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1. It could be argued that having more adults in a household is another resource, either for income-earning potential or caregiving. However, number of adults proved to not be a significant factor in the empirical model. It could also be argued that having more children in a home is related to financial difficulty

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