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Present Position:

Professor, Department of Sociology, University of New Hampshire
Senior Demographer, Carsey School of Public Policy, University of New Hampshire
Researcher, Agricultural Experiment Station, University of New Hampshire
Andrew Carnegie Fellow, Carnegie Corporation of New York

Education:

Ph.D. - University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.
M.A. - University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.
B.A. - University of Michigan

Academic Experience:

University of New Hampshire (Current).
Professor of Sociology
Senior Demographer, Carsey School of Public Policy.
University of Wisconsin-Madison
Visiting Professor.
Research Affiliate. Applied Population Laboratory.
Loyola University of Chicago.
Instructor to Professor of Sociology
Faculty Scholar.

Honors:

Carnegie Corporation of New York
Andrew Carnegie Fellow.
University of New Hampshire
Class of 1940 Professor.
Faculty Excellence in Research Award.
Rural Sociological Society
Excellence in Research Award.
Loyola University of Chicago
Faculty Member of the Year.
University Faculty Scholar.

Recent Grants (Selected from 25 Grants, \$9.2 million)

Johnson, K.M. "Social, Economic and Environmental Causes and Consequences of Demographic Change in Rural America." National Institute of Food and Agriculture, US

Department of Agriculture. Multi-State Research Project W-4001 (and predecessor W-3001, W-2001) funded by New Hampshire Agricultural Research Station.

Li, A.Q., et. al. 2019.” Computational Methods and Autonomous Robotics Systems for Modeling and Predicting Harmful Cyanobacterial Blooms.” National Science Foundation. EPSCOR Track-2. Role: Co-Investigator

Lutz, D.A., K.L. Cottingham, M Ducey, K.M. Johnson, M. Palace, K. Weathers. 2017. “Interactive Effects of Catchment and Climate Change on Water Quality”. National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Interdisciplinary Sciences. Role: Co-Principal Investigator

Johnson, K.M. “Challenges to American Democracy: The Changing Demographic Structure of Rural America and Its Implications.” Funded by the Andrew Carnegie Fellows Program, Carnegie Corporation.

Johnson, K.M. and R. Winkler. “Longitudinal Analysis of Population Redistribution by County Type and in Relation to National Forest and Public Lands.” Grant funded by the U.S.D.A Forest Service.

Johnson, K.M. and M.J. Ducey. “Demographic Transformation in the Forest Regions of Nonmetropolitan America: Implications for Carbon Sequestration, Forest Harvesting and Ecosystem Services.” Grant funded by the Northern Research Station of the U.S.D.A Forest Service.

Recent Peer Reviewed Articles (Selected from: 85)

Lichter, D.T and K.M. Johnson. 2025. “Rural America at a Demographic Crossroads? Depopulation, Deaths, Diversity, and Deprivation”. *RSF: The Russell Sage Journal of the Social Sciences*, Special Issue on US Census 2020: Continuity and Change.11(2): 88-114.

Johnson, K.M. 2023. “Population Redistribution Trends in Nonmetropolitan America, 2010 to 2021.” *Rural Sociology*. 88(1):193-219.

Lichter, D.T and K.M. Johnson. 2023. “Urbanization and the Paradox of Rural Population Decline: Racial and Regional Variation.” *Socius*. 9:1-21.

Johnson, K.M. and D.J. Scala. 2022. “The Rural-Urban Continuum and the 2020 Presidential Election.”. *The Forum*. 20(2):229-255

Lichter D. T. and K.M Johnson. 2021. “Opportunity and Place: Latino Children and America’s Future”. *The Annals of Political and Social Science*. 696(1):20-45.

Johnson, K. M. 2020. “As Births Diminish and Deaths Increase, Natural Decrease Becomes More Widespread in Rural America.” *Rural Sociology*. 85(4): 1045-1058.

Lichter, D.T. and K.M. Johnson. 2020. “A Demographic Lifeline? Immigration and

Hispanic Population Growth in Rural America.” *Population Research and Policy Review*. 39:785-803

Johnson, K M., D. T. Lichter. 2020. “Metropolitan Reclassification and the Urbanization of Rural America.” *Demography*. 57(5):1929-1950.

Johnson, K.M. 2020. “Subnational Non-Hispanic White Natural Decrease in the United States.” *Population and Development Review*. 46(1):7 31.

Johnson, K. M. and D. T. Lichter. 2019. “Rural Depopulation: Growth and Decline Processes over the Past Century.” *Rural Sociology*. 84(1): 3-27.

Ducey, M.J., K.M. Johnson, E.P. Belair and B.D. Cook. 2018. “The Influence of Human Demography on Land Cover Change in the Great Lakes States, USA.” *Environmental Management*. 62(6): 1089-1107.

Johnson, K.M., K. Curtis and D. Egan-Robertson. 2017. “Frozen in Place: Net Migration in Sub-National Areas of the United States in the Era of the Great Recession.” *Population and Development Review*. 43(4):599-623.

Scala, D. and K.M. Johnson. 2017. “Political Polarization along the Rural-Urban Continuum? The Geography of the Presidential Vote, 2000-2016.” *The Annals of Political and Social Science*. 672:162-184.

Winkler, R.L. and K.M. Johnson. 2016. “Moving Toward Integration? Effects of Migration on Ethnoracial Segregation across the Rural-Urban Continuum”. *Demography*. 53(4): 1027-1049.

Johnson, K.M., L. Field and D.L. Poston, Jr. 2015. “More Deaths than Births: Subnational Natural Decrease in Europe and the United States”. *Population and Development Review*. 41(1):651-680.

