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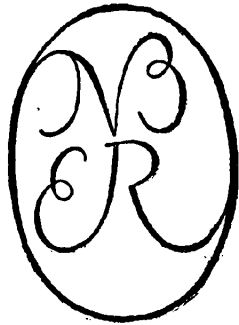
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Prefatory Note

This volume of Studies in Income and Wealth is devoted to the discussion of income data in the 1950 Decennial Census of Population. It is an outcome of the meetings of the Conference on Research in Income and Wealth held in March 1956 at Princeton, New Jersey.

We are indebted to George Garvy who served as chairman of the Program Committee and as editor of this volume; to Dorothy S. Brady, Selma F. Goldsmith, and Herman P. Miller who were members of the committee; and to the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs of Princeton University which made its facilities available to the Conference.

Most of the authors and commentators are or were connected with government agencies. Needless to say, all their contributions to this volume represent their own views, which may or may not correspond to those of the organizations with which they are now connected or with which they were associated at the time when the studies reported were undertaken.

Several of the comments compare in scope with the papers to which they relate, and most of them include material not elsewhere available, including results of original research. It was thought particularly appropriate to solicit comments from two especially well qualified experts north of the border, A. H. LeNeveu and Jenny Podoluk, who contribute valuable comparisons between the United States and the Canadian data.

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