

APPLIED DEMOGRAPHY

Population Association of America – Committee on Applied Demography Newsletter

MOTOWN SOUNDS

CAD Activities for PAA 2009

By Stephen Lilley
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Applied demographers are looking forward to the 2009 annual meetings of the Population Association of America, to be held in Detroit April 29 – May 2. Please plan to attend the business meeting of the Committee on Applied Demography (CAD) and other CAD-sponsored sessions of interest to applied demographers listed below.

Committee on Applied Demography Business Meeting

Wednesday, April 29, 4:00-6:00 PM
(Cabot, Level 4)

Topics for discussion include next year's meeting in Dallas, the applied demography reception, our newsletter, the CAD website, and the PAA's strategic planning efforts.

Applied Demography Reception

Thursday, April 30, 6:30-8:00 PM
(Cartier, Level 4)

Sponsored again by the Annie E. Casey Foundation and the Population Reference Bureau, the reception offers a great opportunity for applied demographers to network and socialize. Students, faculty, and practitioners from government, nonprofit organizations, and business can meet, greet friends and colleagues, and mingle with the wide variety of members interested in applied demography. There will be complimentary hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

Applied Demography Breakfast

Friday, May 1, 7:00-8:20 AM
(Cartier, Level 4)

Tickets for this event are \$26 and may be purchased as part of the PAA registration.

This year's keynote speaker is Mr. Tom Mesenbourg, acting director of the U.S. Census Bureau. Besides being acting director, Mr. Mesenbourg is also the Bureau's deputy director and chief operating officer. He has the daily responsibility for directing all the Census Bureau's diverse programs as well as its administrative functions. Previously, Mr. Mesenbourg served as associate director for economic programs at the Bureau. In 2004, he was the recipient of a Presidential Rank Award for Distinguished Senior Executives, government's highest award for career executives. He joined the Census Bureau in 1972 and lives in La Plata, Md., with his wife, Faith. They have two daughters and one grandchild.



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Applied Demography Sessions

The sessions listed below are sponsored by CAD and should be of particular interest to applied demographers. Attendance at these sessions is important in allocating slots on next year's PAA program, so please show your support.

Thursday, April 30**1:30 – 3:20 PM – Session 51: “Subnational Estimates, Projections and Forecasts”**

Chair: Qian Cai, University of Virginia

Discussant: Paul R. Voss, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

1. An Alternative K-12 Enrollment Forecast for Older Neighborhoods (Shelley Lapkoff, Lapkoff & Gobalet Demographic Research, Inc.)
2. Projecting Smaller Geographies With the Cohort Component Model: Methods and Utility of Clustering (Joseph Salvo, New York City Department of City Planning; Peter Lobo, New York City Department of City Planning; Adam Willett, New York City Department of City Planning)
3. Subcounty Population Forecast Accuracy: An Analysis Beyond Size and Growth (Stefan Rayer, University of Florida; Stanley K. Smith, University of Florida)
4. 3, 2 or 1 State Solutions: Israeli-Palestinian Population Projections (Joseph Chamie, Center for Migration Studies)

3:30 – 5:20 PM – Session 60: “Case Studies in Applied Demography”

Chair: Stephen J. Tordella, Decision Demographics

Discussant: Jack Baker, University of New Mexico

1. Considerations for Householder-Based Estimation Processes Using the American Community Survey: A Case Study of the Nielsen TV Ratings (Jonathan D. Stringfield, Nielsen Media Research; Christine Pierce, Nielsen Media Research)
2. Deer Hunter Demography: An Age-Period-Cohort Approach to Population Projections (Richelle Winkler, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Jennifer Huck, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Keith Warnke, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources)
3. What U.S. Census 2000 Data Tell Us About The Number of Children Per Housing Unit (Jeanne Gobalet, Lapkoff & Gobalet Demographic Research, Inc.)
4. Assessing the Impact of Online Application on Florida's Food Stamp Caseload (Colleen M. Heflin, University of Missouri-Columbia; Peter R. Mueser, University of Missouri-Columbia)

Friday, May 1**12:30 – 2:20 PM – Session 121: “Impact of Demographic Change on Organizations”**

