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PLANS FOR ANNUAL MEETINGS 1977 AND 1978

Final plans for the 1977 annual meeting were announced by SRDG President Dudley L. Poston, Jr., at the interim Executive Committee meeting held in mid-February at Oak Ridge Associated Universities in Oak Ridge, Tenn. The 1977 meeting will be held in Virginia Beach, Va., from Wednesday, October 19, through Friday, October 21 at the Holiday Inn, Ocean Front. Single rooms have been guaranteed at the daily rate of \$15 and doubles at \$18. We have been assured that the rooms will overlook either the ocean or a swimming pool.

Local arrangements are being made by Leon F. Bouvier of the Bureau of the Census and Jeanne C. Biggar of the University of Virginia.

Poston also reported that the 1977 Program Chairman, William J. Serow of the University of Virginia, has arranged invited paper sessions and panel discussions in the areas of fertility, mortality, migration, federal data sources, and the future population of the United States. A call for *contributed papers* to the 1977 meetings is in this issue of the *Newsletter*.

Poston also announced plans for the 1978 meeting, which will be held in San Antonio, Tex., October 11-13. Hotel arrangements have not been confirmed. Local arrangements for the Texas meeting are being handled by W. Parker Frisbie and Poston, both of the University of Texas at Austin.

SRDG ELECTIONS

Preparations for the first SRDG mail ballot began in October 1976, at the SRDG annual meeting in New Orleans. At that time, President Poston appointed a Committee on Nominations to compile a slate

of six names to be considered for the three Executive Committee positions that would be vacated by the end of 1976. The Committee members were Gladys K. Bowles of the University of Georgia, Leon F. Bouvier of the Bureau of the Census, and Charles B. Nam of Florida State University (Chairman).

The slate:

Leon F. Bouvier, Bureau of the Census
Susan H. Cochrane, University of South Carolina and World Bank
Richard A. Engels, Bureau of the Census
Carl L. Harter, Tulane University
John D. Reid, Atlanta University
Robert H. Weller, Florida State University

Over half the SRDG membership participated in the balloting; the results were tabulated by Harry M. Rosenberg on Feb-

ruary 10 and reported to President Poston: New members of the SRDG Executive Committee are Bouvier, Engels, and Weller. Bouvier and Engels replace George C. Myers of Duke University and Charles U. Smith of Florida A & M University, whose terms have expired. Weller will complete the unexpired term of Rosenberg of the University of North Carolina. Rosenberg accepted appointment by the Executive Committee to the position of Secretary-Treasurer of SRDG. He will also continue as editor of the *SRDG Newsletter*.

Continuing members of the Executive Committee are Jeanne C. Biggar, University of Virginia; Philip L. Johnson, Oak Ridge Associated Universities; Anne Lee, Medical College of Georgia; and Dudley L. Poston, Jr., University of Texas at Austin.

Elections will be held again in the summer of 1977 to replace Biggar and Poston whose terms will expire. Poston is current-

FIRST CALL FOR 1977 CONTRIBUTED PAPERS

The 1977 SRDG annual meeting will feature sessions with papers contributed by members and other interested persons. Papers dealing with any topic of demographic interest will be considered. Persons wishing to submit a paper for consideration should send two copies of a one-page abstract (including author's address and telephone number) to the 1977 Program Chairman:

Dr. William J. Serow
Tayloe Murphy Institute
University of Virginia
P.O. Box 6550
Charlottesville, Virginia 22906

Following the precedent established last year, no author may present more than one contributed paper, although he or she may co-author another paper presented by a different author.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS IS AUGUST 1, 1977.

ly President of SRDG, and Biggar is Vice-President. Poston has appointed a Committee on Nominations to identify four candidates for election to the two Executive Committee vacancies. The Committee members are Edward E. Cahill of the University of Chattanooga, Larry Long of the Bureau of the Census, George C. Myers of Duke University (Chairman), and Daniel O. Price of the University of Texas at Austin. The election will be by mail ballot.

