

## **Census on the Podium at the Joint Statistical Meetings in Vancouver**

***Presenters from the U.S., Canada, and the U.K. to discuss statistical issues of the censuses at the world's largest gathering of statisticians***

***[Note: Members of the press can register online to attend any of the conference sessions at <http://www.amstat.org/meetings/jsm/2010/index.cfm?fuseaction=pressregistration>]***

**ALEXANDRIA, VA (PRWEB) JULY 26, 2010** – The U.S. Census Bureau is currently in the midst of tabulating the results of the 2010 Census, and the U.K. and Canada are gearing up for their 2011 censuses. Meanwhile, at the Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM) in Vancouver, British Columbia, next week, statisticians from all three countries will be discussing various aspects of the census. JSM, the world's largest gathering of statisticians, will take place July 31 through August 5 at the Vancouver Convention Centre.

More than 150 speakers from the U.S. Census Bureau and StatisticsCanada, as well as from private-sector organizations, will participate in numerous JSM roundtables and other sessions on the census in both countries. Sessions are organized in two-hour timeframes, with several presentations of about 15 minutes, followed by Q&A; roundtables take place at breakfast or lunch.

Some of the census sessions are described below; additional sessions on this topic can be found in the JSM online program, where you can search on keyword -- census, American Community Survey – presenter, affiliation or activity number. Search at: <http://www.amstat.org/meetings/jsm/2010/onlineprogram/index.cfm?fuseaction=main>.

### **International Census Topics**

#### **Plans for Coverage Measurement of the Next Censuses in the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom – Activity 447**

Presenters from U.S. Census Bureau, Statistics Canada, Office for National Statistics UK, Institute of Education

There are four segments in this session:

- U.S. Census Coverage Measurement Demographic Analysis Plans
- U.S. Census Coverage Measurement Survey Plans
- Census-Coverage Studies in Canada: A History with Emphasis on the 2011 Census
- Coverage Assessment in the 2011 UK Census

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#### **The Measurement of Race and Ethnicity in the Censuses of Australia, Canada, and the United States: Parallels, Paradoxes, and Progressions – Activity 421**

Five sections present various aspects of the measurement of race and ethnicity:

- Not Simply Black and White: An Analysis of Attitudes Toward Interracial Relationships — Simone Anke Robers, American Institutes for Research
- Measurement Issues in Statistics Based on the 'Some Other Race' Category — Frank Hobbs, U.S. Census Bureau; Nicholas Jones, U.S. Census Bureau; Roberto Ramirez, U.S. Census Bureau
- The Measurement of Race and Ethnicity in the Censuses of Australia, Canada, and the United States: Parallels, Paradoxes, and Progressions — Gillian Stevens, University of Alberta; Hiromi

Ishizawa, The George Washington University; Douglas Grbic, Association of American Medical Colleges

- A Case Study of the Relative Differences in the Recording of Ethnicity in Birth Records and in the Census: The Hispanic Population of Los Angeles County, California — Matt Kaneshiro, University of California, Riverside; David A. Swanson, University of California, Riverside; Amanda Martinez, University of California, Riverside
- Estimating the Size of the Nonimmigrant Population Residing in the United States — Bryan C. Baker, U.S. Department of Homeland Security

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#### **Coverage Assessment in the 2011 UK Census – Activity 447**

- U.S. Census Coverage Measurement Demographic Analysis Plans — Jason Devine, U.S. Census Bureau
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#### **U.S. Census**

#### **Dollar for Dollar: Rating the Income Data from the American Community Survey – Activity #331**

- Dollar for Dollar: Rating the Income Data from the American Community Survey — John Czajka, Mathematica Policy Research, Inc.
- Health Insurance Estimates from the ACS: An Analysis of Directly Purchased Coverage — Victoria Lynch, The Urban Institute
- Health Insurance Estimates from the ACS: The Ability to Detect Difference at Small Levels of Geography — Jeanette Ziegenfuss, Mayo Clinic; Michel Boudreaux, University of Minnesota, SHADAC
- Health Insurance Estimates from the CPS vs. ACS: An Analysis of State-Specific Program Names — Joanne Pascale, U.S. Census Bureau
- Measuring Enrollment in Public Schools: Do American Community Survey Estimates Receive a Passing Grade? — Angelina N. KewalRamani, American Institutes for Research

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#### **A New Approach to Protect Confidentiality for Census Microdata with Missing Values – Activity 158**

- A New Approach to Protect Confidentiality for Census Microdata with Missing Values — Yajuan Si, Duke University; Jerome P. Reiter, Duke University
- Procedures to Reduce the Risk of Disclosure in Health Surveys — Meena Khare, National Center for Health Statistics; Joe Fred Gonzalez, Jr., National Center for Health Statistics; Peter Meyer, National Center for Health Statistics
- Disclosure Avoidance for Census 2010 and American Community Survey Five-Year Tabular Data Products — Laura Zayatz, U.S. Census Bureau; Paul Massell, U.S. Census Bureau; Jason Lucero, U.S. Census Bureau; Asoka Ramanayake, U.S. Census Bureau
- (In)Effectiveness of Independent Rounding of Discrete Tabular Data as Statistical Disclosure Control Strategy — Ramesh A. Dandekar, Energy Information Administration

- Data Access and Confidentiality Policies of the National Children's Study — Jennifer Park, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; Paymon Hashemi, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development  
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### **Introducing the 2020 Decennial Census – Activity 563**

