

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY  
URBAN DEMOGRAPHY AND POPULATION STUDIES  
COMPREHENSIVE EXAM READING LIST**

The first four and a half pages of this document makes up the core reading list for the Urban Demography/Population Studies AOS Comprehensive Exam. Although a particular work may be listed under a specific topical area, several of these works easily fall into more than one topical area of demography, and many works encompass both theory and methodology within them. In reading these pieces, students should understand their importance to the theoretical and methodological development of the demography specialization within the field of sociology.

**General Demographic Frameworks**

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Denton D. and Stewart Tolnay. 2002. *American Diversity: A Demographic Challenge for the Twenty-first Century*. New York: State University of New York Press.

Greenhalgh, S. 1996. "The Social Construction of Population Science: An Intellectual, Institutional, and Political History of Twentieth Century Demography." *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 38 (1): 26-66.

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**Demographic Methods**

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### **Families and Fertility**

Amato, Paul R. 2000. "The Consequences of Divorce for Adults and Children." *Journal of Marriage and the Family* 62:1269-1287.

Bianchi, Suzanne M. and Lynne M. Casper. 2005. "Explanations of Family Change: A Family Demographic Perspective." Chapter 4 (pp. 93-117) in V. Bengtson et al. (eds.) *Sourcebook of Family Theory and Research*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Bumpass, Larry L. 1990. "What's happening to the Family?" *Demography* 27: 483-498.

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Hanson, Thomas L., Sara S. McLanahan, and Elizabeth Thomson. 1998. "Windows on Divorce: Before and After." *Social Science Research* 27:329-49.

Lichter, Daniel T. 1997. Poverty and Inequality among Children. *Annual Review of Sociology*. 23: 121-45.

McDonald, Peter. 2006. Low fertility and the state: The efficacy of policy. *Population and Development Review* 32(3).

McLanahan, S 2004. Diverging destinies: How children are faring under the second demographic transition. *Demography*, 41 (4): 607-627.

Morgan, S.P. 1996. "Characteristic Features of Modern American Fertility." *Population and Development Review* 22: 19-63.

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Morgan, S.P. 2003. "Is Low Fertility a Twenty-First Century Demographic Crisis?" *Demography* 40(4): 589-603.

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### **Health and Mortality**

Case, A. and C. Paxson. 2005. "Sex Differences in Morbidity and Mortality." *Demography* 42(2): 198-214.

Caldwell, J. 1986. "Routes to Low Mortality in Poor Countries." *Population Development and Review* 12: 171-220.

Colgrove, J. 2002. "The McKeown Thesis: A Historical Controversy and Its Enduring Influence." *American Journal of Public Health* 92(5): 725-729.

Cutler, David and Grant Miller. 2005. "The Role of Public Health Improvements in Health Advances: the Twentieth-Century United States." *Demography* 42(1): 1-22.

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Markides, K.S. and J. Coreil. 1986. "The Health of Hispanics in the Southwestern United States: An Epidemiologic Paradox." *Public Health Reports* 101(3): 253-65.

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Palloni, Alberto and Elizabeth Arias. 2004. "Paradox Lost: Explaining the Hispanic Adult Mortality Advantage." *Demography* 41(3): 385-415.

Pampel, Fred C., Jr. and Vijayan Pillai. 1986. "Patterns and Determinants of Infant Mortality in Developed Nations, 1950-1975." *Demography* 23: 525-42.

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Scribner, Richard. 1996. "Editorial- Paradox as Paradigm: the Health Outcomes of Mexican Americans." *American Journal of Public Health* 86(3): 303-304.

Singh, G.K., and M. Siahpush. 2002. "Ethnic-Immigrant Differentials in Health Behaviors, Morbidity, and Cause-Specific Mortality in the United States: An Analysis of Two National Data Bases." *Human Biology* 74(1): 83-109.

Williams, Kristi and Debra Umberson. 2004. "Marital Status, Marital Transitions, and Health: A Gendered Life Course Perspective." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 45: 81-98.

