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Editor's Desk

This issue of CPS News contains the final updates of the Population Change and Lifecourse Cluster (PCLC). For the past eight years, the PCLC updates have been a regular feature of the newsletter, and I must acknowledge the contributions of Zenaida Ravanera for providing this content. Without fail, Dr. Ravanera has provided the PCLC updates, and I greatly appreciate her time and effort over the past eight years. The same acknowledgement should be extended to all past and present contributors. The CPS newsletter has a staff of one and it depends on user generated content. Without your contributions, the newsletter would cease to exist. Even in the days of blogs and instant messaging, I believe that the newsletter still has relevance for keeping our members connected between our annual meetings. On that note, I am always receptive to receiving ideas for new features or other suggestions for improvement. The newsletter is a venue for updating members about your status (e.g., promotions, new books) as well as promoting activities at your institution. I also welcome commentaries on demographic issues or briefs about your current research.

One area that needs improvement is content relevant to students and teaching. I have noticed with some concern that the younger generation of sociologists does not appear to be engaged with demographic issues. To the student members reading this issue, I call on you for ideas and contributions that address your interests.

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This issue of CPS News introduces a new feature: Megatrends. This feature is an abridged reproduction of Statistics Canada's Megatrends series. Future issues of the newsletter will also feature highlights from *Canadian Demographics at a Glance*. Both of these publications are rich teaching resources.

Population Change and Life Course Strategic Knowledge Cluster Updates

PCLC Conference

“Population Change and Life Course: Taking Stock and Looking to the Future” is the theme of [PCLC Conference](#) on March 19-20, 2015 at the Ottawa Marriott Hotel. The conference is the culminating event of the Cluster’s operation over the past 8 years, which promotes research leading to a clearer understanding of the relationship between population structure and the lives of individuals. The “Taking Stock” portion of the program will consist of presentations that synthesize various themes associated with the Cluster; the “Looking to the Future” portion will focus on new data and megatrends in population and people’s lives.

Special Student Competition

Some 15 to 20 Cluster student members will be invited to attend the 2015 PCLC Conference in Ottawa. The travel and accommodation expenses of these students will be covered by the PCLC. To determine who among the student members will be invited, a [Special Student Competition](#) has been launched with a November 30, 2014 deadline for submission of applications. Willingness to present a poster and involvement in the syntheses projects are among the criteria for choosing student participation in the conference.

Granted Funds in Final Competitions

In the PCLC’s final [student competition](#) in June 15, 2014, five graduate student members received funds to attend international conferences and summer courses: Enrique Acosta of Université de Montréal; Jonathan A. Amoyaw and Godfred Odei Boateng of Western University; Ana Fostik of INRS; and Nicolas Otis of McGill University. Two [knowledge mobilization projects](#) were granted funds to produce synthesis papers on:

- *(In)Visible Minorities in Canadian Health Data and Research*. Project team: Karen Kobayashi, Sharon Lee, and Mushira Khan from the University of Victoria; and Zoua Vang from McGill University
- *International Student and Education Migrant Mobilities*. Project team: Ann H. Kim and Gunjan Sondhi from York University

PCLC Policy and Research Briefs

The Cluster continues its knowledge mobilization activities with the publication of [Research](#) and [Policy](#) briefs. Among the recent releases are:

- *Homeownership Trends among Immigrants*, Barry Edmonston and Sharon Lee
- *Population Growth, Energy Use, and Environmental impact: Comparing Canadian and Swedish Records on CO2 Emissions*, Don Kerr
- *Academic Performance and Educational Pathways of Allophone Youth: A Comparative Analysis of Montreal, Toronto, and Vancouver*, Jacques Ledent et al.
- *Annual Levels of Immigration and Immigrant Entry Earnings in Canada*, Feng Hou and Garnett Picot

Several more are forthcoming in the next few months, including briefs based on the Cluster's [Big Picture Synthesis Series](#).

