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FOREWORD

The *International Directory of IYF Research Activities* was the result of a project conducted by the Australian Institute of Family Studies in cooperation with the United Nations Secretariat for the International Year of the Family in support of family research as a key objective of the Year.

The aim of the Directory was to provide a resource that could promote international cooperation, particularly in support of countries in the process of developing family policies or plans; to facilitate international sharing of information and networking within the research community; and to encourage cooperative and comparative research.

The Directory was published in January 1995 and reported 332 research projects conducted in 47 countries. After presentation at the United Nations Interregional Meeting of IYF National Coordinators/Focal Points in Bratislava in February 1995, a number of countries requested that research in their countries also be included. Thus, this Supplement to the main Directory has been produced in order to present as complete a record as possible of research activities associated with the International Year of the Family. It contains a further 107 research projects from 21 countries.

Copies of the Directory and Supplement will be distributed to all contributors. Further copies are available from the Australian Institute of Family Studies.

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Organisation(s)
Österreichisches Institut für Familienforschung
Gonzagagasse 19/8, 1010 Wien, Austria

Contact
Dr Helmut Schattovits, Director

Summary
Part 1: Analysis of the situation of child care services in Austria based on available information, categorised by provinces. Identification of numerical requirements from pertinent data such as rate of working mothers, number of parents on parental leave, recipients of special emergency aid and social welfare benefits. Part 2: Specification of cost for all types of child care and computation of overall financial requirements.

Timetable
Commenced August 1994; Completed

Funding
Federal Ministry of Youth and Family; Amount: 430,000, ÖS

Keywords
Child care; Children’s services; Statistics

2 Childhood and Youth Studies in Austria

Organisation(s)
Österreichisches Institut für Jugendkunde, Glockengasse
4/3, 1020 Wien, Austria

Contact
Dr Helmut Wintersberger

Summary
Based on an Austria-wide survey of university institutes, non-university research institutions and market and public opinion research institutes, this pilot project will develop the underpinnings for an ongoing documentation of childhood and youth research in Austria, thereby encouraging an exchange of results between researchers and between the respective actors in research, politics and practice. The project furthermore aims to launch Austria’s participation in a Europe-wide network of childhood and youth studies.

Timetable
Commenced 1994; In progress

Funding
Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Arts; Amount: 187,000, ÖS; Federal Ministry of Youth and Family; Amount: 120,000, ÖS

Keywords
Childhood; Children’s rights; Research

3 Children in a Period of Transition: Childhood Research and Policies in Central and Eastern Europe

Organisation(s)
Europäisches Zentrum für Wohlfahrtspolitik und Sozialforschung, Berggasse 17, 1090 Wien, Austria

Contact
Dr Helmut Wintersberger

Summary
Report of an international meeting of scientists from Austria and other countries in Central and Eastern Europe who discussed childhood as a social phenomenon and highlighted the rights of children against a background of extensive political, demographic, economic and social change in Central and Eastern Europe.

Timetable
Commenced 1994; In progress

Funding
Federal Ministry of Youth and Family; Amount: 120,000, ÖS

Keywords
Childhood; Children’s rights; Research

4 Child-Raising Grants by the Province of Tyrol

Organisation(s)
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Contact
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Summary
This research study was performed in two stages, investigating the effect of child-raising grants (paid instead of a maternity allowance for the first two years) on the personal and economic situation of the family and associated decision-making processes. The first stage comprised a survey when the grant was introduced, followed by a second survey upon cessation of the two-year grant. Findings have been obtained on the following issues: impact of the grant as seen by the beneficiaries; aspects regarding their employment plans (motivation); appraisal of the infant care situation; evaluation of provincial family policies by the beneficiaries.
Austria (cont.)

Timetable
Commenced 1992/94; In progress

Funding
Government of the Province of Tyrolia, Family Unit;
Amount: 595,000, ÖS

Keywords
Child rearing; Family allowances

5
Computer Games: Structurisation of Existing Sources of Information and Outline of an Information and Service Point

Organisation(s)
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Contact
Univ. Doz. Dr Jürgen Maass

Summary
Faced with rapid advancements in the computer scene, parents, teachers and youth workers have few options of support and assistance to offer the young. No survey from a pedagogical point of view has so far been made in Austria. Computer games for the young enjoy virtually uncontrolled development; violent games, pornography and other questionable products are multiplying. Considering this situation, the project intends to inventorise the information and sources most relevant with regard to computer games at the levels of production (hardware, software), distribution (sales, dealers, public domain), consumption and reflection. As a second goal, the project aims to prepare the underpinnings for informed decision-making on the possible introduction of an information and service point. It will focus on developing a concept for such an organisation which could operate as an access point for schools, teachers, teachers’ institutes and adult education facilities.

Timetable
Commenced 1993; In progress

Funding
Federal Ministry of Education and Cultural Affairs

Keywords
Computers; Children; Computer games

6
Counselling and Psychotherapy: A Project to Survey the State of the Art

Organisation(s)
Österreichisches Institut für Familienforschung, Gonzagagasse 19/8, 1010 Wien, Austria

Contact
Mag. V Gössweiner

Summary
Counselling constitutes a major factor in the psycho-hygienic care of individuals both in and outside of families. The Austrian Psychotherapy Act, which became effective in 1991, gave rise to a range of questions concerning the mutual delimitation of, and cooperation between, counselling and psychotherapy. The project discusses types of cooperation between counsellors (working in family counselling services sponsored by the Federal Ministry of Youth and Family) and psychotherapists, and investigates whether and to what extent knowledge gathered by the counsellors can be used to obtain indications beyond the purely individual case aspect for generally preventive action in the interest of families.

Timetable
Commenced October 1994; In progress

Funding
Federal Ministry of Youth and Family;
Amount: 786,000, ÖS

Keywords
Family counselling; Psychotherapy; Counselling

7
Drug Consumption by the Young: Risk Factors, Initiation, Addiction and Cure, a Psychosocial Study

Organisation(s)
Institut für Sozial und Gesundheitspsychologie, Pfadenhauergasse 20/1, 1140 Wien, Austria

Contact
Dr Aida and Dr Karl Bohm

Summary
Austria has a dearth of research into drug addiction and in particular studies covering the specific situation of children and youth. The current study is designed as a wide-ranging psychosocial investigation into risk factors, sampling and
consumption behaviours, initiation, progress of the substance abuse and options to overcome addiction, which will be analysed on the basis of empirical and qualitative surveys and depth interviews with 1000 to 1400 respondents. In addition to publishing the findings, the project provides for the development of guidelines for facilities and staff working in the field of addiction prevention, and foresees inclusion of the insights obtained in the training curricula of teachers and social workers.

**Timetable**
Commenced 1994; In progress

**Funding**
Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Arts; Amount: 1.240.000, ÖS. Federal Ministry of Youth and Family; Amount: 1.240.000, ÖS

**Keywords**
Drug abuse; Youth; At risk children

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**Equality – Diversity: Change and Differentiation of Lifestyles and Perception in the Province of Burgenland**

**Organisation(s)**
Bürgenländische Forschungsgesellschaft, Domplatz 21, 7000 Eisenstadt, Austria

**Contact**
Ulrike Pröll

**Summary**
Fundamental study on 'gender-specific differences in perceiving partnership, family, work and society in the Province of Burgenland'. The study aims at an empirical description of life as currently experienced by the women and men in the Burgenland and of the family and partnership situation in the province, following up with an outline of the basics that underlie the requirements and activities within the scope of women and family policies.

**Timetable**
Commenced January 1994; In progress

**Funding**
Government of the Province of Burgenland, Women and Family Promotion Unit

**Keywords**
Family relations; Sex differences; Equality

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**Family Research Data and Information Network**

**Organisation(s)**
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**Contact**
Dr Helmut Schattovits, Director

**Summary**
The project will examine databases relevant for research into family issues, especially those in the German-speaking countries, in terms of their contents, methods of data collection and management and access criteria with a view to establishing a meta-database. In an ancillary process, the project provides for the creation of a database covering (primarily) Austrian facilities and individuals that collect and/or process data relevant for family research.

**Timetable**
Commenced October 1994; In progress

**Funding**
Federal Ministry of Youth and Family

**Keywords**
Data bases; Family research

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**Farewell Childhood: The Worlds Inhabited by 11 to 14 Year-Old Kids**

**Organisation(s)**
Österreichisches Institut für Jugendforschung, Glockengasse 4/3, 1020 Wien, Austria

**Summary**
The project is envisaged as a pilot study in Austria designed to encompass the transition phase between childhood and youth. The results of the study are intended to improve our knowledge of the specific situations experienced by the girls and boys of this age, describing their typical problems and assisting in a better understanding and more adequate handling of them. A particular object of the study will be research into whether being part of a 'foreign culture' generates specific problems during the transition phase. The research project aims to implement three major targets: depicting the worlds of the kids; describing variations in individual development; recognising and indicating patterns and strategies pursued by the kids to cope with the transition.
Austria (cont.)

**Timetable**
Commenced May 1994; In progress

**Funding**
Federal Ministry of Youth and Family; Amount: 276,000, ÖS

**Keywords**
Child development; Adolescent development

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**Feasibility Study for the Family and Fertility Survey**

**Organisation(s)**
International Institute for Applied System Analysis (IIASA), IIASA, 2361 Laxenburg, Austria

**Contact**
Doz. Dr Wolfgang Lutz

**Summary**
In view of an empirical survey and study covering partnership, family, employment, the desire for and number of children, which is carried out in 20 European countries and North America for comparative purposes, a feasibility study examining approaches to implementing the survey was commissioned in Austria, the only European Union country that has not yet commenced on the survey itself.