1976 MEETINGS A GREAT SUCCESS

Attendance at the 1976 SRDG meeting in New Orleans set a record, with about 125 registrants, according to Carl L. Harter of Tulane University, who was in charge of local arrangements. More than 60 papers were presented in the 14 scientific sessions, which were organized by Robert H. Weller of Florida State University, the program chairman.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

An interim meeting of the Executive Committee was convened in mid-February at Oak Ridge, Tenn., by President Dudley L. Poston, Jr. of the University of Texas at Austin. (The Executive Committee also meets at the time of the annual meeting in October.) At the meeting were Jeanne C. Biggar of the University of Virginia, Leon F. Bouvier of the Bureau of the Census, Anne Lee of the Medical College of Georgia, Harry M. Rosenberg of the University of North Carolina, and Robert H. Weller of Florida State University. Appearing as a spokesman for Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU) was Assistant Director William E. Felling.

Felling expressed ORAU's desire to strengthen the relationship between SRDG and its sponsoring organization. He asked that SRDG use its resources to make SRDG members aware of the nature of ORAU, and to invite demographers to consider applying for internships under ORAU's University-Lab Co-op Program, which it operates for the Energy Research and Development Administration (ERDA). These internships, which carry stipends, can support faculty for varying periods, up to a year, for research experience at any of the nine ERDA facilities involved in the program.

Secretary-Treasurer Rosenberg described SRDG's financial status, including results of the first solicitation of dues. The

Executive Committee agreed that SRDG would defray mailing costs for the *Newsletter*.

In a discussion of ways in which the group could broaden its activities, the Executive Committee recommended a series of conferences and workshops related to the broad areas of population and demography. Among the suggested topics for such a conference were energy, health, population education, mass media, land use planning, changing family patterns, and the changing age distribution of the United States. The proposed conferences would require a conference coordinator, as well as financial and institutional resources. Lead time for a major conference, including proposal development to defray costs, would be at least one year.

Weller reported on the planned monograph, *Population Change in the South*, which is being built around papers presented at the 1976 SRDG annual meeting, plus some papers prepared especially for the monograph. Weller expressed satisfaction with the status of manuscript preparation and negotiations with potential publishers.

DUES

In December 1976, the first notice of annual dues was sent to SRDG members by Secretary-Treasurer Rosenberg. The Executive Committee began levying dues as provided for under the amended SRDG By-Laws, after considerable study and deliberation. Guidance was also provided by the results of an SRDG membership survey conducted by George C. Myers and Nancy J. McGirr, both of Duke University. The survey results, which were published in the *SRDG Newsletter* (Jan. 1976), showed that of the more than 250 members responding, 80 percent agreed that SRDG membership should require dues between \$5 and \$10 per year. The Executive Committee established a dues schedule of \$6 for regular members and \$2 for students.

Rosenberg reports that more than 160 members paid dues in response to the first solicitation. Further solicitations, as well as an organized membership campaign, are being planned by the Executive Committee.

Poston described plans to initiate a vigorous membership campaign.

The committee discussed possible approaches to inter-university research participation under the general sponsorship of ORAU. Initial research proposals would focus on aspects of energy related to population.

PAA SUPPORT

A recent report to the Population Association of America (PAA) gives recognition and support to SRDG. In his report to the PAA Board of Directors, W. Parker Mauldin of the Population Council set out guidelines for PAA relationships with other organizations. The guidelines, which were

adopted by the Board and published in the Fall 1976 issue of *PAA Affairs*, specifically mention SRDG, as follows:

At PAA annual meetings, the Board recommends that "program chairpersons should be encouraged to seek joint sponsorship of selected [annual meeting] sessions; e.g., with regional associations such as the Southern Regional Demographic Group (SRDG), when we meet within the region covered by such an organization, and related scientific and professional groups when the PAA program includes sessions of interest to such groups.

"PAA should encourage the establishment of regional groups with population interests, and where such groups exist, should (a) solicit the active participation of such groups on the PAA program committee; and (b) seek joint sponsorship of selected sessions when meeting in the region of such groups; and (c) encourage the announcement of meetings of such groups in PAA publications.

"PAA should encourage the announcement of meetings of the Southern Regional Demographic Group (SRDG) and other regional groups that come into existence, in

PAA publications where appropriate. It should solicit the active participation of regional groups on the PAA program committee and seek joint sponsorship of selected sessions when annual meetings are held in the region of the groups. Beyond that, it should consider carefully any specific proposals by SRDG or other regional groups, but this Committee does not have recommendations for other more formal relationships."

