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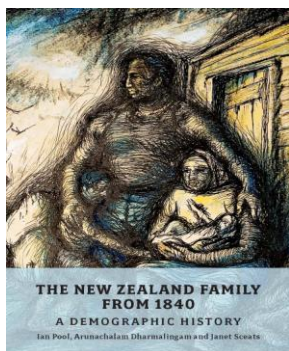
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A Very Successful Year in Perspective



The highlight for the Population Studies Centre in 2007 was the launch by the Hon Steve Maharey, then Minister of Research, Science and Technology, of the landmark demographic history of the New Zealand family by Professor **Ian Pool**, Dr **Arunachalam Dharmalingam** and Dr **Janet Sceats**. *The New Zealand Family from 1840. A Demographic History*, published by Auckland University Press, was officially launched in Te Papa on 3rd July at the Population Association of New Zealand's Biennial Conference in Wellington.

Mr Maharey welcomed the publication of such a wide-ranging and exhaustive study of the demography of the New Zealand family, and paid tribute to the outstanding contributions that Ian and Janet in particular have made to research on New Zealand's population over the past 40 years. The Population Association of New Zealand conferred Life Membership on Professor Pool at the Association's Annual General Meeting on 4 July – again a very fitting acknowledgement of the contribution Ian has made to the development of research and teaching on population issues in New Zealand.

In July Dr **Suzan van der Pas** (pictured), a Dutch demographer who has specialized in research on intergenerational relationships of older adults in the Netherlands, was appointed to a part-time Senior Researcher position in the Population Studies Centre. She joins the team of researchers working on the FRST-funded 'Enhancing Wellbeing in an Ageing Society' programme.



In September, at the Annual General Meeting of the New Zealand Geographical Society in Christchurch, Professor **Richard Bedford** (pictured left) was awarded the Distinguished New Zealand Geographer Medal in recognition of his contribution to the discipline and its professional society since the early 1970s. Professor Bedford was appointed Chair of the International Metropolis Project's Research Committee in November –

this committee oversees the evaluation of research proposals submitted to the Swiss-based Population, Migration and Environment Foundation (PME) which offers financial support to research projects and institutions in the field of international migration.

October and November brought two major events sponsored by the Population Studies Centre: the *Metropolis Plus: Perspectives from New Zealand* Forum in Wellington on 15 October (organized in association with the Department of Labour and the Office of Ethnic Affairs) and *Ageing: The Everyday Experience. The New Zealand Association of Gerontology 2007 Conference* in Hamilton, 14-16 November (organized by the New Zealand



Association of Gerontology with major sponsorship from the Office for Senior Citizens, the Waikato District Health Board and Pfizer New Zealand). Professor **Koopman-Boyden** (pictured), President of the local branch of the New Zealand Association of Gerontology chaired the conference organizing committee. Both of these events attracted over 250 participants.



Jacques Poot takes up European Honorary Appointments

Professor Poot (pictured) has accepted an invitation from his country of birth, The Netherlands, to join the so-called Spinoza Commission, named after the 17th century Dutch philosopher Benedictus de Spinoza. The twelve-person Commission has the task to select winners of the Spinoza Prize. This Prize is awarded annually to three or four outstanding scholars at universities in The Netherlands. Selection is across all disciplines and each winner receives a prize of 1.5 million Euros (2.7 million NZ dollars). The Spinoza Prize is the highest recognition of scholarly achievement in The Netherlands.

Jacques has also accepted an invitation to join the Centre for Research and Analysis of Migration (CReAM) in London, as an External Fellow. CReAM, which is part of University College of London, is an independent and interdisciplinary research centre, focusing on current research on causes and consequences of international migration, particularly in Europe. As an External Fellow, Professor Poot will be participating in CReAM activities and will be joining a network of renowned international researchers in the migration studies field.

