



## More Sheffields looking to leave the country

SHEFFIELDERS appear to be queueing up to leave the country... an analysis of nearly 10,000 enquiries by a migration specialist indicates that only Manchester tops the city.

Paul Arthur, director of The Emigration Group, said: "Our company has experienced a huge volume of enquiries from Sheffield this year – 208 in the last eight months which compared with our average enquiry rate of 78 is very high."

Australia and New Zealand are the most popular choices, with Spain, France and the United States also favourites. Mr Arthur said factors fuelling emigration included crime and tax. "Many of the clients I advise are basically looking for a better life both for themselves and their children and they see emigration as a way of achieving this."

He added that "huge" shortfalls of skilled labour in Australia and New Zealand and good opportunities for those looking to start their own business were also a driving force. "Brits can move to the likes of Australia where the average weekly earnings are higher and house prices, taxes and general living costs are lower."