The Mauldin report to the Board of Directors of the Population Association of America was called to the attention of the SRDG membership by George C. Myers of Duke University, in the business meeting at the 1976 annual meeting. Myers serves as SRDG liaison to the PAA.

The committee also discussed possible arrangements for providing demographic expertise to ORAU's programs, and at the same time provide services to SRDG, including conference planning, proposal development, and editing of the *Newsletter*. The proposed arrangements include a faculty summer internship at ORAU, a year's sabbatical leave at ORAU, and faculty release time for these activities at the home university.

On the final day of the committee meeting, Poston summarized the meeting results to Felling in the form of a set of proposals and recommendations.

NEWS ITEMS

DEMOGRAPHIC CENTERS IN THE SOUTH:

The University of Texas at Austin

This is the fifth in a series of reports on demographic training and research centers in the South. The *Newsletter* has previously described centers at Duke University, Johns Hopkins University, Florida State University, and the University of Virginia.

The Population Research Center at The University of Texas at Austin conducts research and graduate training in demography and human ecology. The research program takes a broad view of population studies, while stressing the interrelations between demographic phenomena and social, ecological, and economic factors. Research themes currently emphasized at the center include minority demography (with special emphasis on Mexican-American and Black populations); ecological structure and population change; comparative analysis of the labor force; and Latin American demography.

The center is multidisciplinary and includes faculty and graduate students from the departments of sociology, economics, history, and educational psychology. Among the Population Research Center faculty are Harley L. Browning (Sociology, Director); Omer R. Galle (Sociology, Associate Director); Dudley L. Poston, Jr. (Sociology, Associate Director); Frank D. Bean (Sociology); Michael E. Conroy (Economics); Toni L. Falbo (Educational Psychology); W. Parker Frisbie (Sociology); Norval D. Glenn (Sociology); Myron Gutmann (History); Allan G. King (Economics); Daniel O. Price (Sociology). Alberto Palloni (who recently received a doctorate in sociology from the University of Washington) will join the center in August.

Graduate students wishing to specialize

in demography and/or human ecology may enroll in M.A. and Ph.D. programs in the sociology, economics, or history departments. Assistantships, for work on research projects within the center, and other kinds of financial aid, are available. Further information can be obtained by writing to the Director, Population Research Center, The University of Texas at Austin, 200 East 26½ Street, Austin, Tex., 78705.

(Information on graduate programs in population and demography has also been made available in two recent issues of *PAA Affairs*, the bulletin of the Population Association of America For the South, the Fall 1976 issue includes information on Florida State University; the Winter 1976 issue includes programs at Duke University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.)

PAA MEETINGS

The Population Association of America is holding its annual meeting Apr. 21-23 at the Chase-Park Plaza Hotel in St. Louis. Registration opens at 9:30 a.m. on Apr. 20. The meeting this year includes 51 sessions and a special series of roundtable luncheon discussions. Additional information is available from PAA, 806 15th St., N.W., Suite 640, Washington, D. C. 20005; telephone (202) 393-3253.

The 1978 meeting is slated for Atlanta, Apr. 13-15.

MID-DECADE CENSUS BILL PASSED

On Oct. 17, 1976, the President signed into law legislation for a mid-decade Census of Population, beginning in 1985. The bill also strengthens existing confidentiality provisions relating to the Census Bureau's data collection activities; and it removes jail sentences but retains fines as possible penalties for refusal to answer or willfully give false answers to mandatory censuses and surveys.

The mid-decade census cannot be used for Congressional reapportionment.

1980 CENSUS PLANS

The Bureau of the Census has begun issuing a series of periodic reports on the planning and preparatory activities for the 20th Decennial Census. The reports entitled "1980 Census Update" are supplements to the regular census publication

Data User News (See *Newsletter*, section on *Publications*).

Census Content. The Bureau reports that the final content of the census questionnaire is still under review, but that final decisions will be made by April 1977, so that preparations can be made for the dress rehearsal test census in April 1978.

Samples. The 1980 Census, like the 1970 Census, will use three basic questionnaires, a "short" form which in 1970 was used for 80 percent of the housing units and two "long" forms, one of which was used for the 15 percent sample and the other for the 5 percent sample. For 1980, the sample sizes have not yet been finally decided. The Bureau notes, too, that consideration is being given to conducting one or more "follow-on surveys" that would be carried out after the basic enumeration, but would still be considered part of the decennial census program.

