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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Presidential Reflections... from Karen Woodrow Lafield at her pc

Whenever I am asked about interests in conducting research in a city, metropolitan area, or state, I say my research focuses mainly at the national level, but, upon further reflection, this has not always been so. My master's thesis addressed marital patterns for the population of Tennessee. Another study illustrated geographic distribution of unauthorized residents, and there are apparently still major concentrations of unauthorized residents in the West and South. As an immigration demographer, I find my attention more drawn to immigrant communities in metropolitan areas, consequences of changing populations, and policy implications. For a specific origin group with considerable representation in a geographic area, such as Dominicans in New York City, I have another study focused on Dominican naturalization in that setting. The demography of population change and distribution is enriched with spatial emphases and a sense of the pieces of America comprising the whole.

Over the next three months, the program of the October 14-16 meeting on Hilton Head Island will be evolving. This happens differently now than when SDA (then Southern Regional Demographic Group) was new in the early 1970s. Members are all over the nation, collaborative ties are simpler with email, and a new twist of an analysis is easy with another program. We are all curious as demographers, and we expect to see exciting sessions about return migration to the South, residential segregation, regional politics, health consequences in urban and rural settings, international demography, fertility studies, applied demography analyses, and so many more topics.

We can anticipate the highlights of this year's annual meeting more easily than several population figures for future dates. More than one-half of SDA's past presidents over 1970-2003 participated in the last annual meeting. Plenary speakers were Haya El Nasser, Census and Demographics Reporter, USA Today, on "How Demographic Research Makes News" and David B. McMillen, Staff member, House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, on "Census Accuracy: Where It Matters and for Whom." We are planning to have equally impressive guests in Hilton Head. If your research is relevant to the demography of the Southern region, you may be a speaker in the traditional thematic session. That session and others covered topics of Congressional apportionment scenarios by region, regional census coverage, mortality by region as a consequence of income inequality, measuring poverty by geography, child wellbeing by race and ethnicity and place, migration and birth dynamics, and many more related to the South. In concluding, I will think over the next few weeks of ideas that I might develop as a presentation for Hilton Head in mid-October. We look forward to reading and listening to your ideas and findings!

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SDA 2004 SESSION TO HONOR BILL SEROW

In memory of our recently deceased friend, teacher, and colleague Bill Serow, we would like to propose a special session devoted to work on the demography of migration. These can be abstracts/papers looking at internal migration in the U.S., immigration to the U.S., migration across other countries, and/or internal migration within developing countries. All, of course, were major research areas for Bill. Please contact Lynne Cossman at Mississippi State University (Lynne.Cossman@SSRC.MsState.Edu), the organizer of this session, if you have any questions on this. Then, when submitting your abstract/paper, please send to Robert Hummer (contact information in the call for papers).

SDA 2004 SESSION TO EXPLORE COUNTY AND REGIONAL CLASSIFICATIONS

"Beyond Metropolitan and Micropolitan: Conceptual Approaches or Case Studies/Applications Defining a Broader Spectrum of Sub-County Geography such as Inner Suburb, Outer Suburb, Exurban, or more."

There is some great research going on right now at the Bureau of the Census and Economic Research Services regarding classification from urban to types of suburban to types of rural, and there are lots of interesting applications in the business sector trying to classify sub-county geography into more precise and meaningful categories. The county level designation of metro, micro, or non-metro may be too broad for most practical, lower level applications. What are some other classification schemes?

Please contact Linda Jacobsen (ljacobsen@metro-edge.com), the organizer of this session, if you have any questions. Then, when submitting your abstract/paper, please send to Robert Hummer (contact information in the call for papers), noting that you chose to be included in this session.

SCHOOL DEMOGRAPHY INTEREST GROUP FORMED

A new interest group of twenty-five people met at this year's PAA meetings in Boston. The School Demography Interest Group met for 2 ½ hours on the Wednesday prior to the official start of PAA. An important goal of the meeting was to create a more formal network for those interested in school demography. The meeting was attended by representatives from universities, private consulting firms, think-tanks, federal agencies and school districts, each taking several minutes to introduce themselves, their work, and the issues in which they were most interested. A lively discussion followed the introductions, with considerable interest and energy generated for future interest group meetings, workshops and paper sessions on school demography at the 2004 SDA and 2005 PAA annual meetings.

