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## Moving abroad 'increasingly attractive' to Brits

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A growing number of Britons are considering [moving abroad](#) to Australia as a result of the economic problems in the UK, it has been observed.

According to the Guardian, firms dealing with enquiries about emigration have seen an increase in demand.

High taxes and poor weather are among the reasons cited by Brits choosing to move abroad, director of the Emigration Group Paul Arthur told the news source.

Recent figures the Office for National Statistics showed that 7.2 per cent of people in the UK are now unemployed and Tony Mercer, who previously owned a property business, explained that he is planning on [living abroad](#) with his family.

"My expectation is that Australia is a land of opportunities where hard work will be recognized in a way that I think it is take for granted here," he said.

Last week, director of TheMoveChannel.com Dan Johnson suggested that the similar culture makes Australia popular among Brits [moving abroad](#).