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Jean Gerber fonds

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Summary information

Repository:	Jewish Museum and Archives of British Columbia
Title:	Jean Gerber fonds
Reference code:	A.2023.001
Date:	1981 - 2010 (creation)
Physical description:	7 cm of textual records

Custodial history

Donated by Jean Gerber on January 16th, 2023

Scope and content

The fonds consist of Jean Gerber's research and writing while she was living and working in Vancouver. These include census analyses, demographic reports and articles relating to the Jewish community in Greater Vancouver, a draft, executive summary and final paper on issues affecting the Jewish community, historical notes, a study for Vancouver Talmud Torah School, a Jewish seniors housing survey, a paper on Hebrew School registrations, a needs assessment for the Jewish community in Greater Victoria, and a report on isolation and interdependence in seniors. The fonds also consist of a paper written about the Jewish family in Vancouver by Jim L. Torczyner and Ann L. Chatwin.

Notes

Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
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Collection holdings

File: A.2023.001-1 - 2001 Census Analysis Series

Title: 2001 Census Analysis Series

Reference code: A.2023.001-1

Date: 2003-2006 (date of creation)

Date: 1998 (date of creation)

Physical description: File is split into two folders, consisting of seven published booklets, and three additional documents

Publication status:

Published

Item: A.2023.001-1-1 - Part I Basic Demographics

Title: Part I Basic Demographics

Reference code: A.2023.001-1-1

Date: November 2003 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Report is part one of the 2001 Census Analysis Series focusing on the Jewish community of Greater Vancouver. Specific focus is on the basic demographics of the Jewish population in the Greater Vancouver area.

Physical description: 1 published booklet; 39 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-1-2 - Part II Jewish Populations in Geographic Areas

Title: Part II Jewish Populations in Geographic Areas

Reference code: A.2023.001-1-2

Date: March 2004 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Report is part 2 of the 2001 Census Analysis Series focusing on the Jewish community of Greater Vancouver. Specific focus is on demographic characteristics of Jewish populations in various geographic areas within Greater Vancouver.

Physical description: 1 published booklet; 57 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-1-3 - Part III The Jewish Elderly

Title: Part III The Jewish Elderly

Reference code: A.2023.001-1-3

Date: June 2004 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Report is part 3 of the 2001 Census Analysis Series focusing on the Jewish community of Greater Vancouver. Specific focus is on the demographic characteristics of the Jewish elderly population within Greater Vancouver.

Physical description: 1 published booklet; 40 pages.

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Seniors (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-1-4 - Senior Adults in the Lower Mainland Jewish Community

Title: Senior Adults in the Lower Mainland Jewish Community

Reference code: A.2023.001-1-4

Date: Fall 1998 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Paper on the demographics of Jewish seniors in the Lower Mainland and the community programs and services available for them.

Physical description: 1 typed document; 4 pages

Arrangement: Taken from inside front cover of "Part III" booklet in 2001 Census Analysis Series.

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Seniors (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
 - British Columbia (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-1-5 - Part IV The Jewish Poor

Title: Part IV The Jewish Poor

Reference code: A.2023.001-1-5

Date: November 2004 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Report is part 4 of the 2001 Census Analysis Series focusing on the Jewish community of Greater Vancouver. Specific focus is on economically disadvantaged Jews within the Greater Vancouver area.

Physical description: 1 published booklet; 48 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Welfare (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-1-6 - Part V Immigration and Language

Title: Part V Immigration and Language

Reference code: A.2023.001-1-6

Date: May 2005 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Report is part 5 of the 2001 Census Analysis Series focusing on the Jewish community of Greater Vancouver. Specific focus is on the language and economic characteristics of Jewish immigrants within the Greater Vancouver area.

Physical description: 1 published booklet; 52 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Immigrants (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-1-7 - Part VI Issues of Jewish Identity

Title: Part VI Issues of Jewish Identity

Reference code: A.2023.001-1-7

Date: February 2006 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Report is part 6 of the 2001 Census Analysis Series focusing on the Jewish community of Greater Vancouver. Specific focus is on issues related to Jewish identity.

Physical description: 1 published booklet; 36 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Identity (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Part: Notes on statistics

Title: Notes on statistics

Date: n. d. (date of creation)

Scope and content: Statistics notes relating to poverty rates and immigrants in the Jewish community.

Physical description: 1 page handwritten notes

Arrangement: Found in "Part VI" of 2001 Census Analysis Series, pg. 22-23.

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Demographics (subject)
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Item: A.2023.001-1-8 - Part VII The Jewish Family

Title: Part VII The Jewish Family

Reference code: A.2023.001-1-8

Date: November 2006 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Report is part 7 of the 2001 Census Analysis Series focusing on the Jewish community of Canada. Specific focus is on demographics relating to the Jewish family within Canada.

Physical description: 1 published booklet; 43 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Family and personal life (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
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Item: A.2023.001-1-9 - Letter from UIA Federations Canada

Title: Letter from UIA Federations Canada

Reference code: A.2023.001-1-9

Date: December 14, 2006 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Letter from Perry Romberg, Director of Planning & Community Services for UIA Federations Canada. Provides details on Chapters VII and VIII of the National Jewish Demographic Study and one final upcoming chapter.

