



Australia's Immigration Future - Welcoming Cities Conference

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Outline of Presentation

- ▶ Ageing and Immigration
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 - ▶ China
 - ▶ Germany
- ▶ How ageing is affecting Australian towns and cities
- ▶ New regional migration initiatives
 - ▶ Risks of exploitation and destitution
- ▶ Priorities for an in-Coming Government

Australia's Total Fertility rate



Projected Median Age

Year	Australia	China	Japan	India	Developed Nations
2015	37.4	37.0	46.3	26.7	41.1
2025	38.9	40.6	50.2	29.8	43.1
2035	40.6	45.4	52.5	32.3	44.9
2045	41.2	47.8	53.2	35.5	45.5

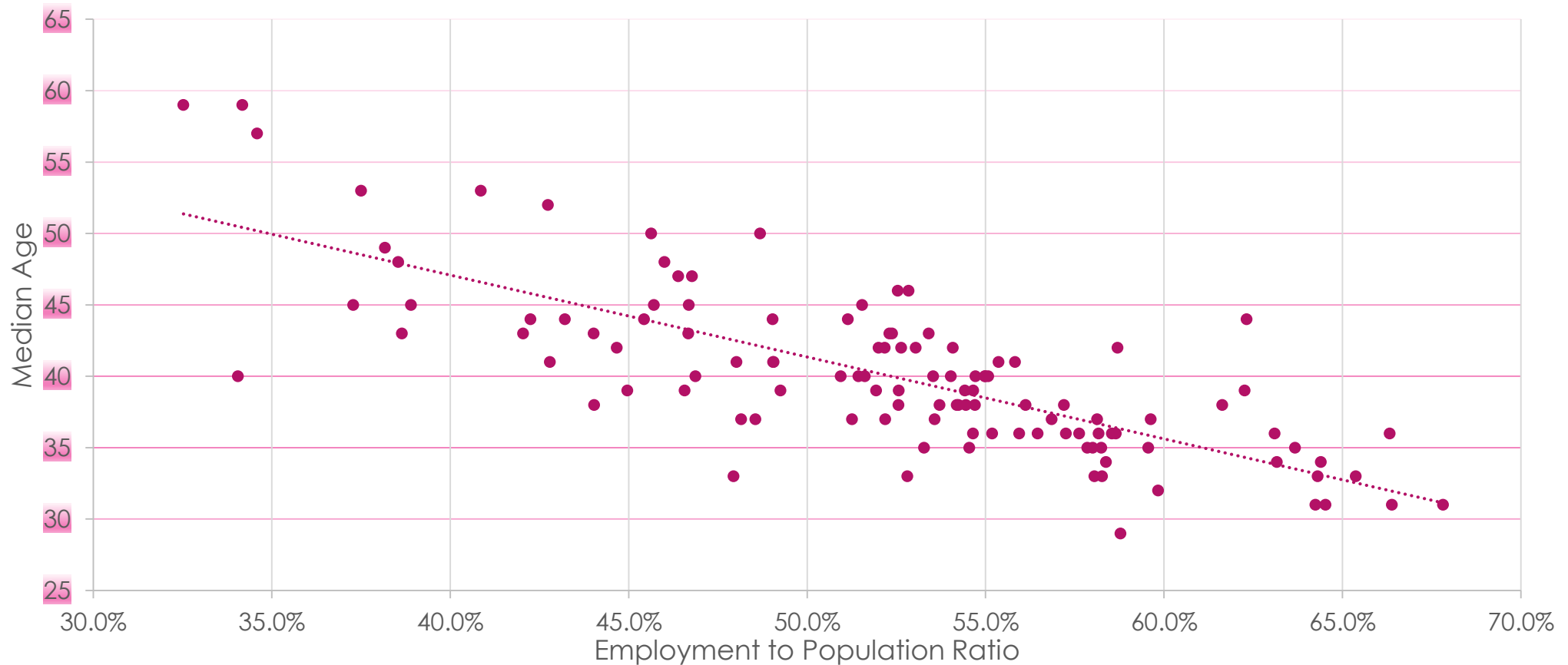
Projected Working Age Population in Major Developed Economies

Country	2015	2025	2035	2045	2055	2065	Change
Australia	15.8M	17.0M	18.3M	19.6M	20.4M	21.4M	36.1%
Canada	24.4M	24.8M	25.4M	26.3M	26.8M	27.2M	11.5%
China	1014.8M	995.6M	928.1M	852.3M	752.5M	699.8M	-31.0%
France	40.5M	40.4M	40.0M	39.9M	40.2M	40.6M	0.3%
Germany	53.7M	51.5M	46.8M	45.7M	43.2M	41.4M	-23.0%
Italy	38.0M	36.1M	32.4M	29.4M	28.4M	27.7M	-27.1%
Japan	78.1M	72.5M	66.5M	58.2M	53.6M	50.7M	-31.0%
UK	42.0M	42.9M	43.1M	43.9M	43.9M	44.5M	5.8%
USA	211.6M	216.5M	221.5M	232.3M	238.8M	241.6M	14.2%
Dev Nations	826.6M	803.0M	781.1M	762.1M	740.2M	734.4M	-11.2%

