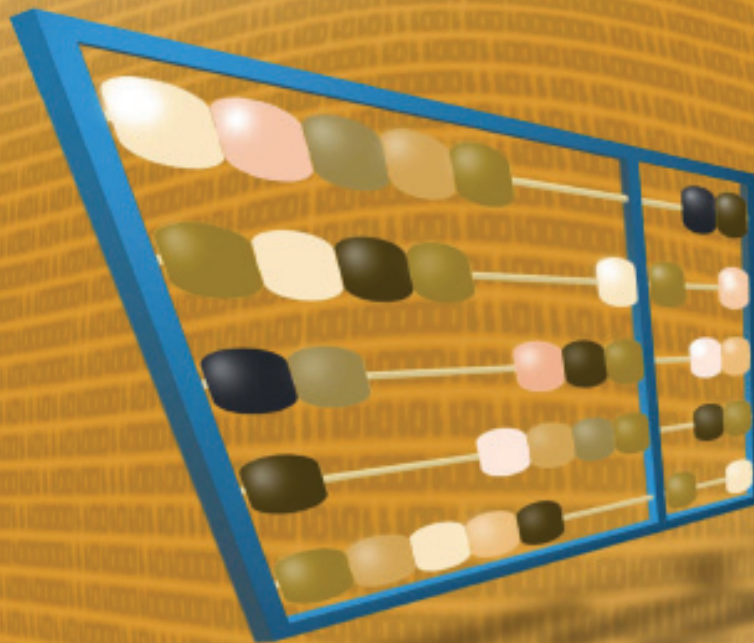


Social Statistics and **Ethnic Diversity**

Should we count, how should we count and why?



Montréal, December 6-8, 2007

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During the second half of the 20th century, important international migration flows have greatly contributed to the appearance of pluralist societies, and a large number of ethnic groups have emerged mainly as a result of immigration. In the context of globalization, and a slow-down of population growth in many countries, immigration and ethnic diversity represent major challenges at the dawn of the 21st century.

Among the new challenges confronting national governments, international organisations and civil society alike in the face of this growing ethnic diversity, is a rising political and social demand for evidence-based policies. This raises the question of collecting data on ethnic groups in order to estimate their number, describe their characteristics and identify factors of social and economic integration. In particular, measuring the extent and nature of the diverse forms of discrimination is essential to the formulation, monitoring and evaluation of anti-discrimination policies, be they national, regional or global.

Social statistics have always been at the core of political and social debates. In Canada, the rising demand for data on diverse social dimensions including ethnicity has justified the use of substantial public funds for the collection of such data, through censuses or large-scale social surveys. In Europe and in many other parts of the world, the situation is more complex; although the demand for ethnic data is growing, there is no consensus about the relevance of producing official ethnic statistics.

There is a good deal of international variation in the way in which discrimination based on national or ethnic origin is viewed. In Canada, survey or census questions on ethnic origins are explicitly justified on the grounds that Charters, legislation and equal opportunity programmes need to be closely monitored. This is not the case in many other countries. Apart from a few countries like England which are similar to Canada, most European nations (e.g. France) are opposed to including ethnic questions in official statistics. The adoption of anti-discrimination policies by the European Union, however, means that there is now strong pressure to produce ethnic statistics.

The main objective of the International conference on *Social Statistics and Ethnic Diversity: Should we count, how should we count and why?* is to establish links between the production, analysis, uses and interpretation of social statistics related to ethnic diversity. More specifically, the Conference aims to address the following questions:

- **Should we count?** This is essentially an ethical issue. Does distinguishing and characterizing populations according to their ethnic origins constitute a risk of stigmatization or is it, on the contrary, an asset for measuring and explaining discrimination and for demanding more inclusive policies?
- **How to count?** Here, the focus is on methodological considerations. There are many ways to measure ethnic origin and discrimination: what are the best and most common practices in this area, taking into account the historical, socio-economic and political specificities of each society?
- **Who is and who is not counted?** This question is an extension of the preceding one and aims at identifying biases and limitations in official statistics. Who is not counted is very revealing of the political criteria underlying methodological choices.
- **Why count?** What are the characteristics of legal, social and economic integration and non-integration (discrimination)? Is it possible (desirable?) to develop internationally comparable indicators of integration? What rights should be granted to the different categories of migrants (permanent, temporary, refugees, irregular, etc.)? All questions that require innovative data sources (e.g. administrative data and longitudinal surveys), whose future orientation needs careful consideration.

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The Quebec Inter-University Centre for Social Statistics (QICSS) was created in July 2000 as part of the Canadian Initiative on Social Statistics (CISS), developed by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) and Statistics Canada. The QICSS is the only Quebec member of the Canadian Network of Statistics Canada Research Data Centres, a key component of the CISS.

Created to promote research within the field of social statistics in Québec, the QICSS offers access within the university environment to detailed data from large-scale surveys carried out by Statistics Canada and the Institut de la statistique du Québec; it also provides the workspace, equipment and professional and technical resources needed to exploit these surveys.

The QICSS was established with the specific aim of promoting research within the field of social statistics in Quebec. Central to the project has been the creation of a secure environment in a university setting, where researchers can have access to microdata from Statistics Canada and Institut de la statistique du Québec large-scale population surveys, while respecting the rules of confidentiality. The QICSS's mission does not stop there, however; it also offers support, training and activities designed to disseminate research findings. By bringing under one roof researchers from different institutions and disciplines, the QICSS has become a hub of scientific activity in the field of social statistics in Quebec, Canada and in the international arena.

The QICSS's three main goals are to support and develop cutting-edge research in the field of social statistics; to expand the pool of social statistics researchers and train the next generation; to make research findings and their implications known to a wider audience.

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Alfred Sauvy, co-founder of the Institute alongside Robert Debré, was appointed as its first director. An economist, statistician and demographer, but also a journalist and writer, Alfred Sauvy sought from the outset to give INED a multidisciplinary profile and welcomed researchers from a wide variety of backgrounds. During his years as director (1945-1962), a "French school of demography" was born, and INED established its solid international reputation.

In 1986, INED became a public scientific and technological establishment (EPST) under the joint supervision of the Ministry for Employment, Labour and Social Cohesion and the Ministry of Education and Research¹. Its status of EPST provides a guarantee of scientific independence.

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Thursday, December 6 Programme

7:30 am - 8:30 am
Registration

8:30 am - 9:00 am
Opening remarks and introduction
Chair: Victor Piché, Université de Montréal, Canada


Céline Le Bourdais, Director, Quebec Inter-university Centre for Social Statistics (Montréal, Canada)
Patrick Simon, Researcher, Institut national d'études démographiques (Paris, France)

9:00 am - 10:30 am
Should we count? Statistics and political strategies - Session 1.1
Chair: Ann Morning, New York University, United States of America

The politics of ethnicity in a transnational world
Alan Simmons, York University, Canada

Inside-Out: The Politics of Enumerating the Nation
Victor Thompson, Stanford University, United States of America
Tahu Kukutai, Stanford University, United States of America


 "Ethnic" Statistics: Fighting Against Discrimination **[in French]**
Patrick Simon, Institut national d'études démographiques, France


10:30 – 10:45
 Coffee break

10:45 am - 12:30 pm
Should we count? Statistics and political strategies - Session 1.2
Chair: Deidre Meintel, Université de Montréal, Canada

 Ethnic Categories and Integration: The Situation in West Africa **[in French]**
Dieudonné Ouédraogo, Université de Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso

Generating Ethnic Data in Europe. Good practices and failures through the lens of the Hungarian case
Andrea Krizsan, Central European University, Hungary


