



AIP+TRE

ACTIVE INVESTOR PLUS VISA + TRANSITIONAL RESIDENCY EXTENSION

AIP offers world class backup-plan visas to optionality seekers.

TRE converts them to tax-paying full-time residents.

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New Zealand could raise \$4 TO \$12.5 BILLION

IN NEW ANNUAL CROWN REVENUE

WITHOUT TAXING A SINGLE KIWI



HOSPITALS



SCHOOLS & INFRASTRUCTURE



JOBS & INVESTMENT

*Sounds impossible, but it's not.
I'd appreciate 30 minutes to show you how.*



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"New Zealand could generate far more tax revenue from wealthy immigrants like myself than we currently pay."

AIP: The World's Best Golden Visa Programme

A smashing success under the leadership of Minister Erica Stanford

1,833

AIP applicants in
government pipeline

INZ, Feb 2026

NZD 3.39B

committed investment
capital in pipeline

INZ data

Very few actually move to New Zealand.

Those who do leave within four years — without paying any tax on their foreign income — because our tax settings make staying economically irrational.

Our own Kiwi advisers counsel them not to stay!

NZD \$0

Crown revenue from
foreign income

Treasury OIA-20250655

The Great Wealth Migration

For the first time in history, the world's wealthiest families are actively leaving their birth countries.

142,000

millionaires relocated internationally
in 2025, 75% above 2022 levels

626,619

ultra-high-net-worth individuals globally
(USD 30M+ assets) in unprecedented
motion

USD 90.5T

total investable wealth held by 23.4M
HNWIs making domicile decisions right
now

*NZ would be their first choice for safety and lifestyle.
But our tax settings rule us out.*

The Fix: Extend What Already Works

We already have the solution. We just need to extend it.



- ✓ OECD-compatible model — Italy & Switzerland already do this
- ✓ Not a visa programme — AIP handles who gets in
- ✓ Not a new policy — just a small adjustment to one we already have
- ✓ NZ's transitional tax residency has been in place for 20 years (since 2006)

The Numbers: A Historic Economic Opportunity

CONSERVATIVE

Annual Crown Revenue

\$4B+

4,000 wealth migrants
over 10 years

NZD 96B

in capital investment

*Fewer than half Dubai's
single-year intake*

1% OF MARKET

Annual Crown Revenue

\$6.3B+

6,266 wealth migrants
over 10 years

NZD 150B

in capital investment

2% OF MARKET

Annual Crown Revenue

\$12.5B+

12,533 wealth migrants
over 10 years

NZD 300B

in capital investment

*\$12.5B = 60% of NZ's entire
corporate tax base*

Every dollar is revenue that does not currently exist.

What \$4 Billion a Year Means for New Zealand

Just the conservative scenario — without taxing a single Kiwi



2 New Hospitals

Dunedin-scale hospitals
built every single year



85 km Motorway

New four-lane motorway
built every single year



Tens of Thousands of Jobs

From up to \$300B in foreign
capital investment

Plus tens of thousands of jobs from up to \$300 billion in foreign capital pouring into Kiwi businesses.

Enough to reverse the brain drain.

Several OECD Countries Offer Flat-Tax Regimes

But no competitor can replicate NZ's geopolitical safe-haven premium



Switzerland (OECD)

900 km

Ukraine



Italy (OECD)

1,400 km

Ukraine



UAE / Dubai

72 km

Iran (struck Feb 2026)



Singapore

1,400 km

Taiwan Strait



New Zealand

17,000 km

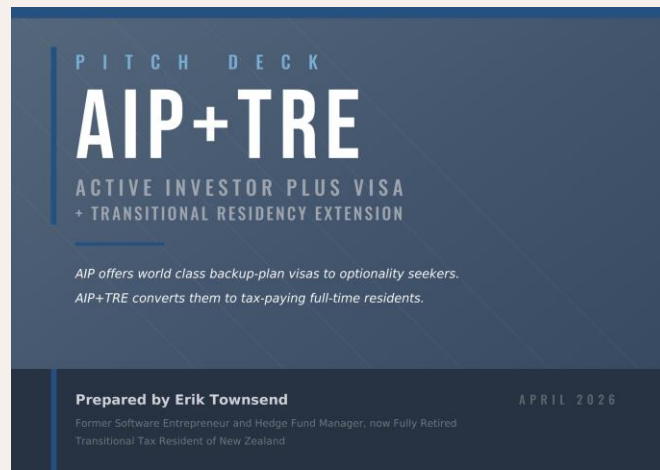
from all conflict zones

The same geographic fact that made NZ a disadvantaged destination has inverted in meaning. **Distance is now the main appeal.**

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I'd welcome thirty minutes to present my pitch deck explaining the proposal to any Minister or MP.



Wealthy families around the globe are deciding right now where to take their wealth.

***Every week we delay fixing our tax settings,
they choose Milan or Zurich, not Auckland.***