PSC Successful in Additional Grant Applications

The PSC has been successful in obtaining, jointly with Massey University, a research grant of \$3.1 million from the Foundation for Research, Science and Technology (FRST) commencing in July, and spread over five years for research that aims at improving the economic integration of immigrants and their families into the workforce and into business. The study examines how immigrants use their work skills in New Zealand and their characteristics in the labour market over time. The programme has the title *The Integration of Immigrants*. Massey University's sociologist Professor **Paul Spoonley** is the contract leader, while Professor **Jacques Poot** leads the research on econometric modelling of immigrant economic integration, and Dr **Elsie Ho** (pictured right) and Professor **Dick Bedford** are contributors to the second objective. The multi-disciplinary research team also includes Associate Professor **Robin Peace** (Social Policy) and Dr **Avril Bell** (Sociology) from Massey.



Two additional FRST-funded research programmes in 2007 are: *The Education Capital, Employment and Missing Men* programme led by Dr **Paul Callister** from Victoria University of Wellington (Professor **Dick Bedford** leads one of the objectives); and the *Ageing in Place: Empowering Older People to Repair and Maintain Safe and Comfortable Houses in their Communities* programme led by **Kay Saville-Smith** from the Centre for Research, Evaluation and Social Assessment

(CRESA) (Dr **Elsie Ho** is sub-contracted to work on this programme with one of her PhD students). In addition Elsie gained a sub-contract in a research programme on *Chinese Circulatory Transmigration* funded by the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange and led by Dr **Manying Ip** of the University of Auckland. We also entered a new contract with the Department of Labour for a project on *Understanding Transitions from Temporary to Permanent Residence*. After successfully completing a project for the Hamilton City Council on “End-user informed” demographic projections, **Bill Cochrane**, Dr **Michael Cameron** and Professor **Jacques Poot** obtained several additional contracts for projections. These include one for the Hamilton sub-regional growth strategy (including Waipa and Waikato District Councils) and one project for the Thames-Coromandel District Council, that was particularly concerned with seasonal and retirement populations.

A Major Sustained Research Contribution

Professor **Ian Pool**'s book entitled *Age-structural Transitions: Challenges for*



Development, which pioneers an area in demography, termed “age-structural transitions” (ASTs), was launched by Professor **Ian Pool** (pictured left) of the PSC firstly in Paris on the 30th June, at the Institut National d’Etudes Demographiques, and then in Singapore at the National University on July 4th at a ceremony hosted jointly by the Asian Research Centre and the Meta-Centre for Population and Sustainable Development. To accompany the launchings in both Centres, Professor Pool was invited to give a seminar outlining theoretical and analytical aspects of ASTs and their major policy implications. The leading French expert on demographic transitions, Professor **Jean-Claude Chesnais** initiated discussion on this subject at the Paris seminar, while in Singapore Professor **Gavin Jones**, the top expert on population and development in the Asia-Pacific region led the discussion.

While descriptive studies on age structures have long been a central part of any standard demographic analysis, the contributions of age-structure to overall demographic change operating through momentum effects has been a neglected area except in theoretical mathematical demography. Instead, the focus in demography over recent decades has been the high growth rates seen worldwide. But with declines in fertility occurring over much of the globe, growth driven by natural increase is now slowing dramatically, and what is called “momentum-driven growth” is having a major effect on population sizes, and thus on policy and development. Moreover, what Pool has called “secondary momentum” (when fertility rates have reached lower levels, yet the inflated generations born in the past when fertility was much higher reach parenting ages and produce many births) is a major issue today in many countries such as Bangladesh.

Age-structural Transitions: Challenges for Development was co-edited by Professor Pool with Professors **Laura Rodriguez Wong** of the Federal University of Minas Gerais, Brazil and **Eric Vilquin** of the Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium, and published by CICRED (the Comité International de Coopération dans les Recherches Nationales en Démographie, a Paris-based research organisation coordinating 700 population centres worldwide; Ian Pool has been a Scientific Consultant to this agency for a decade).

