

# EU Migration

## Don't believe the lies

### Here are the facts:



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The cost to other European countries of treating Brits abroad is more than **five times** the cost to the NHS of treating EU visitors here.

(Department of health)

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Most migration to the UK is from outside the EU – so controlled by the UK government **NOT the EU.**

(ONS - Long-Term International Migration Estimates)

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Between 2001 and 2011, EU migrants contributed 34% more in taxes than they took out in benefits and services.

(Centre for Research and Analysis of Migration – CreAM, UCL)

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Compared to the UK average, EU migrants are much **less likely** to claim benefits

(Labour force survey)

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To have a 'right to reside' in the UK after 3 months here you need to be working, self-employed, a student or you have enough money yourself to live on.

(Citizens Advice Bureau)

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EU migrant's eligibility for benefits based on National Insurance contributions is dependent on your contributory record – just like everyone else. Unless you are working you cannot get help with emergency or longer term housing from the Council or Housing Benefit.

(UK Visas and Immigration – Guidance on EEA)

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For decades we have not built enough homes since local councils were stopped from building on a large scale in the early 1980s. To tackle the housing crisis we need to build more homes. That is the cause of the housing crisis – not migration.

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Government cuts are why NHS waiting times are going up and some services are disappearing altogether – **not EU migration.**

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Between 2001 and 2011 migrants made a net **contribution** to public finances of **£25 billion** (ONS)

# VOTE REMAIN

## A Message from General Secretary

Len McCluskey

# Vote remain on 23rd June

Dear Colleague

As we make the most important decision in a generation - to remain or leave the EU, we are being bombarded daily with myths and downright lies from the right wing press about a whole host of issues - especially immigration. That's why we've produced this leaflet with some real facts about immigration to set the record straight.

The reality is migration has been part of this country's history for centuries, and migrants play a vital role in helping our economy grow and in providing our public services. But it is also true that bad employers are using cheap labour from abroad to drive down pay and conditions.

Exploitation is the problem – not migration. It needs to be dealt with by improving working rights for everyone. Predatory employers, deregulated labour markets and weakened trade union rights cause low wages and poor living standards for **ALL** workers.

Unite believes that the best way to protect jobs and rights for all workers in Britain is to remain in the EU, which is why we are saying.

## Vote Jobs, Vote Rights, Vote Remain!

*Len McCluskey*  
General Secretary



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