Physical description: 1 page typed letter

Arrangement: Found with 2001 Census Analysis Series booklets

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Correspondence (documentary form)
 - Organizations (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
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File: A.2023.001-2 - Focus for the Future 1991-2001

Title: Focus for the Future 1991-2001

Reference code: A.2023.001-2

Date: April 1993 - July 1994 (date of creation)

Physical description: File consists of seven typed newsletter article

Publication status:

Published

Item: A.2023.001-2-1 - Number 1, Change: Being a Meditation on the Mutability of the Jewish Community of Greater Vancouver

Title: Number 1, Change: Being a Meditation on the Mutability of the Jewish Community of Greater Vancouver

Reference code: A.2023.001-2-1

Date: April 1, 1993 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Article number 1 in a series on the 1991 census figures relating to Jewish demography. Focus is specifically on the changes that are taking place in the Jewish community of Greater Vancouver.

Physical description: 1 typed article; 7 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-2-2 - Number 2, Ethnicity & Religion: Jewish Identity Crisis in the Census

Title: Number 2, Ethnicity & Religion: Jewish Identity Crisis in the Census

Reference code: A.2023.001-2-2

Date: May 1, 1993 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Article number 2 in a series on the 1991 census figures relating to Jewish demography. Focus is specifically on ethnic versus religious identity of the Jewish population in the Greater Vancouver area.

Physical description: 1 typed article; 5 pages.

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Identity (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-2-3 - Number 3, Jewish Persons with Dys-Abilities

Title: Number 3, Jewish Persons with Dys-Abilities

Reference code: A.2023.001-2-3

Date: August 15th, 1993 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Article number 3 in a series on the 1991 census figures relating to Jewish demography. Focus is specifically on dysabilities and inclusion in the Jewish population in British Columbia.

Physical description: 1 typed article; 6 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Demographics (subject)
 - Health and social services (subject)
 - British Columbia (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-2-4 - Number 4, The Transformation of the Jews

Title: Number 4, The Transformation of the Jews

Reference code: A.2023.001-2-4

Date: October 1993 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Article number 4 in a series on the 1991 census figures relating to Jewish demography. Focus is specifically on religious identity of the Jewish community in the Greater Vancouver area.

Physical description: 1 typed article; 6 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Religions (subject)
 - Identity (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-2-5 - Number 5, Voices

Title: Number 5, Voices

Reference code: A.2023.001-2-5

Date: November 1993 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Article number 5 in a series on the 1991 census figures relating to Jewish demography. Focus is specifically on voices of community members on the discrepancies in ethnic versus religious identity of the Jewish population of Greater Vancouver.

Physical description: 1 typed article; 5 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Identity (subject)
- Demographics (subject)

- Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-2-6 - Number 6, The New Demographics, Part 1

Title: Number 6, The New Demographics, Part 1

Reference code: A.2023.001-2-6

Date: May 1994 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Article number 6 in a series on the 1991 census figures relating to Jewish demography. Part 1 of 2, analyzing the nature and shape of the Jewish community in Greater Vancouver and Canada-wide.

Physical description: 1 typed article; 12 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-2-7 - Number 7, The New Demographics, Part 2

Title: Number 7, The New Demographics, Part 2

Reference code: A.2023.001-2-7

Date: July 1994 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Article number 7 in a series on the 1991 census figures relating to Jewish demography. Part 2 of 2, analyzing the nature and shape of the Jewish community in Greater Vancouver and Canada-wide.

Physical description: 1 typed article; 14 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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File: A.2023.001-3 - Social Planning Committee Reports

Title: Social Planning Committee Reports

Reference code: A.2023.001-3

Date: May 1990- February 1991 (date of creation)

Physical description: File is split into two folders, consisting of three booklets.

Publication status:

Published

Item: A.2023.001-3-1 - Number 2, Our People Count

Title: Number 2, Our People Count

Reference code: A.2023.001-3-1

Date: May 1990 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Report #2 in a Social Planning Committee series on the Jewish community within the Greater Vancouver area. Focus is specifically on demographics of the Jewish population of the Vancouver Lower Mainland area.

Physical description: 1 booklet; 37 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-3-2 - Number 3, Canadian Jews and Non-Jews

Title: Number 3, Canadian Jews and Non-Jews

Reference code: A.2023.001-3-2

Date: January 1991 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Report #3 in a Social Planning Committee series on the Jewish community within the Greater Vancouver area. Focus is specifically on analyzing the data of Canadian Jewish and non-Jewish populations from the 1986 census.

Physical description: 1 booklet; 11 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-3-3 - Number 4, Seniors Count!

Title: Number 4, Seniors Count!

Reference code: A.2023.001-3-3

Date: February 1991 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Report #4 in a Social Planning Committee series on the Jewish community within the Greater Vancouver area. Focus is specifically on demographic characteristics and special needs of Jewish seniors living in Greater Vancouver.

