

Stephen P. Jenkins

Stephen Jenkins was born in New Zealand in 1956. He received his BA from the University of Otago (NZ) in 1977 and was Junior Lecturer in Economics at Massey University (NZ) in 1978. He then moved to the University of York (UK) to begin his doctoral studies. He was awarded his D.Phil in 1983. Three of his five years at York were also spent as full-time research fellow at the Institute of Social and Research. From 1983-1991, Stephen was a Lecturer in the School of Social Sciences at the University of Bath. He became Professor of Applied Economics at the University of Wales in 1991, and since September 1994 has been Professor of Applied Economics at the Institute for Social and Economic Research at the University of Essex in Colchester (UK). Stephen's first published papers were about the intergenerational inheritance of income and the economics of English provincial repertory theatre, but most subsequent ones have been about inequality and poverty measurement issues and applications using British data. His current research focuses on income and poverty dynamics, and uses the British Household Panel Survey. Alongside this he has a continuing interest in modelling benefit spell durations and labour force transitions. Stephen's publications have appeared in a wide range of international journals and edited volumes. He recently co-edited *The Distribution of Household Welfare and Household Production* (with Arie Kapteyn and Bernard van Praag, CUP, 1998), and *The Dynamics of Child Poverty in Industrialised Countries* (with John Micklewright and Bruce Bradbury, CUP, 2001). He is currently working with Gert Wagner (DIW) and Chris Schluter (Bristol) on a project funded by the Anglo-German Foundation which compares child poverty in Britain and Germany. Stephen was the President of the European Society for Population Economics in 1998 and was recently re-elected to its Council. He is also on the Editorial Board of the Review of Income and Wealth, and an elected Council member of the International Association for Research on Income and Wealth. Stephen has acted as advisor to organisations such as New Zealand Treasury and the OECD. He is a keen runner and enjoys music as a listener and participant.