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What impact do institutions and social norms have on couples' relative bargaining power within the household? Does the existence of a more generous welfare state and more egalitarian social norms in Denmark mean that household decisions on work and housework are less influenced by standard measures of individuals' economic power than in a more liberal economic system such as in the US? We explore these questions using time-use data on leisure and housework time use by coupled men and women in Denmark and the US.