

Timeline of the Population Association of America (PAA)

Year	Month	Day(s)	Event	Place	Attendees	PAA members	% Members Attending	Notes
1909			Louis Dublin hired by Metropolitan Life	New York City				
1922			Scripps sets up Foundation for Research in Population at Miami Univ	Oxford, Ohio				Warren Thompson hired based on his 1915 dissertation at Columbia; then Pascal Whelpton hired
1927			World Population Conference, leading to IUSSP	Geneva				Organized in part by Margaret Sanger
1928			Milbank Memorial Fund begins studies in population	New York City				Frank Notestein Hired
1929			Guy Burch founds Population Reference Bureau	New York City				Originally housed at NYU, then moved to Wash DC, first to Library of Congress, then to Victor Building
1930	12	15	Small group discusses beginning PAA	New York City-Town Hall	13			Called "Preliminary Conference"
1931	5	7	PAA Organized	New York City - Town Hall	38	38		Called "Second Conference" - paid for by \$600 grant from Milbank Memorial Fund
1932	4	22-23	1st Annual Meeting	New York City - Town Hall	67	67		
1933	5	12	2nd Annual Meeting	New York City - Town Hall	17			Joint dinner with NY Chap of American Statistical Association
1934	5	11	3rd Annual Meeting	New York City - Town Hall	20			
1934	2	20	Conference on Coordination	New York City	38			
1935	5	2-4	Conference on Population Studies in Relation to Social Planning	Washington DC-Willard Hotel	155			Eleanor Roosevelt attended - This was Frank Lorimer's idea - Lorimer produces first issue of Population Literature --using office space at Victor Bldg also occupied by PRB
1935	5	3	4th Annual Meeting	Washington DC-Willard Hotel	200	100		Part of the Conference on Population Studies

1935	9	21	Conference on Population Estimates	Washington DC	30			Jointly with Census Bureau
1936	10	?	5th Annual Meeting	Princeton NJ (Princeton Inn)	100			Milbank Memorial Fund provides funding to establish OPR at Princeton-- Population Literature renamed to Population Index and moved to OPR
1937			no annual meeting - IUSSP in Paris					
1938	5	6-8	6th Annual Meeting	Princeton NJ (Princeton Inn)	30-40			
1939	5	12-13	7th Annual Meeting	Washington DC; Hay-Adams Hotel	17			
1940	5	1-2	8th Annual Meeting	Chapel Hill (Carolina Inn for housing; meetings in Alumni Building--which housed Sociology dept)	20?			
1941	5	16-17	9th Annual Meeting	Princeton NJ (Princeton Inn)	?			
1942	5	1-2	10th Annual Meeting	Atlantic City (President Hotel)	?			
1943			no annual meeting - WWII					"Local Meeting" held in Wash DC, May 21-22
1944			no annual meeting - WWII					"Local Meeting" held in Wash DC, Nov 10-11
1945			no annual meeting - WWII					
1946	5	31-6/1	11th Annual Meeting	Princeton NJ (Princeton Inn)	?	300		
1946	10	25-26	Special Fall Meeting	New York City	?			To renew contacts with demographers of other countries
1947	5	17-18	12th Annual Meeting	Princeton NJ (Princeton Inn)	?			
1948	5	22-23	13th Annual Meeting	Philadelphia	?			
1949	5	28-29	14th Annual Meeting	Princeton NJ (Princeton Inn)	?	358		
1950	4	29-30	15th Annual Meeting	Princeton NJ (Princeton Inn)	?			
1951	5	12-13	16th Annual Meeting	Chapel Hill (Carolina Inn)	?	382		
1952	4	19-20	17th Annual Meeting	Princeton NJ (Princeton Inn)	?			
1953	5	2-3	18th Annual Meeting	Cincinnati and Oxford, OH	?	438		First meeting not on east coast

