

**APPENDIX 2 – MULTINOMIAL REGRESSION:
A COMPARISON BETWEEN POSTPONERS AND CHILDLESS WOMEN WHO EXPECT CHILDLESSNESS**

Table 2.1. *Multinomial regression models:
Relative risk ratios of motherhood and expecting childlessness at ages 24,30,34 and 40.*

Variables	Category 1: Mothers				Category 2: Postponers				Category 3: Expecting childlessness ¹			
	Age 24	Age 30	Age 34	Age 40	Age 24	Age 30	Age 34	Age 40	Age 24	Age 30	Age 34	Age 40
Race/Ethnicity (Ref: White)												
Black	5.1***	2.8***	2.5***	1.3					0.9	0.6	0.8	0.5*
Hispanic	1.7***	1.4	1.3	0.9					0.7	0.5*	0.7	0.5
Other	1.2	1.0	1.1	0.7					1.2	1.0	1.3	0.7
# of siblings (Ref: 1 sibling)												
0	0.6	0.5*	0.7	1.0					1.6	1.1	2.2	2.2
2	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.2					1.4	0.8	1.6	1.4
3+	1.2	0.9	1.1	1.7					1.1	0.7	1.1	0.8
Mother worked when R was 14 (Ref: No)												
Yes	1.3*	1.1	0.8	1.0					0.9	1.1	0.8	0.9
Mother's education (Ref: High school)												
Did not finish high school	1.5***	1.1**	1.3	1.0					1.1	1.4	0.8	0.8
Finished college	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.5					1.0	0.9	0.9	0.7
Church attendance 1979 (Ref: Less than once a week)												
At least once a week	0.9	0.9	1.1	0.9					0.9	0.9	1.1	0.8
Highest degree completed (Ref: Finished high school)												
Did not finish high school	3.5***	2.4***	1.7	1.9					2.0*	1.8	1.3	1.2
Finished college	0.1***	0.3***	0.3***	0.3***					0.7	0.6**	0.5***	0.7
Marital status (Ref: Never married)												
Married	10.0***	13.2***	15.5***	15.4***					0.8	0.6*	0.8	1.0
Separated/divorced/widowed	9.1***	8.5***	7.8***	12.3***					1.7	0.7	1.1	1.6
Employment (Ref: Employed)												
Unemployed	1.7*	2.1	0.9	2.6					0.8	1.5	0.6	0.9
Out of labor force	5.6***	6.2***	4.4***	4.3**					1.0	0.9	1.4	1.8
Ever had non-biological children by age X												
Constant	0.1	0.5	1.0	2.9					0.1	0.5	0.9	4.1
F-statistic	21.8	16.2	12.8	9.1								
p-value	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00								
Observations	2,192	3,027	3,590	3,816	2,058	948	470	144	178	253	368	468

¹ Multinomial regression – relative risk ratios for the comparison of women, who are childless and expect having no children in the future (expecting childlessness) with women, who are childless and expect children in the future (postponers). Models estimated separately for ages 24, 30, 34, 40. Models control for region (South/Non-South) and type (rural/urban) of residence. Models estimated using 4,428 observations. 45 women in the military dropped due to small cell size. *** p-value <0.001, ** p-value <0.01, * p-value <0.05.