Chair: Tomas Kucera, Charles University, Prague

Discussant: Oksana Leukhina, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

1. Demographic Change: A Security Risk for Germany? Projection of the Quantitative and Qualitative Military Manpower Supply in the Year 2030 (Wenke Apt, Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research)
2. Librarian Retirements Loom Large (Tom E. Godfrey, Decision Demographics; Stephen J. Tordella, Decision Demographics)
3. How the 2006 Special Attrition Package Reshaped General Motors (Katharine A. Frohardt-Lane, General Motors; Hallie J. Kintner, University of Michigan; Dana B. Kamerud, General Motors)
4. The Impact of Diversity on Organizational Performance (Martha Farnsworth Riche, Cornell University)

Saturday, May 2**12:30 – 2:20 PM – Session 186: “Using the ACS in Applied Demography”**

Chair: Mark S. Mather, Population Reference Bureau (PRB)

Discussant: Edward J. Spar, Council of Professional Associations on Federal Statistics (COPAFS)

1. Using the ACS to Enhance Population Segmentation for the Census 2010 Integrated Communications Program (Linda A. Jacobsen, Population Reference Bureau [PRB])
 2. An Evaluation of the Consistency of Subcounty Estimates of Population Based on the American Community Survey and the Population Estimates Program (Gregory Robinson, U.S. Census Bureau)
 3. Risk Factors for Children in U.S. States and Metropolitan Areas: Data from the 2007 American Community Survey (Robert Kominski, U.S. Census Bureau; Diana B. Elliott, U.S. Census Bureau; Molly Clever, University of Maryland)
 4. Using the ACS to Document Child Well-Being (Bill O'Hare, Annie E. Casey Foundation)
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O'HARE APPOINTED TO COMMITTEE ON APPLIED DEMOGRAPHY

By Stephen Lilley
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Kathleen Mullan Harris, 2009 President of PAA, has appointed William P. O'Hare (Annie E. Casey Foundation) to the Committee on Applied Demography to replace Linda Jacobsen (Population Reference Bureau [PRB]), whose term ended in December 2008. Linda has worked tirelessly for the committee for several years and all of us appreciate what she has done.

Welcome, Bill!

Over the past 30 years, **William P. O'Hare's** work has been defined by the use of statistical data to elevate the needs of disadvantaged populations such as children, the poor, and racial minorities on the public agenda. That work has also involved working closely with the media and policy makers.

From 1993 to 2005, Dr. O'Hare directed the KIDS COUNT project at the Annie E. Casey Foundation. Since 2005, he has been a consultant to the Foundation, working on KIDS COUNT and related data-based projects.

From 1991 to 1993, Dr. O'Hare directed the Population and Public Policy Program at the University of Louisville, where he worked closely with Kentucky's KIDS COUNT organization. From 1978 to 1991 he worked at several non-profit research and education organizations in Washington, D.C., including the Population Reference Bureau (where he helped put together the first *KIDS COUNT Data Book*), the Joint Center for Political Studies, and the National Social Science and Law Center. During the 1980-1981 academic year, he received a Fulbright scholarship to teach at the University of San Carlos in Cebu, Philippines.

Dr. O'Hare served on the Census Bureau's Professional Organization Advisory Committee from 1997 to 2003 and he currently serves on the Census Advisory Committee for the 2010 Census.

He has published numerous scholarly articles, working papers, and monographs over his career, and he has been quoted extensively in the press. He has served in numerous professional organizations and he was President of the Southern Demographic Association in 1992-1993. He has testified in Congressional hearings and he is a qualified expert witness on voting rights matters in the federal court system. From 1985 to 1995 he was a contributing editor to *American Demographics* magazine. He is also a founding member of the International Society for Child Indicators, where he is currently on the Steering Committee.

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CENSUS BUREAU NEWS

Search Continues for Census Bureau Director, Controversy Over White House Role in 2010 Census, Stimulus Includes Money for Census

Taken from *Census News Briefs* and other news reports

With just over a year to go before the U.S. Census Bureau conducts the 2010 Census, there is no Census Bureau director in place—and stakeholders are becoming increasingly nervous.