This book also follows publication of the book *Population, Resources and Development: Riding the Age Waves* in 2005 by Springer (co-edited by Pool, with Professors **Shripad Tuljapurkar**, Stanford University, and **Vipan Prachuabmoh**, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok). The “wave” metaphor is highly apposite. Together these books show that the effects of population waves, whether as in Nigeria a single “tidal wave”, or in Kenya or Mexico a series of waves produced by primary and then secondary momentum effects, or numerous turbulent, disordered flows as in China or Rumania, can impact on populations at any life cycle phase typically with highly disruptive impacts for both policy and markets. Ageing, the most widely recognised stage of an AST, is merely its last phase when the proportions at older ages rise. For most countries, including New Zealand, ageing is a long way off, despite the fact that it is a high profile issue. But the waves produced by birth cohorts of different sizes are an immediate and major problem, producing major structural changes with policy implications in New Zealand within the next quinquennium.

Ian Pool acted as the Affirmative Case Speaker at the Plenary Debate on "Millennium Development Goals" at the Population Association of America's Annual Meeting. This debate was held in New York in March and was sponsored jointly by the UN Population Division and UNFPA . Also in March Ian Pool was an Invited Speaker in the Executive Director's Lecture Series, United Nations Population Fund, New York, speaking on "The Relevance of Age-structural Changes for Development Policy". This presentation followed the previous publications of Professor Pool's two books.

Professor **Jacques Poot** was invited to Bangladesh in March to assist in capability building in the field of regional science in that country. He was an invited speaker at the First National Meeting of the Bangladesh Regional Science Association in Dhaka and also led, jointly with Professor **Geoffrey Hewings** of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, a session at this conference that was specifically targeted at issues facing Bangladeshi students interested in higher degrees obtained abroad and a research career.

Hedwig van Delden, Director of the Research Institute for Knowledge Systems in Maastricht, The Netherlands, visited the PSC on 31 January and gave a seminar entitled "*Integrated modelling and spatial decision support systems*".

New Research Students at PSC/ MRG



Joanna Lewin (pictured) graduated with a Bachelor of Social Sciences degree from the University of Waikato in 2002. After working and travelling for four years, she wanted to expand her research skills and further explore her interest in geography, so returned to the University of Waikato as a graduate student in July 2006. Joanna is currently completing an Honours degree in Geography. Due to her interest in migration and population studies, she worked as a Research Assistant for the Migration Research Group on the *Evaluation of Settlement Support NZ*, a project lead by Dr **Elsie Ho**. This project provided Joanna with valuable fieldwork experience and an opportunity to be involved in the practical side of academic research.

Wendy Li (pictured right) is a PhD candidate at the Population Studies Centre. Her research explores elderly Chinese immigrants' views of filial piety and their housing experiences in a western society. The study is part of a larger FRST-funded research programme, "*Ageing in Place: Empowering Older People to Repair and Maintain Safe and Comfortable Houses in Their Communities*" led by CRESA. Wendy was born in China and immigrated to New Zealand in 2003. During her 17 years working in social science fields, Wendy spent 14 years in a tertiary institution in Guangzhou, China, doing research into social psychology, women studies and policy analysis, and was a senior lecturer in the institution. Wendy worked as a counsellor providing counselling to Asian population affected by problem gambling from 2004 to 2007.



Annika Philipp (pictured left) completed an internship with the MRG under the supervision of Dr **Elsie Ho**. She is a student at the Institute of Anthropology at the University of Heidelberg, Germany. Her research investigated South African female migrant's perceptions of their migratory outcomes, their conception of 'home' and the role of food in creating a sense of 'being-at-home' in Hamilton. The findings formed part of her Master's Thesis at the University of Heidelberg, and also contributed to research projects within the centre.

Sarah Douglas (pictured right) is completing her Bachelor of Social Science (BSocSc) degree majoring in Geography, at the University of Waikato.



