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SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

TABLE A1

CHARACTERISTICS OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN WEST GERMAN *Länder*,
SCHOOL YEARS 1949/50 TO 2003/04

<i>Länder</i>	Tracking degree (1991/92-2003/04)	Timing of tracking (1949/50-2003/04)	Decision procedure for access to Gymnasium (1949/50-2003/04)
Baden- Württemberg	High	From 1952/53 age 10	Until 1966/67 exam; 1967/68-1978/79 teachers decide and parents can ask for exam; from 1979/80 teachers decide
Bayern	High	Age 10	Until 1960/61 exam; 1961/62-1970/71 teachers decide and parents can ask for exam; from 1971 teachers decide
Berlin (West)	High	From 1952/53 Age 12	1952/53-1954/55 teachers decide; since 1955/56 parents decide
Bremen	High	1950/51-1956/57 age 12; 1957/58 to 1976/77 age 10; since 1977 age 12	Until 1956/57 exam; 1957/58-1976/77 teachers decide; from 1977/78 parents decide
Hamburg	High	Until 1953/54 age 12; from 1954/55 age 10	Until 1967/68 exam; from 1978/79 parents decide
Hessen	High	Age 10	Until 1959/60 exam; 1960/61-1993/94 teachers decide; since 1994/95 parents decide
Niedersachsen	High	Age 10 until 1970/71; until 2003/04 age 12 from 1971/72	Until 1963/64 exam; 1964/65-1977/78 teachers decide; since 1978/79 parents decide
Nordrhein- Westfalen	High	Age 10	No information until 1962/63; from 1962/63-1963/64 teachers decide and parents can ask for exam; 1964/65-1996/97 parents decide; since 1997/98 teachers decide
Rheinland-Pfalz	High	From 1956/57 age 10	Until 1959/60 teachers decide and parents can ask for exam; 1961/62 to 1965/66 teachers decide; 1967/68-1983/84 teachers decide; since 1984/85 parents decide
Saarland	High until 1996/97, lower from 1997/98	Age 10	No information until 1974/75; 1975/76 to 1987/88 teachers decide; 1988/89 to 1999/2000 parents decide; since 2000/01 teachers decide
Schleswig- Holstein	High	Age 12 until 1950/51; age 10 from 1951	Until 1970/71 exam; since 1972/73 parents decide

NOTE. Adapted from Helbig and Nikolai (2015).

TABLE A2

CHARACTERISTICS OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN EAST GERMANY BEFORE AND AFTER REUNIFICATION

<i>Länder</i>	Tracking degree (1991/92-2003/04)	Timing of tracking (1949/50-2003/04)	Decision procedure for access to Gymnasium (1949/50-2003/04)
Before reunification:			
	Low	Age 14 until 1983; then age 16	School decides on the basis of strict inequality reducing policies; from 1965 the regulations are slightly softened
After reunification:			
Berlin (East)	High	Age 12	Parents decide
Brandenburg	High	Age 12	Parents decide
Mecklenburg-Vorpommern	High	Age 10	Parents decide
Sachsen	Lower	Age 10	Teachers decide
Sachsen-Anhalt	Lower	Age 10 until 1996/97; 1997/98-2002/03 age 12; from 2003/04 age 10	Parents decide
Thüringen	Lower	Age 10	Teachers decide

NOTE. Adapted from Helbig and Nikolai (2015).

TABLE A3

NUMBER OF CASES IN GERMAN LIFE HISTORY STUDY, BY BIRTH COHORT, REGION,
AND PARENTAL EDUCATION

Birth cohort	East Germany		West Germany	
	Parents no Abi	Parents Abi	Parents no Abi	Parents Abi
29-31	561	17	654	45
39-41	534	28	656	66
49-51			659	70
51-53	510	50		
54-56			846	91
59-61	501	52	791	126
64			1,109	182
71	440	123	1,018	223

TABLE A4

NUMBER OF CASES IN GERMAN GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY, BY BIRTH COHORT, REGION,
AND PARENTAL EDUCATION

Birth cohort	East Germany		West Germany	
	Parents no Abi	Parents Abi	Parents no Abi	Parents Abi
51-58	640	66	851	106
59-63	697	118	1,251	173
64-68	709	154	1,517	240
69-74	566	135	1,175	222
75-81	492	183	831	279
82-92	338	110	571	238

TABLE A5
NUMBER OF CASES IN GERMAN MICROCENSUS, BY BIRTH COHORT, REGION,
AND PARENTAL EDUCATION

Birth cohort	East Germany		West Germany	
	Parents no Abi	Parents Abi	Parents no Abi	Parents Abi
73	731	167	2,733	633
75	663	211	2,522	588
77	747	204	2,384	749
78	849	240	2,390	772
79	848	263	2,393	830
80	845	251	2,547	890
81	865	229	2,696	957
82	821	238	2,556	891
83	800	199	2,440	877
84	821	235	2,495	905
85	815	193	2,412	904
86	809	170	2,369	921
87	715	181	2,474	842
88	734	177	2,649	1,071
89	668	208	2,695	1,043
90	684	159	2,588	1,080
91	511	98	2,756	1,122
92	329	79	2,597	1,093

TABLE A6
NUMBER OF CASES IN GERMAN MICROCENSUS, BY BIRTH COHORT, *Länder*, AND PARENTAL EDUCATION

Birth cohort	West Germany		Brandenburg + Sachsen-Anhalt		Sachsen + Thüringen		Mecklenburg-Vorpommern	
	Parents no Abi	Parents Abi	Parents no Abi	Parents Abi	Parents no Abi	Parents Abi	Parents no Abi	Parents Abi
73	2,733	633	258	69	363	76	110	22
75-78	7,296	2,109	848	227	1,098	348	313	80
79-81	7,636	2,677	979	269	1,215	397	364	77
82-85	9,903	3,577	1,245	325	1,556	449	456	91
86-92	18,128	7,172	1,719	404	2,192	575	539	93

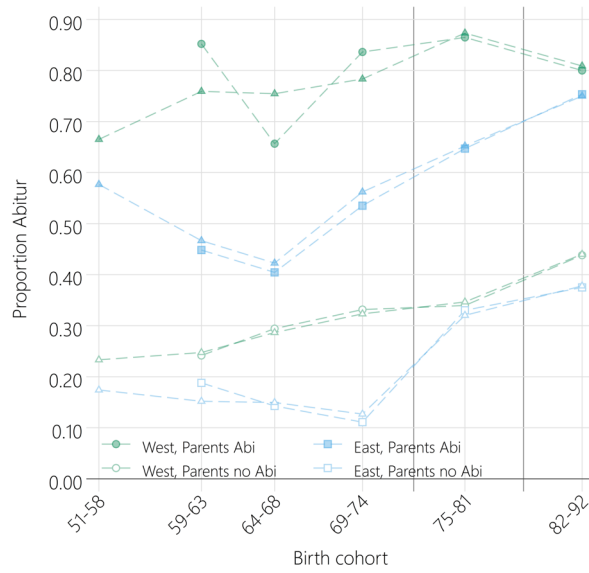


FIGURE A1. Comparison of estimates from full sample (triangles) and sample restricted to respondents aged 30 years or younger