

CPS NEWS

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CPS Reports

President's Message



Although we have six more months to go before the CPS-ADQ joint annual meeting and the CPS-PAA joint session at PAA 2026, we have been pretty busy since the September issue of CPS Newsletter was released. In

this post, I am sharing with you three main updates of our activities.

1) 2026 CPS-ADQ Joint Annual Meeting

James Falconer (CPS Vice President) and I are working closely with Xavier St-Denis (ADQ Program Chair), Ana Canedo (ADQ Vice President/CPS National Committee), and Béatrice Morselli (Coordinator, INRS) to finalize the details of the 2026 CPS-ADQ joint annual meeting at Statistics Canada in Ottawa, May 25-28. Please see the call for abstracts below. We recently applied for a grant that would help us offer travel funding to student presenters, and are awaiting the results.

2) CPS Membership Drive

Camila Iciazzyk (CPS Student Representative) and I are starting a membership drive to encourage more graduate students in Canadian universities to join the CPS. On November 25, Camila presented on the CPS in the Western Sociology professional development seminar (Camila's report can be found below). Moreover, I distributed CPS promotional posters (which Camila designed nicely!) at the Toronto Population Network mini-conference at the University of Toronto on November 6.

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Why Join CPS?

- **Professional development:** Present at conferences and attend student-focused events
- **Funding opportunities:** Apply for CPS Best Student Paper & Congress Graduate Merit Awards
- **Networking:** Meet peers and experts at annual meetings, including the 2026 CPS Conference at Statistics Canada in Ottawa, May 25-28

Learn more & join: <https://www.canpopsoc.ca/>



SCAN THE QR CODE TO JOIN!

If you are interested in sharing a CPS promotional poster with your students, please email me: at kaidar@mcmaster.ca.

We will kick the membership drive into full gear now that the call for abstracts for the 2026 CPS-ADQ joint annual meeting is announced.

3) Updates on CPS @ PAA 2026 (May 6-9, 2026, America's Center, St. Louis, Missouri)

The International Committee (Max Stick and James Ivenuiuk) submitted their proposal for a CPS-PAA joint session on "Fertility Patterns and Developments across Countries" to the PAA program committee. Many thanks to four CPS/PAA members who kindly agreed to present in this session. We will provide more details when the schedule of this session is finalized.



The International Committee is also working on booking a place for the CPS Happy Hour near the PAA annual meeting site (America's Center). Many thanks to Alison Yacyshyn (CPS awards committee chair) for recommending venues in St. Louis!

Call for Abstracts: 2026 Joint CPS-ADQ Annual Meeting

The Canadian Population Society (CPS) and l'Association des démographes du Québec (ADQ) are excited to invite submissions for their first fully joint conference in over a decade, taking place May 25-28, 2026, at Statistics Canada headquarters in Ottawa. This bilingual event is your chance to connect with leading experts, share your research, and explore cutting-edge topics in demography,

population dynamics, and socio-economic trends. Selected conference papers will be considered for special issues of *Canadian Studies in Population* and *Cahiers québécois de démographie*.

Key Details:

- **Abstract deadline:** February 13, 2026 (200 to 500 words via online form).
- **Themes include:** Mortality, Health, Family, Migration, Diversity, Labour, Education, Fertility, Gender, Inequality, and more.
- **Notification of acceptance:** Begins March 9, 2026.
- **Conference Registration deadline** (for accepted presenters): April 24, 2026.
- **Conference format:** In-person presentations with hybrid audience; networking events include a poster session (May 26) and banquet (May 27).
- **Student opportunities:** Paper competition (\$500 award per association), best poster award, and potential travel funding.

For more information and the full submission details, please visit the [online conference portal](#).

Student Representative's Report

Camila Iciaszczyk, the CPS Student Representative, presented at the Sociology Professional Development Seminar at Western University in the Department of Sociology during a session led by Dr. Howard Ramos on academic writing. Her presentation offered an overview of CPS with a focus on the advantages of participating in its conferences as graduate students, particularly the strong networking opportunities, the supportive community, and the professional connections that the CPS conference makes possible. She shared her own positive experience attending as a graduate student, where she met excellent professors and researchers and built meaningful connections. Both Dr. Yoko Yoshida and Dr. Howard Ramos also spoke about their own positive experiences with CPS and the value they found in the

conference environment. The audience responded very positively, and a few students approached her afterward to say they were interested in signing up.



Camila Iciaszczyk at the professional development seminar at Western

CiSP Abstracts

New articles published in *Canadian Studies in Population* since September 2025.

