

Prevalence of Child Marriage and Its Determinants among Young Women in Indonesia

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ABSTRACT:

In Indonesia, child marriage (marriage prior to the age of 18 years) has already discussed from various perspectives but little empirical research has been published due to its severe causes and effects that link to them. Through this study, we aim to calculate the prevalence of child marriage using SUSENAS 2010 data as a nationally representative data for Indonesia in 2010. Later on, we use cohort analysis to capture the child marriage profile in Indonesia. Using logistic regression we examine the determinant factor of being child marriage in woman aged 20-24 years old, whose still living with origin household as children. We find several variable that negative and positively affect the possibility of child marriage incidence. We found that child marriage in Indonesia is determined more by social and economic characteristics both within and surrounding the girls. Thus, the policy should focuses on how to create an enabling environment that evolve alternatives to child marriage.

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