CENSUS BUREAU RESPONDS TO SRDG COMMITTEE

In a letter from David L. Kaplan, assistant director, the Bureau of the Census responded to SRDG's written queries about the 1980 Census Questionnaire. These concerns were drafted by the SRDG Census Committee chaired by Jeanne C. Biggar and including Everett S. Lee of the University of Georgia, Joel Smith of Duke University, and Thomas Evans of the State of South Carolina (retired). The three areas of concern were reported in the June 1976 *Newsletter*.

With respect to the committee's statement on the importance of small area data, Kaplan responded that decisions about sample size and tabulation detail would be made "with the aim of continuing to publish sample-derived statistics at the census tract level and for other similar areas."

In response to the committee's concern about deleting a number of questions, Kaplan noted that final content decisions would not be made until about April 1977, but he provided his view of the status of certain items about which the committee had inquired: information on previous residence, Spanish ethnicity, country of parents' birth, and the nature of the "household" concept.

Copies of Kaplan's letter, which goes into considerable detail on each point raised by the Committee, are available from Dr. Jeanne C. Biggar, Department of Sociology, University of Virginia, Cabell Hall 538, Charlottesville, Virginia 22903.

CENSUS BUREAU CUSTOMER SERVICES

Orders for tapes, technical documentation, maps, questions about tape format and physical characteristics, and special census tabulations should be directed to the Customer Services Branch of the Data User Services Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D. C. 20233. The new telephone number is (301) 763-2400.

DATA ON COUNTY BUSINESS PATTERNS AVAILABLE

The Bureau of the Census has issued its first 1974 reports on *County Business Patterns*. Reports are available for each state. In addition, summary data is now available on tape. The nationwide file is available for less than \$500 from the Customer Services Branch, DUSD, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D. C. 20233.

BIRTH RATE DECLINE CONTINUES

Statistics from the National Center for Health Statistics show that national indices of fertility continued their decline through 1975. However, on the basis of monthly data for 1976, there is some evidence that the declines may have been arrested during that year at a level of about 66 live births per 1,000 women in the childbearing ages 15-44 years. Such rates, if sustained, would result in about 1.8 children per woman, well below the level required for replacing each generation; that is, below what is called "zero population growth." Reductions in fertility since the mid-1950's have occurred among all age groups of women, but are most pronounced among the older women (35-49 years) and among women with larger families (four or more children). Sources: National Center for Health Statistics, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, *Monthly Vital Statistics Report*, Vol. 25, Nos. 10 and 11, December 1976 and January 1977. Related reports include Bureau of the Census, "Fertility of American Women, June 1975," *Current Population Reports*, p-20, No. 301, November 1976, and "Prospects for American Fertility, June 1976," *Current Population Reports*, p-20, No. 300, November 1976.

HEALTH STATISTICS TRAINING CONTINUES

A broad range of short courses in health statistics are offered by the National Center for Health Statistics of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. Most of these week-long courses are tuition free. Students provide transportation, housing,

and other living expenses while attending.

Additional information is available from the Applied Statistics Training Institute, National Center for Health Statistics, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 8-48, Rockville, Maryland 20857 or telephone (301) 443-4720. Courses to be given in April and May under this program and their locations are shown below:

Apr.

12-15	704	Introduction to Computer Terminal Usage	New Orleans, LA
18-22	240	Health Manpower and Facilities Resources Statistics	New York, NY
18-29	801	Basic Cause-of-Death Classification	Phoenix, AZ
18-22	115	Statistical Systems for Mental Health Centers	Seattle, WA
25-29	600	Technical Writing	Kansas City, MO
25-29	115	Statistical Systems for Mental Health Centers	San Francisco, CA

May

2-6	310	Multiple Regression and the Analysis of Health Data	Denver, CO
9-13	802	Advanced Cause-of-Death Classification	Seattle, WA
9-13	100	Management of Data to Satisfy Study Objectives	Boston, MA
9-13	117	Data Sources for Cost Analysis of Health Programs	St. Louis, MO
9-13	115	Statistical Systems for Mental Health Centers	Boston, MA
16-20	104	Statistics for Health Planning	Boston, MA
16-20	216	Family Planning Statistics	Philadelphia, PA
16-20	115	Statistical Systems for Mental Health Centers	Atlanta, GA
23-27	315	Statistical Methods in Epidemiology	New York, NY
23-27	107	Information Methods for Health Planning	Philadelphia, PA
23-27	106	Techniques for Evaluating Health Programs	Durham, NC

GRANTS AVAILABLE IN HEALTH MANPOWER RESEARCH

Grants for health manpower research have been announced by the National Center for Health Services Research, Department of Health Education, and Welfare. The Center is soliciting proposals in such areas as collective bargaining in the health industry, career patterns and mobility, and health manpower supply. Deadlines for manpower proposals are July 1, for November review, and Nov. 1, for March 1978 review.