Both House and Senate leaders charged with Census Bureau oversight have urged the Obama administration to name a director as soon as possible. In a January 28 letter, Sen. Thomas Carper (D-Del.), chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security (part of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs), noted that the Government Accountability Office (GAO) has designated the 2010 Census as a “high risk” program and called on the President to make its ultimate success “a top priority of your Administration.” A joint February 12 statement by Rep. Edolphus Towns (D-N.Y.), chairman of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and Rep. William Lacy Clay (D-Mo.), chairman of the House Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, expressed their concerns about census planning.

Stakeholders outside Capitol Hill also have spoken out. A group of organizations (including PAA, the Association of Population Centers, and the Council of Professional Associations for Federal Statistics) sent a letter on February 2 to White House chief of staff Rahm Emanuel. And in a February 19 podcast interview with *New York Times* reporter Sam Roberts, former Census Bureau director Kenneth Prewitt (a top candidate to return to his former job before withdrawing his name from consideration) noted the need for a director who can easily make major decisions, and that “anything that prevents the Census Bureau from addressing the large operational challenges is going to result in a less complete count.” In the meantime, Thomas Mesenbourg, the Bureau’s deputy director and chief operating officer (both career positions), is serving as acting director.

2010 Census: Concerns Over White House Role

Meanwhile, controversy has arisen over the line of authority for the 2010 Census. Early in February, the Obama administration announced that senior White House officials would be more closely involved with census preparations—along with the Secretary of Commerce (whose department oversees the Bureau). The decision arose when several census stakeholders expressed concern over the nomination of Sen. Judd Gregg (R-N.H.) as commerce secretary due to his past opposition to funding for the 2000 census and the department itself. (Sen. Gregg withdrew his name from consideration February 12.)

Although the administration has stressed that this increased White House oversight would leave intact both Commerce’s jurisdiction and existing Congressional oversight over the Census Bureau, the plan has upset House Republican leaders. Republican members of both the Oversight and Government Reform Committee and the Energy and Commerce Committee have expressed concern over the “potential politicization” of the Bureau. Also, House Republican leader John Boehner (Ohio) has announced the creation of a census task force composed of GOP lawmakers from three committees—Judiciary; Administration; and Oversight and Government Reform—to keep watch. (Rep. Lynn Westmoreland of Georgia, a member of the Oversight and Government Reform Committee, will chair the task force.)

In a February 12 story on the *Washington Post* website, the Census Bureau directors who oversaw the last three decennial head counts—Vincent Barabba (1980), Barbara Everitt Bryant (1990), and Dr. Prewitt (2000)—used their experiences to give their thoughts. All three agreed that coordination with White House staff on budgetary and outreach matters was appropriate—provided that data collection and analysis were kept separate.

Designated Funds for Census in Economic Stimulus Package

On February 17, President Obama signed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, a \$787 billion economic stimulus plan designed to jump-start the ailing U.S. economy. Included in the package is \$1 billion designated for the 2010 Census. The Census Bureau is planning to use about \$220 million to recruit partnership specialists and expand advertising—particularly in historically hard-to-enumerate areas. How the Bureau plans to spend the remaining funds is less clear.

EDITOR’S NOTE: Detailed information about developments affecting the Census Bureau is available from Census News Briefs, which are prepared by Terri Ann Lowenthal, a consultant to the nonpartisan Census Project, an initiative sponsored by the Communications Consortium Media Center in Washington, D.C. News Briefs are posted on the Project’s website (www.thecensusproject.org), and users may direct questions to Ms. Lowenthal at TerriAnn2K@aol.com.

Stakeholders also can keep up with developments through PAA’s Public Affairs Committee (www.popassoc.org/PublicAffairsCommittee.html). Users may get on the list to receive news and action alerts by contacting PAA Public Affairs Specialist Mary Jo Hoeksema at paaapc@crosslink.net.

