

ILC-China 2021-2022 Annual Report

Research activities and Reports:

Research on the implementation of the national strategy to actively cope with population aging

In 2020, actively coping with population aging officially becomes one of China's national strategies. This research focuses on the action framework for implementing this national strategy. Specifically, it includes: (1) proposing a course of action for implementing a national strategy to actively respond to population aging, including goals, major tasks, and principles of action; (2) identifying the current conditions and risk factors facing the implementation of the national strategy; (3) identifying core tasks and methods for advancing the national strategy; and (4) proposing a guarantee mechanism for safeguarding the implementation of the national strategy. The findings were published in several journal papers, including *The Chinese Path for Tackling Population Aging*, *Long-term Trends Projection of China's Population Aging in the New Era*, *Forecasting Negative Population Growth and Population Ageing in China*, etc.

Research on actively coping with population aging (Based on the 7th National Population Census)

Using data from the seventh National Population Census, we have completed two scientific reports, including a national report and a regional report of Beijing. In these two reports, we analyzed the latest development trends and new features of population aging in China and Beijing, including the family status, family care resources, economic status, housing conditions, health status, and living conditions of special elderly populations. Based on the findings, we proposed relevant policy recommendations. The findings were published as two reports: *Research on Active Response to Population Aging* and *Research on the Development Trend of Population Aging and Response Measures in Beijing*.

Evaluation of China's Long-term Care Insurance Pilot Program

At the end of 2021, commissioned by the National Healthcare Security Administration, our research team conducted a comprehensive third-party

evaluation of 49 pilot cities for long-term care insurance. The evaluation covered the system's design, the organization's operation, and the program's output. The research team collected information through aggregated operational data, group interviews, and questionnaires. Then it derived a judgment on the long-term care insurance pilot situation through quantitative and qualitative analysis. Furthermore, we proposed recommendations for the future construction of China's long-term care insurance system. The findings were published as *China Long-term Care Insurance Pilot Evaluation Report (2021)*.

China Longitudinal Ageing Social Survey (CLASS)

The China Longitudinal Ageing Social Survey (CLASS) collects data about the essential characteristics, health conditions, and economic status of older Chinese people aged 60 and above. Since its launch in 2014, CLASS has conducted three follow-up surveys covering 28 provinces in mainland China (excluding residents of Hong Kong, Macao, Taiwan, Hainan, Sinkiang, and Tibet) in 2016, 2018, and 2020. It has become one of the four primary data sources for research on aging in China. The forth wave of survey has been accomplished in 2021. The survey report is under preparation and will be released soon.

International comparative research of national strategies to actively cope with population aging

This research analyzes the strategies and policies implemented by nine countries (including France, Germany, the United States, Russia, Japan, Korea, India, Brazil, and Thailand) and the United Nations in response to population aging. The findings were published as a report *An International Comparison of Strategies for Coping with Population Aging*.

Simulation and prediction of different delayed retirement scenarios

In 2022, the Smart Health-Care Technology and Governance Arts and Science Intersection Platform of RUC and the Institute of Smart Aging of RUC were established. The institutes focused on the socio-economic impact of delayed retirement, the construction of retirement policy simulation models, and analyses of the effects of different scenarios.

Academic Conferences:

Seminar on The Worldwide Evolution of Population Aging from an Interdisciplinary Perspective

In September 2022, the Institute of Gerontology of Renmin University of China, the Institute of French and Francophone Studies of Renmin University of China, and the Institute of Cultural Studies of the Université Paul Valéry in Montpellier, France, organized a seminar. The seminar's theme is "The Worldwide Evolution of Population Aging from an Interdisciplinary Perspective." The seminar included four main topics: "Population aging in China and France: concepts, current situation and future trends," "Population aging and public policy: constraints and cultural interactions," "The impact of population aging on retirement and monetary policies," "Health, image and values of the elderly in a period of rapid aging."

Seminar on Gerontology Education of China (SGEC)

The Seminar on Gerontology Education of China (SGEC), as the brand conference of the Institute of Gerontology of Renmin University of China, has been continuously and successfully held over the past 17 years. The 18th SGEC will be held in December 2022, the theme will be "Chinese path to modernization and the population aging".

Graduates' Forum on Gerontology in China

In 2014, SGEC launched the "Graduates' Forum on Gerontology in China", which created an effective communication platform for young students in gerontology and related disciplines and played a positive role in promoting the development of gerontology discipline and fostering the younger generation of researchers. The 9th forum will be held in December of 2022, and the theme will be "Chinese path to modernization and population aging". Graduate students from over 30 universities are expected to attend.

Forum on Aging Sociology in China

Since 2014, our school has been hosting the Sociology of Aging Forum on the sidelines of the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Sociological Association. As part of the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Sociological Association, the Forum on Ageing

Sociology has been held for nine consecutive years. The 9th Forum on Ageing Sociology was held in July of 2022 online, the theme was “The New Stage of China's Aging Society and the New Mission of Sociology”.

Training and Education activities:

Public education on population aging

In October 2022, Professor Du Peng was interviewed by CCTV News Channel's News 1+1 program. The interview focuses on how to ensure long-term care service for the elderly who are unable to take care of themselves.

In October 2022, Professor Du Peng was invited to participate in a special program on CCTV Society and Law Channel for the Chong Yang Festival (the Day of older persons in China). The value of older people's participation in social activities for social development was discussed in the program.

In 2022, a popular science book focusing on the state of population aging in China and Beijing was written by our institute. The book uses the Q&A format to explain the current situation, concepts, and policies related to older people and population aging, to give more people a positive awareness of population aging.

In November 2022, the China Healthy Older People Standard was published by the National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China. In this standard, the section on the social participation of older persons was prepared by our institute.

Construction of an information sharing platform

The WeChat Official Account "Gerontology Teaching and Research", which was formerly named “Gerontology of China”, was set up by our team in 2014, and aims at strengthening subject construction and enhancing the cultivating and communication of advanced talents. In 2022, we have posted more than 50 articles, including recent representative gerontological research results in China, previews of academic conferences and updates on academic activities, etc.