SMALL AREA DATA FOR 1970 PUBLISHED

The Census Bureau has announced availability of sample data from the 1970 Census Fifth Count tape for enumeration districts and block groups. This tape series includes 53 tabulations with around 800 data items for areal groupings averaging about 800 residents, the smallest areas for which the Bureau prepares tabulations of sample data. The cost is \$5.00 per area, with a minimum order of \$25, from the Customer Services Branch, DUSD, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D. C. 20233.

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES AT ORAU

The Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU) in Oak Ridge, Tenn., announces a cooperative program with universities, under which summer appointments are available to faculty members, graduate students, and undergraduates. The appointments are related to the "advancement of energy education and research," and are open to both social and physical scientists. The research sites are a number of the Energy Research and Development Administration laboratories, including the Oak Ridge facilities. Application deadlines are in January, but inquiries may still be made to:

Oak Ridge Associated Universities
University Programs Office
University-Laboratory Programs
P.O. Box 117
Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37830

AN INVITATION TO SRDG MEMBERSHIP

The Southern Regional Demographic Group (SRDG) is an organization of university faculty and other specialists in demography and related fields. It was organized in 1970 under the auspices of Oak Ridge Associated Universities. Members of SRDG are interested in promoting demographic research and training. To be a voting member, one must indicate his interest to the SRDG Secretary-Treasurer with a remittance of annual dues (\$6 for a regular member and \$2 for student members) c/o the Carolina Population Center, University of North Carolina, University Square East (300A), Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514, Attention: Dr. Harry M. Rosenberg. Members receive the *Newsletter*, discounts on other SRDG publications, as well as notice of the SRDG annual meeting and other related conferences, seminars and workshops.

THE SOUTH IN THE NEWS

FEDERAL SPENDING: REGIONAL COMPARISONS

A recent report issued by the Office of Economic Research, Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce, provides a far-ranging and well-documented discussion of federal spending in U.S. regions, against the broader background of regional economic development levels. The report responds to the charge that federal expenditures patterns are "inequitable" because the Northeast continues to pay into the federal treasury a higher per capita level of fed-

eral income than it receives in federal expenditures, while the South receives more than it proportionately contributes. The authors, C. L. Jusenius and L. C. Ledebur, conclude that in terms of federal allocations the "recent arguments regarding the relative economic positions of the Northeast and the South are, at best, tenuous; at worst, they are severe distortions of reality."

Illustrative statistics from the report, entitled *A Myth in the Making: The Southern Economic Challenge and Northern Economic Decline* (November 1976), are below:

	<i>Federal Spending Per Person</i>	<i>Federal Taxes Per Person</i>	<i>Per Capita Income</i>	<i>Welfare Programs Per Person</i>
<i>Sunbelt-South</i>	\$1,356	\$1,188	\$5,176	\$114
<i>Northern Industrial Tier</i>	\$1,224	\$1,560	\$6,265	\$121

The Jusenius-Ledebur report has received widespread national and regional attention. Copies are available from the

Economic Development Administration,
Department of Commerce.

SOUTH LEADS IN NET IN-MIGRATION

A recent report from the Federal Reserve Bank in Atlanta analyzes regional growth patterns between 1970-75. The analysis, based on Department of Commerce figures, shows that the South led U.S. regions in net in-migration during the period, while its per capita income levels remained the lowest among the regions. Author Patricia Faulkinberry suggests that

the best explanation of the accelerated migration to the South is probably the growth of job opportunities.

"In an indirect way, the low income and price levels of the region actually stimulate in-migration by creating cost advantages, attracting industries which bring and create new jobs," she said. "Industry inputs are cheaper and more plentiful in the South. Lower prices and wages, abundant labor and available natural resources have drawn industry, especially manufac-

turing operations, to the South from all over the nation and world at a rapid pace."