— Zenaida R. Ravanera

Federation of Canadian Demographers Updates

This is likely the last message that will appear with me as President since we are in transition to the new executive committee and General Assembly. I would like to thank the members of the outgoing executive committee (Thomas LeGrand, Amélie Gagnon, René Houle, Hervé Gauthier, and Benoît Laplante) for their support and activity during our mandate.

As many of you know, we were exploring the idea of hosting the 2017 IUSSP meetings in Canada. Unfortunately, we had to abandon this project because of financial considerations. It was simply not possible to raise the contributions that were necessary to host the meetings in the current climate of restraint. Perhaps there will be an opportunity to pursue this activity for a future meeting of the IUSSP.

We will be organizing an FCD conference to coincide with the Congress of the Social Sciences and Humanities that will be held in Ottawa in 2015. It is planned that the ADQ and the CPS will hold current meetings for 1.5 days and that the FCD conference will be held during the 1.5 days that follow. We will be applying for a grant under the Connection program to fund simultaneous translation, the travel of students, and the publication of the proceedings from the conference. In fact, it appears that the Connection Program is the only option for grants to the FCD given that the original SSHRC program under which the Federation received grants no longer exists.

A program committee will be formed in the next few weeks. The core members of this committee are Yves Carrière (also the program chair for the ADQ), Michael Haan (also the program chair for the CPS), and me. I will also act as the local arrangements coordinator for the three sets of meetings – ADQ, CPS, and FCD. Therefore, I will take care of all interactions with

the Federation of the Humanities and Social Sciences. A formal call for papers will be issued by the end of November.

It has been a pleasure to serve as the President of the FCD. I am somewhat disappointed that I was not able to achieve as much as I hoped. I want to reassure my successor (yet to be named) that I will continue to be involved and that I will continue to offer any help and advice that is required.

— Gustave Goldmann



Statistics Canada UPDATES

On September 17, 2014, the most recent population projections were released. *Population Projections for Canada (2013 to 2063), Provinces and Territories (2013 to 2038)* (Catalogue no. [91-520-X](#)) presents the results of seven population projection scenarios by age group and sex up to 2038 for the provinces and territories and up to 2063 for Canada. Using the July 1, 2013 population estimate as the starting point, these projections are based on assumptions that take into account the most recent trends relating to components of population growth, particularly fertility, mortality, immigration, emigration, and interprovincial migration.

The *Annual Demographic Estimates: Canada, Provinces and Territories* (Statistics Canada Catalogue no. [91-215-X](#)) and the *Quarterly Demographic Estimates: Canada, Provinces and Territories* (Statistics Canada Catalogue no. [91-002-X](#)) were released on September 26, 2014.

The October 2014 online issue of *Health Reports* contains two articles: [Two Approaches to Linking Census and Hospital Data](#) and [Use of Acute Care Hospital Services by Immigrant Seniors in Ontario: A Linkage Study](#). *Health Reports* also features the study [Health-Adjusted Potential Years of Life Lost Due to Treatable Causes of Death and Illness](#), which develops a measure of population health that combines years of life lost to death with a continuous measure of quality of life for years lived. [Ninety Years of Change in Life Expectancy \(1921 to 2011\)](#), in *Health at a Glance*, explores the patterns and frequency of death by age and by cause in the population.

There have been several recent releases using data from the 2012 General Social Survey (GSS) on Caregiving and Care Receiving:

- [Canadians with Unmet Home Care Needs](#) in *Insights on Canadian Society*.

- *Spotlight on Canadians: Results from the General Social Survey* ([89-652-X](#)):
 - [End-of-Life Care](#)
 - [Young Canadians Providing Care](#).

An article in the *Research Data Centre Technical and Information Bulletin*, entitled, [Weighted Estimation and Bootstrap Variance Estimation for Analyzing Survey Data: How to Implement in Selected Software](#), is a document for analysts/researchers who are considering doing research with data from a survey where both survey weights and bootstrap weights are provided in the data files.

