

# SRDG NEWSLETTER

The Southern Regional Demographic Group is a scientific and educational corporation operating under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. It is comprised of persons with professional interests in demography and population studies. The SRDG Newsletter is compiled and edited by Cliff Patrick, 2024 Westwood Terrace, Vienna, VA 22180.

## "EMERGING DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS" THEME FOR 1984 MEETING

William J. Serow, program chair for the 1984 SRDG annual meeting in Orlando, FL, has announced the theme for the October 17-19 meeting: "Emerging Demographic Trends: Implications for the Future". Serow has appointed the following program committee to assist with the planning of the meeting: Isaac W. Eberstein, FSU; Janet E. Kodras, FSU; Leslie Street-Hazlett, Office of the Governor, State of Florida; Christiane B. Hale, University of Alabama-Birmingham. This year special emphasis will be placed on the informal presentation of research in progress, including (but not limited to) dissertations. Members and other interested persons wishing to contribute a completed paper are requested to submit TWO(2) copies of a camera-ready abstract, including author(s)' name, address, and telephone number to: Dr. William J. Serow, Center for the Study of Population, Florida State University, 659 Bellamy, Tallahassee, FL 32306 (904) 644-1762. Members wishing to participate in the informal, work-in-progress sessions are invited to contact Dr. Isaac Eberstein at the same address. In ALL CASES, abstracts or indications of interest should reach Dr. Serow or Dr. Eberstein NO LATER THAN MAY 31, 1984.

## EBERSTEIN EDITING SPECIAL JOURNAL ISSUE

A topical issue of The Review of Regional Studies on the relationship between demography and regional science is soliciting manuscripts, especially those dealing with applied demography. Please send 3 copies of papers to: Dr. Isaac Eberstein, 659 Bellamy, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306, (904) 644-1762.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: June 30, 1984.

## SMALL AREA ESTIMATION WORKSHOP SET FOR ORLANDO

The Applied Demography Committee will present a workshop on small area estimation on Wednesday, October 17, 1984 from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m. in Orlando. The goal of the workshop is to update SRDG members on the "state of the art" for conducting small area (county and subcounty) population estimates. Information will be presented in the following areas: 1) recent changes in small area estimation procedures--an overview; 2) existing and future direction of small area estimation in the Census Bureau; 3) explication and assessment of housing unit and component-2 methods of making small area estimations; and 4) a review of computer programs for doing estimation.

To defray the costs of the meeting room and coffee, it will be necessary to charge a nominal \$10 fee to attend the workshop. Since the workshop will be limited to 30 persons, and admission will be on a "first come, first served" basis, those interested in attending the workshop should contact Dr. Harold Goldsmith at (301) 443-2908.

## NEW SRDG COMMITTEE ON OUTREACH ESTABLISHED

At the 1983 SRDG meeting in Chattanooga, the Board of Directors established a new committee to increase both membership and services to current members. The Committee on Outreach is composed of: Dr. Leon Bouvier, Population Reference Bureau, Chair; Dr. Alice Abel Kemp, University of New Orleans; Dr. V. Jeffery Evans, NICHD. Members are encouraged to suggest ways the new committee can increase the manner in which SRDG may serve the membership, stimulate new membership, and reduce turnover.

## RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

The Demographic and Behavioral Science Branch, Center for Population Research, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, has a requirement and plans to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for performance of a project, using extant United States data obtained from one or more sources, to determine the effect of sexually transmitted diseases on (1) plans for fertility, (2) actual fertility, and (3) fertility outcomes by studying: contraceptive use; type of contraceptive used; sexual activity (including number and type of sexual contacts and change in number and type of partners); pregnancy problems and fetal morbidity and mortality; timing, spacing and number of births; problems of infertility or subfecundity; birth-related problems for parents and child; and infant morbidity and mortality. Sexually transmitted disease (STDs) are broadly defined to include 20 or more conditions officially classified as STDs, whether reportable as such or not, plus Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) even though it may not always be transmitted by sexual contact.

This is not a Request for Proposals. The Request for Proposals, RFP No. NICHD-DBS-84-12 will be issued on or about February 15, 1984, with the closing date for receipt of proposals submitted under the RFP tentatively set as April 20, 1984. Copies of the RFP may be obtained by sending a written request to Ms. Martha Mackall, Contracts Management Section, Office of Grants and Contracts, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, Landow building, Room 6C25, 7910 Woodmont Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland 20205. (Please enclose a self-addressed label.) Call Gloria Kamenske, NICHD/CPR/DBS at (301) 496-1174 for further information.