Japan – Ageing Canary in Coalmine

Indicator	Aust 1990	Aust 2015	Japan 1990	Japan 2015
Working Age to Population Ratio	66.9%	66.2%	69.7%	60.7%
Working Age Pop	11.4 Million	15.8 Million	86.7 Million	78.1 Million
Per Cap. GDP	\$28,459	\$44,774	\$28,963	\$35,196
Mean Wages in Constant \$US, PPP	\$37,504	\$50,167	\$35,327	\$35,780
Govt Debt/GDP	45.9% (1999)	67.6% (2015)	133.2% (1999)	246.6% (2014)
Participation Rate	63.9%	65.1% (2014)	63.2%	59.0% (2014)
Emp/Pop Ratio	57.2% (1991)	61.2% (2014)	62.4%	56.9% (2014)

Median Age and Emp/Pop Ratio



Median Income and Population 65+



Australian Capital Cities - 2016

	Median Age	Portion 65+	Median Weekly H/H Inc.	Emp/Pop Ratio	Net Migration 2016-17	Portion Born O/S	Net Internal Mig. 16-17
Sydney	35	13.3%	\$1,802	58.2%	1.76%	42.9%	-0.36%
Melbourne	36	14.0%	\$1,546	57.6%	1.71%	40.2%	0.21%
Brisbane	35	12.8%	\$1,593	59.6%	0.85%	32.2%	0.51%
Perth	36	13.9%	\$1,642	58.5%	0.80%	42.7%	-0.42%
Adelaide	39	17.3%	\$1,246	54.4%	0.58%	31.8%	-0.46%
Hobart	40	18.2%	\$1,221	53.5%	0.52%	20.2%	0.55%
Darwin	33	7.5%	\$2170	65.4%	0.89%	37.3%	-0.96%
Canberra	35	12.6%	\$2,070	63.7%	0.96%	32.1%	0.30%

Coastal Retiree Towns

	Median Age	Portion 65+	Median Per Week H/H Inc.	Emp/Pop Ratio	Net OS Mig. 16-17	Portion OS Born	Net Internal Mig. 16-17
Ballina	52	31.7%	\$953	42.7%	0.52%	19.3%	1.67%
Bateman's Bay	53	32.7%	\$876	37.5%	0.48%	22.9%	0.67%
Bongaree-Worrim	59	40.5%	\$860	32.5%	NA	27.2%	NA
Forster-T	57	38.0%	\$811	34.6%	0.22%	18.4%	0.79%
Ulladulla	53	30.9%	\$888	40.9%	0.55%	20.4%	1.69%
Vic. Harbor	59	41.2%	\$818	34.2%	0.15%	25.8%	1.21%

Mining Towns - Polarising

	Median Age	Portion 65+	Median Per Week H/H Inc	Emp/Pop Ratio	Net OS Mig. 16-17	Portion OS Born	Net Int. Mig. 16-17
Broken Hill	45	21.9%	\$962	46.7%	0.23%	13.1%	-1.38%
Gladstone	33	9.2%	\$1,608	58.0%	0.83%	24.0%	-3.24%
Karratha	31	2.2%	\$2,643	67.8%	0.48%	34.3%	-1.94%
Lithgow	44	24.3%	\$886	43.2%	0.27%	18.3%	-0.44%
Morwell	43	21.6%	\$801	38.6%	0.32%	26.4%	-0.55%
Port Pirie	43	21.7%	\$867	44.0%	0.13%	14.3%	-0.48%
Mount Isa	31	7.0%	\$2,141	64.2%	0.45%	28.6%	-4.25%
Kalgoorlie - Boulder	33	7.0%	\$2,082	64.3%	0.40%	34.2%	-2.66%

State-Specific and Regional Migration

Year	RSMS	State/Territory Nominated	Total (inc Other SSRMs)	Portion of Skill Stream
2009-10	10,213	18,889	36,568	33.9%
2010-11	11,122	16,175	37,410	32.9%
2011-12	16,417	22,247	47,733	38.0%
2012-13	20,510	21,637	51,924	40.3%
2013-14	16,583	24,656	49,922	38.8%
2014-15	12,380	26,050	42,183	33.0%
2015-16	12,269	24,665	40,101	31.2%
2016-17	10,198	23,765	36,494	29.5%
2017-18	6,221	27,400	36,250	32.6%

State/Territory Noms to End Jan 2019

	Skill Nominated (S/C 190)	Skill Reg. (S/C 189)	S/T Business IIP (S/C 188)	Business Talent (S/C 132)	Total to end Jan
ACT	361	0	<5	0	365
NSW	1,563	1,215	401	45	3,224
NT	191	188	0	0	379
Qld	790	382	321	161	1,654
SA	590	1,558	84	294	2,526
Tas	377	704	7	5	1,093
Vic	1,836	39	1,569	26	3,470
WA	97	10	107	72	286
Total	5,805 (D)	4,096 (D)	2,493 (U)	603 (U)	12,997 (D)

New Regional Visas

- ▶ Skilled Employer Sponsored – 3 Year Provisional Visa Based on former direct permanent residence Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme
 - ▶ 9,000 places in 2019-20
- ▶ Skilled Work Regional – 5 Year Provisional Visa Based on former State/Territory Government Nominated Regional Visa but requires 3 years live and work in regional Australia
 - ▶ 14,000 places in 2019-20
- ▶ Designated Area Migration Agreements
 - ▶ Temporary entry visas for low skill, low English and low salary positions – limited pathways to permanent residence

Priorities for an In-Coming Government

- ▶ Re-settle Manus/Nauru caseload and address onshore legacy caseload
- ▶ The Congestion Conundrum
- ▶ Address massive visa and citizenship application backlogs
 - ▶ Surge in visitors changing status after arrival
 - ▶ Record non-genuine asylum applications
 - ▶ Spouse backlog and possible breach of Migration Act by Government
- ▶ Coherent narrative on population, immigration, students, settlement and citizenship