

CPS NEWS

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CPS Business

2023 CPS Meeting Recap

The 2023 CPS annual meeting was held in a hybrid format from May 31st to June 2nd as part of the 2023 Congress. The final program included a total of 10 regular sessions and one poster session. There were 38 paper presentations and 8 posters, with a total of 86 authors. Under the hybrid format, two-thirds of the presentations were made in-person and one-third were online. This year had 8 international presenters affiliated with institutions outside Canada, such as Germany, Italy, Iran, Hong Kong, and the United States. Two-thirds of the presenters were students.

Special Events

Two special events were held, thanks to generous offers from **Environics Analytics** and **Statistics Canada**. A session entitled “What is applied demography and why does it matter” was organized by **Doug Norris** from Environics Analytics. The panelists included **David Swanson** (Portland State), **Doug Norris**, and **Alison**

Yacyshyn (Concordia University, Edmonton), with **Jan Kestle**, President of Environics Analytics, as a discussant

and CPS President, **Amélie Quesnel-Vallée** (McGill) as the session chair.

Julien Bérard-Chagnon (Statistics Canada) organized a session entitled “Examining recent Canadian demographic trends: New developments from Statistics Canada’s Centre for Demography.” The presentations from the **Centre for Demography** included:

- An overview of Canada’s linguistic profile: Insights from the 2021 Census – **Bertrand Ouellet-Léveillé**;
- Recent initiatives from the Family Analysis Program – **Claudine Provencher** and **Nora Galbraith**;
- Motivation to move: Analyzing internal migration trends and motivation to move from the 2018 and 2021 Canadian Housing Survey – **Karl Chastko**, **Patrick Charbonneau**, and **David Pelletier**; and
- Canada in 2041: A larger, more diverse population with greater differences between regions – **Jean-Dominique Morency**.

CPS Awards

The 2023 CPS annual Best Student Paper Award was awarded to **Michaela Bunakova** (McGill University) for the paper entitled “Marry a doctor, live longer: A quantitative study of spousal dyad health influence under different macro-policy contexts.” In addition, the CPS introduced two new student grant/award opportunities. Environics Analytics’ Student Travel Grant, made possible

thanks to a donation from Environics Analytics. Eight students were awarded \$250 each, including **Khandys Agnant** (McGill University), **Maria Ahmed** (Western University), **Marcus Vinicius Leite Fraga** (Laval University), **Rahul Kumar** (International Institute for Population Sciences), **Sen Li** (The Chinese University of Hong Kong), **Sree Sanyal** (Jawaharlal Nehru University), and **Sumi Sasudevan** (McMaster University). **Michaela Bunakova** and **Marwa Ramada** (McGill) were awarded Congress Graduate Merit Awards of \$500.

Looking Ahead to CPS 2024

Several factors need to be taken into account in the planning of the 2024 CPS annual meeting.

- The CPS will reach a milestone of our 50th anniversary in 2024.
- The 2024 Congress will be held from May 8 to 17 at McGill University in Montreal.

If you have any suggestions for the 2024 CPS annual meeting (e.g., thematic sessions, professional development events for students), please email Program Chair, Lisa Kaida (kaidar@mcmaster.ca).

The CPS in New Orleans

This year, the **Population Association of America (PAA)** held its annual conference in New Orleans. The 2023 PAA conference was the first fully in-person conference since the pandemic and many CPS members were in attendance. The CPS held two events at the PAA. Every year, the PAA co-sponsors a session with the CPS. This year's invited session was entitled "Structural racism: Patterns and mechanisms of racial/ethnic Inequality." The session attracted a lot of attention and included presentations from **Prentiss Dantzler** (Toronto), **Nicole Denier** (Alberta), **Patricia Homan** (Florida State), and **Tyson Brown** (Duke), with **Patrick Denice** (Western) serving as discussant and **Michelle Maroto** (Alberta) as chair.



Nicole Denier presenting the paper "AI, digitalised hiring, and race/gender inequalities in Canada and the UK" at the 2023 PAA. Photo submitted by Lisa Strohschein.

The CPS also held its happy hour on one of the evenings of the PAA conference. It was great to connect with friends and make new acquaintances. Next year, the PAA will be held in Columbus, Ohio. Hope to see you there!



James Iveniuk, Rachel Margolis, and Lisa Strohschein enjoying the PAA happy hour in New Orleans. Photo submitted by Lisa Strohschein.

