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Order-specific fertility estimates based on perinatal statistics and statistics on out-of-hospital births

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Abstract

Until 2008, German vital statistics has not provided information on biological birth order. We have tried to close part of this gap by providing order-specific fertility rates generated from Perinatal Statistics and statistics on out-of-hospital births for the period 2001-2008. This investigation has been published in *Comparative Population Studies* (CPoS) (see Kreyenfeld, Scholz, Peters and Wlosnewski 2010). The CPoS-paper describes how data from the Perinatal Statistics and statistics on out-of-hospital births can be used to estimate order-specific fertility rates. The main purpose of *this* Technical Report is to make available the original birth counts, which were used in the study published in *CPoS*. Furthermore, we provide additional background information on the data sources in this report.

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