

Critical Acclaim for
*Handbook of Population and Family
Economics*

“For many years population and family economics was a fringe subject, not really part of mainstream economics, yet seriously researched by a dedicated group of economists (and demographers with an interest in economics). However, population and family economics now finally has its own ‘handbook’ – it has arrived and has indisputably joined the ranks of the mainstream.

The aim of this collection is clearly stated by the editors in the preface: ‘[The *Handbook*] is divided into survey chapters that summarise frontier areas of research, elucidate new theoretical developments, and review the existing evidence.’ There are twenty-one chapters in total, including a very clear and non-technical introductory chapter written by the editors. ... The Editors and contributors need to be congratulated for presenting such an excellent publication. This is very much a publication that should be on the shelf of all those interested in population and family economics. ... I anxiously await Volume 1C(?), although given the scope and depth of the two current volumes, it is difficult to imagine what further topics need to be surveyed.”

The Economic Journal

“Ambitious and enormously useful project. ...Rosenzweig and Stark have recruited an outstanding group of economists to write these surveys – virtually all have made important contributions to the areas they survey. Each survey begins with a detailed outline that enables a reader with minimal knowledge of the subject to quickly locate the discussion of a particular topic. ...For the nonspecialist, the usefulness of surveys depends on maintaining focus and careful exposition, and these surveys are remarkably successful at both. Hence, the Handbook provides an ideal entry point for an economist or economics graduate student looking for authoritative surveys of an important branch of economics. ...Rosenzweig and Stark deserve our thanks for having assembled an authoritative and enormously useful *Handbook of Population and Family Economics*.”

Journal of Economic Literature

“[C]reating any handbook covering a large field is a daunting assignment. ...Rosenzweig and Stark’s effort is truly successful – particularly from the standpoint of meeting current academic needs. ... Their product excels in its arrangement, coverage, and rhetoric. ... [T]he *Handbook of Population and Family Economics* should be on the shelves of every demographic economist – be it a student, a teacher, or a researcher.”

Population and Development Review

“[E]xtremely valuable addition to Elsevier’s *Handbooks in Economics*.”

Journal of Economic History