

## Editors' Note

**T**he Arotake o te Taupori o Aotearoa New Zealand Population Review promotes demographic research in Aotearoa New Zealand and the wider Pacific region as the flagship journal of Te Roopu Whaka Waihanga Iwi o Aotearoa Population Association of New Zealand. The journal welcomes contributions relating to population and demography including empirical studies, methodological notes, reviews, theory, and policy analysis. We publish original research articles, research notes, and invited commentary, all as a fully open-access publication with no fees for authors or readers. Submission information can be found at our website: <https://population.org.nz/contributor-instructions/>

As co-editors, we would like to extend our appreciation to all people who have contributed to this issue – our authors, copyeditor, translator and our reviewers. We would like to extend a special thanks for the work of our reviewers who play an essential part in the quality of the journal overall as well as each individual article. I know our authors feel that the feedback they receive greatly strengthens their work. We attended an editor's session at the International Union of Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP) World Population Conference in Brisbane in July 2025, where the contribution of reviewers and the importance of acknowledging their importance was discussed.

This edition traverses a range of topics which showcase the rich range of demographic research in Aotearoa New Zealand as well as the Pacific. We start with the 2025 Jacoby prize winner, Adam Glucksman with his research into whether first-in-family university students experience lower subjective wellbeing.' His study shows that a range of factors affect subjective wellbeing among students, and that being first in the family to study at university did not have a statistically significant impact on subjective wellbeing when compared with their peers. We then shift from considering the wellbeing of students at Victoria University of Wellington to a study looking at traditional fostering, Fa'a'amu kinship care, in French Polynesia. An important finding of this research by Célio Sierra-Paycha and

Éva Lelièvre was the finding that children who grew up in under fa'a'amu kinship care felt equally close to and supported by their families, and that any differences in outcomes could be explained by socio-economic differences.

Demographic research in recent years has focused on population ageing particularly economic consequences and impacts on the health system. There has been less of a focus on the effect on carers, which is the topic of our third article, by Lukas Marek, Hans Ulrich Bergler, Lisa Underwood, Irihapeti Bullmore, Hamish Jamieson, Simon Kingham, and Barry Milne. Their study looked at the impact of chronic conditions among older adults on family and whanau in Aotearoa New Zealand. Our fourth article from researchers Natalia Boven, Barry Milne and Nichola Shackleton examines the important topic of whether there are differences by ethnicity or gender for returns to human capital.

Finally, this edition includes the 2025 Newell Prize winning poster, as selected at the biennial 2025 Population Association of New Zealand conference, prepared by Morgan Harris. The poster showcases her research on population flooding vulnerability in Aotearoa. It combines striking data visualisation with a robust analysis of future flooding risk.

## Tuhipoka Kaitakatā

Ko tā te Te Arotake o te Taupori o Aotearoa he whakatairanga i te rangahau hangapori i Aotearoa me Te Moananui-a-Kiwa whānui hei hautaka hira nā Te Roopu Whaka Waihanga Iwi o Aotearoa. E tāria ana e te hautaka ngā tuhinga e pā ana ki te taupori me te hangapori tae atu ki ngā rangahau whai taunakitanga, ngā tuhipoka tikanga, ngā arotake, te ariā, me te tātari kaupapahere. Whakaputa ai mātou i ngā tuhinga rangahau, ngā tuhipoka rangahau, ngā korero kua tonoa, te katoa hei whakaputanga e wātea herekore ana, kāre he utu mō te kaituhi me te kaipānui. Ka kitea ngā mōhiohio tuku tāpae i tā mātou paetukutuku: <https://population.org.nz/contributor-instructions/>

Hei kaitakatā tautokorua tēnei tā māua nei whakamihi i ngā tāngata katoa kua whai wāhi ki tēnei putanga – ngā kaituhi, te kaiwhakatika tuhinga, te kaiwhakamāori me ō māua kaiarotake. E tino whakamaiohatia nei ngā mahi a ngā kaiarotake, kei a rātou te wāhanga waiwai mō te whakarite i te kounga o te hautaka whānui, o tēnā, o tēnā tuhinga anō hoki i roto. E mōhio ana au he mea nui ki ngā kaituhi te whakahokinga kōrero e whiwhi ana rātou, ka mutu, ka whakamarohi i a rātou I tae tahi māua ko Jesse ki te wāhanga mō ngā kaitakatā i te Hui Taupori ā-Ao IUSSP i Piripane i Hūrae, i matapakitia rā te whai wāhitanga o ngā kaiarotake me te hira o te āhukahuka i ā rātou mahi hira.

E tāwhaitia ana e te putanga nei te whānuitanga o ngā kaupapa e whakaatu ana i te hōkai o ngā momo rangahau hangapori i Aotearoa, whiti atu ki Te Moananui-ā-Kiwa. Hei tīmatanga, ko tō mātou toa o te tohu Jacoby, a Adam Glucksman, me tana rangahau 'Kei te Pāngia te Ākongā ko ia te Tuatahi o te Whānau kia Haere ki te Whare Wānanga ki te Toiora Whaiaro Iti Iho?' Kei te whakaatu tana rangahau tērā te whānuitanga o ngā tūāhuatanga ka pā ki te toiora whaiaro o ngā ākongā, ā, kāore he pānga hira o te noho hei tangata tuatahi o te whānau ki te ako i te whare wānanga ki te toiora whaiaro ina whakatauritea ki ērā atu ō rātou hoa ako. I muri i te whai whakaaro ki te toiora o ngā Akonga Kei Te Herenga Waka ko tētahi rangahau e aro ana ki te momo whāngai tamariki taketake, arā te Fa'a'amua, i Poronīhia Wīwī. Ko tētahi otinga hira ka puta i taua rangahau nā Célio Sierra-Paycha rāua ko Éva Lelièvre e pēnei ana, i rongo ngā tamariki i tipu hei whāngai fa'a'amua i te piringa ōrite ki ō ratou whānau, me te tautoko

ōrite, i ō ngā tamariki whānau tūturu, ā, ka taea ngā rerekētanga o ngā putanga te whakamahuki mā ngā rerekētanga ohapori.

Kua arotahi ngā rangahau hangapori i ēnei tau tata kua hori ki te kaumātua haeretanga o te taupori me ōna rara ohaoha, me ngā pānga hoki ki te pūnaha hauora. Heoi, kua iti iho te arotahi ki te pānga ki te hunga tiaki, ā, ko tērā te kaupapa o tō māua tuhinga tuatoru, nā Lukas Marek rātou ko Hans Ulrich Bergler ko Lisa Underwood ko Irihapeti Bullmore ko Hamish Jamieson ko Simon Kingham ko Barry Milne. Kua tiroirohia e rātou te pāpānga o ngā mate tauroa o te hunga mātāpuputu ki ngā whānau kei Aotearoa. Ko tā te tuhinga tuawhā nā ngā kairangahau, nā Natalia Boven rātou ko Barry Milne ko Nichola Shackleton, he mātai i te kaupapa hira nei, mēnā he rerekētanga ā-mātāwaka, ā-ira tangata rānei mō ngā hua ā-rawa tangata.

Hei whakakapinga ake, e whakaatu ana tō mātou toa mō te Tohu Newell, a Morgan Harris, i tana rangahau i whāia ai 'he tirohanga ā-raraunga ki te noho whakaraerae ā-taupori ki te waipuke tērā ka whakakotahi i te whakakitenga raraunga whakameremere ki tētahi tātāritanga pakari o te tūraru waipuke mō anamata.