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- On fertility and sex ratios: see my paper with David Heer in J of Mar and Family (1981) where I presented a marriage market model that includes both quantity and price. It is then explained how that price is related to both marital and non-marital fertility. Higher sex ratios lead to higher bargaining power (higher price) for women as reproducers of humanity. If women want to translate that into "Marriage then children" (the assumption we made; Heer may have used some sexist language...) then higher sex ratios imply more marital fertility and less non-marital fertility. This is also mentioned in my 1985 chapter in book I edited with Kingsley Davis, reproduced and slightly expanded as Chapter 5 in my 1993 book On the Economics of marriage.
- on income effects on fertility (Grossbard-Shechtman (1984) at the end of the article (Other implications))
- on 'fertility and polygyny' (Grossbard-Shechtman 1986).