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Foreword

In 2001, the centenary year of Australia's federation, we celebrate twenty-one years of operation of the Australian Institute of Family Studies. Since its inception in 1980, the Institute has prided itself not only on the quality of its research endeavours but also on its publishing and information dissemination functions which have established the Institute's reputation as a key contributor to research literature in the field of family studies.

The title of this volume – "collected works" – was chosen to describe the broad range of activities with which the Institute has been associated. Emphasis is on the "work" of the Institute, including published and unpublished works by Institute staff, joint publishing ventures with commercial publishers to produce Institute monographs, books, and edited collections, and edited collections on special topics where external writers are commissioned by the Institute. In addition to the Research Program, the Information Program, which encompasses the Institute's research library, the National Child Protection Clearinghouse, and *Australian Family & Society Abstracts* database, are also initiators of publications.

The compilation of this comprehensive list was made possible by *Australian Family & Society Abstracts*, the bibliographic database produced by the Institute since the early 1980s to record the research, policy and practice literature about Australian families and the social issues that affect them. *Australian Family & Society Abstracts* is now an established public information service in the social sciences and one of a number of national bibliographic databases which together provide access to Australia's research literature.

Browsing through the 2000 or so citations it is possible to get a picture of the many projects and activities undertaken by the Institute over the past twenty-one years. The list includes titles in the Institute's current research papers, research reports, and briefing papers series, *Family Matters* articles, and earlier discussion papers, working papers and monographs. Unpublished conference papers and invited addresses and presentations are also included, as are papers and chapters by Institute staff in externally published journals or books.

Taken together the works of the Institute constitute an impressive contribution to the literature on families.

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The Institute's database

The citations contained in this volume were generated by *Australian Family & Society Abstracts*, the bibliographic database produced by the Australian Institute of Family Studies since the early 1980s to record the research, policy and practice literature about Australian families and the social issues that affect them.

In the early days of the Institute, the far-sighted person responsible for recognising the need for a database development program was Dr Mari Davis (see the Institute's Annual Report 1980–1981). Mari was one of the first appointments of the Institute's founding Director, Dr Don Edgar, and through her creative planning the Institute's research library (or Family Information Centre), the database program, and the Institute's publishing program were established.

Now, eighteen years on, *Australian Family & Society Abstracts* offers close to 50,000 citations and abstracts, and is publicly available on two Web-based online services and several CD-ROMs.

The database team

The contribution of many people over the past eighteen years has been essential to the production of *Australian Family & Society Abstracts* and is gratefully acknowledged. The current database team comprises: Deborah Whithear (database manager and editor); Belinda Snider (indexing and editorial); Susan Fooks and Ailsa Hamilton (indexing); and Tracy Joyce and Christine Stojanovski (data entry).

Compilation of this volume

Deborah Whithear, the Institute's Database Manager, compiled the material in this volume from the *Australian Family & Society Abstracts* database, and arranged it into relevant categories.

Catherine Rosenbrock, the Institute's Acting Manager of Strategy and Communications, prepared additional material for the introduction and overview section.

Narda Sowter, the Institute Director's Executive Assistant, edited and proof-read the listings that comprise this volume.

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Introduction and overview

It is intended that this volume will provide a useful reference work and guide to the research output of the Australian Institute of Family Studies over twenty-one years.

Since its inception in 1980, the publishing and distribution of Institute authored and edited works is the principal means by which the Institute meets its information dissemination responsibilities. The Institute has published its research findings under its own imprint, as well as in conjunction with commercial publishing houses, and in external refereed journals.

This volume of the Institute's collected works brings together a wide range of publications associated with the Institute over the past twenty-one years.

The work of the Institute includes material by Institute researchers published in books, edited collections, series publications such as the early Discussion Papers, Working Papers and Early Childhood series, the current Research Papers, Research Reports and Briefing Papers series, and *Family Matters*. The Institute's Information Program also initiates publications such as those from the National Child Protection Clearinghouse and the *Australian Family & Society Abstracts* database. Papers from the Institute's seven national conferences are also included in this volume.