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We plan to propose a special session for the 2004 Southern Demographic Association meetings this fall. Lori Post (Michigan State University) is taking the lead to organize the SDA session. Lori's e-mail is LAPost@msu.edu (Editor's note: Remember to also submit your abstract to Bob Hummer, noting your planned participation in this interest group)

The interest group meeting at PAA was organized by Robin Blakely (Cornell University). If you would like to join our interest group, please contact Robin at rmb18@cornell.edu Many thanks to Warren Brown, Shelley Lapkoff, and Peter Morrison for their important contributions that afternoon! We look forward to expanding the network, sharing ideas, techniques, and methods, and fostering fruitful collaboration

SDA 2004 CALL FOR PAPERS

We invite interested persons to submit abstracts for papers and sessions for the 2004 annual meeting of the Southern Demographic Association (SDA). The deadline for submissions is June 30, 2004.

This year's meeting will be held October 14-16 at the Marriott Hotel on beautiful Hilton Head Island, South Carolina. (For emerging details, please check <http://www.fsu.edu/~sda/>).

Presentations of research in both applied and academic demography are welcome, as are related topics in economics, sociology, geography, political science, public health, epidemiology, and psychology. Though SDA is known for regional emphases and membership, we encourage the membership and participation of individuals from any region of the country or world.

The structure of presentations is flexible: potential contributors are encouraged to not only send abstracts for individual research papers, but also for complete sessions, thematic sessions, panel discussions, software demonstrations, and more! Please email (rhummer@prc.utexas.edu) or call (512-471-8391) Robert Hummer, this year's program chairperson, if you have any questions regarding a potential submission.

Presentations by (or coauthored with) students are especially welcome; they can offer a student a significant first professional meeting experience. In fact, SDA awards modest cash prizes to the best undergraduate and to the best graduate student paper (see details below).

Please send all proposals and abstracts by June 30 to Robert Hummer. Electronic submissions (in the form of Word, WordPerfect, or .pdf attachments) are preferred. Please send to: rhummer@prc.utexas.edu

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Please include:

Your name

Name(s) of any co-authors or other presenters if you are proposing a session

Title of abstract(s) or presentation(s)

Institutional affiliation(s)

Complete contact information (email address, telephone number, fax number, and mailing address)

Alternatively, you can mail or fax your submission to:

Robert Hummer

Population Research Center

University of Texas at Austin

1800 Main Building, G1800

Austin, TX 78712

Fax: 512-471-4886

We look forward to receiving your ideas and seeing you in Hilton Head in October!

2004 PAPER AWARDS

The Southern Demographic Association makes awards for the following types of papers presented at the annual meeting:

*****OUTSTANDING GRADUATE STUDENT PAPER AWARD*****

SDA presents an award for the best graduate student paper delivered at the annual meeting. The winning student receives a cash prize and a certificate, both of which are presented at the annual business meeting. Please send your complete paper, in electronic format, to Robert Hummer (rhummer@prc.utexas.edu) by September 15th, 2004.

*****OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT PAPER AWARD*****

SDA awards a cash prize and certificate for the best undergraduate paper presented. The winning student receives a cash prize and a certificate, both of which are presented at the annual business meeting. Please send your complete paper, in electronic format, to Robert Hummer (rhummer@prc.utexas.edu) by September 15th, 2004.

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MAKE PLANS NOW FOR THE ANNUAL SDA MEETING AT HILTON HEAD, SOUTH CAROLINA

The 2004 annual meetings of the Southern Demographic Society will be held October 14-16, 2004 on Hilton Head Island, SC. The hotel is a year-round golf and tennis resort in Palmetto Dunes located on three miles of spectacular beach.