Physical description: 1 booklet; 21 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Seniors (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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File: A.2023.001-4 - Critical Issues Facing the Greater Vancouver Jewish Community

Title: Critical Issues Facing the Greater Vancouver Jewish Community

Reference code: A.2023.001-4

Date: 1995 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Item 1-3 (Draft Report, Executive Summary, Historical notes) are part of Item 4, Final Report.

Physical description: File is split into three folders, consisting of two typed documents and two booklets

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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Item: A.2023.001-4-1 - Historical notes

Title: Historical notes

Reference code: A.2023.001-4-1

Date: ca. 1995 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Historical notes on the Jewish population in Greater Vancouver.

Physical description: 1 typed document; 6 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-4-2 - Draft report, Diversity, Assimilation and Rapid Growth

Title: Draft report, Diversity, Assimilation and Rapid Growth

Reference code: A.2023.001-4-2

Date: May 1995 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Draft report outlining critical issues impacting the Vancouver Jewish Community and the emerging claims they place on the Vancouver and national Jewish agendas.

Physical description: 1 typed document; 16 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Identity (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-4-3 - Executive Summary, Diversity, Identity and Rapid Growth

Title: Executive Summary, Diversity, Identity and Rapid Growth

Reference code: A.2023.001-4-3

Date: July 1995 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Report outlining critical issues impacting the Vancouver Jewish Community and the emerging claims they place on the Vancouver and national Jewish agendas.

Physical description: 1 booklet; 14 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Identity (subject)
- Demographics (subject)

- Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-4-4 - Final Report, Diversity, Identity and Rapid Growth

Title: Final Report, Diversity, Identity and Rapid Growth

Reference code: A.2023.001-4-4

Date: July 1995 (date of creation)

Scope and content: An in-depth study examining the issues which affect the Jewish community of Greater Vancouver. Topics include historical notes, definitions on who is Jewish, growth rate of the Jewish community of Greater Vancouver, immigrants, inter-provincial migrants, geographic distribution of Jewish members within Greater Vancouver, age structure of the Vancouver Jewish community, seniors, living arrangements of Jewish people in Vancouver, socio-economic characteristics, patterns of Jewish identification, intermarriage, Holocaust survivors, Jewish women and inequality in the labour force, the persistence of invisible poverty, and the emerging agenda.

Physical description: 1 booklet; 177 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Identity (subject)
 - Immigrants (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
 - Seniors (subject)
 - Women (subject)
 - Welfare (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-5 - Demographic Study for Vancouver Talmud Torah School

Title: Demographic Study for Vancouver Talmud Torah School

Reference code: A.2023.001-5

Date: August 2010 (date of creation)

Scope and content: An analysis of current and potential demographic situations for Vancouver Talmud Torah School.

Physical description: 1 booklet; 11 pages
1 photocopy of booklet

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Schools (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-6 - Report on the Jewish Population of Greater Victoria, Fall-Winter 1995

Title: Report on the Jewish Population of Greater Victoria, Fall-Winter 1995

Reference code: A.2023.001-6

Date: April 15, 1996 (date of creation)

Scope and content: A demographic survey and needs assessment of the Greater Victoria Jewish community for Fall-Winter of 1995.

Physical description: 1 typed document; 34 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Demographics (subject)
 - Victoria (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-7 - Jewish Seniors Housing Survey

Title: Jewish Seniors Housing Survey

Reference code: A.2023.001-7

Date: December 1993 (date of creation)

Scope and content: A study of Jewish seniors housing and service needs, as a follow-up to a preliminary survey undertaken by the Seniors Advisory Council of the Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver in 1992. Written by Wendy Menghi with help from Jean Gerber.

Physical description: 1 booklet; 45 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Seniors (subject)
 - Housing (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
 - Health and social services (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-8 - Green Paper on Hebrew School Registrations 1989-1991

Title: Green Paper on Hebrew School Registrations 1989-1991

Reference code: A.2023.001-8

Date: ca. 1991 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Paper analyzing the trends in Hebrew school registrations in the Greater Vancouver area as well as Victoria and Kelowna between 1989-1991.

Physical description: 1 typed document; 6 pages

Note [generalNote]: The term 'green paper' refers to an official document with propositions up for discussion before turning into policy.

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Jewish education (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
 - British Columbia (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-9 - Report of the Senior Community Interdependence Project, Vancouver, B.C

Title: Report of the Senior Community Interdependence Project, Vancouver, B.C

Reference code: A.2023.001-9

Date: April 1997 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Report on the findings of a project addressing isolation and interdependence in the seniors community of West Point Grey/University Endowment Lands and recommendations for addressing issues.

Physical description: 1 booklet; 14 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Seniors (subject)
 - Health and social services (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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Item: A.2023.001-10 - Paper on the Jewish Family in Vancouver

Title: Paper on the Jewish Family in Vancouver

Reference code: A.2023.001-10

Date: 1981 (date of creation)

Scope and content: Paper written by Jim L. Torczyner and Ann L. Chatwin. Examines the features of the Jewish family in Vancouver in comparison with the issues and dynamics presented within another paper, "The Jewish Family in Canada", by Jim L. Torczyner.

Physical description: 1 typed document; 60 pages

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Family and personal life (subject)
 - Demographics (subject)
 - Vancouver (place)
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