Since 1987, the Institute's flagship publication and primary dissemination medium has been its journal, *Family Matters*. Published by the Institute three times a year, *Family Matters* includes contributions from Institute researchers and external authors. The magazine seeks to promote high standards of reporting and good quality writing in a style of presentation that will reach an "informed lay public" and appeal to a broad cross-section of readers with interests in family-related research, policies and programs. By providing a forum for the publication of research contributions, *Family Matters* is an important means by which the Institute supports and encourages research into family issues outside the Institute. Many of the entries in this bibliography come from *Family Matters*.

Over the years, the Institute has enjoyed a number of successful collaborative publishing ventures with commercial publishing houses – including Prentice-Hall Australia, Longman Cheshire, Collins Dove, and Allen and Unwin – for several of its major works, including *Ethnic Family Values* (1985); *Settling Up* (1986); *Images of Australian Families* (1991); *Children in Australian Families* (1990); *Families and Cultural Diversity* (1996); and *Social Change, Suburban Lives* (1998).

The Institute has also published a number of books and monographs under its own publishing imprint. Published accounts of completed major Institute research projects, include titles such as *Settling Down* (1993); *Who helps? Support Networks and Social Policy in Australia* (1991); *Families in Australia: A Socio-demographic Perspective* (1995); *Work and Family Life: Achieving Integration* (1995); and *Remaking Families* (1996).

Edited collections initiated and published by the Institute include *Citizen Child: Australian Law and Children's Rights* (1996); *Australian Family Profiles* (1997); *Social Capital and Public Policy in Australia* (2000); and *Reforming the Australian Welfare State* (2000).

This bibliography stands as testimony to the depth, the breadth and the volume of the Institute's contribution to the knowledge base about families in Australia.

Origins of the citations

Most of the works cited in this volume have been generated by the Institute's research program. Over twenty-one years the Institute has undertaken a large and varied range of research projects: some longitudinal, some qualitative, most on a national scale, some focused at a local level. The Institute has conducted evaluations of family policies and programs, and has worked in collaboration with some of Australia's leading family researchers and research organisations.

At the beginning of each section, a brief introduction outlines the major Institute studies from which the works originated. These are not intended to be definitive, but rather to provide a general context for the works listed.

Scope and organisation of bibliography

The volume contains more than 2000 entries from 1980–2001. The following categories of documents are included:

- all works published by the Institute;
- all works by Institute staff including those published externally, such as journal articles, articles in edited collections, and other reports;
- all *Family Matters* research articles by Institute staff and external authors;
- all articles (by staff and external authors) in edited collections commissioned and/or published by the Institute; and
- unpublished conference papers by Institute staff presented at Institute biennial conferences and other conferences.

Citations have been arranged under six subject headings that reflect the main research areas the Institute has been concerned with over the past twenty-one years. The sections are: (1) Children and parenting; (2) Family dynamics; (3) Marriage, divorce and family law; (4) Family and society; (5) Family trends; and (6) Research, methodology, strategy. As outlined above, a brief introduction is provided for each of the sections. Each citation has been listed once only, in the most appropriate subject category, and arranged chronologically by title.

Many of the Institute's recent publications, its *Family Matters* articles back to 1991, conference papers from Institute biennial conferences, and a selection of earlier publications are now available on the Institute's Web site (www.aifs.org.au). These titles are marked as "online".

There is an alphabetical index of subject categories, including synonyms, which provides another access point to citations. The index can be found at the end of the volume.

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CHILDREN AND PARENTING

Context of children and parenting

The Institute has conducted a number of major studies in the area of children and parenting, and this theme remains central to the Institute's research program.

Many of the early works in the children and parenting section come from the 1982–1985 *Children in Families Study*. More than 500 children and a parent of each were interviewed in what, for its time, was a new approach to research on children. Children were asked about their relationships with parents and siblings, the kinds of activities that occurred in their families, the sources of conflict that existed between family members, and their general feelings about family life.