Faulkinberry notes that the availability of energy in the region relative to other parts of the U.S. may also be a factor in explaining the employment growth and migration.

Firms seeking easily accessible energy sources for example, favor Southern petroleum states. The milder climate also offers energy saving to all kinds of businesses. (Source: "New Faces in the South," *Monthly Review of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta*, February 1977.)

DECLINE IN FARM POPULATION OF THE SOUTH

The Department of Agriculture reports that the South continued to experience a decline in its share of the national farm population during the period 1970-75. As late as 1950, says the author of the report, Vera J. Banks, the South still had more than half of all the U.S. farm people. Between 1950 and 1975, the proportion of the farm population residing on farms in the South fell from 52 to 35 percent. Banks attribute the rapid decrease of the Southern farm population in part to the mechanization and modernization of crop farming and the near abandonment of share-cropping. In absolute terms, during the period 1970-75, the total U.S. farm population decreased by 8.7 percent, from 9.7 million to 8.9 million; for the South, the comparable change was from 3.8 to 3.1 million, a reduction of over 16 percent. (Source: Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service, "Farm Population Estimates for 1975," *Agricultural Economic Report*, No. 352, October 1976.)

PUBLICATIONS

A publications key at the end of this feature can assist readers who wish to order copies of selected publications.

DEMOGRAPHIC REPORTS FROM THE SOUTHERN STATES, 1970-75

The following reports are based on the results of a 1975 survey of state demographic activities carried out by SRDG. Reports from other states in the region were described in previous issues of the *Newsletter*.

OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma Population Estimates (annual)

Available from Roger Jacks, Research and Planning Division, Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, 310 Will Rogers Building, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73105.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Estimates of the Population of South Carolina Counties and Metropolitan Areas (annual).

Available from Bobby M. Bowers, Chief, Demographic Statistics and Statistical Coordination, Division of Research and Statistical Services, P.O. Box 11038, Columbia, S.C. 29211.

TENNESSEE

Population in Tennessee.

Tennessee Population and Housing, 1950-1970.

Tennessee Migration, Population, Families, Income and Manpower. Demand: Projections to 1990 for Development Districts and Counties.

Available from Annie Moore, Demographer, Tennessee State Planning Office, 660 Capitol Hill Building, Nashville, Tenn. 37219.

TEXAS

Preliminary Population Projections for Texas Counties.

Available from the Office of the Governor, Division of Planning Coordination, State of Texas, Austin, Tex.

VIRGINIA

Population Projections for Virginia Counties and Cities, 1980-2000.

Virginia Population Projections by Age, Sex, and Color, 1976-2000.

Employment, Population, and Income Projections: Methodology and Assumptions.

Available from Robert J. Griffis, Economic Research Section, Division of State Planning and Community Affairs, 2 South 9th Street, Richmond, Va. 23219.

Estimates of the Population of Virginia Counties and Cities.

Virginia's Population: A Decade of Change

- I. Demographic Profile
- II. Net Migration for State Planning Districts
- III. Socio-Economic Characteristics
- IV. The Status of Women.

Origins and Destination of Virginia Migrants, 1955-60 and 1965-70.

Available from William J. Serow,

Taylor Murphy Institute, Graduate School of Business, University of Virginia, P.O. Box 3430, Charlottesville, Va. 22903.

WEST VIRGINIA

A Preliminary Study of Population Change in West Virginia, 1960-70.

Demographic Profiles of the Counties of West Virginia.

Exploratory Projections of the Population of the Counties of West Virginia, by Age and Sex.

Available from the Office of Research and Development, Center for Extension and Continuing Education, West Virginia University, Morgantown, W. Va. 26505.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Annual Estimates of the Population, by Census Tracts, for the District of Columbia (annual).

Annual Estimates of the Population for the District of Columbia (annual).

Available from Gan Ahujan, Chief Demographer, District of Columbia, 1329 E Street, N.W., Suite 600, Washington, D.C. 20004.

NATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS FERTILITY AND MORTALITY

The National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) has published a major reference volume on U.S. fertility, *Fertility Tables for Birth Cohorts by Color, United States, 1917-73*, (459 pp.). The report presents fertility data for actual

groups of women as they pass through their childbearing years of 14 through 49. Four types of analytical measures are shown. The report includes revisions of rates previously published by NCHS. Single copies of the report are free from NCHS, Room 8-20, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Md. 20852. Multiple copies may be purchased for \$8.80 (GPO).

NCHS has also issued a series of reports containing life tables for 1969-71 and other information related to the decennial life-table program. Included in the series are *U.S. Life Tables, 1969-71*; a report containing actuarial tables based on the national life tables; 51 reports containing life tables for the individual states and the District of Columbia; a methodological report that describes in detail the methods of construction of the national and state life tables; an analytical report dealing with trends and interpretations related to life expectancy and survivorship; and a report on life tables analyzed by major groups of causes of death.

Reports currently available include the following:

United States Life Tables, 1969-71, \$.85 (GPO)

Actuarial Tables Based on United States Life Tables, 1969-71, \$1.40 (GPO)

Methodology of the National and State Life Tables for the United States, 1969-71, \$.45 (GPO)

United States Life Tables by Causes of Death, 1969-71, \$1.30 (GPO)

Individual State Life Tables, 1969-71, (specify state) \$.70 each (GPO)

CENSUS BUREAU CURRENT POPULATION REPORTS (CPR)

Households and Families by Type, March 1976, CPR, P-20, No. 296, available for \$.35 (GPO)

Number, Timing and Duration of Marriages and Divorces in the United States, June 1975, CPR, P-20, No. 297, \$.65 (GPO)

Daytime Care of Children, October 1974 and February 1975, CPR, P-20, No. 298, \$.65 (GPO)

Prospects for American Fertility, June 1976, CPR, P-20, No. 300, \$.35 (GPO)

Fertility of American Women, June 1976, CPR, P-20, No. 301, \$1.60 (GPO)

Persons of Spanish Origin in the United States, March 1976, CPR, P-20, No. 302, \$.35 (GPO)

Voter Participation in November 1976, CPR, P-20, No. 304, \$.35 (GPO)

Geographic Mobility, March 1975 to March 1976, CPR, P-20, No. 305, \$2.55 (GPO)

Estimates of the Population of States with Components of Change, 1970 to 1975, CPR, P-25, No. 640, \$.75 (GPO)

Premarital Fertility, CPR, P-23, No. 63, \$1.30 (GPO)

The Geographical Mobility of Americans: An International Comparison, CPR, P-23, No. 64, \$1.05 (GPO)

Farm Population of the United States, 1975, CPR, P-27, No. 47, \$.65 (GPO)

World Population, 1975, Recent Demographic Estimates for the Countries and Regions of the World, ISP-WR-75, \$3.90 (GPO)

PER CAPITA INCOME FOR STATES AND COUNTIES

Per capita income by major industry and place of work for states and counties during 1969-74 has been made available by the Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Commerce. Volume III, covers the Southern states. It is available as PB254057 from the National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Va. 22161. The cost of *Local Area Personal Income, 1969-1974*, is \$16.25 in paper and \$2.25 in microfiche.

1976 STATISTICAL ABSTRACT OF THE UNITED STATES

The Census Bureau has released the 1976 edition of the *Statistical Abstract of the U.S.*, which includes more than 1,500 tables and charts on a wide variety of subjects. A new feature this year is an appendix that provides some understanding of statistical methodology and reliability as they relate to the data in the report. The *Statistical Abstract* is available for \$10.50 in cloth, and \$8.00 in paper (GPO).

INCOME MAINTENANCE STUDIES

Two recent studies on the impact of cash assistance on labor supply were recently released. Copies of *Summary Report: Rural Income Maintenance Experiment* are available from Mary Esposito, Office of Income Security Policy/Research, OASPE, Department of HEW, Room 436 G, South Portal Building, 200 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20201.

The second report, *Regional Labor Supply Response to Negative Income Tax Programs*, is available for \$7.00 from the Rand Corporation, 1700 Main St., Santa Monica, Calif. 90406.

POVERTY IN MISSISSIPPI

A major report on poverty has been issued by the Mississippi Office of Human Resources and Community Services. Prepared by Tommy W. Rogers, *The Extent and Distribution of Poverty in Mississippi*, is a compilation of statistical data and descriptive and analytic comment on the state's population structure; the development of public concern with antipoverty measures; the state's economic structure in terms of income sources and labor force and occupational characteristics; and pri-

marily, on the location, incidence, characteristics and general dimensions of poverty in Mississippi. The report includes discussions of the relations between poverty and family composition, nutrition, health, income, and education.