Hani Jelle (pictured below) has a Bachelor of Management Studies (BMS) majoring in Human Resources and International Management, from the University of Waikato. Hani conducted a research project in 2006, which was published in 2007, entitled: '*Somali Women's Experiences in Paid Employment in New Zealand*'.



Both Sarah and Hani began a BRCSS Summer Studentship programme in November 2007. Their project is supervised by **Dr Elsie HO** and has explored the cultural and religious issues that Somali working women encounter such as: traditional clothing, obligatory prayer, food and Ramadan, and looked into their relationships with colleagues and employers, particularly their social integration experiences and interactions in the workplace. This project forms part of the multi-year FRST-funded research programme, *Strangers in Town*, which has one research focus on Somali refugees. Both students have found the project offered them the opportunities to extend their research experiences and capability, and are considering doing graduate research in the future.

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New and Ongoing Research Programmes

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Understanding Transitions from Temporary to Permanent Residence (2007-2008)

With New Zealand's continued shift towards a knowledge and skills-based economy, one of the greatest issues facing the country is our ability to attract and retain talented people as a means of facilitating the goal of economic transformation. The purpose of this contract research for the Department of Labour's Workforce, Research and Evaluation Group is to develop and administer an online survey amongst both temporary migrants on work permits, and international students who subsequently obtain permanent residence in New Zealand. The survey is designed to gain an understanding of their pre-settlement information needs, their reasons for choosing NZ and the decisions to apply for residence, their employment activities prior to arrival and post-arrival, their expectations and experiences of living in New Zealand, and their future plans. The project brings together an experienced, multi-disciplinary team of researchers from two research centres: Professor **Richard Bedford**, Dr **Elsie Ho**, **William Cochrane** and **Charlotte Bedford** (pictured right) of the Population Studies Centre and Professor **Colleen Ward** of the Centre for Applied Cross-Cultural Research (CACR) of the Victoria University of Wellington.



Strangers in Town: Enhancing Family and Community in a More Diverse New Zealand Society (2002-2010)

This continuing research programme, funded by FRST, aims to develop new knowledge about the role of population movement in the changing nature of families and communities, in order to underpin the development of public policy and community responses that foster social cohesion and economic inclusion in a society characterised by increasing cultural diversity. The programme builds on information bases generated by previous FRST-funded *Transitions: Family, Community and Employment*, and the *New Demographic Directions* programmes at the PSC concerning the structure, dynamics and transitions in New Zealand's population. The programme co-ordinator is Professor **Richard Bedford**, who has also led Objective 1 of the research programme since 2006. Objective 2 is led by Dr **Elsie Ho**. Major milestones planned for the remaining two years of this programme will focus on the analysis of data collected in the Survey of Dynamics and Motivations for Migration in New Zealand (DMM) and the Longitudinal Immigration Survey: New Zealand (LisNZ).

Enhancing Wellbeing in an Ageing Society (2004-09)

Since February 2004, the Population Studies Centre (PSC), in partnership with the Family Centre Social Policy Research Unit (FCSPRU) based in Lower Hutt, has been engaged in this five-year research programme funded by FRST. The programme considers the implications of population ageing by means of the analysis of existing data sources, new survey-based data and micro-simulation based projections, while also considering as yet lesser studied topics such as issues of mental health, security, aspirations, multi-generational transactions and support, etc. An important aspect of the research is the study of support systems available to the elderly, and the support



and other resources the elderly provide themselves to society. Objective leaders are Professor **Peggy Koopman-Boyden** and Professor **Ian Pool** of PSC and **Charles Waldegrave** and Dr **Peter King** of FCSPRU, with overall programme direction by Professor **Richard Bedford** (PSC) and **Charles Waldegrave** (FCSPRU). Current research includes analysis of a national survey of midlife and older people. PSC Research Fellows Dr **Suzan van der Pas** and Dr **Michael Cameron** (pictured left) are among the staff involved in this research. A website that informs on this programme is available at: www.ewas.net.nz

Settlement and Circulation of New Zealanders Living in Australia: Patterns, Dynamics and Analysis (2005-08)

