



# Center for Public Information on Population Research

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## MISSION STATEMENT

The Center for Public Information on Population Research (CPIPR) at the Population Reference Bureau explains and publicizes the findings of population research and their implications. The Center serves the entire field of population sciences, by translating research into information that can be used by individuals, families, and decision makers in the public and private sectors.

## KEY AREAS OF RESEARCH

As primarily a dissemination center, our activities include:

- Writing background materials and research summaries to put new research into context for policy and media audiences.
- Organizing seminars, symposia, and professional development seminars on population topics with policy implications, and posting webcasts of seminars on the CPIPR website.
- Writing and disseminating web articles and news releases about recent demographic research highlighted in CPIPR seminars and symposia.
- Providing information services for the media and the public.
- Hosting online discussions and blogs to raise awareness of population issues and research findings in a global public audience.

New activities under development include:

- PRB-hosted online communities created from selected online discussions to provide a longer-term forum for discussions of population issues and research findings.
- Population Science for Decision Makers (PSD-Web), a new PRB web facility, that provides summaries of demographic trends and research results for key population-related policy issues and also links users to resources for more in-depth information.

## RECENT REGIONAL RESEARCH PROJECTS WITH NATIONAL IMPLICATIONS

- Continuity and Change in Appalachia: Long-Term Trends in Earnings, Skill Levels, and Household Consumption Patterns
- Demographic and Socioeconomic Change in Appalachia, 1990-2000

## RECENT NATIONAL RESEARCH

- KIDS COUNT Data Book
- Factors affecting U.S. child well-being at the state level
- Comparison of child well-being indices
- Demographic analysis of the U.S. children of immigrants
- Analysis of trends for children living in persistently poor neighborhoods
- Comparative analysis of child well-being in the United States, Canada and Mexico

## RECENT INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH

- 2008 World Population Data Sheet
- The Future Population of India, A Long-Range View to 2101
- UNFPA/PRB Country Profiles for Population and Reproductive Health: Policy Developments and Indicators
- Family Planning Worldwide: 2008 Data Sheet
- 2008 Africa Population Data Sheet (in partnership with African Population and Health Research Center)
- 2008 European Demographic Data Sheet (in partnership with the Vienna Institute of Demography, and the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis)

## NUMBER OF FACULTY AFFILIATES

CPIPR is connected to the research community through its science advisory committee drawn from universities and other institutions engaged in population research as well as through the PRB staff.

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**AFFILIATIONS WITH OTHER DEPARTMENTS WITHIN THE INSTITUTION**

The Center is based at PRB, an institution that specializes in communication about population issues to nontechnical audiences around the world. PRB is recognized nationally and internationally as a resource for timely and objective information on population trends and their implications. Staff in PRB's Communications, International, and Domestic departments have developed and implemented activities that increase awareness and understanding of population issues among government and private-sector decision-makers, journalists, educators, the media, and interested citizens.

**CURRENT COLLABORATIONS WITH STATE AND NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

- Population Action International
- Population Association of America
- Population Resource Center
- Hopkins Population Center, Johns Hopkins University
- National Center for Marriage Research, Bowling Green State University
- Migration Policy Institute
- Child Trends

**KEY FUNDING AGENCIES (RECENT PROJECTS RELEVANT TO CHILD HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT)**

- Annie E. Casey Foundation
- University of Aberdeen
- William and Flora Hewlett Foundation
- Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- USAID
- David and Lucile Packard Foundation
- Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health

**RESEARCH TO NEWS (2006–2008)**

- *Chicago Tribune*, Dec. 23, 2008: "Economy Influences the Decision to Have Babies" (Carl Haub)
- *USA Today*, Dec. 9, 2008: "Census: More Hispanics in USA Fluent in English" (Mark Mather)
- *New York Times*, Dec. 8, 2008: "In Biggest U.S. Cities, Minorities are at 50%" (Mark Mather)
- *Washington Post*, Sept. 23, 2008: "Data Show Big Dip in Migration to the U.S." (Mark Mather)
- *NPR Morning Edition*, Sept. 12, 2008: "Ads Warn that Immigration Must Be Reduced" (Mark Mather)
- NBC Nightly News, August 14, 2008: "Implications of New Population Projections" (Linda Jacobsen)
- *USA Today*, August 14, 2008: "America's Face Evolves, Blurs, Ages" (Mark Mather)
- *New York Times*, August 14, 2008: "In a Generation, Minorities May Be the U.S. Majority" (Mark Mather)
- *New York Times*, July 10, 2008: "Ups and Downs for

- Older Cities in Population Report" (Mark Mather)
- *USA Today*, May 1, 2008: "Census: Fewer Young Workers" (Mark Mather)
- *USA Today*, March 20, 2008: "Housing Crisis Cools Migration to Former Hot Spots" (Mark Mather)
- *New York Times*, March 20, 2008: "New Orleans Grows, Florida Cools" (Mark Mather)
- *USA Today*, March 4, 2008: "For More Immigrants, Suburbia's a Nice Fit" (Mark Mather)
- ABC World News Tonight, Dec. 20, 2007: "Babies Are Booming in U.S." (Bill Butz)
- *USA Today*, Dec. 20, 2007: "Fertility Rate in U.S. on Upswing" (Bill Butz)
- Earth & Sky (radio), Nov. 19 and 20, 2007: "How Many People Will Live on Earth in 2100" and "Highest Population Growth Among Rural Poor" (Carl Haub)
- *Washington Post*, Sept. 12, 2007: "Area Leads Nation in Putting Off Retirement; Census Also Finds Major Language Obstacles for Many" (Mark Mather)
- *New York Times*, May 17, 2007: "New Demographic Racial Gap Emerges" (Mark Mather)
- Associated Press, April 6, 2007: "Immigrants Keep Metro Population Growing" (Mark Mather)
- *New York Times*, Oct. 18, 2006: "A 300 Millionth American. Don't Ask Who" (Carl Haub)
- *NPR Talk of the Nation*, Oct. 13, 2006: "American Population Edges Toward 300 Million" (Linda Jacobsen)

**RESEARCH TO POLICY**

- "Finding and Using the Best Immigration Data Resources," seminar co-sponsored by PRB and the Migration Policy Institute, October 2008
- *Immigration: Data Matters*, by Jeanne Batalova, Michelle Mittelstadt, Mark Mather, and Marlene Lee, October 2008
- "Demographic Trends and Projections for the U.S. Labor Force," invited presentation by Marlene Lee for the U.S. Dept. of Labor, 2007 National EEO Professional Development Forum, September 2007
- "How Population Challenges and Opportunities Will Shape Our Future," invited presentation by Linda Jacobsen for the Program for Newly Elected Members of Congress, Institute of Politics at Harvard University, November 2006
- PRB analysis of the number of children in severely distressed neighborhoods cited in policy studies (e.g., Greg Duncan's assessment of the Gatreux housing experiment and Laurie Schaffner's testimony on girl violence and aggression) at a hearing held by Cook County's Commission on Women's Issues.
- PRB publications cited as source of data and other content by the Congressional Budget Office reports on global aging, Federal Employees Paid Leave Act of 2000, youth unemployment rates.