

IASS News August 2019

[The Survey Statistician July 2019 issue is out!](#)

The July 2019 issue of The Survey Statistician has been published and is freely available at:
http://isi-iass.org/home/wp-content/uploads/Survey_Statistician_July_2019.pdf

Highlights:

- The Ask the Experts section provides a response by Paul Biemer to the exciting question: *Can a Survey Sample of 6000 Records Produce More Accurate Estimates than an Administrative Data Base of 100 Million? (The Answer May Surprise You)*.
- The New and Emerging Methods section presents an article *Quantile-type Methods for Small Area Estimation*, written by Nikos Tzavidis, James Dawber and Raymond L. Chambers.
- The Book & Software Review section contains a review by Aleksandras Plikusas of the book *The Unit Problem and Other Current Topics in Business Survey Methodology* (2018), edited by Boris Lorenc, Paul A. Smith, Mojca Bavdaž, Gustav Haraldsen, Desislava Nedyalkova, Li-Chun Zhang and Thomas Zimmermann.
- The News and Announcements section contains a report on a conference *Contemporary Theory and Practice of Survey Sampling*, which was held in Kunming, China, in May 2017, celebrating the 80th birthday of Professor J. N. K. Rao.

Moreover, the issue contains a Country Reports section with nine country reports, as well as Table of Contents of relevant journals, and announcements for upcoming conferences.

Also included are Letter from the Editors Danutė Krapavickaitė and Eric Rancourt, Letter from the IASS President Peter Lynn and Report from the Scientific Secretary Risto Lehtonen, each containing important information on the activities of the IASS.

[Call to attend the IASS General Assembly 2019](#)

The International Association of Survey Statisticians (IASS) warmly welcomes you to attend the 2019 IASS General Assembly Meeting.

International Association of Survey Statisticians
General Assembly Meeting
Wednesday, 21 August 2019, at 12:30 - 14:00
Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre (KLCC)
Room: MR 410, Level 4

General Assembly takes place as part of the 62nd World Statistics Congress of the

International Statistical Institute. The ISI WSC 2019 will be held on 18-23 August 2019 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Highlights of the scientific programme of ISI WSC 2019

The complete programme schedules for Special Invited Paper Sessions, Invited Paper Sessions, Special Topic Sessions and Contributed Paper Sessions are announced at the WSC Scientific Programme web pages, see: <http://www.isi2019.org/scientific-programme/>

Please note the two **Special Invited Sessions** (SIPS) of the IASS:

SIPS167: "IASS President's Invited Session" with *Gero Carletto* of World Bank as the speaker. His title is "A Thing of the Past? Household Surveys in the New Global Data Ecosystem".

SIPS182: "IASS Special Invited Lecture and Cochran-Hansen Prize Lecture" introduces two speakers, *Frauke Kreuter* (University of Maryland, USA & University of Mannheim, Germany), "International Program in Survey and Data Science: An environment for training and cooperation", and the Winner of the Cochran-Hansen Prize 2019, *Diego Andrés Pérez Ruiz* (University of Manchester, UK), "Augmenting Probability-Based Surveys with Nonprobability Survey Information: A Bayesian Approach". *Pedro Luis Do Nascimento Silva* (IBGE, Brazil) will act as discussant.

Upcoming IASS Supported Conferences in 2019

EESW19, the sixth biennial European Establishment Statistics Workshop, 24-27 September 2019 in Bilbao, the Basque Country, Spain. More information at <https://statswiki.unece.org/display/ENBES/EESW19>.

Upcoming Conferences on Survey Statistics and Related Areas in 2019 and 2020

UNECE Statistical Data Collection Workshop "**New Sources and New Technologies**" will take place at the Palais des Nations in Geneva on 14-16 October 2019.

Website: <https://statswiki.unece.org/display/Collection/2019+Data+Collection+Workshop>

2nd Conference on Statistics and Data Science will be organized in 18–20 November 2019 in Salvador, Bahia, Brazil. Website: <http://www.csds2019.ime.ufba.br/>

ICES VI - The International Conference on Establishment Statistics will be organized in 15-18 June 2020 in New Orleans, USA. Website:

<https://ww2.amstat.org/meetings/ices/2020/conferenceinfo.cfm>

COMPSTAT 2020 - 24th International Conference on Computational Statistics will be organized in 25-28 August, Bologna, Italy. See details at <http://www.compstat2020.org>

The Survey Research Methods Section (SRMS) of the ASA

Information on activities of the Survey Research Methods Section of the American Statistical Association (ASA) is available at:

<https://community.amstat.org/surveyresearchmethodssection/home>

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