The hotel has the usual conference facilities for our meeting including meeting and banquet rooms, registration space, and a business center are available. The hotel also has a number of other

facilities to entice us away from the sessions. Resort amenities include a state of the art spa, whirlpool, sauna, massage therapist, indoor and outdoor pools, golf, tennis, and bar/lounge. Additionally, nearby sailing, fishing and shopping opportunities abound.



SDA: SOUTHERN OR NATIONAL?

At its spring meeting, the SDA Board considered a proposal to broaden our universe of potential future meeting sites beyond the traditional "South." The rationale for doing so is a financially compelling one: We need to expand SDA's potential membership base. Membership has stabilized in recent years at a level that leaves the Association in a continually precarious financial position. With just another 50 members, SDA would be on a safer financial footing.

Given these financial realities, the proposal before the Board is to hold the Association's annual meeting occasionally (i.e., every third or fourth year) at a "target rich" academic site, for the explicit purposes of (1) involving a significant number of new faculty and student participants; (2) hopefully retaining many first-time participants as ongoing SDA members; and (3) leveraging a financially advantageous co-hosting arrangement with the local institution. Three examples of such academic sites are Providence, RI (with Brown University), State College, PA (with Penn State), and Princeton, NJ (with Princeton). Informal conversations with two of these three population centers elicited strong positive interest in and active support of these aims, were SDA to meet there.

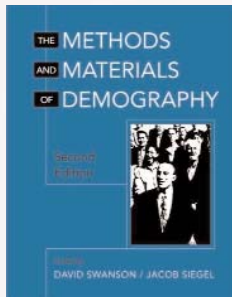
Before adopting this proposal, the Board opted to put it to a vote of the membership. Accordingly, SDA members will receive an e-mail "ballot" requesting a "yes" or "no" vote on this proposal. Members should weight the central issue here: Whether to retain a longstanding tradition which some members favor; or to address head-on the financial realities that pose a future threat to the SDA's viability and move the Association toward becoming more nationally-inclusive.

(Members not receiving e-mail from SDA can contact the Secretary-Treasurer for a mail-in ballot.)

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KIDS COUNT ANNUAL PUBLICATION

KIDS COUNT, a project of the Annie E. Casey Foundation, will release the 2004 KIDS COUNT Data Book on June 3, 2004. The Data book features 10 key measures of child well-being that it has used to track the well-being of children since 1990. The data is used to provide state profiles of child well-being and to rank the states. This edition also includes several background measures focused on vulnerable youth and disconnected young adults.

The report may be viewed online at www.kidscount.org. Limited analysis (trend lines, maps, rankings) can be done on the KIDS COUNT website and data files can be downloaded for further analysis.

Also, free copies may be ordered on the web site or by phoning Casey publications at 410-223-2890.

<http://www.aecf.org/kidscount/>

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Population Division of the U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Commerce, has immediate openings in its domestic programs for qualified individuals in the areas of demography, sociology, economics, and related social sciences. We are looking for well-qualified persons at advanced levels (MA, PhD), especially those with training in demography, quantitative data analysis, design and implementation of survey data collection, statistical software (e.g. SAS or SPSS), and spreadsheet software (e.g. Excel or Quattro Pro) to fill a number of appointments in our division between now and September, 2004. Qualified applicants must be U.S. citizens with at least 15 semester hours of mathematics and statistics, six of which must be in statistics. These openings offer qualified applicants an opportunity to work in one of the following areas: social and demographic characteristics or immigration statistics. This is an exciting time for the Population Division and we look forward to sharing our opportunities. For application instructions, see:

<http://www.census.gov/hrd/www/jobs/ssdmstat.html> or contact the Census Bureau's Recruitment Office at 1.800.638.6719.

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Specific job openings in the Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau:

1) Education and Social Stratification Branch. Work includes survey questionnaire design and development, edit specifications, data reviews, data analysis, and writing recurring and special reports on the topics of educational attainment, school enrollment, voting, computer use, and language data from the Current Population Survey, Survey of Program Participation, and the American Community Survey. Strong data analytic skills a must. MA/MS or PhD preferred in Sociology, Economics, Demography. For specific information about this opportunity, contact Jennifer Day, Population Division, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233-8800; E-mail: jday@census.gov.

