Women, Marital Status and Homeownership in Urban China

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- Previous research noted that women have shown a weak tendency to own a house, which have affected personal wellbeing (Stillman & Liang, 2010).
- Some research focused on examining the homeownership differences within single individuals.

Purpose

- To further our understanding about role of gender and marital status played in the homeownership decisions and;
- To understand other determinants of homeownership



- China General Social Survey (CGSS)
 - 2010 to 2015 China General Social Survey (CGSS) datasets
- Sample selection
 - urban residents
 - "never married' and "married couples"
 - DV: Homeownership
 - Main IV: gender and marital status

Preliminary Results

- For the total sample, 68.3% of the respondents owned at least a house. The homeownership rate was around 33.2% for never married women, 40.9% for never married men and 72.1% for couples.
- Compared to married couples, never married men and women were less likely to be homeowners
- Other significant factors related to homeownership

Discussion

Compared to other cohorts, never married women were found to be young, well educated and healthy.

Never married individuals were less likely to be the homeowners compared to the married couples, which was consistent with prior research

The probability of homeownership of never women was lower compared to the never married men cohort.



• Other types of singles