**Timetable**
Commenced December 1994; In progress

**Funding**
Federal Ministry of Education and Cultural Affairs; Amount: 443,154, ÖS

**Keywords**
Child development; Play; Socialisation

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**Gender-Specific Differences in Childhood Play**

**Organisation(s)**
Österreichischer Arbeitsausschuß für Gutes Spielzeug, Liebiggasse 5/1, 1010 Wien, Austria

**Contact**
Dr Waltraut Hartmann

**Summary**
The study aims to investigate the influence that many years of playing with toys has on children’s gender-specific socialisation, focusing in particular on research into playing and leisure-time behaviour, cognitive skills, social behaviour, creativity and school variables such as satisfaction, performance, motivation and career in school.

**Timetable**
Commenced 1994; In progress

**Funding**
Federal Ministry of Education and Cultural Affairs

**Keywords**
Preschool education; Child development; Teacher role
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Parental Employment and Child Development

Organisation(s)
Chamber of Labour of Austria, Prinz Eugen-Strasse 20–22, 1040 Wien, Austria

Contact
Sabine Bischof

Summary
This study involved revision of a major study performed in 1985 investigating the effects of parental work on the child's development. The study is based on in-depth interviews with parents and children in more than 1000 households of employees in Austria with one or more children aged 15 or less. It provides a social-history review of how employment attitudes and families have developed, and analyses in sociological and development-psychological terms the issue of how parental employment, and in particular working mothers, impact on the child's development.

Timetable
Commenced Revision 1994; In progress

Funding
Chamber of Labour of Vienna

Keywords
Working mothers; Child development; Work family relationship

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Partner and Family Counselling in Court, Mediation Services and Psychological Assistance for Children of Divorcing or Separating Parents

Organisation(s)
Institut für Rechts und Kriminalsoziologie Wien, Museumstraße 5, Postfach 1, 1010 Wien, Austria

Contact
Dr Christa Pelikan

Summary
Scientific study accompanying a model project of the same name implemented at the Salzburg District Court. The family and partner counselling service in court aims to screen legal and psychological counselling of divorcing couples from the divisive atmosphere of legal procedure. A team of conciliators offers mediation to divorcing or separating couples to enable them not only to regulate their legal and economic affairs but, primarily, to agree on a joint and responsible arrangement of how their children will live in the future and to develop their respective parental roles in a manner acceptable to parents and children alike. Children affected by the split of their parents are offered supplementary psychological assistance (psychological diagnostics and group pedagogical counselling). The results of the scientific study will be used as a basis for further legislative and organisation action.

Timetable
Commenced Summer 1994; In progress

Funding
Federal Ministry of Youth and Family, and Federal Ministry of Justice; Amount: 2.5 Mio., ÖS

Keywords
Divorce; Mediation; Conciliation

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Research into Childhood in Austria

Organisation(s)
Europäisches Zentrurn für Wohlfahrtspolitik und Sozialforschung, Berggasse 17, 1090 Wien, Austria

Contact
Dr Herbert Janig, Dr Liselotte Wilk, Dr Helmut Wintersberger, and Mag. Martina Beham

Summary
An inventory of empirical research projects involving children and childhood in Austria. The analysis of Austrian research activities will reflect their background of international developments, in this way registering more widespread trends. The findings will be implemented directly by the research facilities concerned.

Timetable
Commenced 1994; In progress

Funding
Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Arts; Amount: 314.600, ÖS

Keywords
Children; Childhood; Research

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Sexual Abuse, Mental and Physical Maltreatment of Children

Organisation(s)
Verein MÖWE, Wien, Meidlinger Hauptstrasse 7–9, 1120 Wien, Austria
Austria (cont.)

Contact
Mag. Sabine Standenat

Summary
Cooperating with the Vienna School Board, DIE MÖWE, a private association to protect abused children, launched a drawing competition entitled 'Joint action against domestic violence' in all elementary and secondary schools of Vienna. The promoters hope that, encouraged by the initiative which illuminates the subject of domestic violence, some children and youths will be able to overcome their diffidence and fear of obtaining help and counselling and will turn to DIE MÖWE by telephone or in person. In this connection, an accompanying scientific study will investigate the lives of affected children. Vital statistics of the children counselled in person or via telephone will be collected based on catalogues of questions, and drawings submitted by the children will be evaluated for suspected abuse by experts of the Institute of Pediatric Neuropsychiatry (Head: Professor Dr Friedrich), and the children will be contacted whenever possible. The data obtained will be analysed for extent, location, symptoms and harmful effects of sexual, physical and mental abuse.

Timetable
Commenced Summer 1994; In progress

Funding
Federal Ministry of Youth and Family; Amount: 130,000, ÖS

Keywords
Child abuse; Domestic violence

18 Student Wellness Profile

Organisation(s)
Institut für Pädagogik und Psychologie, Universität Linz, Altenbergerstrasse 69, 4020 Linz, Austria

Contact
Dr Ferdinand Eder

Summary
Using the tools of theoretical analysis, representative surveys and in-depth studies, the project examines the physical and mental state of students in school, looking into the conditions of the school system per se and at the influence of the environment on the school situation. In addition to analysing methodological approaches to recording how they perceive their own situation and how the general public perceives their state, the project will analyse and identify their perception, differentiating between 'subjective' perception and 'objective' burdens to provide an in-depth profile of the situation of students in a number of school categories and age groups. The outcome will provide pointers to conditions that have a positive or negative impact on the school climate. School processes in the more narrow sense, ergonomic conditions and the influence of parental participation in school life will be studied as well.

Timetable
Commenced December 1993; In progress

Funding
Federal Ministry of Education and Cultural Affairs

Keywords
School students; Well being; Mental health

19 Survey of General Practitioners, Resident Physicians and School Medical Officers with Regard to Domestic Violence

Organisation(s)
Ludwig Boltzmann Institut für Gesundheitspsychologie der Frau, Bastiengasse 36–38, 1180 Wien, Austria

Contact
Dr Wimmer-Puchinger

Summary
Within this study, physicians will be surveyed to obtain more detailed information (attitudes, rates of problem occurrence, intervention and requirement planning) on the actual scope of domestic violence, considering that it is typically physicians who are the first contact point in the case of severe physical consequences of violence.

Timetable
Commenced December 1994; In progress

Funding
From: Federal Ministry of Youth and Family; Amount: 380,000, ÖS

Keywords
Domestic violence; Medical practitioners

20 Teleworking and the Family: A Pilot Project to Survey the State of the Art

Organisation(s)
Österreichisches Institut für Familienforschung, Gonzagagasse 19/8, 1010 Wien, Austria

Contact
Mag. M Kinn
Summary
The project is intended as a contribution to 'technology accompanying family research', focusing on changes which occur in the practicalities of everyday life of families through the employment of various forms of telework (full telehomework, alternating telework, work in teleoffices). Specific attention is given to changes in the management of time spent by individuals and their families on work, social interaction and personal activities. In order to account for the diversity of forms, families are studied in various phases of the family cycle (e.g. families with babies, families with school children, families in the 'empty-nest' phase) and by various family configurations (two-parent and single-parent families, etc).

Timetable
Commenced October 1994; In progress

Funding
Federal Ministry of Youth and Family; Amount: 999,600, OS

Keywords
Technological change; Computers; Family relations

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The Family Needs – A Telephone Survey

Organisation(s)
Institut für Statistik der Universität Innsbruck, Innrain 52, 6020 Innsbruck, Austria

Summary
A representative telephone poll was designed to obtain answers from concerned families about their expectations of family policies which will really meet their requirements and on how they themselves identify their needs.

Timetable
Commenced 1994; In progress

Funding
From: Government of the Province of Tyrolia, Family Unit; Amount: 160,000, OS

Keywords
Family policy; Telephone surveys; Needs assessment

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Tuition of Day-Care Mothers in Austria: A European Comparison

Contact
Univ. Doz. Dr Elfriede Neubauer and Claudia Tanzer, Wolfauweg 1, 5101 Bergheim bei Salzburg, Austria

Summary
Of all the innovative and flexible approaches to child care that have evolved in response to the current and future social situation, it is the day-care parent model that has been most elaborated on in recent years. The research project aims to examine the situation of Austrian day-care mothers by an international comparison and to evaluate how they are prepared for their responsibilities by tuition based on guidelines developed by the Austrian umbrella organisation of day-care mothers.

Timetable
Commenced 1994; Completed

Funding
Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Arts; Federal Ministry of Youth and Family; Government of the Province of Upper-Austria; Oberösterreichische Wechselseitige Versicherung (insurance co.); Chamber of Labour of Upper-Austria; Amount: 550,000, OS

Keywords
Family day care; Mothers; Training
Austria (cont.)

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Vienna Family Report of 1994

Organisation(s)
Government of the Province of Vienna, Office of Youth and Family, Schottenring 24, 1010 Wien, Austria

Contact
Dr Andrea Kurner and Martina Ludwig

Summary
The report aims to strengthen the link between scientific and statistical findings and practical implications. With this in mind, working groups were established where representatives from municipal departments and outside experts examined changes in the lives of families and family policies in Vienna over the last 15 years with regard to the economic and social situation of families, the family's place in society, family and employment, leisure time, health care, education and domestic violence, with findings to serve as a foundation for planning and promotion of families in Vienna.

Timetable
Commenced January 1994; Completed

Funding
Government of the Province of Vienna, Office of Youth and Family

Keywords
Family policy; Social change; Family change

25
Work in Private Households: Old Problems in a New Era

Organisation(s)
Chamber of Labour of Austria, Prinz-Eugen-Strasse 20–22, 1040 Wien, Austria

Contact
Andrea Höglinger and Gerhard Berka

Summary
The study gets its terms of reference from the fact that domestic servants are not awarded the appreciation by their employers that is normally given to work performed in a business environment. Looking into the high unemployment rate, the large number of illegally employed, and the increasing demand by private households, the study investigates issues of protection and counselling available to domestic servants in cases of conflict.