2) Immigration Statistics Branch. Work includes analysis of the size, characteristics, and impact of international migration. Major responsibilities include evaluating current migration-related questions on federal surveys; estimating the number of international migrants by legal status for sub-national areas of geography; and evaluating the consistency of immigration definitions used by North American countries. Experience using large datasets is strongly suggested. For specific information about this opportunity, contact Karen Humes, Population Division, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233-8800; E-mail: karen.humes@census.gov.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES, CONTINUED.

ENROLLMENT ANALYSIS COORDINATOR

The Los Angeles Unified School District is looking for a highly qualified candidate to coordinate and perform statistical research related to school enrollment forecasting. The candidate must have the training and experience to excel in the following duties:

- Determine the scope and parameters of research criteria and statistical studies involving the assessment of demographic patterns and future population trends.
- Manage, research, and evaluate school demographic data to estimate student seat demand by geographic area.
- Prescribe procedures, formulas, and statistical models to be used in the synthesis of data for establishing projections of student population.
- Prepare technical documentation, analysis and enrollment forecast reports in a manner of presentation understandable to a lay audience.
- Utilize statistical programming software to conduct research, analyze data, write reports, and prepare presentations.
- Lead and direct multi-disciplinary teams.
- Confer with external technical experts and peer review groups regarding the impact of demographic influences that affect enrollment projections.
- Collaborate with school instructional policy staff to develop standards to be used in analysis of school capacities that comply with the goals and objectives of school and district-wide operations.

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The successful candidate should possess a graduate degree in statistics, economics, finance, demography, geography, GIS, urban planning, educational research, or other professional discipline requiring substantial training in statistical analysis. Five years of professional level research experience that includes progressive responsibility for the determination of statistical research design and methodology for several complete research projects is also required. Two years of the required experience in the identification, collection, classification, interpretation, explanation, and presentation of demographic data used in the development and planning of public works projects is strongly preferred. Competitive salary offered.

For consideration for this position, please forward resume via email to: MPD@laschools.org
No phone calls please.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES, CONTINUED

Statistical Demographer

Geoscape International provides market intelligence to a diverse array of organizations throughout the world via information products, software and consulting services. In particular, we help our clients understand their opportunities for multi-national and multi-cultural business growth. We are especially strong in The Americas and are rapidly increasing our offerings throughout Europe and Asia.

Description: You will be a key member within the Consulting Unit and responsible for product and service delivery to clients and internal business units. Responsibilities include:

- Prepare population and household forecasts for race, ancestry, ethnicity, age, gender, group quarters, housing starts, owner/renter, vacant units, seasonal units, labor force, occupation, and worker travel time.
- Describe and analyze population characteristics such as age, sex, race, ancestry, education level, employment, occupation, income and household size and composition.
- Forecast consumer expenditures and household income.
- Assist in forecasting and preparing demographic data sets for foreign countries.
- Integrate information from various data sources using MS SQL Server 2000, MS Access, and Excel. Applied experience with SPSS, MapInfo, and/or ArcView a plus.
- Create complex data sets utilizing US census data and forecasting techniques
- Use strong verbal and written communication skills to assist with delivering final presentation to client.
- Conduct research on consumer and lifestyle segmentation.
- Work on simultaneous projects autonomously and/or within a team.
- Be a self-starter who continually develops knowledge and skills.

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- Requirements:** - Outstanding analytical and demographic forecasting skills; SPSS a plus.
- Five+ years of business experience including 3 years of population, household, and housing unit forecasting.
 - Experience with international demographics desired.
 - Proven skills in conducted lifestyle and customer segmentation research.
 - Two years hands-on experience using advanced transactional SQL on SQL Server 2000.
 - Experience with data manipulation and interpretation of large data sets required (marketing applications a plus).
 - Strong working knowledge of U.S. Census SF1, SF3, and SF4 data sets, PUMS data, Bureau of Labor Statistics data, and other economic and population data sources.
 - Experience using wide range of demographic data variables and creating maps displaying geodemographics is preferred.
 - An undergraduate or graduate degree in Demography, Sociology, Geography, Economics, or related field (business-related a plus). Demography and statistics course work required.
 - Experience with MapInfo, ArcView, or Atlas GIS a plus.
 - Excellent oral and written communications and presentation skills.
 - Must have good English communication skills, bi-lingual Spanish or other language is a plus.
 - Proficient in MS Access, Excel, Word, and PowerPoint.