### **Migration**

Alba, Richard and Victor Nee. 1997. "Rethinking Assimilation for a New Era of Immigrants." *International Migration Review* 31 (4): 826-74.

Bean, Frank D. and Gillian Stevens. 2003. *America's Newcomers and the Dynamics of Diversity.* New York: Russell Sage Foundation.

Borjas, George T. 1989. "Economic Theory and International Migration." *International Migration Review* 23:457-85.

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Kritz M.M and D.T. Gurak. 2001. "The impact of immigration on the internal migration of natives and immigrants." *Demography* 38(1):133-145.

Lang, Robert E. and Jennifer LeFurgy. 2007. *Boomburbs: The Rise of America's Accidental Cities.* Washington, DC: Brookings Institution Press.

Lee, Everett. 1966. "A Theory of Migration." *Demography* 3: 47-57.

Linton A. 2002. "Immigration and the structure of demand: Do immigrants alter the labor market composition of US cities?" *International Migration Review* 36(1):58-80

Massey, Douglas, et al. 1993. "Theories of International Migration: A Review and Appraisal." *Population and Development Review* 19: 431-466.

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Massey, Douglas A. Joaquin Arango, Graeme Hugo, Ali Kouaouci, Adela Pellegrino, and J. Edward Taylor. 1994. "An Evaluation of International Migration Theory: The North American Case." *Population and Development Review* 20: 699-751.

Massey Douglas S. and K.E. Espinosa. 1997. "What's driving Mexico-US migration? A theoretical, empirical, and policy analysis." *American Journal of Sociology* 102 (4): 939-999

Portes, A. 1997. "Immigration theory for a new century: Some problems and opportunities." *International Migration Review* 31(4): 799-825.

Zhou, Min. 1997. "Segmented assimilation: Issues, controversies, and recent research on the new second generation." *International Migration Review* 31(4): 975-1008.

**SPECIAL TOPICS ON DEMOGRAPHY:** It is expected that students will add *at least two* of the special topics lists below to their final reading list. Student should work with their AOS Committee Chair and Advisory Committee Chair to select the additions that will best prepare the student for writing his/her dissertation proposal. Students may also add additional readings that are not included on this list in consultation with their AOS Committee Chair.

**Urbanization, Segregation, and Inequality**

Fischer C.S., G. Stockmayer, and J. Stiles. 2004. Distinguishing the geographic levels and social dimensions of US metropolitan segregation, 1960-2000. *Demography* 41(1): 37-59.

Jargowsky, Paul A. 1996. "Take the Money and Run: Economic Segregation in U.S. Metropolitan Areas." *American Sociological Review* 61(6): 984-998.

Katz, Bruce and Robert E. Lang. 2003. *Redefining Urban and Suburban America: Evidence from Census 2000*. Washington, DC: Brookings Institution Press and Brookings Metro Series.

Krysan, Maria and Reynolds Farley. 2002. "The Residential Preferences of Blacks: Do They Explain Persistent Segregation." *Social Forces* 80: 937-980.

Landale, Nancy S. and Daniel T. Lichter. 1997. "Geography and the Etiology of Poverty among Latino Children." *The Sociological Quarterly* 78:874-94.

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Logan, John R., Brian J. Stults, and Reynolds R. Farley. 2004. "Segregation of minorities in the metropolis: Two decades of change." *Demography* 41 (1): 1-22.

Massey, Douglas S. 1993. "Latinos, Poverty, and the Underclass: A New Agenda for Research." *Hispanic Journal of Behavioral Sciences* 15:449-475.

Massey, Douglas and Nancy A. Denton. 1998. *American Apartheid: Segregation and the Making of the Underclass*. Harvard University Press.

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St. John, Craig. 1995. "Interclass Segregation, Poverty, and Poverty Concentration – Comment." *American Journal of Sociology* 100(5): 1325-1333.

St. John, Craig and Robert Clymer. 2000. "Racial Residential Segregation by Level of Socioeconomic Status." *Social Science Quarterly* 81: 701-715.