Timetable
Commenced 1994; In progress

Funding
Chamber of Labour of Vienna

Keywords
Working conditions; Counselling; Domestic employees

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1994 Opinion Monitoring

Organisation(s)
Institut für Empirische Sozialforschung, Rainergasse 38, 1050 Wien, Austria

Contact
Dr Gert Feistritzer

Summary
A catalogue of items covering attitudes of the population towards important school issues will be prepared for regular surveys to pinpoint changes in such attitudes. Items include: public image of the school, educational aims, problem areas, parental satisfaction, public perception of teachers.

Timetable
Commenced May 1994; In progress

Funding
Federal Ministry of Education and Cultural Affairs

Keywords
Schools; Attitudes

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Family in the Republic of Belarus: Condition, Problems, Perspectives

Organisation(s)
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Ministry of Education and Science, ul. Sovetskaya, 9, 220010 Minsk, Republic of Belarus

Contact
Dr Professor S. Laptenok, Byelorussian State University
Summary
This research into various aspects of family life involved 1,890 families. The purpose of the project was to study the evolution in the position of the Byelorussian family and the changes that are occurring in its social status at a time of transition to a market economy. The project's objectives were the following: basic social and demographical characteristics; financial problems and problems of conditions of life of a contemporary family; roles and status within the family; the pedagogical and psychological support to the family. The results will be useful for the development of programs for the family.

Timetable
Commenced January 1994; In progress

Funding
Government of the Republic of Belarus; Amount: 3 million Byelorussian roubles (in 1994 prices)

Publications

Keywords
Social change; Socioeconomic status; Family characteristics

28
Health Status of Pregnant Women and their Offspring in the Republic of Belarus

Organisation(s)
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Contact
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Summary
This study examined the health status of pregnant women during their confinement, and their offspring, in various regions of Belarus within the 15 year period 1981–1994. Comparative analysis of data received in regions with different degrees of Cs−137 soil contamination was made.

Timetable
Commenced 1993; In progress

Funding
Health Ministry of the Republic of Belarus;
Amount: 40 million roubles (in 1995 prices)

Keywords
Infants; Mortality; Statistics

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Medico-Social Problems of Very Low Birth-Weight (less than 1000g) Newborns

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Belarus (cont.)

Summary
The incidence rate and the nature of risk factors of delivery of liveborn low-birth-weight (less than 1000g) infants was determined. Family membership, pregnancy and delivery parity, attitude towards pregnancy, its progress, as well as morbidity and mortality rate of infants, their survival and health condition, were studied.

Timetable
Commenced January 1994; In progress

Funding
Health Ministry of the Republic of Belarus;
Amount: 9 million roubles (1995 prices)

Keywords
Premature infants; Statistics

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Monitoring of Natural Migration of People Residing in Regions Suffering from the Chernobyl Atom Station Accident

Organisation(s)
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Contact
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Summary
This project conducts yearly monitoring of the natural state of population (birth rate, natural increase, infants' mortality rate) in various regions of the Republic of Belarus. As a result of the Chernobyl accident comparative data are collected on areas classified as 'clean' and in regions with Cs-137 soil contamination, degree 1 to 5 Ci/sq.km, and with contamination more than 5 Ci/sq.km degrees.

Timetable
Commenced 1991; In progress

Funding
Health Ministry of the Republic of Belarus;
Amount: 40 million roubles (1995 prices)

Keywords
Population distribution; Demographic trends; Chernobyl accident

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Statistical Book: Women, Family, Children of the Republic of Belarus

Organisation(s)
Ministry of Statistics and Analysis (MINSTAT), 12, Partizansky Ave., Minsk, 220658 Republic of Belarus

Contact
Ljudmila Milevich, Head, Social Statistics Department

Summary
The book contains statistics relating to the demographic characteristics of the population; family characteristics and status; female schooling and female employment; mother-and-child health institutions; child rearing; living conditions of families, their income and expenditure, etc.

Timetable
Commenced 1993; Completed

Funding
Funded by the Ministry from the Republic budget

Keywords
Demographic trends; Statistics; Family characteristics

33
The Problem of Parent-Child Interaction in Adopting Families

Organisation(s)
National Institute of Education, Laboratory of Family Upbringing, Korolja str., 16, 220004 Minsk, Republic of Belarus

Contact
Dr Ludmila Smagina, Chief, Laboratory of Family Upbringing

Summary
Nowadays in the Republic of Belarus there are about 20,000 children who grow up without the care of their own families. More than 30 per cent of such children have parents nominally, but are deprived of parents' care. Every year about 800 babies enter children's institutions because their mothers are unable to care for them. One development introduced to help these children is the so-called 'children-house families' with 5-10 children in each. The first houses started in 1988 and now number 20. The children get overall state maintenance and their parent-educators get salaries. Parent-educators face a lot of problems. Among them: selection and adaptation of children in the new 'families'; relations between parent-educators and the childrens'
biological relatives; friends (often anti-socially orientated); eradication of negative consequences resulting from children staying in big children's institutions, etc.

**Timetable**
Commenced 1992; In progress

**Funding**
Ministry of Education and Science; Amount: about $1000 a year

**Publications**

**Keywords**
Family group care; Substitute care; Adoptive parents

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**The Rights of the Child: Commentaries on the State Documents**

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**Summary**
The Law of the Rights of the Child which was adopted in Republic of Belarus in October, 1993 is the judicial base of the research project. The general research task is to adapt the national legislation to this law; to inform the children of their rights and the ways they can assert them. Particular tasks for the research are: 1. to define the essence of personal, civil, political, economic, etc. rights of children and to determine how they are reflected in the national legislation; 2. to define the characteristics of the main concepts which must be used in the process of informing children about the nominative acts in which their rights are secured legally; 3. to analyse the possibilities and the means children can use in asserting their rights; 4. to show ways the materials concerning children's rights can be used in the process of studying at school, in kindergartens and in out-of-school activities.

**Timetable**
Commenced 1994; Progress

**Funding**
Ministry of Education and Science

**Publications**


**Keywords**
Children's rights; Legislation

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**Long Term Effects of Experiences in 'New Stepfamilies' from the Perspective of Parents and Children: Research in Flanders**

**Organisation(s)**
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**Contact**
Professor Wilfred Dumon

**Summary**
This project is part of a larger project on 'The development of new stepfamilies in Belgium'. Its purpose is to gather qualitative data from adults and children in 'new stepfamilies'. In-depth interviews will be held with stepfamily members using the sample from a previous investigation on divorce and its consequences, carried out at this Institute in 1983 and 1988. The earlier study used survey interviews taken from people who had divorced in 1978. During the last months of 1994 – more than fifteen years after the divorce – those who started living in 'new stepfamilies' will be interviewed again. They will be asked to talk about the process of building the 'new stepfamily', about the structure of the family, the roles that are played in it, relationships inside and outside the family, and about comparisons between first and second relationships. They will also be encouraged to feel free to say what they think a researcher of 'new stepfamilies' needs to know in order to understand such families.

**Timetable**
Commenced July 1994; In progress

**Funding**
Nationaal Fonds voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek; Amount: 150.000 BEF

**Keywords**
Stepfamilies; Stepchildren; Stepparents
Belgium (cont.)

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The Development of 'New Stepfamilies' in Belgium

Organisation(s)

Contact
Professor Wilfred Dumon

Summary
The purpose of this project is to get a better understanding of the development of the so-called 'new stepfamilies'. These families are formed when people who have divorced or separated and who had at least one child in the broken relationship, remarry or start cohabiting with a new partner. The clarification of their development is sought by comparing two approaches that are used to study families over time: the family lifecycle perspective and the lifecourse perspective. Therefore it is necessary to investigate the literature on these perspectives to find out whether there are fundamental differences between the two. On the other hand, qualitative empirical research has started which uses in-depth interviews with people who are living or have lived in a 'new stepfamily'. The data from these interviews will be analysed by using a lifecourse perspective and a family lifecycle perspective.

Timetable
Commenced Sept 1991; In progress

Funding
Nationaal Fonds voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek (1 predoctoral researcher for 4 years)

Keywords
Stepfamilies; Life cycle; Longitudinal studies

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BENIN

37
Education of Women for Family and Community Health

Organisation(s)
Directorate of Social Affairs, Ministry of Labour, Employment and Social Affairs (DAS/MTEAS), BP. 384, Republic of Benin

Contact
Pierre Jekinnou, Chief, ZOU Social Affairs Departmental Service (CSDAS/ZOU)

Summary
Women account for more than 50 per cent of the population of Benin, but only a very small number of them attend nutrition and health monitoring and social promotion centres. This project is intended for: women belonging to groups in the markets and at rail and bus stations, women who sell to schools and in low-priced cafes and restaurants, women organised into various groups (tontines and other kinds of production) who do not attend such centres. Basic objective: To inculcate into the women the reflexes necessary for the improvement of family and community health. Methodology: Training module for leaders; Information, education and communication meetings; Group discussions. The project is not yet underway.

Funding
Funding being sought; Amount: 25,101,500 francs

Keywords
Women; Health education; Community education

38
Improvement of Equipment, Infrastructure and Services at the CAEB Leisure Centre, Parakou

Organisation(s)
Benin Educational Activities Council (CAEB), BP. 30 Parakou (Benin), Republic of Benin

Summary
The purposes of this project is to improve the equipment, infrastructure and services at the CAEB Leisure Centre, Parakou (Borgou). The reason why the project was undertaken was the lack of facilities for children to play in the town of Parakou. The only children who have an opportunity for recreation from time to time are the minority of pupils who have some time free for playing games at school. The great majority of children, who do not go to school, still have no chance to discover the happiness, pleasure and wellbeing produced by playing in an appropriate environment. It is that gap which this project seeks to fill.

