# 'Off the scale — 7.4 million EU citizens apply for settled status in the UK'

Talk about chickens coming home to roost. Or in this case EU nationals and their dependents coming over to settle in the United Kingdom.

As the following two reports make clear, the number of EU applicants seeking settled status in Brexit Britain is simply off the scale.

More than one and a half million Romanians and over a million Poles have applied to settle in the UK under Theresa May's EU Settlement Scheme. When one adds in the hundreds of thousands of applicants from Italy, Portugal, Bulgaria and Spain as well as countless other countries from France and Germany to Cyprus and Estonia, small wonder the total now stands at an eyepopping 7.4 million, of which 6,349,400 applications have been approved so far.

These are the figures for UK-bound applications. What of the traffic going the other way?

At just 289,000, total UK applications to settle in the EU are but a trickle in comparison. So much for the mass-exodus of Remainers charging off to Europe in search of a better life. No one wants to go!

As the following two-part report concludes 'Freedom of Movement' has been overwhelmingly one way with all the consequences that flow from that.

We highlight the main findings below with links to the full articles beneath the summary.

# Part One

# The staggering 7.4m applications to settle in Brexit Britain under the EU's scheme

In Part I of our two-part report below we show the enormous numbers of EU citizens who have taken advantage of Theresa May's open borders agreement with the EU and the number of EU family members who have now added to the numbers.

Despite the vitriol poured onto the United Kingdom by EU Commissioners and other officials since the British people voted to leave their empire, it seems that EU citizens have voted with their feet in enormous numbers and have chosen to live in the UK.

# Total number of applications under the 'EU Settlement Scheme' to live in the UK

Romania : 1,538,980

Poland: 1,208,030

Italy: 641,390

Portugal : 491,080

Bulgaria : 434,080

Spain : 421,130

Lithuania : 299,300

France: 258,310

Germany : 181,740

Hungary: 178,190

Netherlands: 160,090

Greece: 159,100

Slovakia: 155,750

Latvia : 154,650

Sweden: 112,820

Czech Republic: 85,360

Belgium : 50,370

Cyprus: 33,890

Denmark: 33,220

Austria : 27,240

Finland : 24,570

Ireland : 17,150

Estonia : 16,250

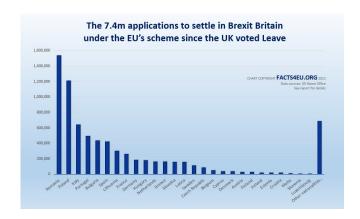
Croatia : 15,330

Malta: 8,940

Slovenia: 5,900

Luxembourg : 2,050

Other nationalities : 685,810



GRAND TOTAL : 7,400,720

[Source: Latest UK Home Office official data, released 24 Aug 2023.]

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# Part Two

The official facts show that 'Free Movement' benefited
EU27 citizens
over 25 times more than it benefited UK citizens

The headline figures are astonishing.

■ 7,400,720 applications to the UK under the EU scheme for

settlement (96.2%)

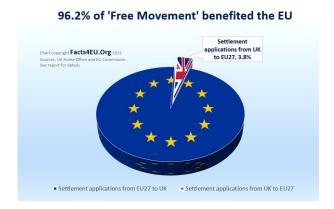
■ 289,900 applications from British citizens to stay in the EU (3.8%)

**-** TOTAL : 7,690,620

[Sources: UK Home Office | EU Commission.]

## One-way traffic

As Part Two of the report explains, these headline figures expose the huge and unequal demands being placed on the UK as a result of 'Freedom of Movement'.



"This comparison is particularly stark and shows up the fallacy from the Remainer-Rejoiners about their claim that Brexit means British people have lost this vital freedom. Very few wanted it and the traffic was almost all to the UK."

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## **CONCLUSION**

#### 'Freedom of Movement'

As both reports make abundantly clear, the fall-out from such

a lop-sided arrangement is as predictable as it is depressing.

#### 'All one-way'

- Mass exodus from the EU to the UK.
- Leading to a population explosion.

#### **Economic cost**

- Reliance on immigration over innovation.
- Leading to flat-line wages and productivity.

#### **Infrastructure**

- Chronic mismatch between supply and demand.
- Leading to pressure on schools, hospitals, housing, transport.

#### Social transformation

- High streets and neighbourhoods transformed beyond recognition.
- Leading to lack of community cohesion.

To read the two reports in full, please click on the links below.

The staggering 7.4m applications to settle in Brexit Britain under the EU's scheme

Only 0.3m British settlement applications to the EU vs. 7.4m EU applications to UK

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