 Accounting for the Believers: Dealing with Denominations in a Statistical Approach to Ethnic Diversity **[in French]**
Valérie Amiraux, Centre d'études ethniques des universités montréalaises, Canada

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
 **Poster session and lunch (see annex)**

1:30 pm - 3:15 pm

Should we count? Statistics and political strategies - Session 1.3

Chair: Jennifer Hochschild, Harvard University, United States of America

 Ethnic Statistics and Equality: The Interrelationship between Law, Social Sciences, and Public Policies in Human Rights in Canada **[in French]**
Maryse Potvin, Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada

Race, law and ethnic data
Iyiola Solanke, University of East Anglia / University of Michigan Law School, United States of America

 Antiracism and "Ethnic" Statistics – The Issue of Measure in the Fight against Racism and the Demands for Recognition of the "Minorized" in France and Germany **[in French]**
Soline Laplanche-Servigne, Sciences-Po Paris, France

Used for ill; used for good: A century of collecting data on race in South Africa
Tom A. Moultrie, University of Cape Town, South Africa
Rob Dorrington, University of Cape Town, South Africa

3:15 – 3:30

 Coffee break

3:30 pm - 5:15 pm

Should we count? Statistics and political strategies - Session 1.4

Jean Renaud, Université de Montréal, Canada

 Ethnic Groups that Defy Policy Issues: Reflections on Guinea **[in French]**
Alhassane Balde, Université René Descartes-Paris5-Sorbonne, France

Politics of Ethnicity and Population Censuses in Sri Lanka
Kalinga Tudor Silva, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka

Counting and Integration: The Experience of Malaysia
Nagaraj Shyamalaj, University of Malaya, Malaysia
Kiong-Hock Lee, University of Malaya, Malaysia
Nai-Peng Tey, University of Malaya, Malaysia
Chiu-Wan Ng, University of Malaya, Malaysia

Racial Form Follows Function: On Linking What We Measure To Why We Measure
Wendy Roth, University of British Columbia, Canada

Thursday, December 6, 2007, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

 Fairness and Accountability in Education: Relevance and Challenges of Ethnic Indicators **[in French]**

Marie Mc Andrew – Canada Research Chair in Education and Ethnic Relations
Public conference – free entrance

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

 Opening cocktail – free entrance

Friday, December 7

Programme


7:30 am – 9:00am
Registration

9:00 am - 10:30 am
What to count? Behind the categories – Session 2.1
Chair: Jean-Guy Prévost, Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada

American Jews and intermarriage
Joel Perlmann, *Levy Institute, United States of America*

 Populations from Former Colonial Empires: Which Categories? **[in French]**
Roxane Silberman, *Centre Maurice Halbwachs, France*

 Vague Definitions and Population Explosion in Canadian Aboriginal Populations between 1986 and 2001
[in French]
Éric Guimond, *Affaires Indiennes et du Nord Canada, Canada*
Norbert Robitaille, *Université de Montréal, Canada*
Sacha Sénécal, *Affaires Indiennes et du Nord Canada*

10:30 am - 10:45 am
 Coffee break


10:45 am - 12:15 pm
What to count? Behind the categories – Session 2.2
Chair: Amélie A. Gagnon, Quebec Inter-University Centre for Social Statistics, Canada

Brazilian ethnoracial classification and affirmative action policies: Where are we and where do we go?
José Luis Petruccelli, *Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística, Brasil*

Can national identity become ethnic identity? The case of the emerging New Zealander ethnic group
Tahu Kukutai, *Stanford University, United States of America*
Robert Didham, *Statistics New Zealand*

Classifying ethnicity using people's names
Pablo Mateos, *University College - London, United Kingdom*

Family ethnicity? Should we count, how should we count and why?
Robert Didham, *Statistics New Zealand, New Zealand*
Paul Callister, *Victoria University, New Zealand*
Deborah Potter, *Statistics New Zealand, New Zealand*