Timetable
Commenced February 1988; In progress

Funding
Amount: 2,441,680 francs

Keywords
Play; Children; Recreation
CANADA

39
Evaluation of the Impact and Effectiveness of the Nutritional Education Programme of the Mapleton Educational Kitchen

Organisation(s)
Moncton University, Moncton, New Brunswick E1A 3E9
Canada

Contact
Lita Villalon, Head, School of Nutrition and Family Studies

Summary
The increasing poverty in the Moncton region gives rise to food insecurity. The Mapleton Food Bank provides the needy with a food support programme. In 1992 the Mapleton Educational Kitchen was established to help beneficiaries improve their health. This project aims at evaluating the nutritional education programme of the Kitchen. The study of nutritional education needs identified the importance of food choice, as well as the role of vitamins in food in sustaining health. About a third of the Kitchen’s beneficiaries had an adequate knowledge of the Canadian Food Guide and of food storage techniques at the start of the programme. The nutritional education programme is effective since it has not only broadened beneficiaries’ knowledge, but also enabled them to make better use of the foods provided by the Mapleton Food Bank.

Timetable
Commenced October 1993; Completed

Funding
Canadian Dietetic Research Foundation; Amount: $5,000

Keywords
Nutrition; Health education; Community education

CUBA

41
Common-Law Marriages in Cuba

Organisation(s)
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Contact
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Summary
A description is given of the social and demographic features of common-law marriages in Cuba and some aspects relating to the associated legal rights. An analysis is made of research carried out in Cuba and Latin America on this range of subjects. On the basis of a preliminary investigation involving common-law partners in Havana, a comparative
Cuba (cont.)

A case study was designed on cohabitation in the city in question and in the eastern part of the country, outlining various hypotheses to explain the increase in this type of partner relationship in Cuba. A study is planned on the way the family works and the development of children in families constituted through common-law marriages.

Timetable
Commenced 1994; In progress

Funding
CIPS – Ministry of Science, Technology and the Environment

Publications

Keywords
Cohabitation; Husband wife relationship

42
Family Communication: Its Effect on the Development of Adolescents and Young People

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Contact
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Summary
The work is based on a review and a critical assessment of the various conceptual and therapeutic models in the study and treatment of the family and particularly the use of 'communication' in such contexts. It describes the characteristics of communication between parents and children in a representative national sample of families belonging to the two basic social and class groups in our society; workers and intellectuals. A case study is conducted in order to go more thoroughly into the set of variables chosen and into the psychological aspects of family dynamics. A description is likewise given of the results obtained regarding exercise of the stereotype roles in these Cuban families, basically the difference in the execution out of the maternal and paternal roles. The results will serve as a basis for a project to improve communication between parents and children.

Timetable
Commenced 1994; Completed

Funding
CIPS – Ministry of Science, Technology and the Environment

Keywords
Parent child relationship; Communication; Stereotypes

43
Partner Relationships and Divorce: Some Research Results

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Contact
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Summary
This study evaluates the present status of research on partner relationships and divorce in Cuba. It brings together the main results obtained from research based on disciplines such as psychology and law, and provides the most up-to-date information regarding the movement in the values for marriage statistics, fertility and divorce rates. It identifies the main methodological inadequacies and the fields so far not covered by scientific research on this subject. It proposes a strategy for the development of research and educational activities in the area in question.

Timetable
Commenced December 1992; Completed

Funding
CIPS – Ministry of Science, Technology and the Environment

Keywords
Divorce; Husband wife relationship

44
Possible Impact of the Present Economic Situation on the Cuban Family

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Contact
Dr Mayda Alvarez Suárez, Director
**Summary**

Based on experience yielded by research on the Cuban family, an analysis is made of the possible impact of the new economic situation known in Cuba as the 'special period' with respect to the various types of family groups. Forecasts and reflections are offered on the effect of this period on the material conditions of life, the employment of adult members of the family, on partner relationships and the emergence of the new generations. Possible alternatives are also suggested for approaching those problems having a direct impact on family life, together with proposals for reducing their effects on the family.

**Timetable**

Commenced December 1992; Completed

**Funding**

CIPS – Ministry of Science, Technology and the Environment

**Keywords**

Social change; Economic conditions; Family change

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**ETHIOPIA**

46

**Sample Survey on the Socio-Economic Situation of Displaced Families in Ethiopia**

**Organisation(s)**

Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, PO Box 2056, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

**Contact**

Mr Zenebe Mamo, Head, Social Welfare Department

**Summary**

The study is intended to cover the whole nation on a sample basis. The questionnaire will aim to cover all socio-economic aspects of the displaced families. The outcome of the research is expected to serve as a basis for programmes/projects in order to rehabilitate the displaced families in the future.

**Timetable**

Commenced July 1994; In progress

**Funding**

The Transitional Government of Ethiopia, the International IYF Fund, Vienna; Amount: US$60,000 and US$15,000 respectively

**Publications**

A workshop on the outcome of the result of the study will be conducted and the findings of the research will be published.

**Keywords**

Disadvantaged groups; Socioeconomic status; Displaced families
FRANCE

47
Families of Albania

Organisation(s)
Institut de L'Enfance et de la Famille (IDEP), 3 rue Coq-Heron, 75001 Paris, France

Contact
Claire Auzias, Chargée de Mission

Summary
This activity is part of a broader research project on the families of Eastern Europe. Original quantitative data were collected and interviews conducted on all forms of family in Albania in its current state of transition. A report was submitted to the IYF Secretary, Social Development Centre, United Nations, Vienna, Austria.

Timetable
Commenced 1993; Completed

Funding
IYF Secretariat; Amount: $5,000

Keywords
Family structure; Social change; Family types

GERMANY

48
Supports of the Structures of Regional Family Policies

Organisation(s)
Institute for Development Planning and Structural Research, University of Hannover, Grotefendstrasse 2, D-30167, Hannover, Germany

Contact
Frau Dr Barbara Hille

Summary
The objectives of this project are to develop regional family policies, to organise a network for family policy activities, and to set up information services and workshops. Methodologies employed include activity research, public relations, presentation of examples, and a data bank.

Timetable
Commenced 1989; In progress

Keywords
Family policy; Information services

GHANA

49
Family Disorganisation: Its Effect on Developing Ghana

Organisation(s)
Ministry of Employment and Social Welfare, PO Box M.230, Accra, Ghana

Contact
Edward Alfred Amo-Akomeah, Acting Director Social Welfare

Summary
The family is the main contact for inculcating basic values in children and society at large. However, these basic values of the traditional extended family system in Ghana have come under increasing pressure thus rendering the system less secure. The Ghana family has become weaker because many children are being born and raised in single-parent households most of whom are headed by teenage mothers. Broken homes resulting from desertions, separation and divorce as well as incomplete homes where spouses do not care for each other thus affecting proper upbringing etc. However, the traditional family possesses strengths which modern structures of science and technology cannot provide. There is the need to identify the causes of problems affecting the power of the family. The expected results will provide information leading to the prevention of societal problems and offer positive measures to policy makers in designing effective interventions to empower victimised families to be self-reliant.

Timetable
Commenced 1995; In progress

Funding
Now being explored; Amount: $62,918.90 (excluding vehicle and accident insurance)

Keywords
Social change; Family policy; Family change
50
A 15 Year Follow-up of the Children of Multi-Problem Families who had Received Social Welfare Care

Organisation(s)
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Research Department, Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs, 10 Yad Haruzim St, Jerusalem, Israel

Contact
Dr Yoav Lavee, School of Social Work, Haifa University

Summary
This project examined the status of children whose parents obtained social services 15 years previously. The researchers’ intention is to determine variables associated with the level of success of these families in breaking away from social dependency.

Timetable
Commenced June 1994; In progress

Funding
Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs

Keywords
Dependency (Economic); Social services; Social problems

51
Families in Israel

Organisation(s)
Israel Central Bureau of Statistics, Hakirya Ronema, POB 13015, Jerusalem 91130, Israel

Summary
The purpose of this special publication is to characterise Israel’s families according to a wide variety of variables such as: family size, age and sex composition, education, date of arrival in Israel, country and origin, work characteristics.

Timetable
Commenced 1994; Completed

Funding
Central Bureal of Statistics

Publications
Central Bureau of Statistics Special Series no.971.

Keywords
Statistics; Family structure; Family characteristics

52
Support System of Fathers and Mothers Raising their Children Alone

Organisation(s)
Bar Ilan University, Social Work School, Ramat-Gan, Israel

Contact
Oma Cohen

Summary
A sample of single-parent families formed due to divorce was studied. The purpose of the study was to identify sources of support being used and others desired.

Timetable
Completed

Funding
Bar Ilan University

Publications

Keywords
Family support services; One parent families

53
The Effects of Unemployment on the Family

Organisation(s)
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Yaakov Nahon

Summary
The purposes of the research are: 1. To estimate the extent of the damage to the family due to the unemployment of the head of the household. 2. To identify the characteristics of groups of families most at risk due to unemployment. 3. To characterise successful and unsuccessful coping strategies of such families. 4. To track the course of non-successful coping to determine the stages at which social intervention is crucial.

