Diverging Destinies Revisited

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Figure 1.1: Trends in single motherhood 1960–2010. Source IPUMS Census/ACS

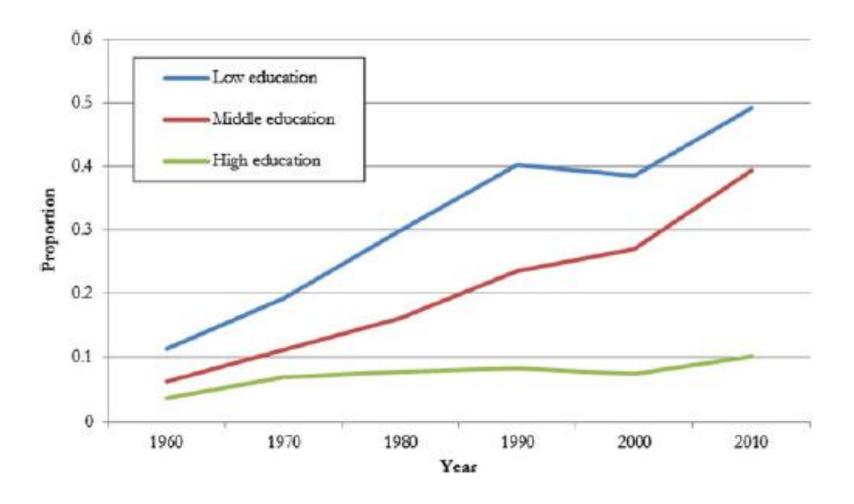


Figure 1.2: Trends in mothers' median age 1960–2010. Source IPUMS Census/ACS

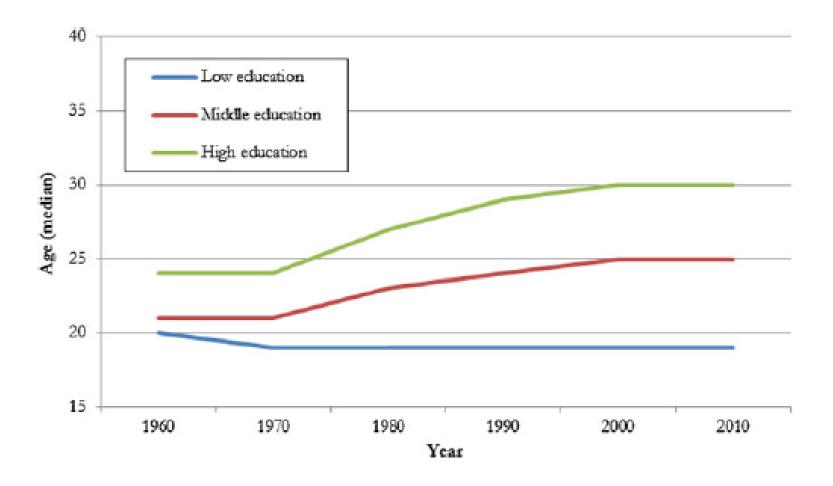


Figure 1.3: Trends in mothers' employment 1960–2010. Source IPUMS Census/ACS

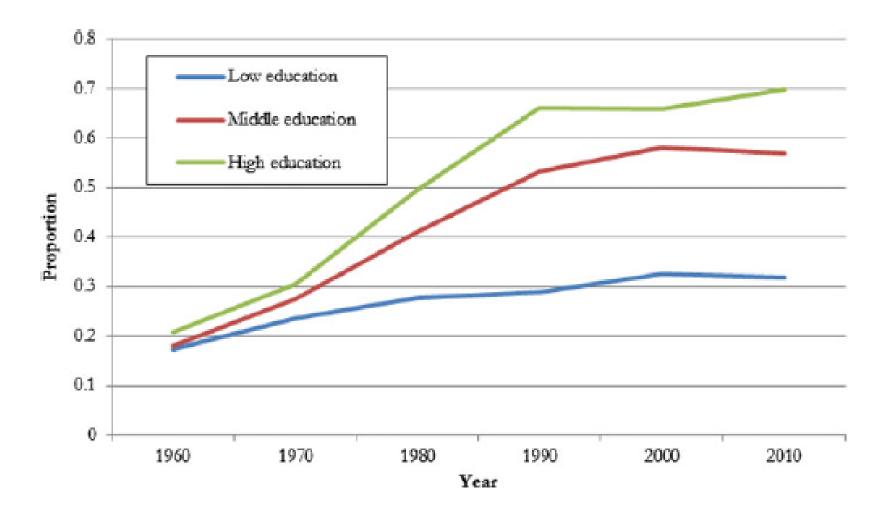


Figure 1.4: Growing class gaps in social trust among twelfth graders, parental education tertiles.