Innovation, team player mentality, diligence, high-energy, winning are all key attributes of the person we are looking for. If this describes you, please inquire.

Location: Headquarters in Miami, Florida. USA

Compensation package includes: Base Salary, Performance Bonus, Tax-deferred Profit Sharing, Stock Incentive Plan, Vacation, Sick/Personal Leave, Medical/Dental coverage, sabbatical.

Please e-mail resume and cover letter to: careers@geoscape.com .

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The Fulbright Scholar Program's annual competition opened March 1 for lecturing, research and lecturing/research grants in over 140 countries. Each year 800 American scholars go abroad as part of the Fulbright Scholar Program.

Traditional Fulbright awards vary from two months to an academic year or longer. While foreign language skills are needed in some countries, most lecturing assignments are in English.

Application deadlines for 2005-2006 grants are:

August 1, 2004 - Fulbright lecturing and research grants worldwide

November 1, 2004 - spring/summer seminars in Germany, Korea and Japan for international education and academic administrators as well as for the summer German Studies Seminar

You may visit <http://www.cies.org/> to apply online or to download application materials. You may also want to visit the Web site to familiarize yourself with the new opportunities.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS AND ON THE MOVE

Lynne Cossman Named Outstanding Woman Faculty at MSU

Lynne Cossman, an Assistant Professor of Sociology in Mississippi State University's Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, was recently awarded the Outstanding Woman Faculty Award by the President's Commission on the Status of Women. The award rewards excellent performance in the areas of research, teaching and service. Cossman's nomination included the support from colleagues in several colleges. Her colleagues were particularly impressed with her Robert Wood Johnson Foundation award to study access to care for Medicaid patients in Mississippi and her service to the College and University in directing Women's Studies. Cossman has been a member of the Southern Demographic Association since 1990 and is currently serving SDA as a member of the board and co-editor of the Southern Demographic News.

Pillai Awarded Visiting Professorship

University of Texas at Arlington (UTA) Professor, Dr. Vijayan Pillai has been awarded the Zellerbach Visiting Professorship for the fall of 2004 in the School of Social Welfare at the University of California, Berkeley. This Visiting Professorship will coincide with Dr. Pillai's faculty development leave from UTA during which he will conduct a preliminary investigation into the organizational structure for acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) prevention in Botswana.

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Kersen Accepts Position at University of North Alabama in Florence

Recently minted Ph.D. Thomas Kersen has accepted a tenure track position at University of North Alabama in Florence, Alabama as an assistant professor of sociology. Prior to this, he was a post doctoral researcher with the Mississippi Health Policy Research Center at Mississippi State's Social Science Research Center (SSRC). His work focuses on stratification, labor market attainment, migration, and study of marginalized people. He will begin his position in the Fall of 2004. We at the SSRC will miss him and wish him the best.

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"DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH" SPECIAL COLLECTION ON MORTALITY

Today we are very proud to announce the publication of our journal's second "special collection".

Thirteen contributions plus an introduction have just been released in the collection "Determinants of Diverging Trends in Mortality." The papers in this special collection were presented at the seminar "Determinants of Diverging Trends in Mortality", held at MPIDR, Rostock on 19-21 of June, 2002. The seminar was organized by the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research and the Committee on Emerging Health Threats of the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population. While each paper has been reviewed and accepted on its own merits, the editors have made sure that the papers complimented each other and provide a broad picture of the work done.

The special collection can be found in the section of our website at: <http://www.demographic-research.org> titled "Special Collections". Clicking on "Special Collections" will take you to the section, where you will find this group of papers by clicking on "S2" or on the title.