Wilkes, R. and J. Iceland. 2004. "Hypersegregation in the Twenty-First Century." *Demography* 41(1): 23-36

Wilson, William J. 1987. *The Truly Disadvantaged: The Inner City, the Underclass, and Public Policy*. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press.

### **Neighborhood Effects**

Browning, C.R. and K.A. Cagney. 2003. "Moving Beyond Poverty: Neighborhood Structure, Social Processes and Health." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 44:552-72.

Browning, C.R. and M. Olinger-Wilbon. 2003. "Neighborhood Disadvantage, Social Organization, and Number of Short-term Sexual Partnerships." *Journal of Marriage and the Family* 65:730-45

Harding, David J. 2003. "Counterfactual Models of Neighborhood Effects: The Effect of Neighborhood Poverty on Dropping Out and Teenage Pregnancy." *American Journal of Sociology* 66: 568-591.

Harris, David R. 1999. "Property Values Drop When Blacks Move In, Because... Racial and Socioeconomic Determinants of Neighborhood Desirability." *American Sociological Review* 64:461-479

Ross, Catherine E. and J. Reynolds. 2001. "The Contingent Meaning of Neighborhood Stability for Residents Psychological Well-being." *American Sociological Review* 61:1-98.

Ross, Catherine E., Shana Pribesh, and John Mirowsky. 2001. "Powerlessness and the Amplification of Threat: Neighborhood Disadvantage, Disorder and Mistrust," *American Sociological Review* 66, 568-597.

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Horton, Hayward Derrick. 1999. "Critical Demography: The Paradigm of the Future?" *Sociological Forum* 14(3): 363-367.

Horton, Hayward Derrick and Lori Sykes. 2004. "Toward a Critical Demography of Neomulattos: Structural Change and Diversity within the Black Population." in Cedric Herring, Verna Keith and Hayward Derrick Horton (eds.) *Skin Deep: How Race and Complexion Matter in the "Color-Blind Era*. Chicago, IL: University of Illinois Press.

Kuumba, M. Bahati. 1999. "A Cross-Cultural Race/Class/Gender Critique of Contemporary Population Policy: The Impact of Globalization." *Sociological Forum* 14:447-463.

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Weisbord, Robert G. 1973. "Birth Control and the Black American: A Matter of Genocide?" *Demography* 10:571-590.

### **Below Replacement Fertility and the Second Demographic Transition**

Delgado Perez, Marita, and Massimo Livi-Bacci. 1992. "Fertility in Italy and Spain: The Lowest in the World." *Family Planning Perspectives* 24(4): 162-171

Demeny, Paul. 2003. "Population Policy Dilemmas in Europe at the Dawn of the Twenty-First Century". *Population and Development Review* 29(1): 1-28.

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Morgan, S.P. 2003. "Is Low Fertility a Twenty-First Century Demographic Crisis?" *Demography* 40(4): 589-603.

Rindfuss, R. R., K. Guzzo, and S. P. Morgan. 2000. "The Changing Institutional Context of Low Fertility," *Population Policy and Research Review* 22(5/6): 411-438.

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Fussell, Elizabeth and Douglas Massey. 2004. "The Limits to cumulative causation: International Migration from Mexican Urban Areas." *Demography* 41: 151-172.

Fussell, Elizabeth. 2004. "Sources of Mexico's Migration Stream: Rural, Urban, and Border Migrants to the United States." *Social Forces* 82: 937-968.

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Lewis, W.A. 1954. "Economic Development with Unlimited Supplies of Labor." *Manchester School of Economic and Social Studies* 22:139-91.

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Sjaastad, L.A. 1962. "The Costs and Returns of Human Migration." *Journal of Policy Economy* 70(5): 80-93.

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### **Immigration Policy**

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Cornelius, W. 2001. "Death at the Border: Efficacy and Unintended Consequences of US Immigration Control Policy." *Population and Development Review* 27(4): 661-685.

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