by the model.

The reasoning here is that for each birth cohort, higher birthrates in year t represent a higher likelihood of becoming grandparents and a higher likelihood of welcoming a new grandchild, so birthrates are an important control. Yet, simply lagging the birthrates would not work well here, because a 20 year lag on the birth rate for an individual at age 40 is meaningless while being meaningful for a man at age 60. Thus, the running sum of the birthrate for the individual captures both that higher birthrates mean higher chances of being a grandparent and more grandchildren while also accounting for the fact that sustained high birth rates over time should increase these measures monotonically with age.

In order to completely fill the synthetic panel by means of the above model, it was necessary to find information on birthrates then going back to at least 1925, when the members of the oldest in-sample birth cohort (1892) turned 33. For the 1925-1930 period, I used the “Vital Statistical Rates in the United States, 1900-1940” published by the National Office of Vital Statistics, which reports in Table 44 on p. 666-667 the crude birth rate for the birth registration states from 1915-1940. It is important to note that the national crude birth rate is computed just from participating states, which by 1933, included all states.⁴²

⁴²By 1925, all states were participating except for 13 holdouts: Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia, Louisiana, Missouri, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, and Texas. Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, and Tennessee joined in 1926. Colorado, Georgia, Oklahoma, and South Carolina joined in 1927. Nevada and New Mexico joined in 1928. South Dakota did not join until 1932 and Texas was the last continental state to join the registry in 1933. Alaska and Hawaii joined upon statehood, with statistics being reported for Alaska in 1959 and Hawaii in 1960.

For the 1941-1967 period, I used the annual National Vital Statistics of the United States reports, which listed the counts of births for each state. To generate the crude birthrates spanning 1941-1967, I then used for the population denominators the Census Bureau's "Annual Estimates of the Population for the U.S. and States, and for Puerto Rico".⁴³

For the 1968-2004 period, I used the National Centers for Health Statistics publicly-available natality microdata.⁴⁴ These contain either a full or partial sample of all of the birth records down to the county level for all registry states from 1968-2004. For population denominators spanning 1969-2004, I then used the Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER) Program's county by sex by single-age yearly population estimates that I could then aggregate up to the national level. For the 1968 population denominator, I again used the Census Bureau's "Annual Estimates of the Population for the U.S. and States, and for Puerto Rico".

From 2005 to 2015, the publicly available natality microdata suppresses all geographic identifiers, so I used the published birthrates and counts made available in the National Vital Statistics Systems' annual publication on births. These publications include the state and national birth counts, and for population denominators, I again used the SEER population estimates.

⁴³Their total population estimate includes the Armed Forces serving overseas, so I instead aggregated their state population estimates to generate the national estimate of people resident in the United States in a given year.

⁴⁴Most readily available courtesy of the National Bureau of Economic Research at <http://www.nber.org/data/vital-statistics-natality-data.html>