CPS Members

Xavier St-Denis (INRS) has received an Insight Grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research (SSHRC) for 2023-2027 (\$198,149). The project is entitled "Social

mobility, gender inequality, and life course processes: New insights from two generations of longitudinal tax data.” Dr. St-Denis’ co-PI on the project is **Gaëlle Simard-Duplain** from Carleton University.



Patrick Denice, Alyson van Raalte, Xavier St-Denis, and Anna Zajacova at CPS Happy Hour at the 2023 PAA. Photo submitted by Lisa Strohschein.

Announcements

Calls for Papers

Wittgenstein Centre Conference 2023 – [Exploring population heterogeneities](#). Deadline for submissions: June 30, 2023.

Special issue of the *International Journal for Public Health* on [Ageing in health in sub-Saharan Africa](#). Deadline for submissions: August 31, 2023.

Special issue of *Statistics, Politics, and Policy* on [Political demography](#). Deadline for submissions: September 30, 2023.

Events

IUSSP- CODATA will host a panel on [FAIR Vocabularies in Population Research](#) – June 12, 2023. This joint panel aims to contribute to making data Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable (FAIR).

IUSSP training workshop on [Machine learning tools for the analysis of migration trajectories](#). Online sessions on Introduction to sequence analysis (June 13) and Feature selection approaches (June 5).

IUSSP Webinar on [How should we define and measure demand for and use of family planning?](#) June 21, 2023.

The **Vienna Institute of Demography** will hold a Winter School on Population Heterogeneities in Vienna Austria, from December 4-5, 2023. Further details and application instructions are on the [Institute’s website](#). Deadline for applications: June 30, 2023.

Statistics Canada

Census 2021



Once every five years, the [Census of Population](#) provides a detailed and comprehensive statistical portrait of Canada. The 2021 Census data have arrived. Starting in February 2022, there will be seven major releases over the course of the year. Each release will provide data, analytical, and reference products. Read [The Daily](#) for announcements about future Census releases. The complete [release schedule](#) is available on the Statistics Canada website.

Data Products

The [General Social Survey \(Social Identity\) 2020, Public Use Microdata File](#) is now available.

Briefs

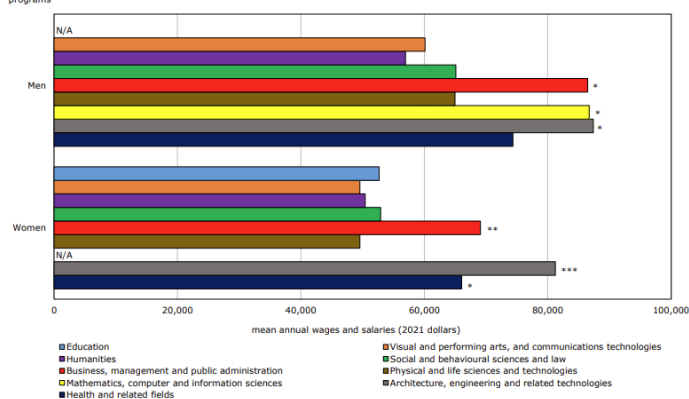
A new study on [Accumulation of human capital in Canada, 1970 to 2020](#) reported that the average human capital of women in 2020 was lower than that of men, but the gender gap decreased over the past five decades because of rapid growth in women’s human capital. In

1970, the average human capital of women was 35% of that of men, which doubled to 70% by 2020. Women accounted for a large proportion of human capital growth from 1970 to 2020, and their contribution to total human capital increased from 30% to 41%.

The article [High school academic performance and earning by postsecondary field of study](#) found that differences in earnings across fields of study among Canadians who graduated from a bachelor's degree program between 2010 and 2013 were largely unattributable to academic performance in high school. Graduates of programs in business, management, and public administration were among the highest earners, despite average academic performance in high school, while graduates of physical and life sciences and technologies programs had average (or below-average for women) earnings, despite being among the top performers in high school.

Chart 3
Adjusted mean annual wages and salaries five years after bachelor's degree graduation

Classification of Instructional programs



About 77,000 or one-quarter of the 307,000 deaths in Canada in 2020 were classified as potentially avoidable, according to a [new Statistics Canada report](#). These deaths were considered to be avoidable with changes in life style or behaviors or treatable with access to proper health care. The rate of potentially avoidable mortality was **two times higher in areas with the highest proportions of Canadians with less than a high school education** than in areas that had the lowest proportions of people with less than a high school education.