12:15 pm - 1:15 pm
 **Poster session and lunch (see annex)**

1:15 pm - 2:45 pm

How should we count? Methodological debates - Session 3.1

Chair: Daniel Sabbagh, CERI, France

Measuring Inequalities and Inequality Carrying Effects: Methodological Considerations [in French]


Rachad Antonius, Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada

Jean-Claude Icart, Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada

Indigenous people of Latin America: Systematizing and analyzing relevant census information under a right-based perspective

Fabiana DelPopolo, Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe, Chile

Ana María Oyarce, Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe, Chile

 "Objectively" Recognizing Origins to Fight Discrimination in Belgium: Methodological Alternative and Implications **[in French]**

Nicolas Perrin, Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium

Luc Dal, Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium

Michel Poulain, Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium

2:45 pm - 3:00 pm

 Coffee break

3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

How should we count? Methodological debates - Session 3.2

Chair: Werner Haug, Office Statistique, Switzerland

Ethnic classification in global perspective: a cross-national survey of the 2000 census round

Ann Morning, New York University, United States of America

 Ethnic Statistics and Indigenous Social Diversity in Mexico: A Plural Approach **[in French]**

Olivier Barbary, Institut de recherche pour le développement, Mexico

 The Measure of Ethnic Diversity: 15 Years Later **[in French]**

Gustave Goldmann, Statistique Canada

4:30 pm - 4:45 pm

 Coffee break

4:45 pm – 6:15 pm

How should we count? Methodological debates - Session 3.3

Bilkis Vissandjee, Université de Montréal, Canada

Harms and Benefits: Collecting Ethnicity Data in a Clinical Context

Colleen Varcoe, University of British Columbia, Canada

Annette Browne, University of British Columbia, Canada

Sabrina Wong, University of British Columbia, Canada

Vicki Smye, University of British Columbia, Canada

The use of census data in the analysis of ethnic inequalities: The Canadian experience, 1996-2006

Nikolaos Liodakis, Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada

Ethnic Statistics in East Asian Countries: Foreign brides' surveys in East Asia

Danièle Bélanger, University of Western Ontario, Canada

Hye-Kyung Lee, Pai Chai University, South Korea

Wang, Hongzen, National Chi-Nan University, Taiwan

Friday, December 7, 2007, until 9 pm

 Cocktail at the Museum of Contemporary Art: 'Friday Nocturnes' - Admission: 8\$

With live music, bar service and speed tours of the exhibition galleries, a few steps away: 185, Sainte-Catherine West

Saturday, December 8 Programme

7:30 am - 9:00 am
Registration

9:00 am - 10:30 am

Applications: Regional cases – Session 4.1

Chair: Magdalena Planeta, Ministère de l'immigration et des communautés culturelles du Québec, Canada

 An Analysis of the Development of Racial Minorities in Uruguay, 1996-2006 **[in French]**

Wanda Cabella, Universidad de la República, Uruguay

Rafael Porzecanski, Universidad de la República, Uruguay & University of California – Los Angeles, United States of America

Difficulties in Researching the Demographic Behaviour of Ethnic Hungarian and Roma Community from Romania

Valér Veres, Universitatea Babeş-Bolyai, Romania

 Publishing Social Statistics on Ethnic Groups in Cameroon **[in French]**

Nino Alfredo Ndjondo Sandjo, Institut National de la Statistique du Cameroun, Cameroon

Transnational working biographies: What should we measure? Nationality, place of residence, place of employment or place of birth?

