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His work has been published in a number of professional journals, such as the Journal of Economic and Social Measurement, Business Economics and American Demographics as well as other general interest publications such as the New York Times and the Wall Street Journal. Martin has testified to various US Congressional committees, including the Joint Economic Committee.

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