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Catherine Massey is a Senior Economist Welch Consulting's Bryan, Texas office. Prior to joining Welch Consulting, she was an Assistant Research Scientist in the Population Studies Center at the University of Michigan's Institute for Social Research. While at the University of Michigan, she conducted research on record linkage and data quality, as well as research on intergenerational contributors to inequality.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics
University of Colorado
Boulder, Colorado
2013

M.A., Economics
University of Colorado
Boulder, Colorado
2009

B.Mus. in Music Performance
and Economics
Vanderbilt University
Nashville, Tennessee
2007

Before joining the University of Michigan, Dr. Massey was an economist in the Center for Administrative Records Research and Applications at the U.S. Census Bureau. There, she researched racial disparities in administrative records coverage and hard-to-count populations as well as intergenerational social mobility.

Dr. Massey received her Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Colorado Boulder in 2013 and a B.Mus. in Music Performance and Economics from Vanderbilt University in 2007. Her work has been featured The Washington Post, New York Magazine, CityLab, Michigan News, and Michigan Radio Stateside.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Economist
Welch Consulting
Bryan, Texas
2018-Present

Assistant Research Scientist
University of Michigan
Institute for Social Research,
Population Studies Center
Ann Arbor, Michigan
2016 - 2018

Economist
U.S. Census Bureau
Center for Administrative Records
Research and Applications
Washington, DC
2013 - 2016

Instructor
University of Colorado
Boulder, Colorado
2009-2012

Teaching Assistant
University of Colorado
Boulder, Colorado
2007-2009

Publications

[Available here](#)

Do Grandparents Matter? Multigenerational Mobility in the U.S. from 1940-2015 (with Joseph Ferrie and Jonathan Rothbaum). *Journal of Labor Economics*, 39(3): 597-637. July 2013.

How Well Do Automated Linking Methods Perform in Historical Data? Evidence from New US Ground Truth. *Journal of Economic Literature*, 58(4): 997-1044. December 2020.

The Great Migration and Residential Segregation in American Cities during the Twentieth Century (with J. Trent Alexander, Katie Genadek, Christine Leibbrand and Stewart Tolnay). *Social Science History*, 44(1): 19-55. Spring 2020.

Representativeness and False Links in the 1850-1930 IPUMS Linked Representative Historical Samples (with Martha Bailey and Connor Cole). *Historical Methods: A Journal of Quantitative and Interdisciplinary History*, 53(2). Spring 2020.

Long-Term Decline in Intergenerational Mobility in the United States Since 1850 (with Joseph Ferrie, Karen Rolf, Xi Song, and Yu Xie). *Proceedings of the National Academies of Sciences*, 117(1): 251-258. January 2020.

Great Migration's Great Return? An Examination of Second-Generation Return Migration to the U.S. South (with J. Trent Alexander, Christine Leibbrand and Stewart Tolnay). *Social Science Research*, 81:117-131. July 2019.



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The Neighborhood Attainment Outcomes of Second Generation Great Migration Migrants (with J. Trent Alexander, Christine Leibbrand and Stewart Tolnay). *American Journal of Sociology*, 125(1): 141-183. July 2019.

Linking the 1940 U.S. Census with Modern Data (with J. Trent Alexander, Todd Gardner, Katie Genedak, and Amy O'Hara). *Historical Methods: A Journal of Quantitative and Interdisciplinary History*, 51(4): 246-257. October 2018.

Second-Generation Outcomes of the Great Migration (with J. Trent Alexander, Christine Leibbrand and Stewart Tolnay). *Demography*, 54(6): 2249-227. December 2017.

Playing with Matches: An Assessment of Accuracy in Linked Historical Data. *Historical Methods: A Journal of Quantitative and Interdisciplinary History*, 50(3): 129-143. March 2017.

Immigration Quotas and Immigrant Selection. *Explorations in Economic History*, 60: 21-40. April 2016.

Creating Linked Historical Data: An Assessment of the Census Bureau's Ability to Assign Protected Identification Keys to the 1960 Census. CARRA Working Paper No. 2014-12. December 2014.

Person Matching in Historical Files using the Census Bureau's Person Validation System (with Amy O'Hara). CARRA Working Paper No. 2014-11. November 2014.

The Opportunities and Challenges of Using Administrative Data Linkages to Evaluate Mobility (with David Johnson and Amy O'Hara). *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, 657 (1): 247-264. January 2014.

Grant Awards

- 2019 IPUMS Research Award Winner for "Long-Term Decline in Intergenerational Mobility in the United States Since 1850" (with Joseph Ferrie, Karen Rolf, Xi Song, and Yu Xie)
- 2018 Principle Investigator, Peterson Foundation (\$49,689): "Past and Present Differences in Opportunity by Neighborhood"

Co-Investigator, National Institutes of Health (\$1,070,029): "Longitudinal and Intergenerational Determinants of Aging and Mortality"
- 2017 Co-Investigator, National Institutes of Health (\$427,500): "How Does Automated Record Linkage Affect Inferences about Population Health?"



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Conference Presentations and Invited Seminars

- 2020 World at Work Total Rewards Conference and Exhibition, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 2019 Bond Schoeneck & King Labor and Employment Law Breakfast Briefing, Buffalo, New York
- 2018 World Economic History Conference, Boston, Massachusetts
- 2017 Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Montreal
Canada Canadian Network for Economic History, Toronto, Ontario,
Canada Guelph Record Linkage Workshop, Guelph, Ontario, Canada
Institute for Social Research Science Lunch, Ann Arbor, Michigan
LIFE-M Annual Board Meeting, Ann Arbor, Michigan
- 2016 Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Chicago,
Illinois Population Association of America, Washington, D.C.
American Economic Association Annual Meetings, San Francisco, California
- 2015 University of Michigan Survey Research Center, Ann Arbor, Michigan Stanford
University Center on Poverty and Inequality, Stanford, California Minnesota
Population Center Record Linkage Workshop, Minneapolis, Minnesota
University of Michigan Survey Research Center, Ann Arbor, Michigan Stanford
University Center on Poverty and Inequality, Stanford, California Federal
Computer-Assisted Survey Information Collection, Washington, D.C. Total
Survey Error Conference, Baltimore, Maryland
Population Association of America, San Diego, California
Census Labor-Economics Research Brown Bag, Washington, D.C.
R&M What's Up Seminar, Washington, D.C.
- 2014 National Academies of Science, Irvine, California
Census Labor-Economics Research Brown Bag, Washington, D.C.
National Academies of Science, Irvine, California
Western Economic Association Meetings, Denver, Colorado
- 2013 U.S. Census Bureau, Washington D.C.
Hitotsubashi University, Tokyo, Japan
- 2012 Canadian Network for Economic Historians Annual Meeting, Banff, Alberta, Canada
Institute for Behavioral Sciences Institutions Workshop, Boulder, Colorado
Economic History Association Annual Meeting, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada



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- 2011 CU Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop, Vail, Colorado
Poster Session Economic History Association Annual Meetings, Boston, Massachusetts
Fourth Lindau Meeting of Nobel Laureates in Economic Sciences, Lindau, Germany
Canadian Economics Association/ Network for Economic History, Ottawa, Canada
Economic Business and Historical Society Meetings, Columbus, Ohio

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