RDC Updates

Since the last edition of the CPS Newsletter, the following microdata files have been added to the Research Data Centre collection:

2013 Canadian Forces Mental Health Survey ([CFMHS](#))

2013 Residential Telephone Service Survey ([RTSS](#))

2012 Survey of Financial Security ([SFS](#))

2011 and 2012 Survey of Household Spending (SHS)

Canadian Community Health Survey: Rapid Response files:

- Rapid response on Food skills- knowledge, planning, and transference of skills
- Rapid response on Discrimination
- Rapid response on neighbourhood environment
- Rapid response on osteoporosis
- Rapid response on prescription drug expenses
- Rapid response on sleep apnea

Life after Service Survey (LASS) 2013

2013 Canadian Community Health Survey – Annual Component ([CCHS](#))

Canadian Cancer Registry (CCR) year of diagnosis 1992-2010

Vital Statistics – Birth Database: historic data for 1974-79, 1980-89, 1990-99, 2000-09, and 2010-11.

Vital Statistics – Death Database: historic data for 1974-79, 1980-89, 1990-99, 2000-09, and 2010-1

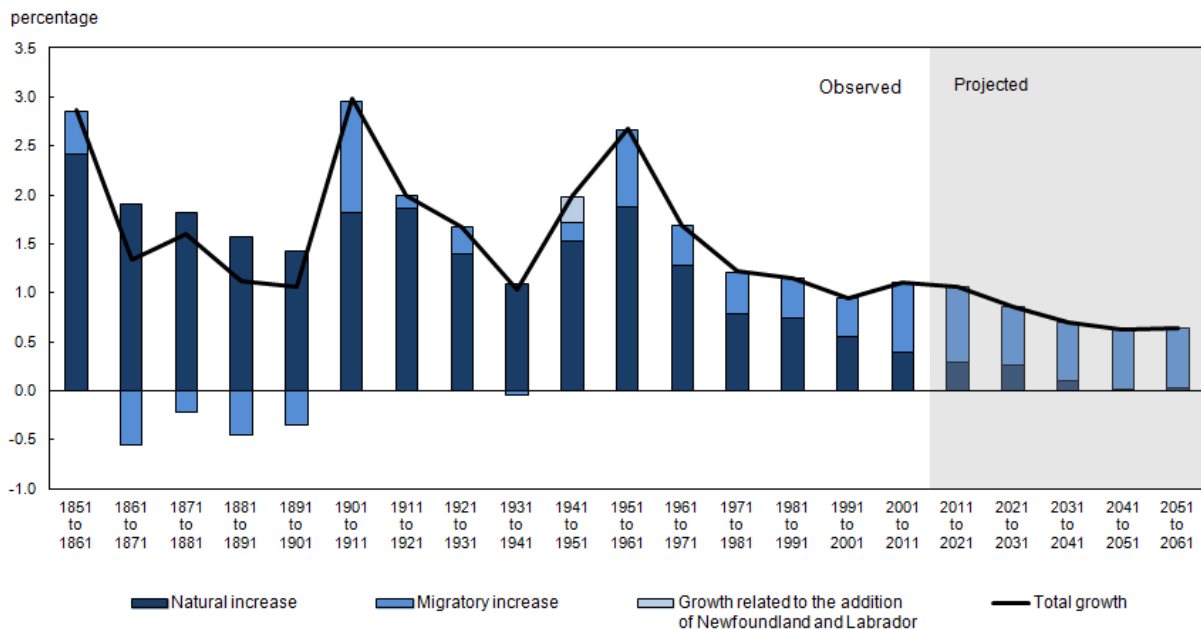
CANADIAN MEGATRENDS

Statistics Canada is turning 100 in 2018! In celebration of this milestone and the wealth of statistical information produced over the years, Statistics Canada would like to shine a fresh light on the numbers. Canadian Megatrends is a new series that will be used to highlight some of the sweeping changes that have had a lasting impact on Canadian society and economy. The Megatrend series – published in the *Daily* as well as on the Statistics Canada website – is a new feature that looks beyond the monthly, quarterly, and annual data, providing a long-term perspective on the trends that have shaped Canada.