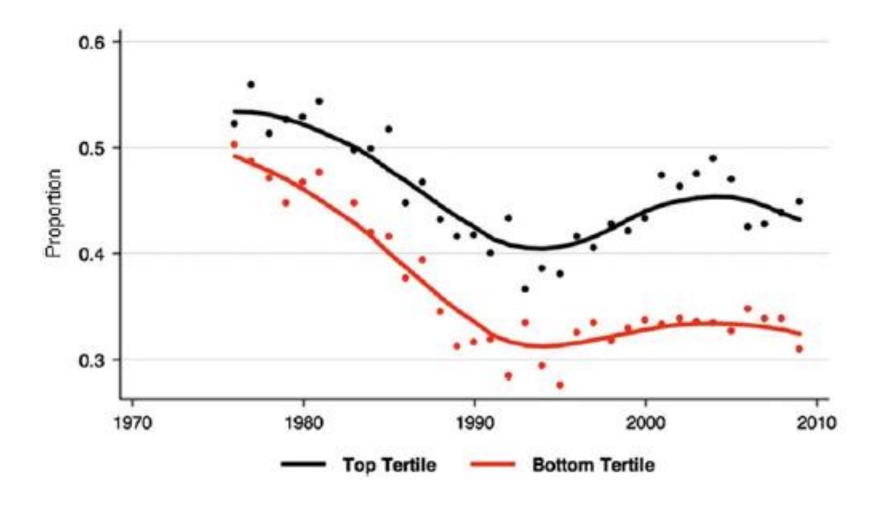


Table 1.1: International comparisons of changes in the gap between high and low education across time

Country	High education (ref: low education)	Includes interaction between education and marriage cohort	
		High education (ref: low education)	High education × year of marriage
Austria	-0.273**	-0.201***	-0.004
Flanders	-0.372**	1.050**	-0.138**
Estonia	-0.033	0.452	-0.032
Finland	-0.139	0.682*	-0.054**
France	0.154	0.679**	-0.033*
West-Germany	-0.376	0.376	-0.071
Greece	0.697**	0.635	0.010
Hungary	-0.074	0.642*	-0.072**
Italy	0.876***	2.288***	-0.092**
Latvia	-0.160	0.289	-0.032
Lithuania	-0.445**	-0.808*	-0.017
Norway	0.086	0.253	-0.018
Poland	0.363*	2.195***	-0.090***
Spain	0.390	1.628**	-0.068
Sweden	0.020	1.033***	-0.096***
Switzerland	0.014	0.219	-0.011
USA	-0.409***	-0.019	-0.030***

^{*} p < 0.1; ** p < 0.05; *** p < 0.001. Source Härkönen and Dronkers (2006)

Figure 1.6 Relative risk ratios for identifying the educational gradient of first births to cohabiting women relative to married women in eight European countries, 1970 to Latest Date Available

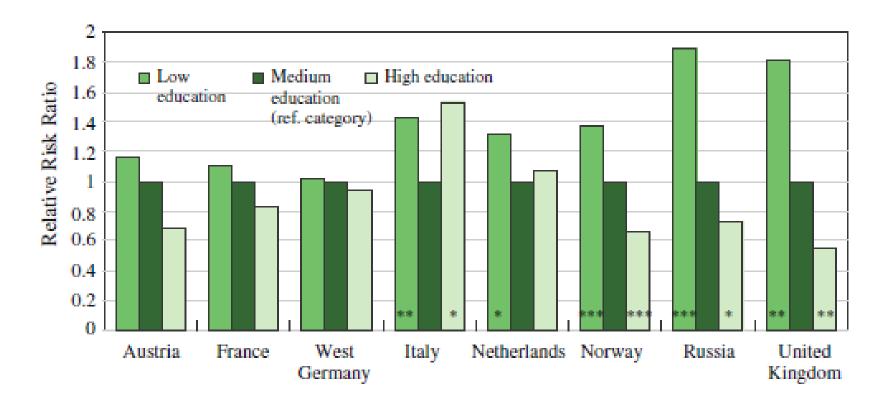


Table 1.2 Children's exposure to single motherhood, cohabitation, and parental separation in Sweden

Parent education	1970s	1980s	1990s
Estimated percent experiencing	parental separation by	age 15	
Primary	21	24	32
Secondary	20	18	30
Tertiary	18	16	21
Percent born to single women			
Primary	5	4	6
Secondary	2	3	3
Tertiary	2	2	3
Percent born to cohabiting won	nen		
Primary	45	56	59
Secondary	39	53	59
Tertiary	30	35	38

Source Kennedy and Thomson (2010)

Table 1.3 Percentage of cohort having a first birth before age 21, by cohort and education

	1960s cohort	1950s cohort	1960-1950 % change
France, 1955-59 and 196	3–67		
Low education	24.7	29.1	-15.1
Medium education	9.2	13.7	-32.8
High education	1.0	2.9	-65.5
Norway, 1951-55 and 19	61–65		
Low education	36.6	46.4	-21.1
Medium education	15.4	26.3	-41.4
High education	4.2	8.4	-50.0
Norway, 1955-59 and 19	65-69		
Low education	32.1	44.2	-27.4
Medium education	13.9	22.1	-37.1
High education	3.2	7.1	-54.9

Table 1.3 Percentage of cohort having a first birth before age 21, by cohort and education, cont'd

	1960s cohort	1950s cohort	1960-1950 % change
UK, 1954-58 and 1964	1–68		
Low education	34.0	34.9	-2.6
Medium education	12.7	15.5	-18.1
High education	3.5	5.6	-37.5
USA	•	-	
Low education	52.8	54.3	-2.8
Medium education	26.3	32.2	-18.3
High education	8.0	12.2	-34.4
Greece, 1955-59 and 1	965-69	-	
Low education	39.9	39.0	2.3
Medium education	13.1	15.4	-14.9
High education	2.8	4.2	-33.3
Italy, 1951-55 and 196	61-65	-	
Low education	23.5	25.8	-8.9
Medium education	5.0	8.2	-39.0
High education	0.8	4.8	-83.3
Spain, 1951-55 and 19	61-65		
Low education	16.9	13.5	25.2
Medium education	7.1	9.1	-22.0
High education	1.6	5.7	-71.9

Source Rendall et al. (2010)