Jochen Baumann, Humboldt University, Germany

Tatjana Mika, German Pension Insurance (FDZ-RV), Germany

10:30 am - 10:45 am

 Coffee break

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

Applications: Regional cases – Session 4.2

Chair: Guy Desplanques, Institut national de la statistique et des études économiques, France

'Why Count?': How Ethnic Group Affiliation and Visible Minority Status Can Contribute to the Study of Immigrant Employment Success

Kristyn Frank, University of Waterloo, Canada

White, Black and Brown in the Brazilian Society: A Study about Inequalities

Ana Lucia Saboia, Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística, Brésil

João Saboia, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Brésil

 "Taboo" Data: Managing Ethnic Indicators in Montréal's Public Services Files **[in French]**

Sylvie Gravel, Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada

Annick Germain, INRS-Urbanisation, Société et Culture, Canada


12:15 pm - 13:15 pm

 Lunch

1:15 pm - 3:00 pm

Applications: Regional cases – Session 4.3

Chair: Louis De Sipios, Irvine University, United States of America

 Estimations of the Irregularities in Migrants to Spain and the Impact on the Migration Policy **[in French]**

Antonio Izquierdo Escribano, Universidade da Coruña, Spain

Antía Pérez Caramés, Universidade da Coruña, Spain

Migration and Naturalization in German Federal Statistics – Experiences with the German Census

Andrea Janssen, Center for Survey Research and Methodology, Germany

Julia Schroedter, German Social Science Infrastructure Services, Germany

(Re)Modeling Race: A Latent Variable Approach for Research on Racial Inequality

Aliya Saperstein, University of California – Berkeley, United States of America

Navigating the Hispanic/Latino Identity: Panethnicity, Discrimination, and the United States Census.

Darcie Mulholland, American University, United States of America

3:00 pm - 3:15 pm

 *Coffee break*

Saturday, December 8, 2008, 3:15 pm - 4:45 pm

Roundtable: Summary and Concluding remarks

Chairs: Victor Piché, Université de Montréal and Patrick Simon, INED

Poster sessions

Poster sessions will take place at lunch time, Thursday, December 6 and Friday, December 7.

 **“It’s all about addressing health disparities”:** Strategies for developing organizational support for incorporating language and ethnicity indicators into health information systems

Sarah Bowen, University of Manitoba, Canada

Jeannine Roy, Winnipeg Regional Health Authority Language access, Canada

Michelle Gibbens, From Interpreting to Integrating Marginalized Evidence, Canada


 **A Critical Analysis of the Implications of Collecting “Ethnicity” Data in Canadian Health Care Settings**

Annette J. Browne, University of British Columbia, Canada

Vicki Smye, University of British Columbia, Canada

Colleen Varcoe, University of British Columbia, Canada

Sabrina Wong, University of British Columbia, Canada

 **The Influence of the Intersection of Race, Class and Gender in the Delivery of Health Care: People's Perceptions of the Collection of Ethnicity Data**

Victoria Smye, University of British Columbia, Canada

Sabrina Wong, University of British Columbia, Canada

Annette Browne, University of British Columbia, Canada

Colleen Varcoe, University of British Columbia, Canada

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Colleen Varcoe, University of British Columbia, Canada

Vicki Smye, University of British Columbia, Canada

Annette Browne, University of British Columbia, Canada

 **Ethnic minorities working with co-ethnics: Who are they and how do they fare economically and psychologically**

Feng Hou, Statistics Canada, Canada

 **Loss of the Ethnic Mark and Estimation of the Indigenous Migration in Mexico**

Angélica E. Reyna Bernal, Universidad Autónoma del Estado de Hidalgo, Mexico

 **Counting Latinos in the U.S. Census**

Clara E. Rodríguez, Fordham University, United States of America

Luisa Borrell, Columbia University, United States of America

Schedule

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	16h30 - 16h45 Break	
Public conference Marie McAndrew 17h30 à 18h30	16h45 - 18h15 Varcoe & al, Liodakis Belanger & al,	
Cocktail 18h30 - 20h00	Museum of Contemporary Art Friday Nocturne	

Maps

Conference site (in red) is located at 200, Sherbrooke Street West, near Jeanne-Mance.



The Museum of Contemporary Art is located at 185, Sainte-Catherine West (Conference site in red)

