

## **Report on the finding of subjects in the Odder Project and the Copenhagen Study**

### **The Odder Project:**

Whenever possible we used the information on name and address given in the Odder folder, when searching the Yellow Pages, [www.degulesider.dk](http://www.degulesider.dk), Krak, [www.krak.dk](http://www.krak.dk) or Google, [www.google.com](http://www.google.com). It was easiest to find the subjects with a stated address, since the subject or the subject's parents are often still living there. If no address was noted, information was restricted to that of the subject's name and the possible supplementary information on place of education, profession, and spouse. We found the Yellow pages to be more useful than Krak, as it is not as frequently updated. Searches on Google often resulted in much confused information, and therefore we had difficulties distinguishing between usable and useless information, but in some cases we managed to locate the subject by means of work place, place of education, or other activities.

### **The Copenhagen Study:**

At first the fieldworker's diaries on the study from the 1980s were spread randomly in three briefcases, but Bo Kristensen sorted the papers alphabetically, which made them more accessible. They were used frequently as a means to find the subjects, and generally they were a big help, especially if the subject was not to be found on the Internet, as they told of social relations among the subjects. Furthermore, they often told of the subject's profession and interests, which was helpful information in search for the subject.

The information given on the subjects in the diaries varied. In future diaries guidelines might be useful for acquiring comparable information on all subjects.

Apart from the Internet sites mentioned above, Yahoo, [www.yahoo.com](http://www.yahoo.com), Alta Vista, [www.altavista.com](http://www.altavista.com) and Jubii, [www.jubii.dk](http://www.jubii.dk) were used for extra verification or when searching on the other sites was unsuccessful.

The results of the searching are as follows:

**The Odder Project:**

Female rural population:

6 found

7 perhaps found

4 given up

Female urban population:

9 found

9 perhaps found

0 given up

Male rural population:

10 found

4 perhaps found

3 given up

Male urban population:

7 found

10 perhaps found

1 given up

**The Copenhagen Study:**

Female subjects:

13 found

21 perhaps found

6 given up

Male subjects:

19 found

15 perhaps found

8 given up

In total we spent 38 hours searching, 16 on the Odder Project and 22 on the Copenhagen Study.

We want to emphasize the importance of spelling the subject's name correctly, as just one misunderstanding or misprint can make it impossible to locate the subject. For the Copenhagen Study we also found that the same name was often spelled differently in the diaries and in the folder.