“The future of fertility will very much depend on the future of childlessness and its underlying reasons”

Albert Esteve, 2018
Childlessness is the main driver of the decline in cohort fertility rate in Spain.
1 out 5 women born between 1969 and 1973 (45-49 in 2018) are childless

Women by age and number of children
Source: 2018 Spanish Fertility Survey
Only 46% of childless women at age 45-49 did not want to become a mother

Childless women by age and number of desired number of children

Source: 2018 Spanish Fertility Survey
Reasons for not having children are diverse and vary by age. This complicates forecasting.

Reasons given by childless women for not having a child
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