Timetable
Commenced October 1990; Completed

Funding
Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs

Publications

Keywords
Family relations; Unemployment; Coping behaviour
ITALY

54
Family and Community Care in Italy

Organisation(s)
Centro Nazionale del Volontariato – Lucca, PO Box 202, 55100 Lucca, Italy

Contact
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Summary
The research offers an overview of community care programs for families with dependent people (children or adults or elderly people) in three different geographical contexts in Italy (Lucca, Bologna and Milan). The main purpose has been to describe and analyse how families cope with their daily problems by the intermingling of private and public resources, particularly statutory services and social aids provided by voluntary agencies. The emphasis of the survey has been on the organisational matrix which characterises these situations, observed from an ODG-system (observation-diagnosis-relational guidance perspective), and an interpretation of community as social networking.

Timetable
Commenced January 1993; Completed

Funding
CNR – National Council for Scientific Research; Amount: 140 million lire

Publications

Keywords
Community care; Social support networks; Family support services

55
Family Associations in Italy

Organisation(s)
International Centre of Studies on the Family (CISF), via Duccio Di Boninsegna 10, 20100 Milan, Italy

Contact
Professor Pierpaolo Donati, Department of Sociology, University of Bologna, Strada Maggiore 45, 40125 Bologna, Italy

Summary
The research has aimed at producing a better knowledge of family associations in Italy. First, it has tried to define in clear-cut terms what a family association is. A new encompassing typology has been elaborated which could also be applied to other countries. Second, a quantitative analysis has been developed in order to show the composition, membership, organisation, financing, decision-making processes and other characteristics of these associations. Third, a qualitative analysis is presented over the life-story and life-cycle of the same associations since their beginning. In the conclusion the research suggests a new social policy which can promote and sustain these ‘social subjects’.

Timetable
Commenced February 1993; Completed

Funding
International Centre of Studies on the Family (CISF); Amount: 20 million lire

Publications

Keywords
Associations; Family support services; Social services

56
Report on the Family in Italy

Organisation(s)
International Centre of Studies on the Family (CISF), via Duccio Di Boninsegna 10, 20100 Milan, Italy

Contact
Professor Pierpaolo Donati, Department of Sociology, University of Bologna, Strada Maggiore 45, 40125 Bologna, Italy

Summary
The research is intended to draw the lines of the socio-cultural changes of the Italian family in the last few years, and to evaluate family policies in Italy. The final report (see Publications) tackles these issues from a cultural, demographic, sociological, psychological, economic and legal point of view. Even if the research is mainly descriptive, it ends up with suggestions for social policy. In particular, it presents the idea of the ‘citizenship rights of the family’ in a post-industrial society.

Timetable
Commenced January 1992; Completed
Funding
International Centre of Studies on the Family; Amount: 100 million lire

Publications

Keywords
Social change; Family policy; Family change

57
Resource-Families: International Project on Social Policies for Family and Childhood

Organisation(s)
Istituto per la Promozione dello Sviluppo, Economico e Sociale (ISPES), via di Monte Giordano, 36, 00186, Rome, Italy

Contact
Mario Dossoni, Director

Summary
The project is an action programme, which involves public services and family members in planning and realizing the activities. The families are chosen from those which want to be a resource for the Community. The experiment is conducted in limited areas of each Region. The results from the project will be utilised for constructing operative lines of regional social policy for family and childhood. The project is carried out in collaboration with ISPES (an Italian private Agency), the Government Department of Social Affairs and the following Italian Regions: Basilicata, Calabria, Campania, Emilia-Romagna, Lazio, Sardegna.

Timetable
Commenced June 1994; In progress

Funding
Bernard van Leer Foundation; Italian Regions; Amount: Lire 1,500,000,000

Publications
A preliminary report (available).

Keywords
Social policy; Regional development; Family support services

JORDAN

58
A Study About the Jordanian Family: Its Actual Trends

Organisation(s)
Ministry of Social Development, PO Box 6720, Amman, Jordan

Contact
Nisreen Najdawi, Director of Family and Childhood

Summary
The purpose of this study is to investigate the economic, social and cultural situation of the Jordanian family, and the impact of economic and political circumstances on the Jordanian economy in particular, and on the whole region in general. All such factors reflect the situation of the Jordanian family. The following indicators are used to evaluate the situation of the Jordanian family. A. Demographic indicators: the size of the family, its age structure and sex structure; B. Economic indicators: income levels, family resources, expenditure, the individual's profession etc.; C. Social indicators: educational level, economic situation, relationships between the family's members, diseases and handicaps etc.; D. Cultural indicators: the range of advantage from mass media, the range of participation in political parties etc.; E. Economic indicators: the decreasing price of the Jordanian Dinar, the application of the economic reform programme, the peace treaty in the region. A questionnaire was designed for interviewing a sample of about 2417 families chosen randomly from the study group of around half a million families. The sample was taken from the three main geographical sectors of Jordan (northern, southern and middle) with consideration to the population size in each sector. Implementation of the study involved choosing and training about 100 researchers, responsible for the questionnaire, data collection, statistical analysis, and writing the study's final report. In December 1994 a national conference was held to discuss the study results and to prepare strategies for each sector of the family: childhood, elderly people, handicapped persons and social defence.

Timetable
Commenced April 1994; In progress

Funding
Ministry of Planning 15,000 JD; Unicef 5000 JD

Publications
The fieldwork Directory was completed for the questionnaire.

Keywords
Living standards; Socioeconomic status; Demographic trends
NORWAY

59
Care for the Elderly – Care by the Elderly

Organisation(s)
Department Group of Community Medicine, National Hospital, University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway
National Institute of Research and Documentation, University College of Botswana, Botswana

Contact
Professor Benedicte Ingstad, University of Oslo

Summary
This is a study of the situation of elderly people in a developing country undergoing rapid change – namely Botswana. It is a study of ageing as a global phenomena, but it is also set up to contribute with data for planning of a future policy for elderly people in Botswana.

Timetable
Commenced January 1991; December 1994

Funding

Publications


Keywords
Aged; Social policy; Social change

60
Dissolution of Marriage and Cohabitation – A Demographic Analysis

Organisation(s)
Avdeling for personalstatistik, Seksjon for demografi og levekår, Statistics Norway, Postbox 8131 Dep., N–0033 Oslo, Norway

Contact
Lars Østby, Research Director

Summary
Dissolution of marriages and cohabitation will be studied by a data analysis on the Norwegian Family and Occupational Survey 1988. In the survey, males born in 1945 and 1960 and females from six single cohorts born in the period 1945–68 have given full event histories of formation and dissolution of conjugal unions, of education, occupation and fertility. Through the analyses trends in dissolution of cohabitation and marriage will be described. The relative risks of dissolution of formal and informal unions will be measured, as well as the increase in risk of dissolution of a marriage being started by cohabitation. The impact on dissolution of several covariates, economic variables as well as attitude variables, will be studied, particularly the influence which the economic position of females exerts on the stability of the unions.

Timetable
Commenced January 1994; In progress

Funding

Keywords
Divorce; Cohabitation; Relationship breakdown

61
Families with Mentally Retarded Children and Public Service

Organisation(s)
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Contact
Professor Siri Ytrehus

Summary
The purpose of this research was to elucidate the need for and use of public assistance and care in families with mentally retarded children and adolescents living at home. There are variations between different municipalities in the way they shape and organise these public services. Establishing guidelines for distribution of the services of the welfare state will always be problematic. Demand will always exceed the supply of these services, and the professionals themselves, more than formal rules, decide what the clients actually get. The families’ need for public assistance will differ, depending on different circumstances. This project looks especially at the importance of the child’s caring needs, how the family is organised, the parents’ work outside home, family members’ ages, and how available private help affects the parents’ assessments of their need for public assistance.
**Timetable**
Commenced March 1991; Completed

**Publications**

**Keywords**
Disabled children; Family support services; Needs assessment

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**Family and Occupation Survey 1988**

**Organisation(s)**
Statistics Norway, Seksjon for demografi og levekår, Postbox 8131 Dep., N–0033 Oslo, Norway

**Contact**
Turid Noack, Project Supervisor

**Summary**
The project focuses on the development of fertility, marriage and cohabitation without marriage. It is a follow-up of the Fertility Survey 1977. The last survey includes both women (born 1945, 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965 and 1968) and men (born 1945 and 1960). The main purpose of the project was to analyse the family formation process, i.e. fertility and cohabitational patterns on a life-course perspective.

**Timetable**
Commenced January 1990; Completed

**Funding**

**Publications**

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**Keywords**
Cohabitation; Fertility; Family formation

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**63**

**Modern and Traditional Law and Culture in a Gender, Law and Development Perspective: The Case of Procreative Problems in the Process of Marriage in Zimbabwe**

**Organisation(s)**
Institute of Women's Law, Department of Public Law, University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway

**Contact**
Anne Hellum, Research Officer

**Summary**
The main objective of the project is to describe and analyse how a legal modernisation program aimed at unification, fertility and gender neutralisation has affected the position of women and gender relations. The starting point for the analysis is the management of procreative problems in the process of marriage. Tensions and conflicts between the fertility neutral national law and the gender specific and fertility centered local customs are dealt with. Fertility considerations which are embodied in three normative structures are given particular attention. These are state-law, kinship, and moral messages from the ancestral spirits. How women and men are affected by and influenced by these norms is analysed in relation to different socio-cultural contexts, levels of law and historical periods. A conceptualisation of customary law which distinguishes between 'lawyers customary law', 'anthropologists customary law' and the rapidly changing 'living customary law' constitutes the legal framework.
Norway (cont.)

