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Population Challenges and Our Data

Which Post-Pandemic Population Challenges is Australia Facing, and Which Data is Available and Envisioned to Address Them?



Australia is facing various population challenges and unforeseen demographic changes post-pandemic: unprecedented low fertility rates, rising rates of mental ill-health, disparity in life-expectancy among subnational populations, and persistent social disadvantages of Indigenous Australians. We aim at bringing academics and policymakers together to discuss how these critical issues can be addressed, and which data we have, or will need to develop to address them.

The ANU School of Demography invites you to a very special symposium, which features expert speakers from academia and the public service, including the ABS, AIHW and the Treasury's Centre for Population.

Speakers will present the latest data and research on population challenges in mortality, migration, fertility and the family, and future population change, as well as challenges faced by First Australians. They will discuss the population challenges Australia faces today, will take stock of the data available to assess them, and will discuss visions for future data development to address these issues.

Symposium

Date & time

Friday, 6 September 2024 10.00am-2.30pm AEST

Location

Marie Reay, 5th floor rooms 5.05+5.06, 155 University Ave, The Australian National University Canberra ACT 2600

Register

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Program

10.00am	Open and welcome (Chair: Natalie Nitsche)
	Tyronne Bell, Traditional Custodian
	Professor Ann Evans, ANU Pro Vice-Chancellor
10.10am	Opening address (Chair: James O'Donnell)
	Hon Dr Andrew Leigh, MP
10.30am	Session 1: Fertility and the Family (Chair: Edith Gray)
	Professor Irma Mooi Reci, University of Melbourne
	Nick Latimer, Centre for Population, Treasury
	Session 2: Health and Longevity (Chair Collin Payne)
11.15am	Professor Tony Blakely, University of Melbourne
	 Michelle Gourley, Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
12pm	Lunch
1pm	Session 4: Migration and Population Prospects (Chair: Bernie Baffour)
	Professor James Raymer, ANU
	 Denise Carlton & Beidar Cho, Australian Bureau of Statistics
1.45pm	Session 4: First Australians (Chair: Brian Houle)
	Professor John Taylor, ANU
	Sophie Ellis, Australian Bureau of Statistics
2.30pm	Concluding remarks