1954	5	8-9	19th Annual Meeting	Charlottesville, VA-U of Virginia	?	447		Irene Taueber dealt with the segregation issue
1955	5	21-22	20th Annual Meeting	Princeton NJ (Princeton Inn)	?	430		First directory of PAA published (grant from NSF)
1956	5	18-20	21st Annual Meeting	Ann Arbor, MI	?	493		
1957	5	4-5	22nd Annual Meeting	Philadelphia	?	500		
1958	5	3-4	23rd Annual Meeting	Chicago	?	500		First meeting out of eastern time zone
1959	4	25-26	24th Annual Meeting	Providence, RI-Brown Univ	?	500		
1960	5	6-7	25th Annual Meeting	Washington, DC	?	500		
1961	5	5-6	26th Annual Meeting	New York City	?	620		
1962	5	4-5	27th Annual Meeting	Madison, WI	?	660		First meeting west of Chicago
1963	4	25-27	28th Annual Meeting	Philadelphia	?	802		
1964	6	11-13	29th Annual Meeting	San Francisco	?	1142		Brand new journal-- Demography --launched by PAA, and it stimulated membership despite the rise in annual membership fee
1965	4	23-24	30th Annual Meeting	Chicago	?	1283		
1966	4	29-30	31st Annual Meeting	New York City	?	1375		
1967	4	27-29	32nd Annual Meeting	Cincinnati	452	1435	31%	Administrative linkage with American Statistical Association- establishment of 3-day annual meetings
1968	4	18-20	33rd Annual Meeting	Boston	581	1495	39%	
1969	4	10-12	34th Annual Meeting	Atlantic City	486	1552	31%	
1970	4	16-18	35th Annual Meeting	Atlanta	590	1862	32%	Women's Caucus formed
1971	4	22-24	36th Annual Meeting	Washington DC	910	2075	44%	Major jump in attendance (Wash DC is always a big draw)
1972	4	13-15	37th Annual Meeting	Toronto	820	2262	36%	First meeting out of US
1973	4	26-28	38th Annual Meeting	New Orleans	862	2377	36%	
1974	4	18-20	39th Annual Meeting	New York City	1110	2488	45%	

1975	4	17-19	40th Annual Meeting	Seattle	595	2618	23%	Last year of the banquet accompanying presidential address
1976	4	29-5/1	41st Annual Meeting	Montreal	870	2615	33%	
1977	4	21-23	42nd Annual Meeting	St. Louis	800	2537	32%	
1978	4	13-15	43rd Annual Meeting	Atlanta	896	2604	34%	
1979	4	26-28	44th Annual Meeting	Philadelphia	1045	2544	41%	
1980	4	10-12	45th Annual Meeting	Denver	750	2488	30%	
1981	3	26-28	46th Annual Meeting	Washington DC	1167	2581	45%	Celebrated as 50th anniversary of 5/7/31 original meeting
1982	4	29-5/1	47th Annual Meeting	San Diego	694	2506	28%	Celebrated as 50th anniversary of first annual meeting
1983	4	14-16	48th Annual Meeting	Pittsburgh	807	2584	31%	
1984	5	1-3	49th Annual Meeting	Minneapolis	812	2599	31%	
1985	3	28-30	50th Annual Meeting	Boston	1073	2654	40%	
1986	4	3-5	51st Annual Meeting	San Francisco	1062	2677	40%	
1987	4	30-5/2	52nd Annual Meeting	Chicago	1023	2656	39%	
1988	4	21-23	53rd Annual Meeting	New Orleans	1115	2655	42%	
1989	3	30-4/1	54th Annual Meeting	Baltimore	1193	2679	45%	Address for PAA this year is 1429 Duke St., Alexandria, VA
1990	5	3-5	55th Annual Meeting	Toronto	1175	2752	43%	PAA establishes own office for the first time--taking over the 4th floor of the building that houses the American Sociological Assn at 1722 N Street NW, Wash DC; Jen Suter becomes PAA Executive Administrator
1991	3	21-23	56th Annual Meeting	Washington DC	1399	2647	53%	
1992	4	30-5/2	57th Annual Meeting	Denver	1085	2525	43%	
1993	4	1-3	58th Annual Meeting	Cincinnati	1216	2267	54%	Jen Suter retires; replaced by Ina Young
1994	5	5-7	59th Annual Meeting	Miami	1185	2593	46%	Ina Young replaced by Jennifer Kilroy

