

Families and Housing
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Selecting “Families and Housing” as the theme for the first virtual issue of the Family and Consumer Sciences Research Journal is very timely given the current housing situation in the United States. This issue addresses some of the most urgent problems and issues related to people and their housing. After many years of rising home ownership, researchers now focus their study on families who are facing foreclosure and rising household expenses. They seek to learn more about households that are forced to investigate housing assistance programs, different tenure options, and alternative housing structure choices. This issue also examines an aging population which includes a large Baby Boomer generation that confronts many housing challenges, including the use of technology. Addressing the housing needs of children, the poor, and ethnic groups are also examined. You will find this collection of housing manuscripts to be an interesting glimpse into housing issues faced by today’s households and a platform on which to build future housing research.

A selection of articles from March 2006 – June 2009

Borrower- and Mortgage-Related Factors Associated with FHA Foreclosures
Delgadillo and Gallagher

Ethnicity and Household Expenditures: Furnishings, Fashion, and Flux?
Dyer, Burnsed, and Dyer

Attachment to “Place” and Coping with Losses in Changed Communities: A Paradox for Aging Adults
Cook, Martin, Years, and Damhorst

Residential Mortgage Default in Low- and High-Minority Census Tracts
Pedersen and Delgadillo

An Analysis of Tenure and Household Structure Type by Household Composition
Vanderford, Mimura, Sweaney and Carswell

Household Composition and Housing Expenditures in Rental-Occupied and Owner-Occupied Markets
Ulker

Real Estate Brokerage, Homebuyer Training, and Homeownership Sustainability for Housing Assistance Programs
Archer, Fitterman and Smith