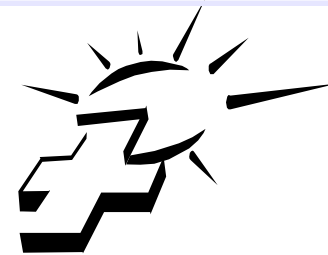




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Dear researchers,

We are happy to bring you this year's 1st Solidage bulletin and hope the New Year will bring you prosperity and success!

A human resources consultant once told me that, every year, we forget about 10 to 30% of what we have learned! And also, available resources being so abundant and computer technology so sophisticated we need to constantly update our knowledge and skills.

That is why we thought this bulletin should focus on self-training. We know you don't have a lot of time left for training so we present here a selection of software and utility-based training tools as well as documentation techniques used by scientists all over the world. They are free and available online 24 hours a day. Take advantage of them!

Audrey Attia, librarian

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CANADIAN HEALTH

Margot Shields and Stéphane Tremblay. ***The health of Canada's communities.*** *Health Report*, Supplement to vol. 13, December 2002. Statistics Canada, Health Statistics Division.

<http://www.statcan.ca/english/freepub/82-003-SIE/free.htm>

This article examines the health of Canadians at the community level. Canada's 139 health regions are grouped into 10 "peer groups" with similar socio-demographic profiles. Health outcomes and risk factors are compared between and within peer groups. This article shows that socio-demographic factors and risk factors such as smoking and obesity play a critical role in accounting for differences between communities in health outcomes such as life expectancy and disability-free life expectancy.

Includes comparison tables and charts and a short bibliography.

MORTALITY AND INCOME

Russell Wilkins, Jean-Marie Berthelot and Edward Ng. ***Trends in mortality by neighbourhood income in urban Canada from 1971 to 1996.*** *Health Report*, Supplement to vol. 13, December 2002. Statistics Canada, Health Statistics Division.

<http://www.statcan.ca/english/freepub/82-003-SIE/free.htm>

This second report from the same issue shows that for most causes of death, socio-economic disparities in mortality diminished markedly over time. However, some causes of death showed little change, and a few showed clearly widening disparities.

Includes probability tables and a bibliography (4 p.).

QUEBEC - FRANCE

Jean-Claude Henrard, Oscar Firbank, Serge Clément, Michel Frossard, Jean-Pierre Lavoie and Aline Vézina. ***Personnes âgées dépendantes en France et au Québec : qualité de vie, pratiques et politiques.*** Paris: Inserm, 2001. 352 p. (Questions en Santé publique)

This collective work looks at how practices and policies are adapted in France and Québec in relation to the ageing of the population. Divided in three parts: quality of life, informal and formal practices, policies and recourse systems.

With contributions by French and Québécois researchers specialized in health and ageing, most notably François **Béland**, Howard **Bergman**, Gina **Bravo**, André-Pierre **Contandriopoulos**, Nancy **Guberman**, Réjean **Hébert**, Paule **Lebel**, Pierre **Maheu**, Mario **Paquet**, André **Tourigny**, Lysette **Trahan** and Aline **Vézina**.

Available at the library (Call number : WT 114.5 P467) - <http://catalogue.iugm.qc.ca/Document.htm&numrec=031010335929210>

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"It is better to be a man who
is rich and healthy than a
woman who is poor and sick"

CIG - Spécial Recherche No. 6 - Décembre 2002



DOCUMENTARY TOOLS

BIBLIOGRAPHY MANAGEMENT SOFTWARES

Bibliographical notes management and automatic bibliography generation

◆ EndNotes

Michaud, Sylvie. **Gestion des références bibliographiques avec EndNote 5**. Montréal : Université de Montréal, Direction des bibliothèques, Bibliothèque de la santé, 2002, 24 p. <http://www.bib.umontreal.ca/SA/endnote.pdf> (Page viewed on 01/31/03)

Bibliography management software, such as EndNote, lets you create your own bibliography databases from references entered manually or imported from various sources.

For general use, though aimed specifically towards people using scientific databases (Medline via Ovis or Pubmed and Web of science).

In English: Refer to the software's User Manual. <http://www.endnote.com>

◆ Reference Manager

Leboeuf, Marie-Josée. **Reference Manager training manual**. Montréal : Institut universitaire de gériatrie de Montréal, Bibliothèque de gériatrie et de gérontologie ; Groupe de recherche Université de Montréal - Université McGill sur les services intégrés pour les personnes âgées, 2002.

Available only in French on the Members Website of Solidage, in the Resources section : <http://www.solidage.ca/mem/e/resources.htm>

Attia, Audrey. **Lignes directrices pour la saisie dans Reference Manager**. Montréal : Institut universitaire de gériatrie de Montréal, Bibliothèque de gériatrie et de gérontologie ; Groupe de recherche Université de Montréal - Université McGill sur les services intégrés pour les personnes âgées, 2002.

