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The fieldwork commenced at the beginning of November 2004 and finished up to 31st of January 2005. The planned fieldwork term was for two months, but it was prolonged with a month because of unexpected difficulties with finding and contacts with the respondents.

12658 respondents were successfully interviewed.
After fieldwork completion, data entry and system file preparation (The latter was done in cooperation with MPI DR after double data entry of the primary data) next step was the work on storage of the survey questionnaires and lists of actual investigated individuals. The questionnaires are packed by clusters (primary sampling units), which makes convenience for easy check up at eventual second survey wave conduction. The same systematization was done toward the lists of investigated individuals (consisting their names, addresses and identification codes).
II. FIRST STEPS TOWARD DISSEMINATION AND USAGE OF THE SURVEY DATA

- Some blocks of GGS information are used as an empirical basis at the stage of development of different research projects.
- Research project “The elites in regions with mixed population (Bulgarians, Turks, Roma)”
- Research project “The variety – a pledge for prosperity”
- Forming an expert opinion toward project of law “Equal gender opportunities”
- Scientific reports, devoted to “responsible parentship”
- Inter-family relationships, inter-generation solidarity, place and role of the child in the modern society
The Bulgarian team started some work from the beginning of the present year on the preparation of the second wave of GGS. This is happening thanks to the support of Max Plank Institute for Demographic Research in Rostok, Germany.
In accordance with the preliminary time table of the survey, till the end of March 2007, the translation into Bulgarian and adaptation of the core questionnaire for the second wave, as well as Booklet of cards for the Wave 2 Questionnaire should be done.

The organization of the main survey will begin at the end of March, and the fieldwork will continue from the middle of April until the middle of June 2007.
In order to reduce refusals at the second wave of GGS, we are planning to prepare special appeal in written to the respondents with an explanation about the importance of the survey (in relation to the demographic crisis in Bulgaria) and the necessity of data collection about the interactions between generations and genders.
For more detailed report of the results from the visits at the addresses of the respondents at GGS second wave, we are going to use specially prepared registration card. It will be registered for every visit if the respondent is found and interviewed, and if not – what are the reasons for not-founding. Such registration card was successfully used during the second wave of the survey “The Impact of Coping Strategies and Social Capital on Reproductive and Marital Behavior“ – a project, realized jointly with MPI DR.
- It is foreseen two independent data entries of the primary data to be executed in order to remove the data entry errors.

- The system data file of GGS second wave should be prepared at the end of August 2007.
Thank you for your attention!