Timetable
Commenced April 1989; December 1995; In progress

Funding
NORAD/UD: 1989-93; Lønn

Publications

Keywords
Birth control; Law reform; Customary law

64
Muslim Children in Norway

Organisation(s)
Kristians and College of Education, Høgskolen i Agder, Tordenskjoldsgt, 65, N-4604 Kristiansand, Norway

Contact
Professor Levi Geir Eidhamar

Summary
This study is investigating the following issues: To what extent are Muslim values (i.e. religious practice, ethics, beliefs and knowledge) internalised by 1st-9th grade pupils of Muslim background?; Which variations exist between pupils of different Muslim groups (modernistic, normative and popular Islam), pupils of different national backgrounds, girls and boys, Muslim pupils raised in Oslo, and Muslim pupils raised in Oslo and Kristiansand?; How do different factors (i.e. family, friends, school and the mosque) influence the pupils’ Muslim identity?: How does the pupil’s Muslim identity influence his or her school situation?: How does the Muslim identity and practice change from first to second generation immigrants? The methodology involves personal interviews with a small number of Muslim pupils, their parents and teachers, and questionnaires administered among 7th-9th grade pupils.

Timetable
Commenced January 1993; In progress

Keywords
Muslims; Child development; Values

65
Own Solutions and the Contribution of the Helping Services – Coping with Different Problems and Life Events

Organisation(s)
Norwegian Institute of Child Welfare Research, Radhusgt 7b, N-0151 Oslo, Norway

Contact
Mona Sandbæk, Research Officer

Summary
The project is one of several studies within ‘Project Growing up Networks’. The researchers interviewed families of children who were in touch with the helping services in one Norwegian municipality in 1992. They also interviewed the families of children and children (with parental permission) who have been exposed to certain life events. In addition, data were collected through letting the professionals fill in a form for each child. The project aims to analyse how the families and children cope with different problems, the influence of the families’ social networks and the contribution from helping services, as seen from the perspective of the various family members.

Timetable
Commenced April 1992; In progress

Funding

Keywords
Help seeking behaviour; Social support networks; Coping behaviour

66
SIDS in Eastern Norway: Evaluation of the Follow Up Within and Outside Hospitals

Organisation(s)
Institute of Forensic Medicine, National Hospital, University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway

Contact
Professor Torleiv Ole Rognum

Summary
Using a questionnaire, follow-up procedures for parents who had lost a child in cot death were studied; 169 families living in the eastern part of Norway during the period 1984–1992, were included. The help provided to parents after a child dies has improved during the period studied. Larger regional hospitals provided better support and follow-up than did
local ones. Outside of hospitals the help offered by public health nurses was evaluated as insufficient. Family members, friends, parents, parent groups and pastors gave the most valuable support. Another questionnaire dealing with medical information has been sent to the same parent group. Infants of the same sex, born at the same time, at the same place, serve as a control group.

Timetable
Commenced January 1993; Completed

Funding
Landsforeningen til støtte ved krybbedød: 1993 – 3,500k;
NAVF/RMF: 1993 – 30,000k; Egen institusjon: 1993 – 6,000k

Publications

Keywords
Sudden infant death syndrome; Family support services

68
Time, Money and Identity. Gender and Work in a Scandinavian Welfare State

Organisation(s)
Institute for Social Research, Oslo, Munthesgt, 31, N-0260 Oslo, Norway

Contact
Anne Lise Ellingsæter, Research Officer

Summary
The question raised in this project is how one should understand women’s and men’s relationship to employment in a contemporary advanced welfare state – the Norwegian society. More specifically, how should gendered labour market attachments and employment relationship be conceptualised and interpreted? The analysis focuses on three dimensions of employment: time, money and identity. The three dimensions are central in understanding the place of work in women’s and men’s lives, and are closely associated with the gender division of labour in society.

Timetable
Commenced April, 1991; Completed

Funding

Publications

Keywords
Work family relationship; Sex role; Division of labour
Norway (cont.)

69
Why Some People Need Social Assistance and Others Do Not

Organisation(s)
Eastern Norway Research Foundation, Postbox 1006, Skurva, N–2601 Lillehammer, Norway

Contact
Professor Rolf Rønning

Summary
The main aims of this project were: to analyse how families, social networks and environments influence the need of social assistance; and to test different explanations of why people need social assistance. The project was based on data from two national survey studies from 1991.

Timetable
Commenced November 1992; Completed

Funding
NORAS: 1992 – 100.000 kr; 1993 – 100.000 kr; 1994 – 400.000 kr

Keywords
Social services; Social support networks; Needs assessment

PORTUGAL

70
A Study of the Family in the Azoren Islands

Organisation(s)
Comissão Executiva para o Ano Internacional da Família na Região Autónoma dos Açores, Secretaria Regional da Saúde e Segurança Social, Direcção Regional de Segurança Social, Rua de S. Pedro nº 55–A, P–9700 – Angra do Heroísmo Portugal

Contact
Professor Gilberta Rocha

Summary
Study of economic, social, cultural and educational family issues in the Azoren Islands.

Timetable
Commenced September 1994; In progress

Funding
Direcção Regional de Segurança Social

Keywords
Demographic trends; Family support services; Family policy

71
Final Report of the Executive Committee of the International Year of the Family

Organisation(s)
Comissão Executiva para o Ano Internacional da Família, Secretaria Regional da Saúde e Segurança Social, Direcção Regional de Segurança Social, Rua de S. Pedro nº 55–A, P–9700 – Angra do Heroísmo Portugal

Contact
Antonio Bento Fraga Barcelos, O Director Regional e Presidente da Comissão Executiva AIF

Summary
This report presents a summary of the problems found in the region during the year after meetings with the local population. Living standards, legislation, children’s rights, marriage and divorce were among the issues considered.

Timetable
Commenced February 1995; In progress

Keywords
Family policy; Living standards

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Guidebook for the Family

Organisation(s)
Comissão Executiva para o Ano Internacional da Família na Região Autónoma dos Açores, Secretaria Regional da Saúde e Segurança Social, Direcção Regional de Segurança Social, Rua de S. Pedro nº 55–A, P–9700 – Angra do Heroísmo Portugal

Contact
Sr. José Maria Andrade, Subsecretaria Regional da Comunicação Social

Summary
The main goal of this publication is to inform people of their rights. Information has been collected from the responsible person in each area and compiled by the coordinator of the project.

Timetable
Commenced October 1994; In progress

Funding
Direcção Regional de Segurança Social

Keywords
Civil rights; Family policy; Family support services
Survey of School Students about Youth Behaviours, Attitudes and Values Related to the Family

Organisation(s)
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Summary
Using a questionnaire format research questions were addressed to young people about family subjects including: living standards; religious values; marriage; divorce; kinship; professional targets; sexual education; and drugs.

Timetable
Commenced November 1994; In progress

Funding
Direcção Regional de Segurança Social and Direcção Regional de Educação

Keywords
Adolescent attitudes; Youth; Family values

SLOVENIA

Crises of the Family and Value Dilemmas between Generations

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Summary
The traditional role of the family has changed. Its socialisation function is not as effective and it can no longer assume fundamental values and customs from earlier generations. Also, new patterns are not developing fast enough to replace the old. This research will examine the extent of the crisis in Slovenian contemporary society with special emphasis on the development of values in the family, the family being the first agent of socialisation. Focusing on the difference between educationally successful and unsuccessful families the project will explore actual behaviour patterns in the different generations.

Timetable
Commenced December 1994; In progress

Funding
Ministrstvo za Družino Republika Sloveniya

Keywords
Values; Generation differences; Family change
Slovenia (cont.)

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Intergenerational Income Transfers in Slovenia

Organisation(s)
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Summary
The main aim of this project is to analyse intergenerational income transfers and present proposals for possible modifications of relevant social transfers. While the share of social expenditures is increasing, the final effects of these disbursements are unclear. The research will deal with intergenerational transfers of income in contemporary societies within the family and transfers of income initiated through the State budgets and encompass the comparisons of EU countries, Central and Eastern Europe and Slovenia. Methodology will involve analysis of the State budget, of the household income and expenditure surveys, of the time budget survey (to be conducted in 1996) with particular emphasis on the social and economic position of various household types (young families, families with children, old families with retired persons). The research is part of a three year project which is intended to present assistance in formulating social policy measures for the family.

Timetable
Commenced October 1994; In progress

Funding

Keywords
Social policy; Income distribution; Intergenerational transfers

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Parent Fees Paid for Programmes of Public Child Care in the City of Ljubljana: A Burden for Family Budgets

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Summary
How much families pay for child day-care is important because it has consequences for the rest of available family income, i.e. the family standard of living. It also indirectly influences numerous family decisions; for example, how many children they can have, what quality of day-care programs they can afford, whether the mother will enter the labour market, etc. Child care has been well developed in Slovenia for more than 20 years and most young mothers are employed. All programs are offered by the public sector. Child care services are subsidized from public sources (mostly communes and partly from the state budget), so parents finance on average only 23 per cent of all costs (from 0 per cent to 60 per cent, depending on their incomes). But as the average level of wages and salaries is relatively low, parent fees represent a heavy burden for many families. The results of the survey, covering a sample of about one-third of children in organised child-care in the city of Ljubljana (sample: almost 5,000 children), will give the first empirical evidence on this subject.

Timetable
Commenced October 1994; In progress
80

Quality of Life of Families in Slovenia

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Summary
The aim of the project is to analyse the material and non-material resources of people living in different family types and being in different family life stages. Attention is given to the gender differences as well. The following research topics are included: housing conditions; financial resources; division of labour in the family; social support; stress indicators (unemployment, illness); and plans for the near future. The data are taken from the Quality of Life in Slovenia – Retrospective Study of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Institute of Social Sciences. The survey was done on a representative sample for the population of Slovenia in 1994.