The publications from a special collection can also be accessed from the "Articles" page of the journal if you sort by keyword, author, or type. This ensures that readers searching for a certain author or a specific topic will be able to find entries without having to run two searches.

We wish you good reading and hope that this special collection will be of interest to you and your work.

Wishing you a good week,
Jana Tetzlaff

Assistant Managing Editor

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"DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH" SPECIAL COLLECTION ON EUROPEAN FERTILITY"

Dear Readers:

Once again, we have published a "special collection" of papers in the online journal Demographic Research. This third collection is indeed "special", as it has been dedicated to our Editor, Jan M. Hoem, on the occasion of his 65th birthday as a surprise gift. The collection is titled "Contemporary Research on European Fertility: Perspectives and Developments" and contains ten articles as well as a Preface by our Publisher, James W. Vaupel, and an Introduction by the project editors. A complete list of the contents is at the bottom of this e-mail message.

The editors of this collection, Gunnar Andersson and Gerda Neyer, began work on this project well over a year ago in order to ensure that all contributions would go through the review process and final editing would be completed before Prof. Hoem's birthday. The collection was presented to him during a workshop held in his honor at the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research in Rostock, Germany this past weekend. Since Prof. Hoem was not supposed to know that his colleagues and staff were working on this collection as a gift for him, we have held off notifying our readers until today, so as not to ruin the surprise.

This collection can now be found in the "Special Collections" section of our website. To find the papers, please enter the journal website by going to the screen where you see our current Volume 10 displayed. At the top you will see sorting options by Author | Keyword | Type. Under these options are the choices "view all volumes | view special collections". By clicking on the "special collections" option, you will see all three collections listed. You can access the papers by clicking on either of the blue links provided. The Preface by Prof. Vaupel is attached to the Introduction and can be found by clicking on the number "S3-1" and looking under "Additional files".

As always, we wish you interesting reading and a wonderful week.

Regards,

Renée Flibotte-Lüskow
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<http://www.demographic-research.org>

P.S. As a note for our readers who read German, we would also like to let you know that the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research and the Vienna Institute for Demography have jointly launched an information letter called "Demografische Forschung Aus Erster Hand". This is also published online and is available free of charge. Please visit their website at: <http://www.demografische-forschung.org>

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HUD Special Tabulations

From: HUD USER News

The Economic and Market Analysis Division (EMAD) "Special Tabulations" data retrieval system contains data from the 1990 Census and 2000 Census. This system produces tabular statistical summaries of counts of households by tenure, by income intervals, by age of householder, by size of household, by housing conditions as of the 1990 Census and the 2000 Census, for select geographic areas in the United States. This system allows a user to extract data for both 1990 and 2000 to conduct a longitudinal analysis of changes in a particular area.

These special cross tabulations of decennial census data are the most detailed available for a qualitative analysis of housing demand based on incomes and age of householder. These data are a key element in the allocation formulae for the Section 8 and the Section 202 rental assistance programs, as well as a key element in EMAD qualitative demand market analysis activities for review of program applications and multifamily mortgage insurance applications submitted to FHA.

These data have been developed for the assistance and guidance of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in its operations. However, the information contained therein may also prove useful to planners, developers, appraisers, third-party market analysts and mortgagees, and others concerned with local housing conditions. These data do not purport to make determinations regarding the acceptability of any particular mortgage insurance or rental assistance proposals that may be under consideration in a particular locality or the housing market area.

These data are presently available nowhere else. The 1990 data were extracted from the 1990 Decennial Census Summary Tape File 4 Tables HB59 and HB60. The 2000 data were extracted from the 2000 Decennial Census by the Bureau of the Census under an inter-agency agreement especially for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The system contains data for all counties and county equivalents in the United States, places with populations of 50,000 (subject to disclosure requirements), the nation, all states and the District of Columbia, and MSAs and PMSAs (except those in New England) based on the 1999 OMB definitions in effect at the time of the 2000 Census. Year 2000 data are also provided for selected areas in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

A detailed description of the exact content and format of the data base is presented in the Help section of the system.