Articles published in *Economic and Social Reports* from June to July 2022:

Volume 3, Number 4

[High school academic performance and earnings by postsecondary field of study](#)

[Recent developments in the Canadian economy: Spring 2023](#)

[A cross-cohort comparison of the economic impact of divorce and widowhood on seniors](#)

[Real production and real income growth over the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

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[Unemployment and job vacancies by education, 2016 to 2022](#)

[A cross-cohort comparison of economic well-being during retirement years](#)

[Do university-educated immigrants recover from a slow start?](#)

Articles published in *Health Reports* from June to July 2022:

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[Characterizing polysubstance use: What do we know about use of cigarettes, vaping products, cannabis, and alcohol among Canadians?](#)

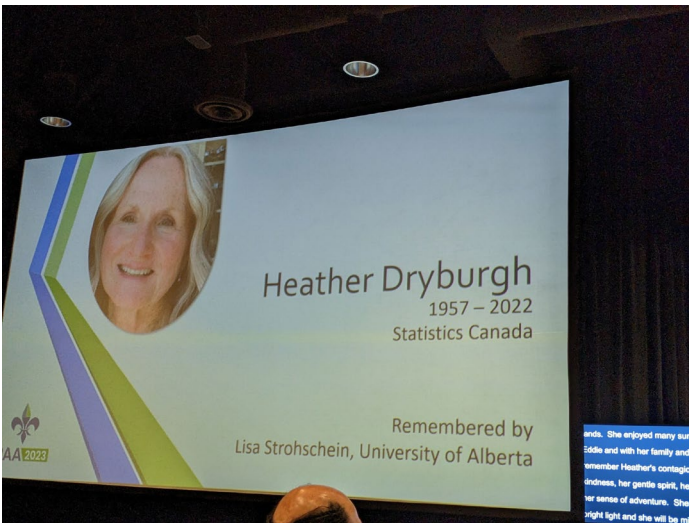
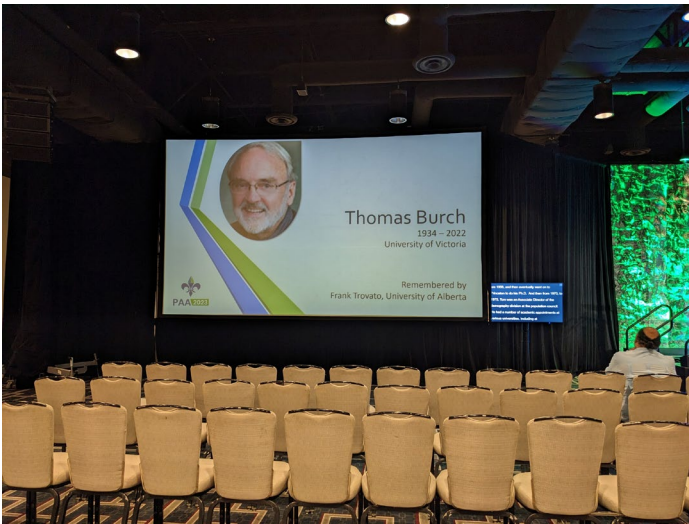
[The impact of updated clinical blood pressure guidelines on hypertension prevalence among children and adolescents](#)

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Sleep duration, sleep quality, and obesity in the Canadian Armed Forces

Remembrances

At the 2023 meeting of the Population Association of American, our late colleagues **Thomas Burch** and **Heather Dryburgh** were remembered. Lisa Strohschein spoke of Heather and Frank Trovato did so for Tom.



Photos submitted by Lisa Kaida

CPS People

The Canadian Population Society is a scientific association that seeks to improve knowledge and understanding about the quantitative and qualitative characteristics of human population. It seeks to promote the study and development of the science of demography in both its empirical and theoretical aspects.

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CPS Membership

Support the CPS by becoming a member or renewing your membership today. Memberships can be renewed on the [CPS members'](#) webpage. We also encourage our members to enrol their students.

Regular Membership:

- 1 year (\$95.00)
- 2 year (\$170.00)
- 3 year (\$250.00)

Student Membership:

- 1 year (\$40.00)
- 2 year (\$75.00)

Emeritus Membership (65+ years)

- 1 year (\$40.00)
- Life-Time (\$350.00)