Timetable
Commenced November 1994; In progress

Funding
Republic of Slovenia, Ministry of Science and Technology and Ministry of Work, Family and Social Affairs; Amount: 7,000,000.00 SIT

Keywords
Quality of life; Living standards; Family types

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The Indicators to Follow Up the Quality of Life Families

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Summary
Theoretical background of the project is based on the descriptive and the evaluative quality-of-life approaches combined with the family development perspective. In the empirical part of the project statistical indicators of social and economic processes in Slovenia influencing family life, such as employment and education of women, fertility rate, migration, unemployment rate, real income index and the number of dwellings newly completed, are presented from...
Slovenia (cont.)

1965 on; special attention is given to the relationships between the above mentioned indicators and fertility rates. Quality of Life data, gathered from a representative sample for the population of Slovenia in 1991, concerning the housing conditions, the material standard of living, the economic resources and leisure of people living in different life stages are analyzed. As a result of the above mentioned theoretical and empirical studies, the model for the assessment and the follow-up of the quality of life of families is developed.

**Timetable**
Commenced December 1992; Completed

**Funding**
Republic of Slovenia, Ministry of Science and Technology and Ministry of Work, Family and Social Affairs; Amount: 1.608.897,00 SIT

**Publications**


**Keywords**
Quality of life; Living standards; Family types

**82**
The Quality of Life in Families of Recovered Alcoholics

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**Summary**
The involvement of the family is an important factor in the management of alcoholism. Multiple-couples group therapy is a popular form of family therapy currently being used in alcoholism treatment. At the Association of Recovered Alcoholics in Ljubljana-Bezigrad there are seven groups in which approximately 120 alcoholics are being treated. In nearly half of the cases partners participate in the treatment. Therapeutic interventions are based on a complex approach. This study will compare family functioning in families of recovered alcoholics where partners participate in the treatment versus families of recovered alcoholics where partners don’t participate. Multidimensional questionnaires of family functioning and assessment of family strengths will be used. A higher degree of family well-being is expected where partners participate in the treatment. It is hoped that this will encourage non participating partners to join the treatment program. Results of the study are expected to guide future therapeutic interventions and provide data on where future therapeutic efforts should be focused, for example on maintaining abstinence or in achieving higher levels of family functioning.

**Timetable**
Commenced January 1995; In progress

**Funding**
Ministry of Work, Family and Social Services; Amount: US $4,000

**Publications**
In progress.

**Keywords**
Alcohol abuse; Therapy

**SPAIN**

83
Differential Education by Sex and Transmittal of Stereotypes Within the Family Framework

**Organisation(s)**
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**Summary**
The study deals with the processes of training and socialization of boys and girls within the family. It embraces two phases: 1. A quantitative phase carried out on the basis of home interviews with a questionnaire specially designed for the project; 2. A qualitative phase based on discussion groups. Both phases are complementary and comprise representative samples of Spanish households with one or
more children. The main features of the research are: a) Views on equality between the sexes; b) Patterns of socialization and upbringing of boys and girls; c) Distribution of roles within the family; and d) Wishes with respect to these. The field study has now been completed and the relevant statistical analyses for obtaining results are underway.

**Timetable**
Commenced 1994; In progress

**Funding**
Ministry of Social Affairs

**Keywords**
Socialisation; Child rearing; Family structure

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### 84

**Family Styles in Spain**

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**Summary**
The purpose of the project was to investigate the possible variations in family styles in Spain, with special reference to the way time is spent, the domestic habits of the members of the family, the degree of satisfaction with family life, and the climate prevailing within the household and with respect to family members, friends and neighbours. The interest of the project consists not only in obtaining information on these matters and establishing the appropriate typologies, but also, and in particular, in having available data on the distribution of various family styles as a function of the different modes of composition of the household, phases of the family development cycle and indices of conjugal satisfaction. Since the study is in progress, it is too early to put forward significant results.

**Timetable**
Commenced 1994; In progress

**Funding**
Ministry of Social Affairs

**Keywords**
Socialisation; Child rearing; Family structure

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### 85

**Partnerships and Marriages: Attitudes, Behaviour and Experience**

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**Summary**
The principal purpose of the project is analysis of the formation of the partnership and the family in connection with the trends in attitudes, behaviour and family forms occurring in Spain during recent years, in view of the fact that this is of enormous importance in regard to the shaping of relationships formed within families. In particular, the most important aspects considered have been the constitution of the partnership, the social level, the various aspects of the lives of the family members, participation in employment by the two members of the partnership and the possible friction arising between them, behaviour and attitudes in relation to birth control, parent–child relationships and family values. One of the principal concluding points is the relaxing and smoothing of previous rigid family relationships, which now emerge with less sharply delineated features. Whether in terms of the authoritarian structure of the family, decision-taking by the adults or the distribution of roles between the spouses, the present situation is that the patriarchal and authoritarian attitudes which previously constituted the essence of the traditional family system have been weakened.

**Timetable**
Commenced 1992–1993; Completed

**Funding**
Ministry of Social Affairs

**Publications**

**Keywords**
Family relations; Husband wife relationship; Family structure

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### 86

**Report on the Social Situation of the Family in Spain**

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Spain (cont.)

Contact
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Summary
The main purpose of this project has been to achieve a better understanding of the prospective trends and outlook for family units, so as to be able to carry out better planning of social policies. In order to produce the report, a multidisciplinary team of experts was assembled which scanned the sources and studies necessary to yield a picture of the Spanish family as it is at present. The papers were prepared simultaneously by the various research groups, whose target for study was the actual social, demographic, economic and juridical status of the family in Spain. The report aims at providing an overview of all these components, and is structured in accordance with a general list of the most important items for furnishing a description of the institution of the family from the viewpoint of social change. The report is oriented towards the present time, but without forgetting our former family traditions and aware of the fact that our codes of domestic life are rooted in a social organization which is the origin of their purpose and justification. The general contents list of the Report is as follows: 1. Introduction; 2. Demographic aspects of the family – Recent development of the family in Europe – Dynamics of the constitution of the family in Spain – Demographic structure and family morphology; 3. Individual, family and society: the family cycle/work and the family domestic economy; 4. Juridical framework of the family; 5. Conclusions.

Timetable
Commenced 1992; Completed

Funding
Ministry of Social Affairs

Publications
The report is in press and is expected to published in 1995.

Keywords
Social change; Demographic trends; Family characteristics

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87
The Family in Figures

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Summary
From the thematic point of view, the project considers a series of aspects related to the dynamics and structure of families, the main descriptive material taking the form of tables, graphs and maps so arranged as to suit a wide range of users. The first section refers to marriages and unions in Spain and covers the following points: trends in marriage rate (intensity and distribution), first and second marriages, civil marriages and religious marriages, matrimonial ‘homogamy’, divorce trends, common-law marriages and separations. The second subject field centres on recent patterns of fertility (intensity and distribution), early motherhood and extramarmionarial births. The third part is concerned not so much with dynamics as with family structures: size, consumption and family life cycle. Finally, the last part deals with Spanish public opinion in relation to the family; the institution of matrimony, marriage itself, children, the distribution of roles within the family and the family model. The basic sources of information used are of transverse character, although some recourse has also been given to sources of a longitudinal nature. On this basis, calculations have been made of the conventional transverse indices in the study of the family. The main sources have been the figures published by the National Statistical Institute, but also material originating from other research centres such as the Sociological Research Centre, the Institute of the Woman, the Centre for Research on Social Reality, our Demographic Research Centre itself and the Centre for Research on the Minor and the Family.

Timetable
Commenced 1994; Completed

Funding
Ministry of Social Affairs

Publications
The work will be published during 1995.

Keywords
Demographic trends; Statistics; Family characteristics

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SWITZERLAND

88
Does the Farming Family Enjoy the Necessary Security? Ways of Ensuring Social Security Provision in Medium-Sized and Small Farming Operations

Organisation(s)
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Summary
This project is part of the National Fund for Research Programme 29, 'Changes in life styles and future of social security'. The focus of the project is on Swiss agricultural policy and the structural change that has been taking place for a long time to develop an efficient agriculture which produces rationally and economically and can hold its own in a liberalized agricultural market (without major State intervention). The main victims of this change continue to be medium-sized and small farming operations. Taking into account the adaptation of Swiss agriculture to the European Economic Area and the accords resulting from the negotiations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, only those small and medium sized farms in the mountain and hill zones which engage in supplementary gainful activities (changing their way of life) are considered to have a chance of survival. In the future, the farming family will have to adopt still further to structural changes, and this will have consequences for its way of life, social support and ideological identification.

Timetable
Commenced April 1991; Completed

Funding
National Fund for Research; Amount: 297,962 Swiss francs

Publications

Keywords
Farm families; Agriculture; Social security

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Education Within the Family, Child Care Outside the Home and Reproductive Behaviour

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Summary
This project is part of the National Fund for Research Programme 29, 'Changes in life styles and future of social security'. The social changes that have taken place in the last few years have effects for the family and the education given within the family. In the first place, there is an increasing participation of women in educational studies and professional activities. The dismantling of sex-specific role distribution linked to this stands against a school system oriented to traditional family structures. The marital relationship comes under pressure, and the family is in danger of losing its educative capacity. It is also to be expected that the limited compatibility of child-education tasks and professional work will cause men and women to keep the number of their children small or to forego children altogether. The consequence is that the 'Lebensraum' for children in our society is contracting. Eighty per cent of all children in Switzerland grow up today either as only children or with a single brother or sister. The proportion of the total population accounted for by children and young people under 20 years of age will decline further in coming years. In the light of changing family structures this project is examining the ability of families to educate their children within the family, their needs for child care outside the home, and the impact of new women's roles on reproductive behaviour.

