

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.

SLATE SELECTED FOR 1984 ELECTIONS

Anne Lee, chair of the nominating committee, has presented the following candidate slate for the 1984 SRDG elections:

President-elect:

Richard Engels, Census Bureau
V. Jeffrey Evans, NICHD

Board Member:

Mary Kay Healy, Consultant
Stan Smith, Univ. of Florida

The election will be held this summer and those elected will take office in October, 1984. The President-elect will serve one year before becoming President and the board members will serve three years. Under the provisions of the SRDG constitution, additional nominations may be made by members of the SRDG. Nominations must be in the form of a petition; must bear the signatures of at least ten active members; must include a letter from the nominee indicating his/her willingness to stand for election; and must be received by the secretary/treasurer prior to July 15, 1984. The petition must explicitly state the position for which the nomination is being made.

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) explanation and assessment of housing unit and component-2 methods of making small area estimates; 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. (See insert to Newsletter).

PUBLIC USE TAPES OF 1980 NNS & NFMS AT NTIS

1980 National Natality Survey and National Fetal Mortality Survey public use tapes are now available from NTIS. The NNS-NFMS are national samples of 9941 live birth records and 6286 fetal death records weighted to reflect the national estimates. Information about the relationships of social, demographic, maternal health, infant health, and radiation exposure to live births and fetal deaths is available in the data set. Cost of a tape with the NNS/NFMS data is \$125.00 Request NTIS Accession No. PB 84-177310 from: NTIS, 5285 Port Royal Rd., Springfield, VA 22161, (703) 487-4650. To discuss the information on the data set and recent analyses of it, contact the Natality Branch, NCHS, (301) 436-8954.

RACE AND ETHNICITY WORKSHOP SET FOR MADISON

The fourth annual Census Analysis Workshop will be held October 29-30, 1984, in Madison, Wisconsin. "Race and Ethnicity" will be the theme of the conference, which is sponsored by the Applied Population Laboratory of the Rural Sociology Dept., Univ. of Wisconsin. Lectures and workshops will feature Marta Tienda (Hispanics), Reynolds Farley (Blacks), and Matthew Snipp (American Indians) who were involved in writing the 1980 Census monographs on these populations. For more information, contact Nancy Kanaskie, Applied Pop. Lab., Department of Rural Sociology, University of Wisconsin, 1450 Linden Drive, Madison, Wisconsin 53706, (608) 262-3097.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM FOR ORLANDO MEETING

Bill Serow, program chair for the 1984 SRDG annual meeting, has announced the preliminary program for the October 17-19 meeting in Orlando, Florida, as follows:

Thursday, October 18, 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Social Demography

Chair: Alice Kemp (University of New Orleans)

Work in Progress I

Chair: Isaac Eberstein (Florida State University)

Open for Contributed Papers.

10:15 - 11:45 a.m.

Mortality Methods and Studies

Chair: Cliff Patrick (Social Security Administration)

Data from the 1980 NNS and NFMS

Chair: Paul Placek (NCHS)

Private Sector Orientation to Ecological Analysis

Chair: David Jackson (NIMH)

12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Presidential Plenary Luncheon

Chair: Dan Price (UNCCG)

Speaker: Leon Bouvier (Pop. Ref. Bureau), "Current Activities of the Population Reference Bureau."

1:45 - 3:15 pm

Health and Demography

Chair: Chris Hale (Univ. of Alabama-Birmingham)

Appalachian Fertility

Chair: Garry Gairola (Univ. of Kentucky)

Multivariate Procedures for Small Area Estimation

Chair: Everett Lee (Univ. of Georgia)

3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

State and Local Government

Chair: Leslie Street-Hazlett (Office of the Governor, Florida).

Students' Perceptions

Chair: Karen McLeod (FSU).

Open for Contributed Papers.

Friday, October 19, 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Demography and Marketing

Chair: Norfleet Rives (Univ. of Delaware).

Infant Mortality

Chair: Richard Rogers (Univ. of Texas).

International Migration

Chair: Michael Finn (ORAU).

10:15 - 11:45 a.m.

Plenary Session

Chair: Jeff Evans (NICHD)

12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Luncheon Roundtables:

The Dynamics of Consulting

Chair: Cheryl Russell (American Demographics).

What's New in Computer Applications

Chair: Julia Martin (Univ. of VA)

1:45 - 3:15 pm

Geography and Demography

Chair: Janet Kodras (FSU)

Ecology and Public Health

Chair: Peter Hurley (NCHS), (organized by Harold Goldsmith, NIMH).

Open for Contributed Papers

Chair: Nan Maxwell (Denison Univ.)

3:30 - 5:00 pm

Work in Progress II

Chair: Isaac Eberstein (FSU)

Open for Contributed Papers (2 sessions - no chair assigned at present)

Members are reminded to submit 2 camera-ready abstracts if you wish to present a paper. Abstracts or an indication of interest to be a discussant or session chair should reach Dr. Serow before June 30, 1984.

PAPERS WANTED

The June 1985 issue of the Journal of Family Issues will be devoted to the topic "Who Divorces, and Why." Both reports of research and theoretical pieces will be considered. Papers should be submitted to Prof. Alan Booth, Issue Editor, Department of Sociology, University of Nebraska 68588. Submission deadline: September 15, 1984.

SOCIAL DEMOGRAPHY-WOMEN IN THE LABOR FORCE

Sessions at the 1984 SRDG meeting on social demography and women in the labor force are being sponsored by Nan Maxwell (Economics Dept., Denison University, Granville, Ohio 43023) and Alice Kemp (Sociology Dept., Univ. of New Orleans, LA 70148). Abstracts and/or papers on topics such as women's labor force participation, occupational segregation, employment discrimination, etc., should be sent to one of the organizers.