Population Growth: Migratory Increase Overtakes Natural Increase

The first Megatrend report (released in October 2014) focused on population growth. The report demonstrates that the contribution of natural increase to population growth has waned as the Canadian population aged and fertility rates declined. Chart 1 illustrates that natural increase accounts for less population growth than migratory increase. Statistics Canada projects that immigration will continue to drive population growth. Considering that fertility rates are expected to remain below replacement levels, Canada’s population growth could stagnate in the next two decades without immigration.

Chart 1
Annual average growth rate, natural increase and migratory increase per intercensal period, Canada, 1851 to 2061



Note: Data from 1851 to 2011 is observed and data from 2011 to 2061 is projected.
Source: Statistics Canada. 2012. "Population growth in Canada: From 1851 to 2061," *Census in Brief*, Census of Population 2011, Catalogue no. 98-310-x.

The current pattern of population growth represents a major demographic transition. For most of Canada’s history, natural increase was the engine of population growth. The contribution of natural increase to population growth began to decline in the late 1960s because of two factors. First, the total fertility rate declined, which, by 1976, had fallen to fewer than 1.8 children per women. Second, there was a steady rise in the number of deaths. At present, natural increase accounts for about one-third of population growth. Since 1999 (see

Chart 2
Annual natural and migratory increases in Canada, 1991 to 2013



Source: Statistics Canada, Demography Division, Population Estimates Program.

Chart 2), immigration has been the engine of population growth. About two-thirds of current population growth is attributable to migratory increase. Based on a medium-growth scenario, Statistics Canada projects that migratory increase could account for 80% of Canada’s population growth by 2031.

Please visit the [Megatrends website](#) for an unabridged version of this report. The second installment of the Megatrend series will focus on fertility, and is scheduled for release on November 13th, 2014.

Coming December 2014

Canadian Journal on Aging

Special Issue on Aging Families

Zheng Wu, Guest Editor

In June 2013, an international symposium on aging families was held prior to the CPS annual meeting. This event was sponsored by the Population Change and Lifecourse Cluster and organized by Zheng Wu. The symposium included submissions from Canada, the United States, Europe, and China. From this symposium, nine papers have been selected for inclusion in a special issue of CJA.

Issue Highlights and Contributors:

1. Lee and Edmonston provide a new perspective on the living arrangements of elderly immigrants .
2. Edmonston and Lee examine changes in the residential mobility of the elderly population from 1971 to 2006.
3. McDaniel and Gazso examine how the context of aging shapes family relationships in later life.
4. Clouston, Lawlor, and Verdery advance our knowledge about the relationship between partnership status and late-life physical function.
5. Penning and Wu examine how marital status and childlessness influence informal social support from outside the household.
6. Zuo et al. examine a rural area in China to further our understanding about end-of-life caregiving.
7. Chappell, Dujela, and Smith compare the burden of care-giving for a spouse versus caring for a parent with dementia.
8. Rutherford and Bowes argue that caring is best understood using a network approach and a multidisciplinary perspective.
9. Proulx and Le Bourdais assess the impact of unpaid care-giving on the risk of leaving the labor force.

Please renew your CPS membership. Membership can be renewed online.

Announcements

1. Calls for Papers

European Survey Research Association

The 6th Conference of the European Survey Research Association (ESRA) will take place 13th-17th July 2015 in Reykjavik, Iceland. We would like to invite submissions to our panel entitled “Intra-EU immigration: new form of migration, new challenges for survey methodology?” A full description of the panel is included below and interested participants can apply via the [ESRA website](#). The deadline for submission of paper proposal is **January 15, 2015**. Please feel free to forward this call to others who may be interested in participating and, additionally, don't hesitate to contact us (celine.teney@uni-bremen.de) with any questions concerning submission and/or participation.