In English: Refer to the software's User Manual at <http://www.refman.com>

◆ ProCite

Available in English: Refer to the software's User Manual.

<http://www.procite.com>

DOCUMENTARY GUIDES

Citations and bibliographical standards

◆ American Psychological Association. **Publication manual of the American Psychological Association**. 5th ed. Washington: American Psychological Association, 2001. 400 p.

◆ International Committee of Medical Journal Editors. **Uniform requirements for manuscripts submitted to biomedical journals**. Canadian Medical Association (CMA), 1997, Jan. 15;156(2), p. 278-285.

Find it on the web at:

<http://www.cma.ca/cma/common/displayPage.do?pageId=/staticContent/HTML/N0/I2/publications/mwc/uniform.htm>

Go to section **References** for examples.

Also available **in French** at:

<http://www.cma.ca/cma/common/displayPage.do?pageId=/staticContent/HTML/N0/I1/publications-f/mwc/uniform.htm>

Go to section **Références** for examples.

◆ Nicole Perron, Chantal Bouthat et l'UQAM. **Zoom sur les citations et les références bibliographiques**. Biblio-Clip. En ligne. No 27, January-August 2000, 6 p. <http://www.bibliotheques.ugam.ca/recherche/Decouvrir/zoom/19.pdf> (Viewed on February 3, 2003)

◆ Chantal Bouthat, Lisette Dupond, Denis Rousseau, l'Université du Québec à Montréal et le Service des bibliothèques. **Zoom sur les références aux documents électroniques**. Biblio-Clip. Online. <http://www.bibliotheques.ugam.ca/recherche/Decouvrir/zoom/22.pdf> (Viewed on February 3, 2003)

◆ Rosaire Caron. **Comment citer un document électronique ?** In Université Laval. Bibliothèque. Site of the Université de Laval's Library. Online. <http://www.bibl.ulaval.ca/doelec/doelec29.html> (Viewed on February 3, 2003)



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For more information:
Fact Sheet, National Information Center on Health Services Research and Health Care Technology, National Library of Medicine
http://www.nlm.nih.gov/pubs/factsheets/loansome_doc.html

A information sheet is available in French at the IUGM Geriatrics library.



STATISTICS MANAGEMENT

Beyond 20/20

Software that lets you visualize, manipulate and extract subsets from a numeric data table.

Training in English:

- Refer to the software's User Manual published by Beyond 20/20 Vision.

<http://www.beyond2020.com/>

- Technical exercises for further knowledge: "The Shell Game: Beyond 20/20 in three steps, with a Geosuite add-on"

<http://luxor.acadiu.ca/library/DLI/Trainers/humphrey/index.html#Shell>

Training in French:

http://www.bib.umontreal.ca/SB/num/B2020_files/v3_document.htm

Bibliothèque des lettres et sciences sociales, Université de Montréal, August 2000

Finding and Using Health Statistics: A Self-Study Course

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/nichsr/usestats/index.htm>

Proposed by *National Information Center on Health Services Research and Health Care Technology* of the *National Library of Medicine*.

Only in English.

UTILITY SOFTWARE

Cmic training

<http://www.cmic.ch/>

Cmic offers training in French on the "Internet médical" for medical doctors and health professionals, specific office automation training, course guides and support, selected links for further training, as well as an interactive discussion list. Some trainings are available in English.

Go to the **Guides and support section:**

<http://www.cmic.ch/formation/site-formation-21.htm>

Windows - Word - Excel - PowerPoint - Electronic messaging - Netscape - MS-Explorer - Medline - Endnote - Web pages - Frontpage

For all these software programs, help is available online or you can ask the "Office Assistant" of the software (French or English).

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Population Index on the Web

<http://popindex.princeton.edu/>

Population Index is the reference tool to the world's population literature. This website provides a searchable and browsable database containing 46,035 abstracts of demographic literature published in original publications including monographs, journal articles, other serial publications, working papers, doctoral dissertations, databases, etc.

Years: 1986 to 2000.

Subjects covered: demographic and economic interrelations, fertility, historical demography, migration, mortality, family, population size and growth, projections and predictions, research methodology.

You may search the *Population Index* database by author, subject, geographical region and/or year.

This database is updated annually by the **Office of Population Research, Princeton University**.

It presents an annotated bibliography of recently published books, journal articles, working papers, and other materials on population topics.

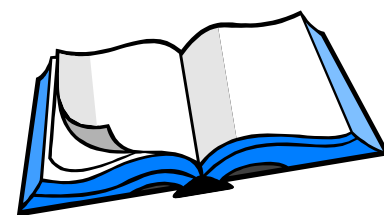
OECD, Ageing Society

The section "Ageing Society" is now available on the OECD website.