It is available from the Office of Human Resources and Community Services, Suite 300, Watkins Building, 510 George Street, Jackson, Miss. 39202.

PROJECTIONS OF INDUSTRY AND OCCUPATIONAL EMPLOYMENT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor has revised its projections of U.S. labor force change to 1985 in the November 1976 issue of the *Monthly Labor Review*, available for \$2.40 (GPO).

LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT IN TENNESSEE

The Department of Employment Security of Tennessee has issued *Annual Average Labor Force Estimates, 1974-75, for Tennessee*. The report, available from the Research and Statistics Section, includes information for the state, SMSA's, and nonmetropolitan counties (October 1976).

A second report is available on detailed occupational employment, *Occupational Employment of Selected Manufacturing Industries in Tennessee, April, May, June 1974* (December 1976).

STATE AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT FINANCE, 1975

Changes in recent state government revenues and expenditures are described in *State Governments Finances in 1975*, available for \$1.40 from the Subscriber Service Section, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233. A report entitled *County Government Finances in 1974-75* is also available for \$1.75.

STATE FARM INCOME

The Department of Agriculture is making available statistics on state farm income and state farm land for recent years. *Number of Farms and Land in Farms by States, 1975-77* may be obtained from the Crop Reporting Board, Statistics Reporting Service, USDA, Washington, D.C. 20250. The publication on farm income for 1973-75 is published in a bulletin, *State Farm Income Statistics*, available from the Economic Research Service, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

LARGE SCALE DATA BASES FROM OAK RIDGE

The Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) has issued two reports prepared under contract with the Energy Research and Development Administration. The report *Energy, Environmental, and Socioeconomic Data Bases and Associated Software at Oak Ridge National Laboratory* (ORNL/TM-5600), describes a machine-readable data base created by ORNL to provide documentation on the data bases and software maintained at the laboratory. The document is produced yearly.

The second publication is *Spatial Data on Energy, Environmental and Socioeconomic Themes at Oak Ridge National Laboratory* (ORNL/TM-5746). It contains information on files that include locational identifiers which may represent point, line, or area measurements for geographic or geopolitical areas.

Printed copies of both reports are available from the National Technical Information Service, Department of Commerce, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Va. 22161 for \$6.00 and \$4.50 respectively.

DATA USER NEWS

The Census Bureau is now publishing volume 12 of *Data User News*, which is designed to acquaint users of Census Bureau data with the latest data developments, including publications, data development, soft ware, and availability of tape files. The publication is available from Subscriber Services (Publications), Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233.

STATE GOVERNMENT REFERENCE BOOK

The 1976-77 edition of the *Book of the States* has been issued. Topics covered include legislative trends, taxation and expenditures, and a variety of government services and organization. The publication is available for \$21.50 from the Council of State Governments, P.O. Box 11910, Iron Works Pike, Lexington, Ky. 40511

ENERGY

The Census Bureau has issued the report *Fuels and Electric Energy Consumed*, based on the 1974 Annual Survey of Manufacturers. The report shows tremendous disparities among states in the cost per 1,000 kilowatt-hour equivalents of energy. The report M74(AS)-4.2 is available for \$2.80 from the Subscriber Services Section (Publications), Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233.

PUBLICATIONS KEY

(VHS) *Vital and Health Statistics* is available from the National Center for Health Statistics, U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

(CPR) *Current Population Reports* available from the Population Division, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233, as well as from the GPO.

(GPO) Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.

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Demographic Research in the South

QUESTIONNAIRE

We would like to have information on demographic research in which you and your colleagues are involved. This information will be carried in future issues of the *Newsletter* as part of SRDG's goal to provide a communications vehicle for exchanging demographic information about the South.

Please describe the research using the following format:

Key Topics, e.g. fertility, migration, spatial distribution, education

Area Focus, e.g. national, the South, specific state, county, sub-county

Title

Author or Principal Investigator

Institution. Provide detailed address.

Sources of Support

Study Period. Specify beginning and ending dates of project, or publication date of report.

Brief Description. Specific objectives of study, major analytic techniques, specific data sources.

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