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Call for Papers
Race and Stratification in the Economy
March 27, 2026 – Cambridge, MA

The NBER Working Group on Race and Stratification in the Economy invites papers for potential presentation at its fifth annual conference. The meeting will highlight research on the economics of race and stratification economics. The program from the group's 2025 meeting may be found here:

<https://www.nber.org/conferences/race-and-stratification-working-group-spring-2025>

The conference will be held on March 27, 2026 in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The program will be arranged by Francisca Antman (University of Colorado), Bocar Ba (Duke University), Robynn Cox (University of California, Riverside), and the working group's director, Trevon Logan (The Ohio State University).

Papers from sub-fields of economics where analysis of issues related to race is currently less prominent, such as monetary and macroeconomics, international trade, industrial organization, financial economics, and innovation and productivity are strongly encouraged. The organizers are especially interested in papers that incorporate and/or extend approaches to the study of race from other disciplines into economic analysis. The goal is to bring together insights on race from across the economic profession and draw input from other social sciences as well.

The meeting will feature several short 'egg timer' presentations, limited to ten minutes. These are intended to provide an opportunity to showcase work-in-progress.

The NBER welcomes submissions by scholars who are early in their careers and who are not NBER affiliates. To be considered for inclusion on the program, completed papers must be uploaded by 11:59pm (EST) on Thursday, December 11, 2025, via the following link:

<https://conference.nber.org/confsubmit/backend/cfp?id=RSs26>

Unless otherwise indicated, all submissions will be considered for both longer presentations and for egg-timer sessions. Please note in the comments section of the submission page if a paper should be considered only for an egg-timer session. Please do not submit papers that have been accepted for publication and/or be published by March 2026. Authors chosen to present papers will be notified in late January 2026. The NBER expects presenters who have research funds at their disposal to cover the cost of their travel and hotel stay. For those who do not have such resources, and who contact Trevon Logan prior to the meeting for prior

approval, the NBER can cover the cost of one presenter per paper. Questions about this conference may be addressed to tricias@nber.org