Johnson, K.M., R. Winkler. 2015. “Migration Signatures across the Decades: Net Migration by Age in U.S. Counties, 1950-2010.” *Demographic Research* 22(38):1065-1080.

Recent Research Briefs (Selected from: 135)

Johnson, K.M. and T. Parker. 2025. “Domestic Migration and Dollars Flowed to New Hampshire During the Pandemic.” *Carsey National Issue Brief*. Durham, NH: Carsey School of Public Policy, University of New Hampshire. 187.

Johnson, K.M. 2024. “New England Is Gaining Population Due to Immigration.” *Carsey National Issue Brief*. Durham, NH: Carsey School of Public Policy, University of New Hampshire. 186.

Johnson, K.M. 2024. “Migration Continues to Sustain Population Gains in Rural

America.” *Carsey National Issue Brief*. Durham, NH: Carsey School of Public Policy, University of New Hampshire. 185.

Johnson, K.M. 2024. “U.S. Births Hit a 34-Year Low.” *Carsey Data Snapshot*. Durham, NH: Carsey School of Public Policy, University of New Hampshire.

Winkler, R.L, K.J. Curtis, K.M. Johnson and D. Egan-Robertson. 2024. “Age Influenced Who Moved Where in the 2010s.” *Rural Population Research Network. Brief*. 2024-1.

Johnson, K.M. 2024. “Population Gains Continue in New Hampshire, but the Pace Varies.” *Carsey National Issue Brief*. Durham, NH: Carsey School of Public Policy, University of New Hampshire. 180.

Johnson, K.M. 2023. “More U.S. Women of Childbearing Age, but Fewer Have Given Birth.” *Carsey National Issue Brief*. Durham, NH: Carsey School of Public Policy, University of New Hampshire. 176.

Johnson, K.M. 2023. “Recent Demographic Trends Have Implications for Rural Health Care.” *Carsey National Issue Brief*. Durham, NH: Carsey School of Public Policy, University of New Hampshire. 175.

Johnson, K.M. 2023. “New Census Data Reflect the Continuing Impact of Covid on U.S. Demographic Trends.” *Carsey Research National Issue Brief*. Durham, NH: Carsey School of Public Policy, University of New Hampshire. 171.

Bundschuh, K. and K.M. Johnson. 2023. “Retaining Residents Is Important to New Hampshire’s Future: Why Do People Stay?” *Carsey Research National Issue Brief*. Durham, NH: Carsey School of Public Policy, University of New Hampshire. 172.

Recent Papers and Presentations (Selected from: 270)

Johnson, K.M. 2025. “Recent Regional and New Hampshire Demographic Trends.” Invited Presentation to New Hampshire State House Ways and Means Committee Economic Briefing. Concord, N.H. January, 2025.

Johnson, K.M. 2024. “Recent Nonmetropolitan Demographic Trends in an Era of Economic, Social and Epidemiological Turbulence.” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Rural Sociological Society. Madison, WI, July, 2024.

Johnson, K.M. 2024. “Less Health Care, More Coffins, Fewer Cradles: Covid’s Grim Impact on Natural Change in Rural America.” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Population Association of America. Columbus, OH, April, 2024.

Johnson, K.M. 2023. “New Hampshire’s Recent Demographic Trends.” Invited Presentation to New Hampshire State House Ways and Means Committee and Finance Committee Joint Economic and Fiscal Orientation. Concord, N.H. January, 2023.

Johnson K.M. 2022. "Demographic Change in Rural America." Invited Presentation at the Population Matters: Demography and Well-being in Rural America Symposium sponsored by the Rural Population Research Network, Washington, DC. September 2022.

Johnson K.M. 2022. "Understanding the Demographic Landscape of New Hampshire." Invited Presentation to The Community College System of New Hampshire Board of Trustees Retreat. Nashua, NH. July, 2022.

Johnson K.M. 2022. "Demographic Trends and Aging in New Hampshire." Invited Presentation to New Hampshire State Commission on Aging. Concord, NH. May, 2022.

Johnson, K.M. 2022. "The U.S. Population Declined for the First Time between 2010 and 2020." Invited Presentation at Congressional Briefing titled, "Small Towns/Big Trends: Demographic Insights on Living, Working and Thriving in Rural America" Cosponsored by the Population Association of America and the Rural Population Research Network, Washington, DC. March, 2022.

Johnson K.M. 2021. "Population Redistribution Trends Along the Rural-Urban Continuum, 2000 to 2020: The Great Recession and Its Aftermath." Invited Presentation as Summer Scholar at the Census Bureau Seminar, U.S. Census Bureau, Washington, DC. August, 2021.

Johnson K.M. 2021. "The Changing Demographic Trends of New Hampshire." Invited Presentation to New Hampshire Charitable Foundation Board of Directors. Manchester, NH. June, 2021.

Media Coverage:

Frequently quoted in *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post*, *Chicago Tribune*, and numerous other national and regional newspapers. Interviewed on *ABC World News Tonight*, *NBC Nightly News*, *CNN*, *BBC*, *National Public Radio* and numerous local media outlets. More than 5,000 media mentions in 2015-2025.

Recent Departmental and University Service:

Member, Carsey School of Public Policy Planning Committee.
Member, Carsey Institute Director Search Committee.
Member, Carsey Executive Committee, 2010-present.
Member, Sociology, Tenure and Promotion Committee.
Member, Sociology Graduate Committee
Chaired and served on numerous Dissertation and MA Thesis Committees.

Recent Courses Taught:

Graduate Statistical Methods of Research I: The General Linear Model
Graduate and Undergraduate Course in Social Demography.

