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Priti Patel's Home Office has processed 96% and 5.8 million have been approved

Yet only 889,000 Brits are living in the EU, according to the Commission

Yesterday Facts4EU.Org and CIBUK revealed how few British nationals have applied for EU citizenship. Today we expose the huge size of the EU population living in the UK, using the latest data from last week.

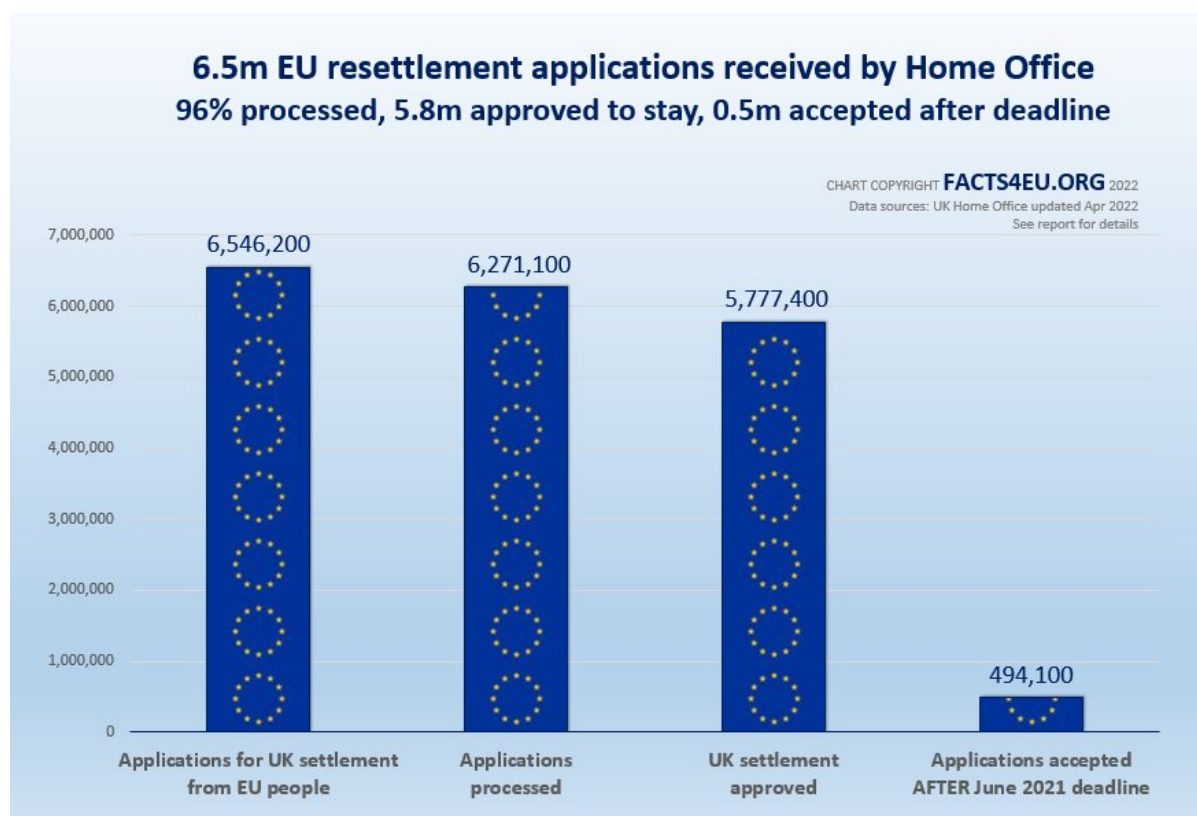
Our analysis covers the latest numbers from the UK Home Office of the numbers of EU nationals and residents who have applied for permanent settlement in the United Kingdom. And the numbers are simply extraordinary.

Summary

1. The EU can't hide over 6.5 million of EU people's applications wanting to stay in the UK

This is more than the populations of Wales and Northern Ireland combined

- **6,546,200 applications** have been received under Home Office's "EU Settlement Scheme"
- Almost 0.5 million were received after June 2021 deadline but have still been processed
- Already **nearly 6 MILLION** (5,777,400) have been accepted
- Priti Patel's Home Office has processed 96% of all 6.5 million applications