In 2005, Dr **Elsie Ho** and Professor **Jacques Poot** were awarded a Marsden grant for a three-year research programme to examine for the first time the multiple moves of individual New Zealanders who have moved to Australia. The research aims to give a new understanding of current patterns of settlement and circulation of New Zealanders in Australia. The research team also includes Professor **Richard Bedford**, and Professor **Graeme Hugo** of the University of Adelaide. A research student, **Lynda Sanderson** (pictured below right) carried out a statistical analysis of the database of the movements of New Zealanders for her MPhil thesis in 2006. A presentation on this thesis at the 2006 NZ Association of Economists conference won the Jan Whitwell Prize for the best student paper. Since the middle of 2006, Professor **Philip McCann** of the Waikato Management School, University of Waikato joined the team for developing microeconomic theoretical perspectives on short-run mobility of migrants. A no-cost extension of the project for an extra 12 months has been applied to allow for the analysis of the 2006 census data in Australia and further development of the econometric modelling of mobility behaviour as a function of the maintenance of trans-border relationship capital.



Integration of Immigrants Programme (2007-2012), led by Massey University

This five-year FRST-funded research programme, which commenced in July 2007, has two linked objectives. The first of these, led by Professor **Jacques Poot**, uses data from the 1996, 2001 and 2006 censuses and the longitudinal immigration survey (LisNZ) to provide an econometric model of the integration of immigrant cohorts that takes account of both demand and supply side factors that determine labour market

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outcomes. This objective extends considerably 1990s research in this area in New Zealand. The second objective, led by Professor **Paul Spoonley** of Massey University, generates new information on the economic strategies and activities of immigrant families and communities in both the formal labour market as well as in a variety of formal and non-formal ethnic-related settings, including family businesses, non-paid domestic and family economic activity, self employment, and paid and unpaid community work. This objective also draws on the 2006 Census and the LisNZ, especially with reference to the social contexts provided by families, households and communities, for the economic incorporation of immigrants and their adult children, and allows investigation of the role and impact of social and cultural networks in supporting and facilitating economic incorporation. The core research team also includes Professor **Richard Bedford** and Dr **Elsie Ho**. A website that informs on this programme is available at: <http://newsettlers.massey.ac.nz/>

Building Research Capacity in the Social Sciences (BRCSS, 2004-2009)

This \$8 million initiative aims to improve the research capacity of social sciences through a network of senior social science researchers from New Zealand universities, combined with the Family Centre's Social Policy Research Unit in Lower Hutt. Massey University is responsible for coordination of the network, Professor **Richard Bedford** of the PSC acts as part-time Director of BRCSS. The website is www.brcss.net. The Network brings together around 40 medium-term strategic research projects to extend them into new areas based on themes of New wealth creation and distribution systems in a globalised context; Social justice and development; Transmission of wealth/knowledge in a context of demographic change; and Sustainability of diverse households, communities and settlements.

BRCSS identified the development of New Settler research expertise as a priority, and formed a working party involving Dr **Elsie Ho** (University of Waikato), Assoc Prof **Manying Ip** (University of Auckland) and Assoc Prof **James Liu** (Victoria University of Wellington) to help develop a strategy and programme in relation to building research capability amongst new settler postgraduates and postdoctoral researchers. The first national conference was held on 22-23 February 2007 at the Fale Pasifika, University of Auckland.

Economic Impact of Immigration Research Programme (2005-08)

The New Zealand Government approved a three-year programme of new research on the economic impacts of immigration (EII) that is funded from the Cross Departmental Research Pool. The EII programme commenced in autumn 2005 and finishes on 30 June 2008. The programme, of nearly 1 million dollars in new research, is administered by the Department of Labour. During 2006, the programme was primarily concerned with defining and commissioning a range of sub-projects on specific themes such as the impact of immigration on labour market outcomes of New Zealanders, migrant post-settlement assimilation, housing market impact and fiscal aspects of immigration. Professor **Jacques Poot** convenes the International Experts Panel for this research. The Panel also includes Professor **George Borjas**, Robert W. Scrivener Professor of Economics and Social Policy, Harvard University, USA and Professor **Deborah Cobb-Clark**, Director Social Policy Evaluation, Analysis and Research (SPEAR) Centre, Australian National University.