Timetable
Commenced April 1991; In progress

Funding
National Fund for Research; Amount: 315,530 Swiss francs

Publications

Keywords
Child care; Demographic trends; Social change

TURKEY

90
Child Education in the Family

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Summary
The objective of the study is to determine both positive and negative features of the Turkish family regarding child education in terms of methods of education in different
Turkey (cont.)

locations and different families having different socio-economic backgrounds. The study was carried out on the premise that a model of child education peculiar to the Turkish family may be evolved. In this framework data were collected as follows: demographic and socioeconomic features; the spending of leisure times; definition of authority and problems; expectations and solutions that families faced about child education. The study was conducted in 11 cities with interviews of 6156 people.

Timetable
Commenced December 1992; Completed

Funding
Family Research Institute; Amount: 1.125.000.000 (TL)

Keywords
Education; Child rearing; Parent child relationship

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Children With Hearing Deficiency: Learning to Survive with it as a Family

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Summary
Studies conducted with the handicapped usually focus on the disabled person. This study approached the problem from a more family-centred perspective, focusing on families with children who had a hearing deficiency. One hundred and twenty-five families with hearing-impaired children were thus chosen to participate in the study. These families attended workshop sessions during the study, which were designed to address and overcome their various problems.

Timetable
Commenced August 1991; Completed

Funding
Family Research Institute; Amount: 269.400.000 (TL)

Publications

Keywords
Work family relationship; Women employers

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Family and Work Relations of Women Running Their Own Enterprises

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Summary
The main objectives of this study were: to examine how women with their own businesses sustained their relations with their families and business organizations, and to identify what underlying common factors were associated with the situation. Across the country, 800 women were interviewed to collect the data.

Timetable
Commenced December 1992; Completed

Funding
Family Research Institute; Amount: 1.125.000.000 (TL)

Keywords
Disabled children; Family relations; Child rearing

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Housing Types and Social Structure in the Central Anatolian Region of Turkey

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Summary
The purpose of this research project is to establish housing types and models which are refined from all possible
negative elements; not in conflict with the social, economic and cultural properties of families; consistent with the productive and creative qualities of families and in harmony with their exterior spaces in a realistic way. After this analytical study model housing types were formed. The study was carried out in 18 cities from the central region of Turkey with 1670 subjects.

**Timetable**
Commenced October 1991; Completed

**Funding**
Family Research Institute; Amount: 679,440.000 (TL)

**Keywords**
Housing; Housing design; Regional planning

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**Importance of Female Labour in the Turkish Economy**

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**Summary**
This study explores the impact and participation of employed women in the national economy. The contribution of women’s labour to the economy and the correlationally increasing level of their status in work and the family environment were examined in terms of the problems that working women confronted. Further, the factors that originated in family or work that hinder the realization of women’s productivity were determined. The nationwide applied questionnaire provided the basic data from 3000 subjects.

**Timetable**
Commenced August 1991; Completed

**Funding**
Family Research Institute; Amount: 836,371.200 (TL)

**Keywords**
Employment; Work family relationship; Working women

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**Labour Migration from Turkey and its Effects on Family Structure**

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**Summary**
The subject of the research is the problem of families which have been divided since 1960 as a result of international worker migration. The aim of the research is construction of a proposal to solve the problems of family members in divided families, and family members in the process of international migration. The special focus of the research is to consider the circumstances of the ‘divided family’. From the research results appropriate proposals will be constructed to address the problems of divided families. The research sample contains 891 divided families. Data were gathered by questionnaire from divided family members who live in Turkey and abroad.

**Timetable**
Commenced July 1993; Completed

**Funding**
Family Research Institute; Amount: 1,100,000,000 (TL)

**Keywords**
Family relations; International worker migration; Divided families

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**96**

**National Family Congress: Family in the Process of Change, Social Participation and Democratic Values**

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**Summary**
As an activity of the IYF in Turkey a National Family Congress was held in November 1994 by the Family
Turkey (cont.)

Research Institute (FRI) with the participation of academic, governmental and voluntary organizations on a large scale. Sixty-one papers on topics mostly based on research, and discussion panels were presented to the participants. All papers and discussions were published by the Institute.

Timetable
Commenced November 1994; Completed

Funding
Family Research Institute

Publications

Keywords
Social change; Family change

97
National Reports of the Commission for the International Year of the Family

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Summary
The aim of this project was to guide the National Action Committee for the IYF in establishing seven specialist subcommittees on family issues in Turkey. The committees are the following: ‘Family and Policy’, ‘Family, Cultural Values and Social Change’, ‘Family and Law’, ‘Family and Economy’, ‘Family and Leisure’, ‘Family and Education’ and ‘Family Planning and Health’. The reports of these committees containing the latest statistics and research results are combined in a 426 page book.

Timetable
Commenced February 1993; Completed

Funding
Family Research Institute; Amount: 1,300,000,000 (TL)

Keywords
Domestic violence; Family relations

98
Reasons and Consequences of Violence in the Family

Organisation(s)
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Summary
The scope of the research is to determine the reasons, conclusions, frequency, level, and the appearance of violence in families and to investigate peoples' perceptions of the concept of violence in the context of urban and rural areas. The aim of the study, having introduced all aspects of violence in the family, is to provide an accumulation of knowledge which contributes to making policies in order to solve the problem. This study is the most comprehensive work undertaken in Turkey on this matter. Interviews have been conducted in over 4000 households.

Timetable
Commenced January, 1994; Completed

Funding
Family Research Institute; Amount: 1,300,000,000 (TL)

Keywords
Domestic violence; Family relations

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Television and Family

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Summary
The main purpose of the study is to examine the influences and importance of television on families as an entity. By the methods of content analysis and a survey, both content and the effect of television programmes on 450 families were assessed.
100
The Problem of Child Care and Education of Working Women: The Case of Women Working in the Field of Medicine

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Summary
The purpose of the study is to determine the problems working women face concerning child care and education. The questionnaire was targeted at women who work in the field of medicine: doctors, nurses and midwives. A total of 632 women were subjects of the research.

Timetable
Commenced December 1992; Completed

Funding
Family Research Institute; Amount: 700.000.000 (TL)

Keywords
Television viewing; Television programs

102
Turkish Families and Housing Attitudes

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Summary
Families living in Turkey were surveyed to determine their social and cultural trends, attitudes and preferences to the houses they live in. To attain some building models applicable widely over the country was also the purpose of the study. It was intended that data gathered in the study would be used to support further efforts and studies, especially for producing new building models. The study focused on 6125 people nationwide.

Timetable
Commenced August 1991; Completed

Funding
Family Research Institute; Amount: 744.756.000 (TL)

Keywords
Housing; Housing design; Attitudes
Turkey (cont.)

103
Turkish Family in the Process of Sociocultural Change

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Summary
This historical and documentary study involves the historical development and change of the Turkish family through sociocultural process up to the modern (republic) era. The study includes eight main parts which are: Social structure, social change and family; Economy and family; Ethics and family; Education and family; Law and family; Folklore, literature and family; Environment, architecture and family; Family and cuisine.

Timetable
Commenced October 1991; Completed

Funding
Family Research Institute; Amount: 800.000.000 (TL)

Publications

Keywords
Social change; Family structure; Social history

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

104
Adolescent Wellness

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Summary
The objectives of the project are to identify a profile of adolescents who have a high degree of well-being in the wholistic sense (including the social, emotional, physical, spiritual, and intellectual areas of development) and to determine what factors are most strongly related to degree of adolescent wellness. Methodology: A total sample of 4,000 adolescents, representing grades 7 through college, has been obtained. The sample represents every region of the United States as well as the countries of Thailand and Korea. The questionnaire method was used. There have also been some in-depth interviews. The plans are to continue this research and to expand the international scope.

Timetable
Commenced 1988; In progress

Funding
National Family Life Institute, Center for Excellence in Research, Tennessee State University

Publications

Keywords
Adolescents; Well being; Coping behaviour

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Cultural Adaptation to School: Case Studies of Hispanic Children and Families

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Summary
This project involves the presentation of a conceptual framework for understanding the school success/failure of Hispanic immigrant children. Research on this topic to date has focused rather narrowly on the child’s abilities and classroom conditions. Some recent studies have been more promising, taking a sociocultural approach which encompasses the family background, but these still lack a formal
model which can serve as the basis for investigating causes. The model proposed in this study treats the child's home and school as distinct subcultures. Success at school requires that the immigrant child learn to manage not only a different language but also a different set of values and expectations. The model considers four different possible modes of adaptation: Unadapted, Transferred, Adapted, and Adapted with Support. Each mode is described and illustrated with reference to case studies from four families of Central American immigrants with elementary school-aged children.

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Migrant children; Education; Home school relationship

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**Family Supports: International Perspectives**

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**Summary**
'Familycentric' policy focuses not just on certain policies intervening in social problems. Rather, familycentric policy provides an integrative framework in which the authors use the experience of families and the potential impact of policy as starting points and guiding principles in drafting and assessing current and future policy. The book, International Family Policy (tentative title, due out in late 1995 by Sage Publications), uses the International Year of the Family as a pivotal moment in policy development where policy makers, as well as the social service sector, unite issues of family and public policy together in a new, distinct common discourse. Drawing from examples internationally, the authors construct a multi-level model of intervention focusing on problem domains, vulnerable groups, sectors and their discourse, policy concerns, and an issue the authors call 'metapolicy' or a contextualisation of implicit assumptions in the process of drafting policy.

**Timetable**
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Family policy; Family support services

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**Summary**
This project involves research, service and demonstration projects which emphasise the strategic and appropriate application of child development theory and research to a variety of social problems. Emphasis is on understanding the processes by which children, families, schools and communities cope with stressful circumstances. Examples include divorce, illness, civil strife and war. The project incorporates design and implementation of preventive approaches that built upon individual, family and community strengths. An extensive consultation network has been developed.

**Timetable**
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