1995	4	6-8	60th Annual Meeting	San Francisco	1429	2767	52%	Establishment of independent office for PAA in Silver Spring; Kilroy marries/moves; Suter becomes acting Executive Administrator
1996	5	9-11	61st Annual Meeting	New Orleans	1397	2820	50%	Stephanie Dudley becomes Executive Administrator
1997	3	27-29	62nd Annual Meeting	Washington DC	1633	3007	54%	
1998	4	2-4	63rd Annual Meeting	Chicago	1483	3311	45%	
1999	3	25-27	64th Annual Meeting	New York City	1615	3297	49%	
2000	3	23-25	65th Annual Meeting	Los Angeles	1588	3057	52%	PAA office moves (but still in Silver Spring)
2001	3	29-31	66th Annual Meeting	Washington DC	1814	2608	70%	Women's Caucus disbands
2002	5	9-11	67th Annual Meeting	Atlanta	1558	2734	57%	
2003	5	1-3	68th Annual Meeting	Minneapolis	1580	2761	57%	
2004	4	1-3	69th Annual Meeting	Boston	1773	2868	62%	
2005	3	31-4/2	70th Annual Meeting	Philadelphia	1760	2807	63%	
2006	3	30-4/1	71st Annual Meeting	Los Angeles	1715	3114	55%	
2007	3	29-31	72nd Annual Meeting	New York City	2032	3304	62%	
2008	4	17-19	73rd Annual Meeting	New Orleans	1832	3379	54%	
2009	4	30-5/2	74th Annual Meeting	Detroit	1771	3206	55%	PAA Fund Campaign launched
2010	4	15-17	75th Annual Meeting	Dallas	1822	2731	67%	
2011	3	31-4/2	76th Annual Meeting	Washington, DC	2319	2887	80%	
2012	5	3-5	77th Annual Meeting	San Francisco	2114	3290	64%	
2013	4	11-13	78th Annual Meeting	New Orleans	2012	3373	60%	PAA Fund Campaign formally ended
2014	5	1-3	79th Annual Meeting	Boston	2168	3417	63%	Stephanie Dudley announces retirement as PAA Executive Director; 50th anniversary of Demography
2015	4	30-5/2	80th Annual Meeting	San Diego	2331	3532	66%	Danielle Staudt becomes PAA Executive Director
2016	3	31-4/2	81st Annual Meeting	Washington DC	2735	3392	81%	

2017	4	27-29	82nd Annual Meeting	Chicago	2500	2868	87%	
2018	4	26-28	83rd Annual Meeting	Denver	2475	3030	82%	
2019	4	11-13	84th Annual Meeting	Austin, TX	2600	2986	87%	PAA moves into newly purchased office at 1436 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314
2020	4	22-25	85th Annual Meeting	Washington DC				A variety of virtual sessions were held in lieu of meeting in person due to COVID-19
2021	5	5-8	86th Annual Meeting	St. Louis	2663	2713	98%	A variety of virtual sessions were held in lieu of meeting in person due to COVID-19
2022	4	6-9	87th Annual Meeting	Atlanta	2132	3025	70%	Hybrid meeting due to COVID
2023	4	12-15	88th Annual Meeting	New Orleans	2493	3390	74%	First regular meeting since 2019
2024	4	17-20	89th Annual Meeting	Columbus, Ohio				
2025	4	9-12	90th Annual Meeting	Washington DC				
2026	5	6-9	91st Annual Meeting	St. Louis				

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