

Launch of the Demographic Observatory 2025

Low fertility in Latin America and the Caribbean: emerging trends and dynamics

Wednesday, October 29 | 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (Santiago, Chile)

Room: Enrique V. Iglesias Auditorium (Hybrid event), ECLAC, Santiago, Chile

Type of event: Hybrid event with a registration [link](#) for the online meeting.

The Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Center (CELADE) – Population Division of ECLAC invites to the launch of the Demographic Observatory 2025. This publication presents an analysis of historical and recent fertility trends in Latin America and the Caribbean, with a special focus on the region's declining fertility. Drawing on a variety of demographic sources and the most recent scientific literature, the publication provides information on the current situation of the countries in the region. It examines the varying fertility levels among countries and highlights the impact of motherhood postponement on these levels.

It also identifies key regional and socioeconomic inequalities related to fertility and the factors underlying observed changes. The document further addresses the challenges this new scenario poses from a public policy perspective, reviewing family policies and programs implemented in low-fertility contexts and their associated effects. It recommends implementing family policies that promote work-family balance and strengthening the region's statistical systems to better monitor the new demographic reality of its countries.

Agenda

Moderator: Fabiana Del Popolo Chief, Demography and Population Information Area, CELADE – Population Division, ECLAC

11:00-11:10 Opening Remarks

Simone Cecchini, Director, CELADE – Population Division, ECLAC

Susana Sottoli, Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

11:10 a 11:25 Presentation of the Demographic Observatory 2025

Helena Cruz Castanheira, Population Affairs Officer, CELADE – Population Division, ECLAC

11:25 a 11:55 Expert Comments

Sabrina Juran, Regional Adviser on Population and Development for Latin America and the Caribbean, UNFPA

Wanda Cabella, Professor, University of the Republic, Uruguay

Miguel Ojeda, Head of the Demography Subdepartment, National Statistics Institute (INE), Chile

11:55 a 12:20 Questions and Answers

12:20 a 12:30 Closing Remarks

Online Connection Information

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Event Information

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