The National Institute on Aging invites grant applications for research projects designed to identify specific influences in the social environment (work, household, or community) that may improve the health or effective functioning of middle-aged and older people. Studies are sought that extend scientific understanding of how and why particular variations in the social context may have positive or negative biological, psychological or social consequences for individuals as they grow older. Application deadlines: March 1, July 1, November 1. For program announcement, see NIH Guide on Grants and Contracts or contact: National Institute on Aging (Social Environments), Bldg. 31C, Room 4C32, Bethesda, MD 20205.

The Institute for Research on Poverty at the University of Wisconsin, in association with the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation at the Department of

Health and Human Services, is sponsoring a Small Grants for Visitors Program for research on a variety of poverty-related topics, including such questions as "To what degree have government policies succeeded in preventing or alleviating poverty?" "What have been the intended and unintended consequences of government intervention?" and "What changes in the economy or society have affected the government's ability to prevent or alleviate poverty?" The grants will fund research for the academic year 1984-85. The application deadline is May 1, 1984. Further information on program guidelines can be obtained by writing Elizabeth Evanson, Institute for Research on Poverty, 1180 Observatory Dr., 3412 Social Science Bldg., University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI 53706.

The Demographic and Behavioral Sciences Branch, Center for Population Research, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), is requesting contract proposals for research study(ies) on the quality of extant data on out-of-wedlock births. RFP No. NICHD-DBS-84-7

The objective of the proposed contract project is to measure and evaluate the quality of current and historical data available on the nature and extent of out-of-wedlock births. In order to assess the effects of such factors as age, race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, and education on levels, trends, and changes in out-of-wedlock childbearing and on the consequences of such births, it is necessary to determine the possible effects that the quality, adequacy, accuracy, and deficiencies of the data may have on the results obtained.

This is a 100 percent small business set-aside contract. The closing date is March 20, 1984. For further information contact NICHD/DBS at (301) 496-1174.

## EMPLOYMENT

University of Wisconsin. The Center for Demography and Ecology, University of Wisconsin, has two postdoctoral fellowships to begin July 1, 1984, for terms of 1 or 2 years. Applicants must be U.S. citizens. Applicants may already have extensive training in demography, or may seek to develop their demographic research abilities after predoctoral work in another social science. Preference will be given to scholars whose proposed research and advanced training program will be facilitated by the research facilities and faculty of the Center. Before applying, request a copy of the Center's "Overview" from Director, Center for Demography and Ecology, 3224 Social Science Bldg., 1180 Observatory Dr., Madison, WI 53706. Deadline March 1, 1984.

University of Michigan. The Center for Population Planning has scholarships available for qualified master's and Ph.D. degree students in the Program in Population Planning for the Fall term, 1984. The Program, located in the School of Public Health, was established to meet the demand for well-trained professionals in the population and health fields and provides graduate courses and programs of study for individuals wishing to work in these areas, either in the U.S. or abroad. For more information and an application, call (313) 764-7516, or write to: Admissions Secretary, Program in Population Planning, School of Public Health, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109.

Two-year NICHD post-doctoral fellowship in population/demography available starting Fall, 1984. Persons with previous demographic training preferred. To apply, send vita, statement of purpose, samples of written work, and three letters of recommendation to Associate Director for Training, Population Studies Center, University of Michigan, 1225 South University Avenue, Ann Arbor, MI 48104, telephone (313) 763-4459. Application deadline March 15, 1984.

Center for Population and Family Health, School of Public Health, Columbia University has an immediate opening for a Social Scientist at the Assistant Professor level. The candidate will be involved in both theoretical and applied research activities of the Social Science Research Unit, and will be expected to teach one graduate course per year. To date, the Unit's research has primarily focussed on the causes and consequences of adolescent fertility, but the candidate may develop his or her own interest within the broader substantive area of population and family health in the U.S. The successful candidate will have a strong commitment to evaluation research, rigorous methodological and statistical training, and a record of or potential for scholarly publications and grant writing. Please send a vita, the names of three references and a writing sample to: Social Science Research Unit, Center for Population and Family Health, 60 Haven Avenue B-3, New York, NY 10032.

University of Texas at Arlington invites applications for an assistant professor, tenure track position beginning in August 1984. Primary teaching and research interest should be in the area of family sociology and one of the other areas of social psychology, small groups, aging, sociology of education or medical sociology. Send vita and three letters of reference to Search Committee, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, Box 19599, University of Texas, Arlington, Texas 76109. The application deadline is March 1, 1984.

Florida State University. Demographer. Begin August 1984. Assistant Professor, tenure track position in interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Population with an academic appointment in appropriate department. Areas of specialization open, but preference will be given to persons with a micro orientation and interest in formal demography. Candidates should exhibit substantial research training and evidence of ability to publish and prepare proposals. Send full curriculum vita and names and addresses of three references to David F. Sly, Director, Center for the Study of Population, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida 32306.