Maude Pugliese, Mamadou Diallo, and Diana Peña, *The gender wealth gap in the Canadian provinces: Predicting and comparing the individual wealth of men and women between 2005 and 2023.*

Although research on wealth disparities between men and women is expanding, the topic remains understudied in Canada due to the predominant collection of asset and debt data at the household level, which conceals intra-family inequalities. This article helps address this research gap by leveraging five waves of the Survey of Financial Security, conducted between 2005 and 2023, and applying a machine learning approach to estimate individual-level non-pension wealth for Canadian men and women. These estimates are also combined with data on wealth held in employer-sponsored pension plans observed at the individual level. The results reveal that women consistently possess less wealth than men, though the extent of this gap varies across provinces and has

narrowed over time, particularly concerning pension wealth. The study further investigates whether Quebec's adoption of an explicit family policy in the late 1990s, which facilitated women's participation in the paid labour force, along with its distinctive legal framework for the division of property upon union dissolution, were associated with a reduction of gender wealth disparities in this province. While gender wealth gaps have declined more in Quebec than in several other provinces since 2005, particularly among younger cohorts, similar trends are also observed in other Canadian regions, particularly Ontario. This provides mixed evidence regarding the impact of Quebec's policies, calling for follow-up studies in the coming years, when the cohorts that have benefited from the family policy measures will have grown older and amassed more wealth. Importantly, the findings underscore the need for improved data collection practices in Canada to better capture intra-family wealth disparities and inform more effective policy interventions.

Manas Ranjan Pradhan and Prasenjit De, *Gender power dynamics and experience of emotional spousal violence among women in India.*

Emotional spousal violence (ESV) against women in India has shown little change over time despite a steady decline in physical and sexual violence, highlighting the importance of addressing its underlying causes. The current study draws on feminist theory to investigate the association between gender power dynamics and ESV against women. Data come from the couple file of the National Family Health Survey (2019/21), with analysis restricted to 46,488 currently-married women aged 18–49. Gender power dynamics were operationalized as husbands' controlling behavior, women's decision-making autonomy, both spouses' justification of wife-beating, and both spouses' exposure to childhood household violence, which were tested as predictors of ESV, along with other socioeconomic confounders. 13% of women reported having experienced ESV from their current husbands. Results from multivariable logistic regression show that ESV was significantly higher among women whose husbands exhibited high levels of controlling behavior (AOR: 11.39), when both spouses justified wife-

beating (AOR: 1.63), and both spouses were exposed to household violence in childhood. The risk for ESV was lower for women who had autonomy in decision-making. We discuss the implications of our findings for customized policies and programs enhancing gender egalitarian norms among men, women's empowerment, and raising awareness on spousal violence.

CPS Member News

David Swanson's (with Jeff Tayman) pre-print report on [forecasting human extinction](#) was covered in *Issues France* (Issues.fr), [Est-il vraiment probable que l'humanité disparaisse dans exactement 314 ans ?](#)

Announcements

Calls for Papers

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, conference on [Kinship Structures, Dynamics, and Inequalities](#). Abstracts deadline: January 21, 2026. Symposium date: June 8-9, 2026.

Hertie School workshop on [Family Diversity and Health: The Potential of Register-Based Research in Germany and Europe](#). Abstracts deadline: January 31, 2026. Event date: June 29-30, 2026.

Special Issue of *Population Research and Policy Review* on [Contemporary Pronatalism in Demographic Context](#). Submission deadline: March 1, 2026.

Toronto Population Network

A group of faculty members at the University of Toronto specializing in demographic/population research recently formed the [Toronto Population Network](#). On November 6, they organized a full-day mini conference in Hart House at the University of Toronto. The conference agenda and presenters are as follows:

- "Welcome remarks: Why a Population Center and Goals for the Day" by Monica Alexander (U of T)

- Keynote speech by Ridhi Kashyap (Oxford University) "Demographic Science in the Digital Age: Insights from Oxford"
- Flash Presentations from U of T Faculty
Karen Chapple (School of Cities), Hui Zheng (Sociology), Esme Fuller-Thomson (Social Work), Blair Wheaton (Sociology), Matt Adams (Geography), and Angelina Grigoryeva (Sociology)
- The Superpower of Pop Centres: How Population Research Centers Advance Scholarship and Community
Moderator: Leafia Ye (U of T)
Panelists: Shelley Clark (McGill), Katherine Curtis (University of Wisconsin-Madison), Ridhi Kashyap (Oxford), and Emilio Parrado (University of Pennsylvania)
- The Landscape of Demographic Data in Canada and Beyond
Moderator: Joanna Pepin (U of T)
Panelists: Elizabeth Dhuey (U of T and Statistics Canada Research Data Centre), Sarah Flood (University of Minnesota and IPUMS), and Rachel Margolis (University of Western Ontario)



Delegates at the Toronto Population Network mini conference

CPS members, Shelley Clark and Rachel Margolis, were among the speakers of this conference. Shelley shared her experience with leading the McGill Centre on Population Dynamics (CPD), while Rachel discussed

challenges in pursuing demographic research using Canadian data.

Upcoming Conference (December 4): Recent Changes in Canadian Demography

The Department of Demography and Population Science at the University of Montréal, in partnership with the Association internationale des démographes de langue française (AIDELF), invites CPS members to a hybrid conference on Recent Changes in Canadian Demography: A Unique or Common Case?