RESEARCH DATA AVAILABLE

The National Longitudinal Survey--Youth Cohort is a large national representative survey of young adults. The 12,000 respondents, male and female, were first interviewed in 1979 when they ranged in age from 14-21. They have been interviewed yearly with 96 percent still in the survey. The survey has always been strong on labor force experience and other social background indicators, and in 1982 a complete fertility history (as used in the National Survey of Family Growth) was added for women, and a childbearing history was added for men. Data were also collected on child care arrangements, and more detail on the living arrangements of children was collected. This data tape is now available. In 1983 the same questions were repeated and information was gathered on prenatal care, infant feeding practices, and measures of child health. This tape will be available in November. The current survey includes much of the data already described, but also adds questions about children's contacts with an absent parent, if there is one. That data tape should be available in the fall of 1985. These data tapes and documentation are available from the NLS Users Office, Center for Human Resource Research, Ohio State University, 5701 N. High Street, Worthington, Ohio 43085, phone (614) 888-7309.

The Current Population Survey (CPS) April 1983 relates to country of birth, immigration, and fertility of immigrant women. Information on some 10,000 foreign-born persons includes date and country of birth; year entered the U.S. and citizenship status; number of children born (total, born in countries outside U.S. jurisdiction and those currently living in the household, and date of birth of the most recent child). The Public Use Data Tape should be available by June 1984, and the P-20 Current Population Report "Fertility of Foreign-Born Women in the United States: April 1983" is scheduled for release in May. Moreover, the foreign-born are being matched to those in the March 1983 CPS to obtain additional economic and social information. The merged data on some 7,500 records should be available on

Public Use Data Tape by August 1984. The June 1983 CPS included data on childbearing experience and birth expectations of women 18-34 years of age. The June 1983 data will also be available separately and will be merged with the April and March data. Direct questions should be directed to Data User Services Division, Customer Services (Tapes), Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233--or phone (301) 763-4100. The cost of the April 1983 CPS compressed tape is \$140.00

CHILD CARE, FERTILITY, AND FEMALE LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION

The Demographic and Behavioral Sciences Branch (DBSB), Center for Population Research (CPR), National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), supports research on the antecedents and consequences of fertility and fertility regulation. This RFA invites scientists to submit grant applications for the support of research on the interrelations among child care arrangements for employed mothers, fertility, and female labor force participation. Such research will elucidate the factors which contribute to the use of child care, and the consequences of such use, at the societal, familial, and individual levels. This request for applications is focused on a fairly narrow range of research issues, specifically the interrelationships of child care, fertility and female labor force participation. Application receipt date: August 15, 1984. Inquiries regarding this announcement may be directed to: Wendy Baldwin, Ph.D, Demographic and Behavioral Sciences Branch, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, Room 7C25, Landow Building, 7910 Woodmont Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland 20205. Telephone: (301) 496-1174.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

This is the last issue of the SRDG Newsletter in which Stan Smith will be actively involved in the editing and printing process. As current editor and on behalf of the SRDG membership, I would like to thank Stan and express our appreciation for the tireless and often thankless job he has performed for the members. The newsletter is the major line of communication between SRDG and its individual members, and the SRDG has been fortunate in the recent past to have Bill Serow and Stan Smith serving in this capacity. As I prepare my first "solo" Newsletter for next August, I hope I can continue the tradition of excellence established by Bill and Stan. But I need your help in communicating to fellow members what you feel are issues and concerns of mutual interest. (CP)

PERSONAL NOTES

Welcome to Paul W. Strupp, OPR, Princeton University, a new member of SRDG. Hope to meet you in Orlando.

Eve Powell-Griner has moved from the University of Texas to the Mortality Analysis Branch, NCHS, Hyattsville, MD.

Richard K. Thomas has moved from Memphis State University to be research associate in the Health Services Research Dept. at Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis. He remains an adjunct faculty member in the Sociology Dept. at MSU.

Scott Campbell Brown has moved from Lawrenceville, NJ to Washington, DC.

Cliff Patrick has begun a 12 month detail from the Social Security Administration to the Task Force on Black and Minority Health. He will be working at NIH in Bethesda, MD. Members are encouraged to send Cliff information on data bases and analyses dealing with any aspects of minority health. The Task Force will issue its final report next June.

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.

SPECIAL SESSION ON DEMOGRAPHY DISSERTATIONS

The Population Section of the American Sociological Association will hold a special session at the 1984 meetings in San Antonio on dissertations in demography. The session is to allow students writing dissertations or proposals to present a short summary of their hypotheses, methodology, findings, and implications. Students who wish to present should contact Richard Rogers or Elizabeth Stephen at The Population Research Center, 1800 Main Bldg., University of Texas, Austin, TX 78712 as soon as possible.

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Norfleet W. Rives
William J. Serow

Existing and future directions of small area estimation in the Bureau of the Census

Richard Engels

Explication and assessment of the housing unit method of small area estimation

Stan Smith

Explication and assessment of the component-2 method of small area estimation

Michael A. Spar

A review of computer programs for doing small area estimation

Dudley L. Poston

Please see reverse

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Center for the Study of Population at Florida State University announces the availability of its Working Paper Series. Papers in this series have not been previously published and reflect work currently on-going in the Center's research programs. Eight papers are currently available and we will be issued each year.

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