<http://www.oecd.org/EN/home/0,,EN-home-26-nodirectorate-no-no-no-26,00.html>

The ageing of OECD societies over coming decades will require comprehensive reform addressing the fiscal, financial and labour market implications of ageing, as well as the implications for pension, social benefits and systems of health and long-term care. The OECD analyses the challenges that ageing implies for Member countries in these policy domains.

Do you need some help for other softwares? Don't hesitate to ask us and we will look for the guides and manuals required.



Age-NDA

Toronto, ON, October 22 & 23, 2003

**Older People Deserve the Best!
Building a Policy Framework and
Innovative Services for Elder Health
- Second International Conference on
Elder Health**

http://www.rnao.org/html/PDF/Elder_03_Call_for_Abstracts.pdf

This second international conference on elder care takes the next steps towards building a vision and policy directions to achieve humanistic, practical and cost-effective wellness and illness services for older people.

Special attention will be given to international demographic and quality of life imperatives that impact on the health and caring needs of older people.

**Deadline for abstract submissions:
April 9, 2003.**

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Canberra, Australia, 8-12 December 2003

**International Microsimulation
Conference on Population Ageing and
Health: Modelling Our Future**

http://www.natsem.canberra.edu.au/new/2nd_call_for_papers.pdf

This event will be held on December 8-12, 2003 in Australia. The first two days of the conference are expected to be devoted to applied analyses of the implications of population ageing and health such as: social security, health needs of ageing populations, intergenerational and fiscal issues. The following days are designed to provide a forum for modellers to discuss actual microsimulation models used in different countries.

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Our online catalog is still being implemented. Updates are done every 10 days but we will soon start doing them every day or every other day.

A users' guide called *guide d'utilisation de Germain* will be available shortly. It will detail the query functionalities and explain how to create a user profile in Germain.

A document explaining how to *make your Germain profile paramétrable* will also be offered so that every member of your group can take advantage of this service.

New in GERMAIN

Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development. Conference proceedings (2001: Ottawa). **Measuring Up: improving health system performance in OECD countries.** Paris: OECD; Health Canada, 2002. 362 p.

Available online in Germain and on the OECD site at : <http://www1.oecd.org/publications/e-book/8102011E.PDF>

The proceedings from the OECD/Canada conference, "Measuring Up : Improving health system performance in OECD countries", held in November 2001 in Ottawa, review recent developments in five contrasting countries - Canada, the Netherlands, Sweden, the United Kingdom and the United States. It provides selected international comparisons on key aspects of performance, such as quality of hospital care and long-term care, equity of access and efficiency. It also outlines the range of levers, both economic and non-economic, that policy makers and healthcare managers can use to secure performance improvements.

The final chapter of the conference proceedings presents the views of health ministers from Canada, France, Mexico, the United Kingdom and the United States on health system performance assessment.

Includes the chapters:

- **Measuring the quality of long-term care in institutional and community settings** by the Canadian Naoki Ikegami, John P. Hirdes and Iain Carpenter;

- **Towards integrated and coherent health information systems for performance monitoring: the Canadian experience** by Michael Wolfson and Richard Alvarez.

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INDEPENDENCE

The "**Prognostic Factors for Functional Independence in Older Adults With Mild Dementia: Results From the Canadian Study of Health and Aging**", by par Anne Perrault, Christina Wolfson, Mary Egan, Kenneth Rockwood and David B. Hogan is now available in *Alzheimer Disease and Associated Disorders* (2002 Vol. 16, No. 4, pp. 239-247).

This study investigates the prevalence of and prognostic factors for functional independence in personal activities of daily living in a population-based sample of 90 seniors with mild dementia.

Substudy of the *Canadian Study of Health and Aging*.

IMMIGRANTS HEALTH

The study "**Santé et bien-être, immigrants récents au Québec : une adaptation réciproque? : Étude auprès des communautés culturelles 1998-1999**" is now available ! This publication was coordinated by May Clarkson, Rebecca Tremblay and Nathalie Audet.

This study is the first in Quebec that measures the health status and the use of health services in a population of recent immigrants.

Chapter 5 "**Alimentation et poids corporel**" about feeding and body weight was written by Bryna Shatenstein and Sylvie Nadon from Solidage.

We invite you to submit your publication titles. We will be glad to post them on our SOLIDAGE-Documentation and to include them in the "article" section of our catalogue, for everyone to know what the members of the group are publishing.

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The Solidage documentation centre focuses specifically on documentation related to the research topics encompassed by the 3 main branches of the research programme. The purpose of these branches is to:

- 1) determine the current and future health and social service needs of frail elderly persons;*
- 2) document current health care and social service access, use, effects and costs;*
- 3) determine innovative measures with respect to care delivery, effective clinical intervention and integrated service systems.*

