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Title:

**Trans-Tasman Migration Under A New Australian Welfare Regime:
The Evidence To Date**

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Abstract:

This paper examines the movement of New Zealand citizens into and out of Australia after the introduction of changes to the Australia/New Zealand Social Security Arrangements in February 2001. Using information derived from the recently re-instated birthplace question as well as other information from New Zealand's arrival and departure cards, it also assesses the extent of re-emigration to Australia between April 2001 and March 2002, of overseas-born New Zealand citizens, particularly those who were born in selected countries in Asia and the Pacific Islands. The study forms part of a larger research programme investigating the changing nature of New Zealand's families as a result of the increased mobility of its population.