DEER HUNTER DEMOGRAPHY

Age, Period, and Cohort Analysis of Trends in Hunter Participation in Wisconsin

By: Richelle Winker and Jennifer Huck, University of Wisconsin-Madison
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EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article is a condensed version of a paper that earned the E. Walter Terrie award as the outstanding applied demography paper presented at the 2008 Southern Demographic Association meetings in Greenville, S.C. The paper will be presented at this year's PAA meetings in Detroit as part of the "Case Studies in Applied Demography" session (see the front page article for session date and time.)

The Case

This brief is the result of a study undertaken by the Applied Population Laboratory at the University of Wisconsin-Madison at the request of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR), Wildlife Management. The object of the study was to analyze trends in resident deer hunter participation and to project the hunter population to 2030. The deer herd in the state of Wisconsin is largely kept in check by private hunters who purchase licenses and kill deer each fall. However, purchases of deer hunting licenses by Wisconsin hunters have declined almost 7 percent in the last eight years, a point of concern for the WDNR.

Recent Trends in the Deer Hunting Population

The primary data used in this analysis are WDNR records of deer hunting licenses sold to residents of Wisconsin annually between 2000 and 2007. In order to generate participation rates from these counts, we draw on estimates of the total Wisconsin population by single year of age and sex generated by the Applied Population Laboratory.¹ We examined participation rates by age, sex, and type of license (gun or archer) annually between 2000 and 2007. Male gun hunter participation rates declined steadily at almost every age between 2000 and 2007. Hunters over age 65 were the exception, experiencing increasing rates. Figure 1 (page 6) displays male gun hunter participation rates by age.

Females make up a small but growing percentage of the gun hunter population. In 2007, there were 50,625 female gun hunters, making up just over 8 percent of the gun hunting population in the state. Rates of participation by age for female gun hunters show a pattern of change that is almost opposite that of males. Participation of young females increased considerably. At the same time, participation rates for females over age 30 remained stable or declined slightly. Figure 2 (page 6) displays female gun hunter participation rates by age.

Age-Period-Cohort (APC) Analysis and Application to the Deer Hunter Case

For this study, we wanted to directly address the effects of age, period, and cohort. The complication with an age-period-cohort analysis is that these factors work together simultaneously, making it difficult to separate effects caused by each individual component. In order to isolate the effects of age, period, and cohort and to individually examine each, we implemented an Age-Period-Cohort (APC) statistical analysis aimed at understanding how each of these factors works independently to impact the Wisconsin deer hunting population. Statistical estimation of APC models has long been plagued by what has been called the "identification problem," whereby separating the effects of age, period, and cohort is difficult because they are linearly related to one another so that period equals age plus cohort (Yang et al. 2008). We address this issue by following Yang et al.'s (2008) Intrinsic Estimator (IE) approach. Estimated independent age and cohort effects are considerably stronger than estimated period effects. Age effects suggest that young people below age 19 are particularly likely to hunt, while people at the oldest ages are the least likely to hunt. Age does not diminish the likelihood of male gun hunters to participate until age 68 and female gun hunters until age 60.

Cohort effects for female gun hunters particularly stand out and are opposite those of males. Females who reached age 12 in 1969 and later are more likely to hunt than their predecessors, and this likelihood has steadily increased for each subsequent cohort of women so that for the last 10 years, female cohorts have been considerably more likely to hunt than women who came before. This change represents a substantial shift in the likelihood of newer cohorts of women to hunt and should be expected to have significant impacts on the female hunter population over the next several years.

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¹ Wisconsin population estimates and projections from 2000-2030 were generated by Professor Paul Voss at the Applied Population Laboratory, University of Wisconsin-Madison, in May 2007.

