

Censuses and Registers

organization and operation of censuses and registers at local and international comparability, and the use of computers.

John S. *The preparations for the 1982 census of the Netherlands*. China Quarterly, No. 91, Sep 1982, London, England. In Eng.

Describes the preparations that were made for the 1982 census. Comparisons are made with previous censuses, and the significance of the changes is discussed. In particular, the willingness to accept help from outside sources, the form of funding, equipment, and personnel considered include the unreliable registration system on which the 1982 census was based and the possibility of data manipulation by authorities to conceal previous censuses.

Bo, Bernardo. *The scientific method in population censuses*. [Le utilizzazioni del metodo demografico]. Statistica, No. 1, 1982. 177-91 pp. Bologna, Italy. In Eng, Fre.

Concerned with how to make scientific censuses available in the 1981 population census of Italy. Possible research topics are illustrated with examples in various countries, the components of population censuses, the relationships between social and economic status, and the relationships between social and economic status.

son, Jean-Pierre. *Households and the head of household*. [Les menages n'auront plus de chef]. Etudes Demographiques et Statistique, No. 149, Nov 1982, Paris, France. In Fre. with sum. in Eng.

Discusses the method adopted in France for the 1982 census. "In the 1982 census, unlike previous censuses, the NSEE [Institut National de la Statistique Economique] no longer designates a head of household at the discretion of the census taker. The head of household will itself designate a stable [reference person] under the name of the head according to a systematic rule. This is a certain inaccuracy which was corrected for certain surveys. The rule designating the reference person is based on the head of household and takes into account the main characteristics of the spontaneous declarations of the head in the 1975 census, it would have been the designating of the same representative person."

ker, T. P.; van de Gronden, E. *Census management*. [Tellen en geteld worden]. Maatschappij, Vol. 8, No. 9, 1981, The Netherlands. In Dut.

The changes planned for implementation in the 1981 census of the Netherlands are first described, and the reasons why these changes were not implemented are discussed. Factors affecting this decision are considered, with attention to government dissatisfaction, the conflict between administrative and research needs, and legal provisions affecting the protection of individual privacy. [Source: Literatuur-en Documentatieoverzicht, NIDI-Bibliotheek 4(4)]

49:10853 Doyle, Brian; Chambers, Raymond. *Census evaluation in Australia*. In: American Statistical Association, 1980 proceedings of the Section on Survey Research Methods. [1980]. 275-80 pp. American Statistical Association, Washington, D.C. In Eng.

Census evaluation in Australia is examined with regard to the 1976 and 1981 censuses. The use of evaluation studies conducted after the 1976 census is discussed. The pre-census evaluation for the 1981 census is then assessed. Procedures involved in selecting topics for the census and in ensuring that accurate information on those topics would be collected are described.

49:10854 Fernandez, Edward W.; McKenney, Nampeo R. *Identification of the Hispanic population: a review of Census Bureau experiences*. In: American Statistical Association, 1980 proceedings of the Section on Survey Research Methods. [1980]. 358-63 pp. American Statistical Association, Washington, D.C. In Eng.

"This paper summarizes the results of the [U.S.] Census Bureau's experiences in developing an identifier for the Spanish origin population in the 1980 census." Various procedures used to compare responses and to measure non-response rates for Spanish and ethnic origin questions are described and evaluated based on data collected in several U.S. cities from 1976 to 1978.

49:10855 Fraser, Stewart E. *How China conducted its 1982 census*. Intercom, Vol. 10, No. 11-12, Nov-Dec 1982. 3-5 pp. Washington, D.C. In Eng.

A general review of the methods used to conduct the 1982 census of China is presented, along with a discussion of factors affecting the completeness of the data. A sample census questionnaire in English is also included, and provisional results from the census are shown by province.

49:10856 Gilbert, R. *1980 National Census Project: summary technical report*. Nov 1982. 66 plus unnumbered pp. National Census Project, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea. In Eng.

This report is concerned with the technical aspects of the 1980 census of Papua New Guinea, the first complete enumeration of the country attempted. The report, which is designed for an international readership, contains sections on census design and execution, including preparation and planning, publicity and training, and the main enumeration; data pro-

cessing; definitions used; tabulation and publications; and census evaluation, including the post-enumeration survey.

49:10857 Gosselin, J.-F. *Reverse record check: tracing people in Canada*. In: American Statistical Association, 1980 proceedings of the Section on Survey Research Methods. [1980]. 269-74 pp. American Statistical Association, Washington, D.C. In Eng.

The use of reverse record checking to evaluate the level of under-enumeration in a census is assessed. Various tracing methods used in Canada and the success obtained from each method are described. Methods discussed include the regional office match, telephone tracing, the use of health and welfare records and of unemployment insurance records, and mailing operations.

49:10858 Kiregyera, Ben. *1980 Uganda census of population and housing (UCPH): some problems of organization and execution*. Demography India, Vol. 11, No. 1, Jan-Jun 1982. 1-14 pp. Delhi, India. In Eng.

"This paper is a review of the organization and execution of the 1980 Uganda Census of Population and Housing (UCPH) with a focus on some problems encountered in its organization and execution. Some indication is made as to the utility of the data collected in the UCPH."

49:10859 Malaker, Chitta R. *Evaluation of widowhood data in Indian censuses: a life table investigation*. Genus, Vol. 37, No. 3-4, Jul-Dec 1981. 165-77 pp. Rome, Italy. In Eng. with sum. in Fre, Ita.

The reliability of data on widows in the 1961 and 1971 Indian censuses is tested using two life table techniques. In the first, it is assumed that all females marry at age 15 and all males marry at age 20. In the second, an age difference between husband and wife of five years is assumed. The impact of remarriage and mortality by marital status on widowhood data is also considered.

It is found that the number widowed is underestimated in both censuses. The author suggests that this is due to misreporting or underreporting, particularly among the younger age groups. Results also indicate that remarriage, mortality by marital status, and age difference at marriage have little effect in explaining the undercount of widows.

49:10860 Mitroff, Ian I.; Mason, Richard O.; Barabba, Vincent P. *The 1980 census: policymaking amid turbulence*. 1983. xxv, 255 pp. Lexington Books, Lexington, Mass. ISBN 0-669-05224-8. LC 81-47992. In Eng.

"This book examines the story of the 1980 census with special reference to the key issue of differential undercount--the fact that blacks and other minorities are missed more often than whites in the count of the U.S. population. In particular, it looks at the changing role of a traditional governmental agency, a staid agency coping with a complex policy question that ranges far beyond its traditional purview--that is, statistics." The main theses of the book are that complex issues of this type are becoming more com-