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Abstract: The present work examines the evolution of non marital fertility in the EU from 2000 to 2018. Evidence suggests a negative and statistically significant effect of relative income on the fraction of children born out-of-wedlock. Most important results are robust to the inclusion of marriage which might imply a socio-economic mobility perspective.

Key words: non marital fertility, marriage, EU, Easterlin method.