Editorial

With this issue of Canadian Studies in Population ends a long and successful edition of this journal. Beginning in January of 2012, Canadian Studies in Population will no longer be published in print form. It will continue instead as an Open Access electronic journal, freely available to anyone in the world. Canadian Studies in Population was founded in 1974 by Professor P. Krishnan at the Population Research Laboratory, University of Alberta. Throughout these 38 years, CSP has served as the principal publication of the Canadian Population Society, and continues its activity as the leading demographic publication in English Canada.

Many important works have appeared in Canadian Studies in Population by authors from Canada and elsewhere in the world. Indeed, CSP prides itself as being a truly international outlet for population scholars. Among its many contents over the years, I may mention the inaugural volume of 1974, which contains articles by such eminent scholars as Kingsley Davis, Nathan Keyfitz, and Roland Pressat. In subsequent issues, one finds contributions by other leading demographers—including Ansley Coale, Norman Ryder, Alfred Sauvy, and Joseph J. Spengler.

Seven special issues of Canadian Studies in Population have been printed. The first, published in 1987, featured ten of the many works that comprised the Review of Demography and its Implications for Economic and Social Policy, commissioned by Hon. Jake Epp, who at that time was the Minister of National Health and Welfare. Special issues in subsequent years were devoted to Family Demography (2000), Longitudinal Methodology (2001), Migration and Globalization (2002), and a series of essays in honour of Anatole Romaniuk (2003), Karol J. Krotki (2009), and Nathan Keyfitz and Norman B. Ryder (2010). Two more special issues are currently in progress: Studies in Historical Mortality and Immigration and the Life Course.

I am delighted to announce that recently Thompson Reuters accepted Canadian Studies in Population for indexing in the Web of Science™, the largest and most comprehensive citation index available. All articles published in CSP since 2009 (starting with Vol. 36, No. 1–2) will be indexed and abstracted in the Social Science Citation Index®, Journal Citation Reports/Social Sciences Edition, and in Current Contents®/Social and Behavioral Sciences. This is an important development which will help to further enhance CSP’s visibility and scholarly impact as a scientific publication.

I thank wholeheartedly the many colleagues who over the years have devoted their valuable time to review articles for Canadian Studies in Population. I also wish to express my gratitude to the members of the editorial board of CSP for their continued support. The diligent and expert assistance of Abu Sadat Nurullah, Kamrul Islam, Donna Fong, and Ksenia Maryniak in the editorial office is gratefully appreciated. Further, I would be remiss if I failed to acknowledge the significant financial support received from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC). The Council’s generosity has eased this editor’s stress level considerably, all the while ensuring a predictable and timely schedule of publication, free of financial obstacles. I should also mention the
important contributions from the Society of Edmonton Demographers (SED),
the Sociology Department, and the Population Research Laboratory at the University of Alberta.

Lastly, I take this opportunity to wish you all a joyful Holiday Season and a Prosperous 2012!

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