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Ageing in Place: Empowering Older People to Repair and Maintain Safe and Comfortable Houses in Their Communities (2007-2012), led by Centre for Research, Evaluation & Social Assessment (CRESA)

This five-year FRST-funded research programme aims at optimising New Zealanders' ability to age positively as valued, integral members of their families and communities by reducing older people's displacement because of poor house condition and performance. The research recognises that New Zealand has limited resources and investments to address the repair/maintenance needs of older people. Therefore responses must be based on robust evidence about the prevalence, impacts and dynamics of dilapidated housing for older New Zealanders. Four neighbourhood case studies (Sandringham, Waiheke Island, Kawerau and Marlborough) and a case study of older Chinese new settlers involving dwelling condition and performance assessment, together with national surveys of housing and housing service providers and stakeholder's interviews, are used to explore whether older people have distinctive repair/maintenance practices and investment behaviours. Demonstration models will be developed to test effective solutions to support older people to repair and maintain their dwellings. CRESA leads the core research team which includes: **Kay Saville-Smith** (CRESA, Programme Leader), Dr **Bev James** (Public Policy & Research Ltd.), Professor **Robin Kearns** (University of Auckland), **Nigel Isaacs** (BRANZ) and Dr **Elsie Ho**, who coordinates the New Settler case study.

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Educational Capital, Employment and Missing Men (2007-2010), led by Victoria University of Wellington

Recent research work funded by the Department of Labour through its "Future of Work" programme demonstrated that increasing numbers of men appear to be "missing" from some of the data bases that are used to develop the social and economic indicators used to measure outcomes. This three-year FRST-funded research programme, led by Dr **Paul Callister** of the Institute of Policy Studies, Victoria University of Wellington, addresses the trend towards 'loss' of a group of men in our statistics and, in some situations, in reality in education, in family life, in labour market participation and our population generally. The core research team includes, among others, Professor **Richard Bedford** who is one of the objective leaders, **Robert Didham** (Statistics NZ), **James Newell** (MERA) and Dr **Tahu Kukutai** (Stanford University).

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Circulatory Transmigration: A New Paradigm Exploring Chinese Mobility (2007 – 2010), led by the University of Auckland

During the past two decades, the phenomenon of the 'new Chinese migration wave' has attracted considerable attention from migration scholars and policy makers internationally. One of the most salient features of this 'new Chinese migration' is their transnational practices. The migration is not a permanent, one-way movement, as described in the traditional 'settler' migration model. It contains frequent movements back to the migrants' former homelands and to other countries. This three-year research programme, funded by the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange, aims to explore the many facets associated with Chinese transmigration by multiple-site research (in Australia, New Zealand, China, Taiwan and Hong Kong) conducted on multi-generational members of migrant families. The core research team includes: Associate Professor **Manying Ip**

(University of Auckland), Professor **Nora Chiang** (National Taiwan University) and Dr **Elsie Ho**.

The Demographic and Economic Impact of Infrastructure Investment (2006-2010), led by Motu Economic and Public Policy Research Trust

This FRST-funded programme's first objective is to provide rigorous information determining net benefits of a range of New Zealand's physical, technological and social infrastructure. The second objective is to support key decision-making agencies in devising structures and processes that fund an appropriate level of infrastructure and that direct infrastructure investments to areas that have the highest potential payoffs for New Zealanders. At least eight detailed infrastructure assessments will be conducted that measure net benefits of infrastructure for New Zealand's productivity and wellbeing and the distribution of these benefits across the population. The research team includes international and NZ experts on infrastructure, regional economic analysis, and economic development. Professor **Jacques Poot** and Professor **Philip McCann** are among the team of core researchers.

