

## NANCY BATES HONORED AS NEW ASA FELLOW

ALEXANDRIA VA, June 11, 2014 – Nancy Bates has been named a Fellow of the American Statistical Association (ASA), the nation’s preeminent professional statistical society, announced ASA President Nathaniel Schenker.

To be recognized as a 2014 ASA Fellow, each honoree must make outstanding professional contributions to and have exhibited leadership in the field of statistical science. Bates was honored for outstanding contributions to the federal statistical system in survey methodology; for improving the measurement of same-sex couples in federal surveys; for leadership in the census to increase response rates in hard-to-count populations; and for outstanding service to the profession.

Bates will be awarded a certificate at a ceremony August 5 at the annual Joint Statistical Meetings in Boston, Massachusetts.

“I congratulate Nancy Bates on being honored as a new ASA Fellow,” said Schenker. “Her accomplishments have contributed greatly to the advancement of statistical science and have rightfully earned her the respect and admiration of her ASA peers.”

The designation of ASA Fellow has been a significant honor for nearly 100 years. Under ASA bylaws, the Committee on Fellows can elect up to one-third of one percent of the total membership as fellows each year. Individuals are nominated by their peers in the association membership.

To be honored, nominees must have an established reputation and have made outstanding contributions in statistical science. The Committee on Fellows evaluates each candidate’s contributions to the advancement of statistical science and places due weight to published works, the position held with their employer, ASA activities, membership and accomplishments in other societies and other professional activities.

### ***About the American Statistical Association***

The American Statistical Association is the world’s largest community of statisticians and the second-oldest continuously operating professional society in the United States. Its members serve in industry, government and academia in more than 90 countries, advancing research and promoting sound statistical practice to inform public policy and improve human welfare. For additional information about the American Statistical Association, please visit the ASA website at [www.amstat.org](http://www.amstat.org).