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You can view the Special Tabulations on HUDUSER.org at <http://www.huduser.org/datasets/spectabs.html> Questions regarding these data and the system may be addressed to Mr. Bruce D. Atkinson at 202-708-0590 and at mailto:Bruce_D._Atkinson@hud.gov.

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RAND Health Newsletter

1. February Congressional newsletter. This issue focused on rising disability among the young, quality of care for very low birth weight infants, and the role of schools in responding to bioterrorism.

February issue:

<http://www.rand.org/publications/newsletters/health/0204/issue.pdf>

Back issues: <http://www.rand.org/health/healthpub.html>

2. Syndromic surveillance systems. Syndromic surveillance systems are intended to identify incidents of bioterrorism rapidly by detecting symptoms rather than confirmed diagnoses. However, the benefits of these systems haven't yet been clearly established.

Summary of key findings: <http://www.rand.org/publications/RB/RB9042/>

Citation: Stoto MA, Schonlau M, Mariano LT. Syndromic Surveillance: Is It Worth the Effort? *Chance*, Vol. 17, No. 1, 2004, pp. 19-24.

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3. Hospice care and Medicare costs. Contrary to the traditional view, patients who choose hospice care cost the federal Medicare system more than patients who use only traditional medical care.

Press release: <http://www.rand.org/news/press.04/02.16.html>

Abstract on journal's site:

<http://www.annals.org/cgi/content/abstract/140/4/269>

Citation: Campbell DE, Lynn, Lynn J, Louis TA, Shugarman LR. Medicare Program Expenditures Associated with Hospice Use, *Annals of Internal Medicine*, Vol. 140, No. 4, 2004, pp. 269-277.

More on end-of-life care: <http://www.rand.org/health/researchareas/endoflifecare.html>

4. Disagreement about what constitutes a health emergency. Disputes over coverage for emergency department services account for about half of appeals in two large health maintenance organizations. Enrollees win more than 90% of the appeals, suggesting that adjudicators disagree about what constitutes a health emergency.

Full text of article:

http://www2.us.elsevierhealth.com/scripts/om.dll/serve?action=get-media&id=as0196064403006371&trueID=pdf_s0196064403006371&location=jem04432&type=pdf&name=x.pdf

Citation: Gresenz CR, Studdert DM. Disputes Over Coverage of Emergency Department Services: A Study of Two Health Maintenance Organizations *Annals of Emergency Medicine*, Vol. 32, No. 2, Feb 2004, pp. 155-162.

5. Substance abuse and teen marriage: The likelihood of getting married before the age of 20 reflects a propensity for risk taking, rather than the effect of drug or alcohol abuse on judgment.

Abstract: http://www.rand.org/health/feature/maternal/martino_012904.html

Citation: Martino SC, Collins RL, Ellickson PL. Substance Use and Early Marriage, *Journal of Marriage and Family*, Vol. 66, Feb 2004, pp. 244-257.

More on adolescent smoking: <http://www.rand.org/publications/RB/RB4547/>

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6. Helping children traumatized by community violence. Cognitive-Behavioral Intervention for Trauma in Schools (CBITS) is a skills-based approach to relieving depression and anxiety among students who exhibit symptoms of trauma. The manual describing the program has just been published.

Overview of the program: <http://www.rand.org/publications/RB/RB4557.1/>

Citation: Jaycox LH. CBITS: Cognitive-Behavioral Intervention for Trauma in Schools, Sopris West, Longmont, CO, 2003, 112 pages.

Link to publisher's site:

<http://www.sopriswest.com:80/swstore/product.asp?sku=900>

7. Empowering community coalitions to prevent substance abuse. Substance abuse prevention programs can improve community health, but implementing programs can be challenging. This recent publication provides step-by-step guidelines to help community coalitions plan, implement, and evaluate substance abuse prevention programs.

Full text of manual: <http://www.rand.org/publications/TR/TR101/>

Citation: Chinman M, Immm P, Wandersman A. Getting to Outcomes 2004: Promoting Accountability Through Methods and Tools for Planning, Implementation, and Evaluation TR-101-CDC, 2004.

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