Figure 1
Male Gun Hunter Participation Rates, 2000-2007

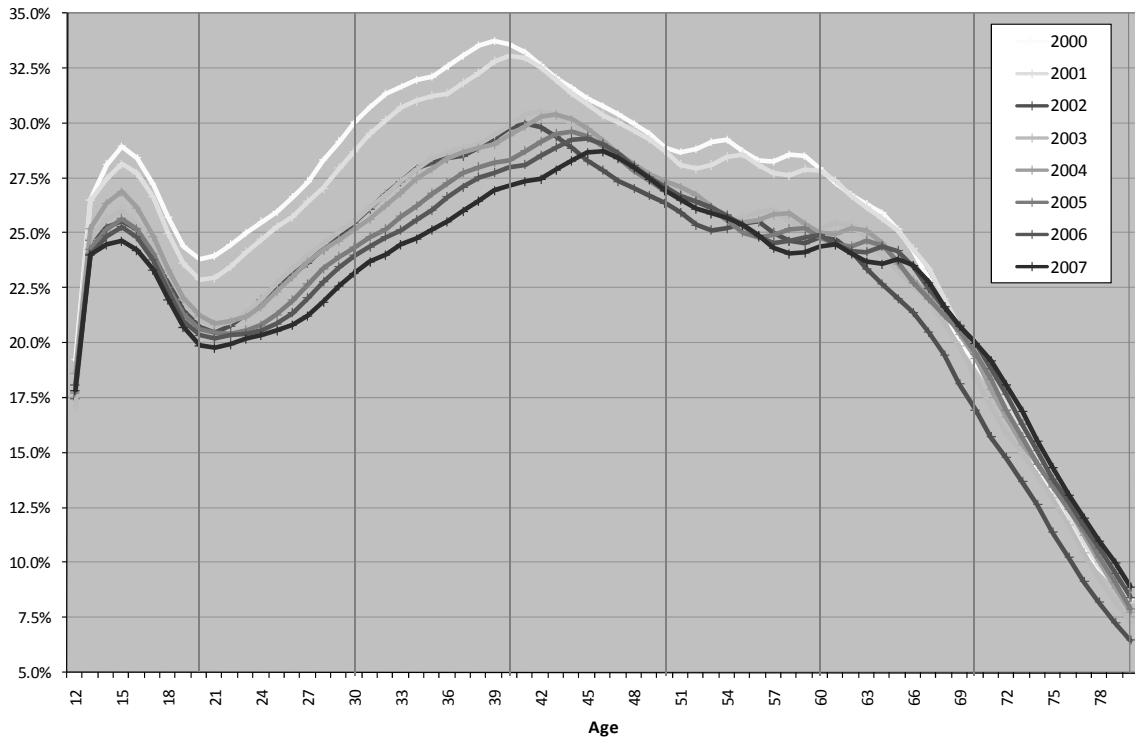
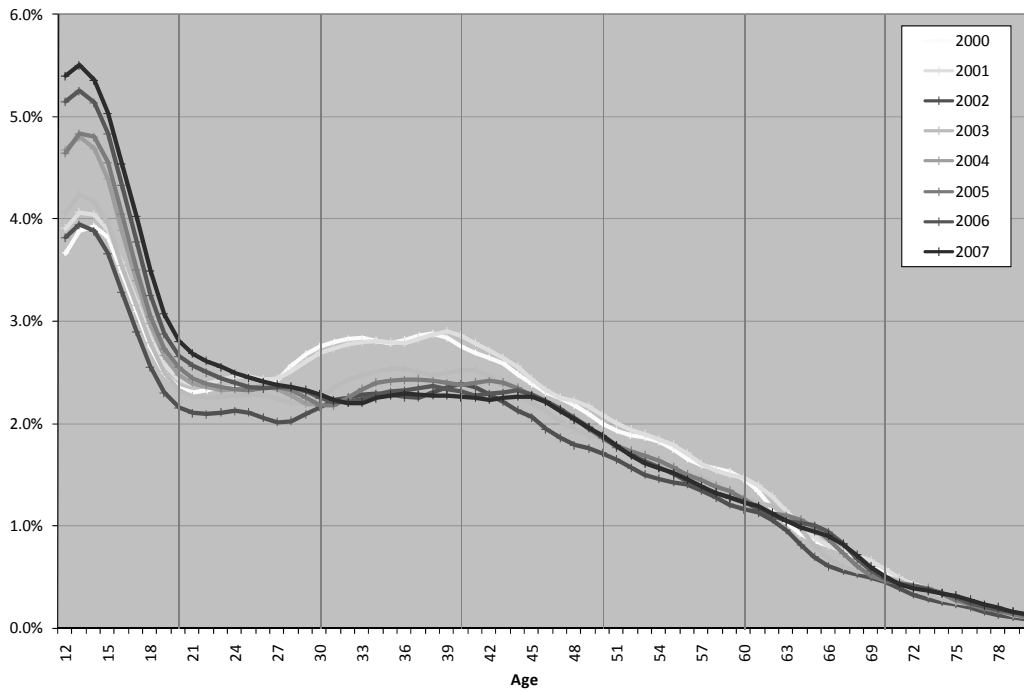


