

D. OTHER PROJECTS

In addition to the three major areas of study, the Census Bureau will undertake several special projects. These projects support the Bureau's overall mission and provide additional insight into the development and improvement of international migration statistics not only in the U.S., but worldwide.

These special projects include: (1) an evaluation of the effectiveness (reliability, validity, and utility) of current questions on international migration (the Migrant Life History Project, MLHP); (2) preparation for the 2004 overseas census test; (3) an evaluation of the effect of international migration on identity patterns (e.g., racial/ethnic, linguistic) in the United States; (4) ongoing participation in joint statistical activities with federal agencies in Canada, Mexico, and the United States (the North American Migration Working Group, NAMWG); and (5) preparation of tabulations and other activities with the United Nations Statistics Division, the UN Economic Commission for Europe (UN-ECE), and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).