- Rethinking the 2020 Census — Sally Obenski, U.S. Census Bureau; Elaine Reed, Mitre Corporation
- Qualitative Assessment of the 2010 Census — Frank Vitrano, U.S. Census Bureau; Frank Vitrano, U.S. Census Bureau
- Operational Design Options for the 2020 Census — James Treat, U.S. Census Bureau; James Treat, U.S. Census Bureau
- Policy and Communication Challenges for the 2020 Census — Christa Jones, U.S. Census Bureau

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### **What if the 2020 Census was the First Census: What would we do? – Activity 389**

Panelists: John E. Rolph, University of Southern California; Lawrence D. Brown, University of Pennsylvania; Joseph J. Salvo, New York City Department of City Planning; David A. Swanson, University of California, Riverside

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## **Canadian Census**

### **Evaluation of the Innovations Implemented in the 2009 Canadian Census Test – Activity 185**

- Evaluation of the Innovations Implemented in the 2009 Canadian Census Test — Jean-Francois Rodrigue, Statistics Canada; Danielle Lebrasseur, Statistics Canada; Jennifer Taylor, Statistics Canada; Jean-Pierre Morin, Statistics Canada
- GIS for Automated Case and Segment Assignment for In-Person Studies — Michael Latterner, NORC; Ned English, NORC
- What Can 179 Million Phone Calls Indicate About the Possibilities for the Future of Telephone Data Collection? — Daniel Evan Williams, Western Wats; Edward Paul Johnson, Opinion Outpost
- Characteristics of Falsified Interviews — Elizabeth Love, U.S. Census Bureau; Chrishelle Lawrence, U.S. Census Bureau
- Minimizing Survey Error Through Interviewer Training: New Procedures Applied to the National Health Interview Survey — James M. Dahlhamer, National Center for Health Statistics; Marcie L. Cynamon, National Center for Health Statistics; Jane F. Gentleman, National Center for Health Statistics; Andrea Piani, U.S. Census Bureau; Michael J. Weiler, U.S. Census Bureau

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### **Profiles of Responses over the 2006 Canadian Census Collection Period: What are the differences for early and late responses? – Activity 313**

- Profiles of Responses Over the 2006 Canadian Census Collection Period: What Are the Differences for Early and Late Responses? — Laurent Roy, Statistics Canada; Catherine Corriveau, Statistics Canada; Laura McFarlane, Statistics Canada
- Nonresponse in a Survey of Military Personnel: What Record Data Can Tell Us — Monica L. Wolford, U.S. Army Research Institute; Lynn M. Milan, U.S. Army Research Institute
- 2003 National Survey of College Graduates Nonresponse Bias Analysis — Michael White, U.S. Census Bureau

- Do Characteristics of RDD Survey Respondents Differ According to Difficulty of Obtaining Response? — Pheny Weidman, Bureau of Transportation Statistics
- Try, Try Again: Response and Nonresponse in the 2009 SCF Panel — Arthur B. Kennickell, Federal Reserve Board
- Assuming 'e' — Ashley Amaya, NORC; Gary Euler, National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases
- Experimenting with Pre-Contact Strategies for Reducing Nonresponse in an Economic Survey — Alfred David Tuttle, U.S. Census Bureau; Richard S. Hough, U.S. Census Bureau; Jeri Mulrow, National Science Foundation; Kenneth M. Pick, U.S. Census Bureau; Diane K. Willimack, U.S. Census Bureau

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#### **Census-Coverage Studies in Canada: A History with Emphasis on the 2011 Census – Activity 447**

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#### **Ensuring Data Quality in the 2011 Canadian Census – Activity 593**

- Coordinated Collection for Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI) — Lihua An, Statistics Canada; Guy Laflamme, Statistics Canada
- Probabilistic Approach to Editing — Maiki Ilves, Örebro University
- Evaluating Incentive Effects in the National Health Study for a New Generation of U.S. Veterans Survey — Pablo Aliaga, Health Research and Analysis; Steven Coughlin, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; Samar DeBakey, Health Research and Analysis; Patricia Vanderwolf, Abt SRBI; Shannon Barth, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; Stephanie Eber, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; Jessica Maillard, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; Meredith Williams, HMS Technologies; Aaron Schneiderman, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
- Respondent Incentives: Do They Bring Different Respondents to the Data Table? — Alicia M. Frasier, NORC; Heather M. Morrison, NORC; Kathleen B. Santos, NORC
- Estimating Nonsampling Errors in Estimates of Omissions and Erroneous Enumerations in the 2010 Census — Mary H. Mulry, U.S. Census Bureau; Bruce D. Spencer, Northwestern University
- Ensuring Data Quality in the 2011 Canadian Census — Yves Beland, Statistique Canada

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#### **About the Joint Statistical Meetings**

JSM, which has been held annually since 1974, is conducted jointly with the American Statistical Association (ASA), the International Biometric Society (ENAR and WNAR), the Institute of Mathematical Statistics (IMS), and the Statistical Society of Canada (SSC). JSM activities include oral presentations, panel sessions, poster presentations, continuing education courses, exhibit hall (with state-of-the-art statistical products and opportunities), career placement service, society and section business meetings, committee meetings, social activities, and networking opportunities. JSM is open to members of ASA, SSC, ENAR/WNAR,

and IMS, as well as non-members and has special pricing for students, seniors, K-12 teachers, and also offers one-day registrations. Complete JSM program information is available at <http://www.amstat.org/meetings/jsm/2010/index.cfm>.

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