Figure 2
Female Gun Hunter Participation Rates, 2000-2007



Source: Authors' analysis of data from Applied Population Laboratory, University of Wisconsin-Madison; and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Management.

Deer Hunter Demography

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Period effects, while overall not as strong as cohort or age effects, reflect a decreased likelihood to hunt in 2002 with the discovery of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) in the Wisconsin herd and an overall decline in the likelihood to hunt for male and female gun hunters between 2000 and 2007, controlling for age and cohort effects that continued after the drop in 2002.² This decline might be explained by economic, social, environmental, and/or policy-related changes over the last several years.

Population Projections Using an Age-Period-Cohort Approach

In order to provide the WDNR with well-conceptualized projections of future deer hunters, we applied APC estimates generated using Yang et al.'s IE model to predict future hunter participation rates in the state of Wisconsin. We then applied these rates to the projected future age/sex/race composition of the state in order to project future numbers of deer hunters. While the APC IE model is intended to estimate effects in the past, we follow the advice of Hobcraft, Menken, and Preston (1982) to "model the observed trend and continue it into the future."

Projections of the male gun hunter population suggest that the number of future male gun hunters will decrease considerably, from around 550,000 hunters in 2007 to 436,000 hunters in 2030. The APC model assumes that participation rates of the Baby Boom generation will remain relatively high as this group ages until at least age 70, but that declining period effects and lower participation rates of younger cohorts will lead to hunter decline.

The APC model suggests that the number of female gun hunters will increase considerably in the coming years. The model projects an increase from about 50,000 hunters in 2007 to 73,000 hunters in 2030.

Comments

We are confident about the results of the APC projection. For male and female gun hunters, the results from the APC model and a separate survival ratio model are similar. For male gun hunters, both models project decline, while both models project increase for female gun hunters.

Three important benefits of the APC model are apparent. First, it forces the analyst to consider the potential impact of age, period, and cohort effects both independent of and in conjunction with one another. This theorizing process lends important insight for making assumptions in projection models of future populations, and generally offers a deeper understanding of population change. Second, the APC model is better able to capture the independent effects of age, period, and cohort in conjunction with one another than traditional share or cohort component models. Finally, the APC model offers the most intuitive means for making theory-based adjustments to age, period, and/or cohort effects independently of one another based on different assumptions about the future.

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AUTHORS' NOTE: To find out more about the projection results and to read the full report, please visit www.apl.wisc.edu and select "Publications." On the "Publications" page, please search under "Briefs and Reports" for a short, WDNR-focused brief, or under "Research Papers" for the full-scale working paper.

² Chronic wasting disease (CWD) is a contagious degenerative disease found in deer and elk that is transferred from animal to animal through close contact. The likelihood that CWD can be passed to humans remains unclear, and for this reason, some hunters have at times chosen not to hunt because they do not feel safe eating venison that could be infected.

POSITION OPENINGS AND PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVANCED SPATIAL ANALYSIS WORKSHOPS (Summer 2009)

The Population Research Institute (Pennsylvania State University) and the Center for Spatially Integrated Social Science (University of California, Santa Barbara) are offering workshops this summer as part of their training program in Advanced Spatial Analysis. These five-day-long workshops focus on advanced methods for research in the population sciences. (The program is funded by the National Institute for Child Health and Human Development [NICHD].)

The primary audience for these advanced workshops is early-career population scientists (i.e., graduate students, post-docs, and junior faculty/researchers in demography-related disciplines) based at research institutions and population-related agencies in the United States. The workshops are for population scientists who already possess a working knowledge of geographic information systems (GIS) and spatial statistics, and who use these tools in their research. The workshops are:

Spatial & Multilevel Modeling

State College, Pa.

