

Growing Apart Regional Prosperity in New Zealand *Shamubeel Eaqub*

Economist Shamubeel Eaqub highlights the changing economic fortunes of people in different parts of New Zealand and the growing gaps between our regions. The economic forces of globalisation, urbanisation and aging population have combined with local factors such as geographic isolation and education outcomes to create these disparities.

Eaqub argues that it is time for a rethink – a considered and coherent set of policies that will transcend political partisanship and regional envy, with the common goal of a more prosperous and equitable New Zealand. Topics include technological change, income distribution and employment.

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