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Recession sparks London emigration flood to Australia

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THE recession has helped spark a wave of emigration of Londoners seeking a better life abroad, according to figures out today.

London is now Britain's 'top city' for those wanting to start life afresh overseas, with Australia a favourite destination for fed up Brits.

More enquiries received by the Emigration Group specialists came from London than anywhere else in the UK.

"London seems to be an emigration hotspot in the UK," said Paul Arthur from the Emigration Group.

"Economic factors are playing their part. Manufacturing and construction industries are on their knees here, but there is still demand Down Under for the skills Brits have to offer.

"Australia and New Zealand are defying the recession, with their robust economies fuelling emigration for Brits who maybe struggling here."

The exodus is in line with recent statistics from the Australian government revealing Britain as the largest source of immigrants after New Zealand, with 23,000 Brits having started a new life there last year, making up 15 per cent of all new arrivals.

But it isn't just financial reasons driving emigration enquiries, the company points out. Workers may be looking for a better quality of life and better weather!

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The [Emigration Group](#) holds two seminars for wannabe emigrants at the London Holiday Inn by Heathrow Airport on February 21, at 10am for New Zealand and 2pm for Australia.