Population Research Institute, Pennsylvania State University (www.pop.psu.edu)

June 21–26, 2009

Instructors: Kelvyn Jones (University of Bristol, U.K.) and S.V. (Subu) Subramanian (Harvard University) are leading specialists in applications of multilevel statistical methods in health research and are the co-developers of a training manual to assist researchers in multilevel modeling using the *MLwiN* program for fitting data with complex hierarchical and non-hierarchical structures. Stephen Matthews (Principal Investigator for the Advanced Spatial Analysis NICHD training program) is the workshop coordinator at Penn State.

Through a mix of lectures and computer-based sessions, this workshop will offer a training experience in the concepts and applications of multilevel statistical modeling, particularly in a spatial and demographic context.

Spatial Regression Modeling

Santa Barbara, Calif.

Center for Spatially Integrated Social Science, University of California, Santa Barbara (www.csiss.org)

July 12–17, 2009

Instructors: Paul R. Voss (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) and Katherine Curtis (University of Wisconsin–Madison) are authorities on applications of spatial statistical modeling in demography. Michael Goodchild and Donald Janelle are the workshop coordinators at UC Santa Barbara.

This workshop will review applications of spatial regression, providing participants with experience in using *GeoDa* and *R* software for exploratory spatial data analysis (ESDA) and spatial econometric modeling. Participants will have opportunities to apply these tools in their own empirical research.

Scholarship Support

There are no fees for participating in the Advanced Spatial Analysis Workshops. Participants are encouraged to seek funding from their own institutions and advisors to cover transportation, lodging, meals, books, and access to a laptop computer. Scholarships (limited to \$500) will be available for all qualifying applicants, with priority given to graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. Federal employees and those in the private sector are not eligible for scholarships.

Application Process

More detailed information about the workshops and the requirements for applicants can be found at www.csiss.org/GISPopSci. Interested persons can apply online at www.csiss.org/GISPopSci/workshops/2009/apply/. The deadline for applications is **March 31, 2009**. (Applicants will be notified by April 15, and those who have been accepted will need to confirm their participation by April 22.)

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, CARL VINSON INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENT Applied Demographer

The Carl Vinson Institute of Government at the University of Georgia invites applications and nominations for a public service faculty position as an Applied Demographer within the new Applied Demography Program. This program is within the Governmental Services and Research Division. The position will remain available until a qualified person is identified. Salary is competitive and commensurate with experience. Masters degree or equivalent in demography, sociology, geography, economics, or city/urban planning is required. The successful candidate must possess strong knowledge and experience in demographic analysis, regional economics, and statistical forecasting skills. This position will report directly to the Program Director and will spend considerable time working directly with state and local officials, both elected, appointed, and staff. Thus, it is critical that the candidate possess the desire, ability, and experience to interact in a very positive and supportive manner with these important customers of the Institute. Letters of recommendation and information provided in the submission of the application for the position should show evidence of such experience. The selected candidate will be expected to work as part of a team on public management and policy issues with special emphasis in the area of demography. The position involves consulting with local governments and state agencies; conducting applied research for individual cities, counties, associations of local government officials, and the state legislature; and preparing monographs, reports, and other publications that address practitioner/policymaker needs, with an emphasis on demography. The Vinson Institute is part of the University of Georgia's public service and outreach program.

Compensation will be determined by the qualifications and experience of the successful applicant. Nominations and applications should include a cover letter, a résumé/vita, and three letters of recommendation, and should be postmarked by **March 31, 2009**, addressed to Deputy Director, Carl Vinson Institute of Government, The University of Georgia, 201 North Milledge Avenue, Athens, GA 30602-5482 (please note "Applied Demographer Position" on outside of envelope).

No electronic submissions will be accepted. Candidates selected for an interview will be requested to consent to a background investigation.

The University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution.

APPLIED DEMOGRAPHY RECEPTION

The Annie E. Casey Foundation and the Population Reference Bureau
invite you to the annual
Applied Demography Reception
where the focus is networking.