#### REQUEST FOR PRESENTATIONS OF DEMOGRAPHY DISSERTATIONS

The American Sociological Association (ASA) Population Section wishes to announce a special session to be held at the 1984 ASA meetings in San Antonio. The session, dealing with dissertations in demography, is intended for students writing their dissertations or dissertation proposals. All sociology graduate students specializing in demography are encouraged to participate. Students may present a short summary of their dissertation, including findings, methodology, and so forth. This session is tentatively scheduled for the late afternoon or early evening of the Population Section sessions, Monday, August 27th, 1984. While organized and conducted by sociology graduate students, faculty and others are invited to attend. Students who wish to present statements about their dissertations should contact Richard Rogers or Elizabeth Stephen by June 1, 1984, at The Population Research Center, 1800 Main Building, The University of Texas, Austin, Texas 78712.

#### MICHIGAN SRC SUMMER INSTITUTE SETS TWO SESSIONS

For the thirty-seventh consecutive year, the Survey Research Center of the Institute for Social Research at The University of Michigan will hold a Summer Institute in Methods of Survey Research in two four-week sessions from June 25, 1984 to August 17, 1984. The Institute is designed to meet some of the educational and training needs of men and women engaged in business and government research, and also to meet the needs of graduate students and university instructors interested in the use of survey research methods in the social sciences. For further information concerning specific dates, courses, fees, housing, etc., please write to Dr. Duane F. Alwin, Director of the Summer Institute, Survey Research Center, Institute for Social Research, Post Office Box 1248, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106. (313) 764-6595.

## PERSONAL NOTES

Roberta Barnes has moved from the University of Maryland to The Urban Institute, 2100 M Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

Leon Bouvier is a Contributing Editor of POPULATION TODAY, formerly INTERCOM, published by the Population Reference Bureau.

Stan Smith has been designated by the program chair to organize the golf and tennis sessions at the annual meetings in Orlando.

## NEW OUTMIGRANT FILE TRACES MIGRANTS FROM EACH STATE

Special outmigrant files created by the Applied Population Laboratory make it possible for you to develop complete demographic profiles of those who left your state. It allows you to compare your estimates of net migration with actual counts of gross migration. These special outmigrant files were developed using 1980 Census Public Use Microdata Sample File A from the United States. They contain information on all persons who lived in a given state in 1975, and lived elsewhere in the U.S. in 1980. Every household having an individual who moved out of state between 1975 and 1980 is included in the file. Outmigrants from each

state were found by scanning the PUMS Files from all fifty states and the District of Columbia. An outmigrant file is available for each state. The cost of the file for any state is \$450.00 delivered on a tape to your specifications. To purchase a file, contact Stephen Tordella, Applied Population Laboratory, Department of Rural Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1450 Linden Dr., Madison, WI 53706. (608) 262-1515.

## NET MIGRATION REPORTS AVAILABLE

The Economic Research Service would like to reduce its stock of Net Migration of the United States: 1960-70, by Gladys Bowles et al. The reports in this series contain estimates of the number and rate of net migration by age, sex, and (where appropriate) color for each county of the United States. They are in six regional parts, Northeast, North Central, South Atlantic, East South Central, West South Central, and West. A seventh part shows data for analytical groupings of counties, such as counties grouped by median income, employment in agriculture, and metro-nonmetro areas. These reports are available free of charge either individually or in full sets. Write to Calvin Beale, EDD-Economic Research Service, USDA, Room 492, GHI Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20250, or call (202) 447-8200.

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# SOUTHERN REGIONAL DEMOGRAPHIC GROUP

PLEASE REPLY TO:

## REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee has presented the following slate of candidates for the 1984 Southern Regional Demographic Group elections:

President-Elect: Richard Engels, Bureau of the Census  
V. Jeffrey Evans, NICHD

Board Member: Mary Kay Healy, Consultant  
Stan Smith, University of Florida

Under the SRDG By-Laws, additional nominations may be made by petition to the Secretary-Treasurer, signed by ten (10) members in good standing. All such nominations must be received by April 15, 1984.

Anne S. Lee, Chair  
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## MAIL PROBLEMS

Dear SRDG Member:

The campus mail service has been somewhat slow to recognize SRDG as an addressee at the University of Texas Health Sciences Center. Consequently, some members who sent their 1984 dues payment or other material within the last three months may have had the items returned or delivered to some wrong address on campus. Hopefully, all these problems are solved now, but if you know of any member who has been unsuccessful in sending me mail, please ask them to try again, using the address given below. This NEWSLETTER will be sent only to persons who are recorded as having paid their dues.

Thank you,



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