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U.S. Census Bureau Releases New Supplemental Poverty Data Nov. 6

DURHAM, N.H. – Researchers from the Carsey Institute at the University of New Hampshire are available to discuss trends in U.S. poverty in advance of new supplemental poverty data to be released Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2013, by the U.S. Census Bureau. These data will detail how families are faring in the aftermath of the Great Recession, net of safety net programs and necessary expenses. This measure also adjusts for cost of living differences across the nation, permitting a more nuanced understanding of poverty.

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Mattingly can discuss child poverty and how different family policies affect rural, suburban, and urban families and how growing up in poverty influences life outcomes. She also can discuss public policies and programs that support low-income families, such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as food stamps) and public health insurance. Additionally, she can discuss several poverty-related issues including how families cope with economic distress. Mattingly also can address poverty measurement, the utility of the research supplemental poverty measure, and implications of findings from this measure as compared to the official poverty measure.

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Carson can discuss child poverty and how different family policies influence rural, suburban, and urban families. She also can discuss public policies and programs that support low-income families, such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as food stamps) and public health insurance. She is working on a long-term project that examines the issues facing families living in chronically poor rural counties and aims to highlight the strategies that best support these struggling families.

Carsey Research on Child Poverty
2012 National Child Poverty Rate Stagnates at 22.6 Percent
http://carseyinstitute.unh.edu/publication/867

Over Sixteen Million Children in Poverty in 2011

More Poor Kids in More Poor Places: Children Increasingly Live Where Poverty Persists
One Million Additional Children in Poverty Since 2009: 2010 Data Reveal Nearly One in Four Southern Children Now Live in Poverty

Young Child Poverty in 2009: Rural Poverty Rate Jumps to Nearly 29 Percent in Second Year of Recession

For a complete list of the Carsey Institute’s research on vulnerable families, visit

The Carsey Institute conducts policy research on vulnerable children, youth, and families and on sustainable community development. The institute gives policy makers and practitioners the timely, independent resources they need to effect change in their communities. For more information about the Carsey Institute, go to www.carseyinstitute.unh.edu.

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