You will have the opportunity to talk with Applied Demographers working in various fields such as
**Federal Government, State and Local Government,
Academia, Business, and Non-Profit**



Complimentary hors d'oeuvres and cash bar.

WHEN: Thursday, April 30, from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

WHERE: Cartier, Level 4
Detroit Marriott Renaissance Hotel

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY, MS-DEMOGRAPHY PROGRAM Seeking Summer Internships for Their Students

Florida State University's MS-Demography program is searching for summer internships for the 10 students currently enrolled. The program seeks the assistance of everyone on the applied demography field in finding opportunities for this new group of young professionals.

The students in the program would possess the set of technical skills and personal qualities almost any organization would need. Paid internships are preferred, particularly since relocation will most likely be required.

If your organization has data the students could analyze for you and also use for their master's papers at Florida State, this would be great from all points of view. Mentoring by professionals in an applied project is a key aspect of the students' future development. Most of them entered the university's one-year program this past August, and they are scheduled to complete all requirements for the MS degree in August 2009. Internships also provide for a de facto 13-week job interview, which also is great for all concerned.

There are no "hard and fast" dates regarding timing, but the sooner these internships are lined up, the better for all concerned.

To discuss any possible internship, further details, or questions, please contact:

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FEDERAL COMMITTEE ON STATISTICAL METHODOLOGY Call for Papers – 2009 Research Conference

The 2009 Federal Committee on Statistical Methodology (FCSM) Research Conference will be held November 2-4, 2009 in Washington, D.C. The conference provides a forum for experts from around the world to discuss and exchange current research and methodological topics relevant to federal government statistical programs. Possible topics include:

- Questionnaire design issues
- Improving coverage and response rates
- Data editing
- Variance estimation
- Sample design and estimation
- Census and survey evaluation methodologies
- Data mining, warehousing, and metadata
- Use of data in policymaking

More information—including a more complete list of potential topics—is available by visiting the FCSM website at www.fcsm.gov/events. Abstracts are due to FCSM by **April 10, 2009**, and may be submitted online at www.fcsm.gov/cgi-bin/conference/submissions.

ICPSR SUMMER PROGRAM

Workshop in Longitudinal Analysis of Historical Demographic Data

The Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) is offering a four-week workshop in the longitudinal analysis of historical demographic data. The workshop, supported by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, will take place July 20–August 14, 2009 at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor (pending final funding approval by NIH).

About the Course

Historical demography is an interdisciplinary field with a long history of important contributions to population studies and to the understanding of the past. This research has revealed a great deal about fundamental demographic processes such as household and family dynamics, the transition to smaller family units, pre- and post-industrial population dynamics, the demographic transition, migration patterns, and demographic responses to economic stress. This four-week course will emphasize the use of event history analysis and data management of historical databases drawn from European, North American, and Asian populations. Longitudinal data will be employed to construct time-varying covariates and contextual variables for individuals, families, and households. Methodological issues such as censoring and incomplete information will also be addressed. More information about the course is available at www.icpsr.umich.edu/sumprog/historical-demography.html.

Application Procedures

Applications are competitive. Participants will be selected on the basis of their interest in the topical areas, prior methodological training, and potential for research contributions that promote longitudinal analysis. Participants should be familiar with quantitative methods, including regression analysis. Those who need preparation in statistics are advised to attend quantitative courses during the June–July session of the ICPSR Summer Program. A limited number of stipends (between US\$500 and US\$2,000) will be awarded to cover travel and other expenses. For those admitted to the workshop, no fee will be charged to attend the Longitudinal Analysis in Historical Demography course. Interested persons may apply online at www.icpsr.umich.edu/training/summer/, or at the ICPSR booth at the PAA meetings in Detroit. The deadline for applications is **May 4, 2009**.

Instructors

George Alter, University of Michigan
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 Glenn Deane, University at Albany, SUNY
 Myron P. Gutmann, University of Michigan
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Applied Demography – Call for Submissions

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 Have you got a groundbreaking publication that's just been released?
 Are you looking to hire a cracker-jack research assistant?

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