



# Country Presentation: Germany

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## Current Situation

- Two waves of the German GGS are already published at [ggp-i.org](http://ggp-i.org) – also the supplemental survey of Turkish immigrants.
- No third wave has been conducted in Germany.
- „Fertility-Problem“ in German-Dataset has been documented for all users on our website; also scientifically discussed in a forthcoming publication.



## Outlook: Importance of international GGS data in BiB

Medium-term project: Childlessness and Large Families

- Overarching question: Why have Germans less children on average compared to other countries considering the edges childlessness on the one side and families with three and more children on the other side?
- Project from 10/2013 until at least spring 2017
- Analysing systematically the GGS data (and other sources) from all countries and waves available



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Research questions (for example):

- Which structural and cultural circumstance foster large families or childlessness?
- Which individual resources, restrictions and attitudes have impact?
- How can the processes of decisions and developments towards childlessness versus large families be described?
- To what extent is final childlessness desired or not?
- What timing of births is typical for large families?



## Future of German GGS

- Restarting (new sample) GGS in Germany (depending on finances)
- We are doing our best to get funding for these new waves. Because of the importance for different research topics (not only fertility) it has a high priority.
- It is not likely that the next wave can be started before 2017 or 2018.