

In this edition of the WWP Newsletter - World without Poverty we invite you to take a closer look at the Unified Registry for Social Programs (Cadastro Único) - an important tool used to identify the low-income population in Brazil that has become essential for successfully fighting poverty. The WWP has prepared new material and gathered key publications on this subject with the aim of stimulating discussion on how to best reach the poor with social programs.

## Highlights of the Month



For a better understanding of what this tool is - and what its goals are - we suggest that you first read the *Introduction to Brazil's Unified Registry*, followed by *Brazil's Experience with Developing a Unified Registry*, which describes how Brazil implements the various different phases involved in the registration and data qualification processes.

It is also worthwhile looking at <u>Form</u> used for registering the target population, which includes key concepts that arise in completing the questionnaire (e.g. definition of "family" and "household" and measurement of income). <u>Download the file to view the comments</u>

In the piece on the <u>Stakeholders Responsible for Managing the Unified Registry</u> you can learn about the coordination between Brazil's federative units and the responsibilities of the key agents involved in the management of the Unified Registry: the Federal Government, the Federal Savings Bank (*Caixa Econômica Federal - CAIXA*), state and municipal governments.

To understand the process by which the *Cadastro Único* was consolidated as the key instrument for supporting public policies and programs aimed at fighting poverty, read also the *Brief History of the Unified Registry* which traces the development of the Unified Registry from its creation in 2001 through to the present day.

## Videos

The first video of the series "Bolsa Familia Program and the Unified Registry - Training of Managers and Technicians" addresses the main goals and characteristics of the Unified Registry for Social Programs.



It is also interesting to watch how the Unified Registry has influenced Brazil's cultural diversity

by enabling the <u>social inclusion of specific groups</u> such as indigenous families, quilombos (Maroon Communities), gypsies and others.

## **Publications**

The One Pager <u>Socioeconomic Profile of the Beneficiaries of the Bolsa Familia Program:</u> <u>what does the Unified Registry reveal?</u> describes the main socioeconomic characteristics of the millions of families that are enrolled in the Unified Registry.

The One Pager <u>Cadastro Único: A Registry supported by a National Public Bank</u>, focuses on the role of the Federal Savings Bank (<u>Caixa Econômica Federal - CAIXA</u>) in the development and maintenance of the database.

For a summary of the features of the Unified Registry take a look at the <u>Technical Data</u> <u>Sheet</u>. For a broader and more detailed account see the <u>Fact Sheet on the Unified Registry.</u>

## We Want To Hear From You

Do you have any questions, suggestions or comments about the work of WWP and social programs in Brazil? Would you like to tell us about any challenges faced in the design, implementation or management of social protection programs or policies? Please contact us. We will be happy to hear from you!