Scenario Building for Regional Futures (2006-2010), led by Environment Waikato

Choosing Regional Futures is an innovative four-year research project aimed at developing, testing and implementing integrated tools designed to inform communities of the long-term effects of current development patterns and trends and to enhance choosing and planning for desired futures. The project brings together an interdisciplinary team of stakeholders with Environment Waikato as the lead agency. Professor **Jacques Poot** and Dr **Michael Cameron** represent the Population Studies Centre. The Choosing Regional Futures project has two objectives. The first is to develop processes to enable evaluation, deliberation and choice of alternative futures for social, environmental, economic and cultural changes through the use of scenario analysis linked to multi-criteria evaluation frameworks. The second is to develop a spatial decision support system (SDSS) that integrates key aspects of the economy, environment, and society/culture. The SDSS will allow users to explore plausible futures of regional development in a quantitative and spatially-explicit manner, evaluate and compare different policy and planning strategy options, and help monitor and report on progress towards achieving long-term sustainable community goals and outcomes.

Evaluation of Settlement Support NZ (2006-07)

Settlement Support is a component of the New Zealand Settlement Strategy that was launched by the Government in December 2004. This contract research project for the Department of Labour's Workforce Group is evaluating how four SSNZ initiatives around New Zealand are contributing to improving access to appropriate settlement information and responsive services for migrants and refugees. The research team consists of Dr **Elsie Ho**, **Jenine Cooper** (pictured right) and graduate student **Joanna Lewin**.





Population Projection Projects

As an adjunct to its academic research activities on population projection techniques, and in furtherance of the University's commitment to regional engagement, the Population Studies Centre has recently been involved in the development of alternate population projections for a number of local authorities: specifically the Hamilton City Council, Thames Coromandel District Council and Counties Manukau District Health Board as well as broader groups such as the Waikato sub-regional growth strategy project being run by the Hamilton City Council, Waikato District Council and Waipa Council. These projections are not meant to supplant the excellent work done by Statistics New Zealand but rather aim to allow local authorities to use alternative methodologies and assumptions to explore local demographic futures further. These projects are undertaken by Dr **Michael Cameron**, **William Cochrane** (pictured) and Professor **Jacques Poot**

Conferences, Visitors and Seminars in 2007

BRCSS New Settler Researchers Conference, Auckland, 22-23 February, 2007

This conference was organised by the BRCSS New Settler Researchers Network. It brought together postgraduate students and emergent researchers from new settler communities, as well as those who are working on new settler research areas, to present their research projects and discuss capability issues. The Conference opened with a keynote presentation by Professor Peter Li of the University of Saskatchewan, Canada, on the topic of "World migration in the age of globalisation: Policy challenges and implications". Another keynote presentation was delivered in Day Two by Associate Professor Wei Li of the Arizona State University, USA, on the topic of "Immigration and Pacific Rim diversity: Inside and beyond the academy". The presentations provided insights into contemporary international migration trends and policies, and aroused considerable interests and discussions among participants. Over 80 people attended the two-day event.

Pathways, Circuits and Crossroads: New Public Good Research on Population, Migration and Community Dynamics Seminar, National Library, Wellington, 15-17 May, 2007

This seminar provided an opportunity for researchers from several Marsden-funded and FRST-funded population, migration and community research programmes to report on findings from their research. The programmes included *Understanding Adjustment and Inequality* Motu, *Building Attachment in Families and Community* CRESA, *Strangers in Town* Waikato University, *The New Settlers Programme* Massey University, *Enhancing Well-Being in an Ageing Society* Waikato University and the Family Centre, *Pacific Migration* Motu, and *Maori-Chinese Encounters* Auckland University, and the Centre for Cross-Cultural Research, Victoria University of Wellington. In addition, researchers from Workforce Research and Policy, Department of Labour, and the Office of Ethnic Affairs, Department of Internal Affairs, presented findings from their recent research.

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