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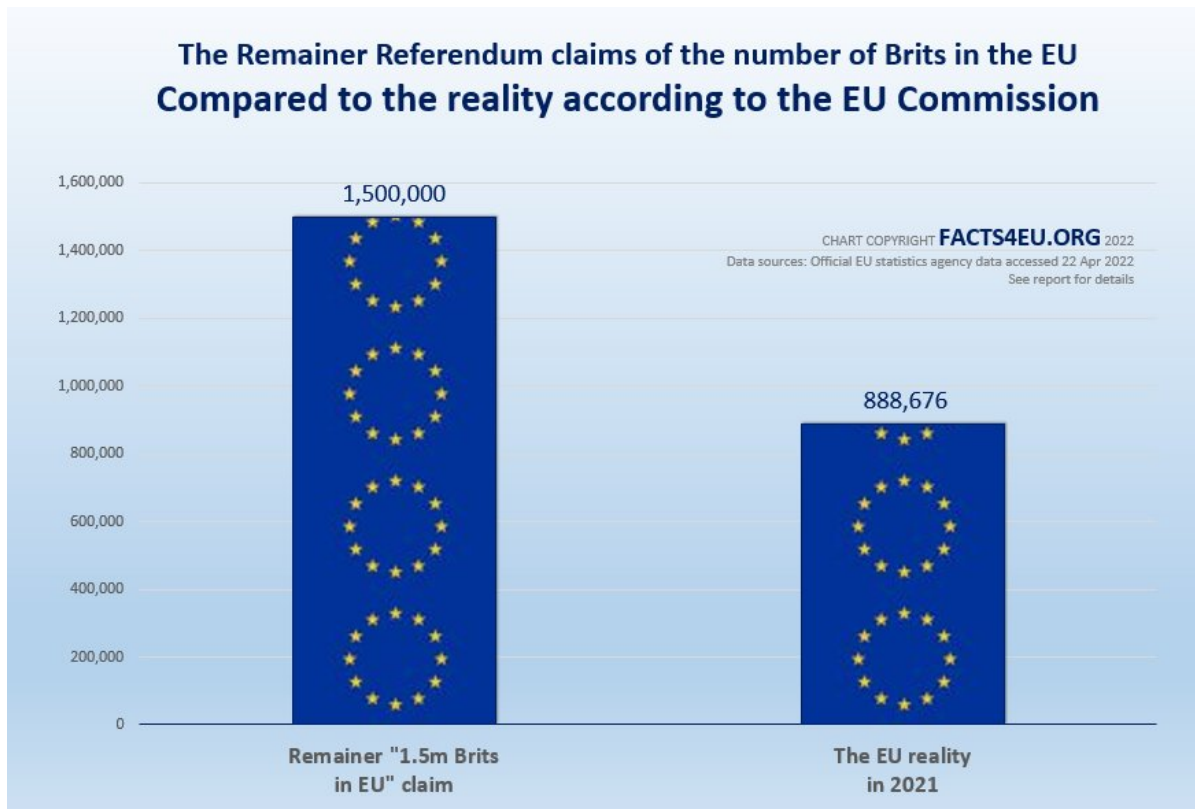
2. Remainers and the EU talked of the numbers very differently

- Remainers and the EU talked of "around 3 million from the EU in the UK"

- Facts4EU conservatively said it was more than 5 million (based on HMRC NI numbers)
- Remainer and EU myth-makers have once again been proved wrong

3. Finally, whatever happened to the “1.5 million Brits” supposed to be living in the EU?

- Remainer-Rejoiners have continued to talk of “1.5 million Brits living in the EU”
- The EU’s own official figures show **only 888,676 Britons in EU countries**



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[Sources: UK Home Office | EU Commission statistics agency (Eurostat). Statistical note: The EU’s figures do not include Malta and Cyprus, which do not report these figures. We have also used 2019 data where a few EU countries have not yet given 2020 or 2021 numbers.]

Ever-generous UK extended deadline for settlement applications from EU citizens many times

The original deadline for applications from EU citizens – and citizens of other non-EU countries with residency rights in the EU – was extended several times by the UK Home Office. The original deadline agreed by the EU was 31 Dec 2020.

The UK then extended the deadlines. AFTER the latest UK deadline of 30 Jun 2021 – which the UK's Home Office did not have to offer – almost half a million further applications were received. Some of these relate to family members who have never been to the UK and yet have the right under the EU-imposed law to do so, as part of the EU's Withdrawal Agreement. Despite being received after the final, final deadline, these applications are still being processed.

Has any EU country been so generous?

Facts4EU.Org is aware of rather different treatment of British people in some EU countries. One reader in France applied to the French authorities with all the appropriate documents. This was before the French deadline of 31 Dec 2020 – a long time before the UK's latest deadline.

He heard nothing from the French for six months before being summoned to a Prefecture some distance away, where he was fingerprinted fully. It took another two months before he received his approval to stay and could finally relax.

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