Citizenship and Migration

The research group “Citizenship & Migration” of the Global South Studies Center (University of Cologne, Germany) invites proposals for written papers on naturalization policies and practices worldwide to be published as a special issue of an international journal by 2016. With this Call for Contributions, we aim at the inclusion of research on regions hitherto less prominent in relation to this broad subject. Contributors must be prepared to deliver a first draft of the proposed paper by end of May 2015; participate in a two day workshop in Cologne at the end of June 2015 to discuss all contributions; and prepare the final version of their paper (of max. 8000 words incl. notes and references, in English) by the end of October 2015. The GSSC will cover travel to Cologne and lodging during the workshop. The paper proposal is to be submitted by December 8, 2014, and should include the following information:

- name, affiliation, contact details, and short CV of the author
- title, abstract (of max. 250 words) and five keywords of the paper.

Please note that you must agree to publish in an international journal (e.g., Citizenship Studies) yet to be decided should your paper be selected and the proposals be accepted by the journal. Hence, the proposed contribution must be unpublished work. Please indicate if your participation in the workshop depends on (or excludes) a specific date. Proposals for contributions and participation in the workshop are to be submitted to Tobias Schwarz, t.schwarz@uni-koeln.de. All applicants will be informed of the decision of acceptance or not by end of January 2015.

2. The Prentice Institute

The Prentice Institute for Global Population and Economy has an active program of speakers, visitors, and seminars. Video Lectures, Speaker Events, and Café Conversations that are posted for public viewing on the [Institute's website](#). The Institute also offers an interdisciplinary Ph.D. in demography as well as Masters programs focused on population studies, population health, and global population.

3. Canadian Human Mortality Database (1921-2011)

The Canadian Human Mortality Database (CHMD), which includes detailed Canadian mortality and population data at the provincial and territorial level, was recently updated to include information for years 2010 and 2011. The database is a unique source of information to study regional mortality patterns in Canada with great detail and accuracy, beginning in 1921. The CHMD is an initiative of the Mortality and Longevity research team at the Department of Demography, Université de Montréal, led by Prof. Robert Bourbeau. Updates are under the responsibility of the CHMD coordinator, Nadine Ouellette, Researcher at the Institut national d'études démographiques in Paris. The data in the CHMD are provided free of charge and are available at www.bdlc.umontreal.ca.

4. Student Recruitment

Training Opportunity

Applicants are being recruited to the graduate program (PhD in Sociology or MA in Population Studies and Life Course Dynamics) in the department of sociology at the University of Alberta in Edmonton, Canada. Successful applicants will work on a SSHRC-funded grant to study how and with what consequence Canadian families are changing in the twenty-first century. Students must have strong quantitative skills, familiarity with statistical packages such as SAS or Stata, and a strong interest in family demography and dynamics. The University of Alberta offers generous support through graduate assistantship funding of up to 4 years for PhD students (minimum of \$24,120 per year) and up to 2 years for MA students (\$15,380 per year).

Interested applicants should send [Dr. Lisa Strohschein](#) the following materials:

- current CV
- a sample of writing
- a statement of interest
- the names of two referees and their contact information

Deadline: December 1, 2014

5. CPS Member News

Susan McDaniel. Dr. McDaniel has been selected as among Alberta's 50 most influential people. She has also been appointed at the Chair of the Special Multidisciplinary Assessment Committee of the Canadian Foundation for Innovation. She was also named Chair of the Scientific Advisory Committee, Council of Canadian Academies. In July 2014, Dr. McDaniel was a

plenary speaker at the World Congress of Sociology (Yokohama, Japan), delivering a presentation entitled “Duel of the Dualisms: Production and Reproduction Reconfiguring.” This March, she gave the Distinguished Demographer keynote address the 25th Kalbach Conference at the University of Alberta.

The Editor welcomes submissions of updates from the activities of CPS members. Have you been promoted, received an award, or changed your employment status? Send the particulars to chrissch@uvic.ca so that we can inform your CPS colleagues about your news. The newsletter is also a good place to promote new books.

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