

Social Sciences and Population Studies A Study Section (SSPA)

The Social Sciences and Population Studies (SSPA & SSPB) Study Section reviews applications related to population processes, composition and distribution, their antecedents and consequences, and their inter-relationships with biological, social, cultural, economic, geographic, institutional, behavioral, developmental and biomedical factors and processes. This includes modeling, data collection and other studies of morbidity, mortality and health, population movement and distribution, reproduction, population aging and composition, economic factors, labor force and retirement, household and family structure, intergenerational relations, institutional structure, the genetic profiles of population members related to these variables, and biodemography in the U.S. and other countries. Most studies involve large population samples.

- Morbidity, mortality and health over the life course, including health disparities, functioning and disability, studies of perinatal, infant, child, adult and elderly health.
- Reproductive health and behavior, including studies of pregnancy outcomes; contraceptive use and sexual behavior; fertility and infertility, birth spacing and timing; birth intentions; and family structure.
- Population movement; including migration of people within and across national boundaries.
- Population composition and changes in composition, such as population aging, household and family structure, economic status and inequality, and health status, and family relationships.
- Health and labor economics and policy, including intergenerational exchanges and bequests, employment, labor force and retirement; labor force transitions, income security of population segments such as children or elderly persons.
- Population and the environment.
- Patterns of risk behavior, including substance use, behavior problems, and obesity.

Study sections with most closely-related areas of similar science listed in rank order are:

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Community Influences on Health Behavior [CIHB]

Health Services Organization and Delivery [HSOD]

Kidney, Nutrition, Obesity and Diabetes [KNOD]

Infectious Diseases, Reproductive Health, Asthma and Pulmonary Conditions [IRAP]

Social Psychology, Personality and Interpersonal Processes [SPIP]

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