The *Cost of Children Study* was published in 1984, and updated through *Family Matters* until 1999. The need for updating was superseded by the the work of a number of other research centres.

Between 1991 and 1995 a series of seven reports and numerous papers were published from the Institute's Early Childhood Study. The study sought to examine the relative impacts of family and child care factors on children's development; use of child health services by working and non-working mothers; how working mothers cope with sick children; work-related child care; and use and choice of child care. The study took a sample of children in their first year at school, identified the types of child care experienced by the children in their pre-school years, and assessed the links between differing child care contexts, cognitive skills, and social-economic development.

In the area of parenting, much of the Institute's work has focused on post-separation parenting. An exception is the *Parenting 21 Study* which ran from 1997–2001 and which sought to identify parental practices and sources of support, and to articulate parental aspirations for their children in the 21st century.

Since 1995, the Institute has hosted the National Child Protection Clearinghouse. The issues papers, Newsletters and reports generated by this important ongoing project are also included here.

Current research projects in this area include the recently acquired *Australian Temperament Study*. This 18-year-old study of the development of some 2000 children from infancy to adulthood, was moved to the Institute in the year 2000, and has already contributed a number of titles to this bibliography.

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FAMILY DYNAMICS

Context of family dynamics

Understanding the dynamics of family functioning is the key to identifying factors affecting family stability. The Institute's first major study, the 1981 *Family Formation Study* set the tone for much of its future work. The focus of the study was upon the dynamics of how families come to be formed. Since 1981, subsequent data collections through the *Family Formation Study: Part Two* (1991), the *Life Course of Australian Families Study* in 1995–1998, and various studies of divorce, and work and family, the Institute has tracked and analysed the myriad experiences of Australian families.

The Institute's work in this area has included four major studies of family dynamics in ethnic communities – the 1985 *Ethnic Family Values* study, the 1986 study of *Ethnic Family Decision Making*, the 1994 study of *Families and Cultural Diversity*, and the 1997–2001 *Parenting 21* study.

Commencing with the 1982 *Becoming Adult Study*, the Institute has a long interest in the relationship between adolescents and young people and their families, and in intergenerational exchanges between parents and their adult children. Both these issues were examined in depth in the *Australian Living Standards Study* (1991–1992).

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The 1980 *Family Dissolution and Re-formation Study* interviewed people who had been divorced in 1979 about the causes of their marriage breakdowns, their progress through the court system, and their post-separation circumstances.

The 1984 *Economic Consequences of Marital Breakdown Study*, which provided baseline data for subsequent Institute studies on the topic, examined the impact of divorce on wealth (property), income, housing, employment and personal wellbeing. The first study of its kind in Australia, it confirmed that older women and younger mothers were particularly vulnerable to poor financial outcomes from divorce – something which appears to have changed little since the study was conducted.

In 1987 the younger parents from the first study were interviewed for the *Parents and Children After Marriage Breakdown Study*. The study tracked the adaptation of the younger parents: their family reorganisation and their economic and personal wellbeing. An extension of the study also interviewed the children of a sub-group of the parents in the study about their adaptations to parental divorce.

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FAMILY TRENDS

Context of family trends

The lives of families are lived in different ways. While much of the Institute's work relates to the impact of policies and programs upon family functioning and intra-familial dynamics, this work can not be achieved without a good understanding of the broad effects that social, economic and demographic changes have upon families, or without an understanding of the changing shape of families.

The monitoring of demographic trends, based largely on Australian Bureau of Statistics data, provides the broad context within which the Institute's other projects can be placed, and helps explain some of the patterns identified in these projects. Further, the Institute's projects not only provide insight into "micro-level" factors contributing to broad family trends, but also information about the nature of some of those trends, including family-related attitudes and values, patterns of leaving home, and the timing and stability of de facto relationships.

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6

RESEARCH, METHODOLOGY, STRATEGY

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