Date: Thursday, December 4, 2025

Time: 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM EDT

Location: 3150 Jean-Brillant Street, Room C-5143, Université de Montréal

Online access: <https://bit.ly/AIDELF-UdeM>

Speaker: Laurent Martel, Director, Demography Centre, Statistics Canada



Please renew your CPS membership or register a student for membership

Statistics Canada

Data Releases

Canadian Community Health Survey (CCHS): Public Use Microdata File, February 7, 2022 to December 31, 2022

The **Canadian Centre for Education Statistics** has created a [custom grouping](#) for understanding whether postsecondary graduates are employed in occupations related to their field of study.

Price trends: 1914 to today. Statistics Canada has released a data visualization tool that can be used to explore the Consumer Price Index (CPI) from 1914 to today. The tool can be used to explore changes in various CPI items over time and across geographies.

The **Longitudinal Administrative Data Dictionary, 2023** was released this October. This product is the data dictionary for the Longitudinal Administrative Databank (LAD), a subset of the T1 Family File, and contains a description of the income and demographic variables in this dataset.

Survey on the Official Language Minority Population: Microdata and User Guide, 2022.

Data on **population projections 2024-2049** for census divisions and census subdivisions are available.

Demographic Reports

Obesity is on the rise in Canada, according to data from the **Canadian Health Measures Survey**, released this October. One-third (33%) of Canadians aged 18 to 79 years were classified as obese in the 2022-to-2024 period, an increase from one-quarter (25%) in the 2016-to-2019 period. In both periods, the prevalence of obesity was highest among Canadians aged 40 to 59 years, among whom 38% of males and 35% of females were obese in the 2022-to-2024 period. Obesity was measured using the body mass index (BMI), which divides a person's

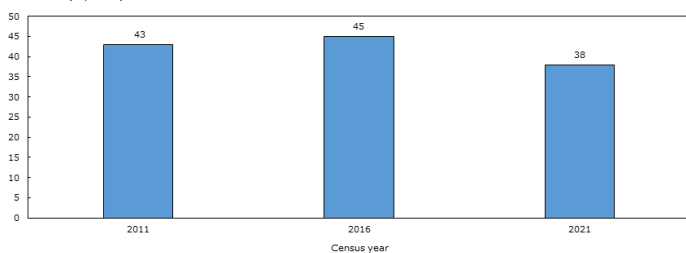
weight in kilograms by the square of their height in metres. Direct measures of [physical activity and sedentary time](#) were also released in October. [One-quarter of the 326,000 deaths in Canada in 2023 were potentially avoidable](#). Diseases of the circulatory system and drug overdoses were the leading causes of avoidable deaths in 2023.

[The contribution of foreign-born mothers to Canadian births from 1997 to 2024.](#)

A new Statistics Canada report documents the [non-permanent residents \(NPR\) missed in the 2021 Census](#), using data from the 2021 Census, the 2021 Census Undercoverage Study, and administrative data from Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada. The percentage of NPRs missed in the 2021 Census was lower than in previous censuses.

Chart 1
Missed rate of non-permanent resident frame for the Census Undercoverage Study, Canada, 2011 to 2021

missed rates (in percent)



Sources: 2021 Census Undercoverage Study and 2011 and 2016 Reverse Record Check.

A new Statistics Canada study provides an [overview of the immigrant population born in the United States living in Canada](#), documenting the sociodemographic characteristics of these immigrants and their labour market and economic outcomes.

Articles published in *Economic and Social Reports* from October to November 2025:

Volume 5, Number 10

[Skill underutilization among immigrant women with a nursing education](#)

[Global classrooms: Changing patterns in postsecondary student flows between Canada and the United States](#)

[The impact of layoffs on labour market outcomes of workers in industries dependent on United States demand for Canadian exports](#)

[Recent developments in the Canadian economy: Fall 2025](#)

Volume 5, Number 11

[Source country matters: Citizenship trends among recent immigrants in Australia and Canada](#)

[Geographic proximity between adult children and their parents in Canada](#)

[Innovation in diversified cities: Evidence from Canada's urban areas](#)

[Lessons from Canadian exporters during the U.S. 2018/2019 steel and aluminum tariffs](#)

[International transactions in securities during recent Canada-U.S. trade developments](#)

Articles published in *Health Reports* from October to November 2025:

Volume 36, Number 10

[Missing teeth, mortality, and hospitalization: A population-based cohort analysis from the Canadian Health Measures Survey and linked databases](#)

[The OncoSim-Cervix cancer microsimulation model: Unveiling roll-out strategies for human papillomavirus primary testing](#)

Volume 36, Number 11

[Virtual care use in Canada: Variation across sociodemographic and health-related factors](#)

[Consumption of ultra-processed and minimally processed foods by eating location and occasion in Canada](#)

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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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- 2 year (\$205.00)
- 3 year (\$300.00)

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- 1 year (\$45.00)
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