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Threat to Brexit?

Rejoiners are massing for a march on Parliament, **but do they know what they want to rejoin?**



**‘UK benefited least from our greatest achievement,’
says EU in last Single Market report**

With almost 50 Rejoinder groups massing for a march through London on Saturday 10 September (2022), we can finally reveal just how little the UK got from the EU’s flagship policy.

In an exclusive report ahead of the ‘Rejoinder Rally’ our affiliate organisation **Facts4EU** exposes the facts behind our membership of the Single Market.

CIBUK (<https://cibuk.org/>) – the longest-established organisation for independence, freedom and democracy in the UK – is delighted to shed light on the reality of the UK’s membership of the Single Market in a devastating analysis from the EU Commission itself.

The summary is below and the [**full report is now available here.**](#)

So, how did the UK actually do out of the EU's Single Market, according to the EU itself?

Brexit Facts4EU.Org reviewed the last official EU 'Single Market Scoreboard 2020' before the United Kingdom finally left on 31 December 2020. Here is the EU Commission's verdict.

"The UK has the lowest trade integration in the Single Market for goods and the third lowest trade integration for services."

- Official EU Single Market Scoreboard, 2020 report

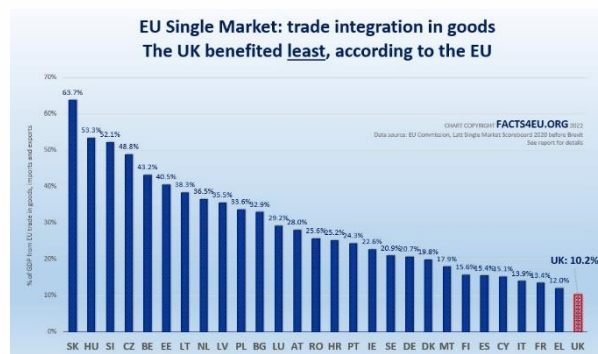
The Rt Hon Sir John Redwood MP gave his thoughts



"The more revealing figures show the UK's growth rate fell after we joined the EEC and fell again once they completed the single market in 1992. That was why some of us campaigned to leave the Single Market as well as leaving the EU. The Single Market was designed against us and promoted continental exports to us to replace our home production."

- The Rt Hon Sir John Redwood MP

How the EU's Single Market delivered nothing for the UK's trade in GOODS



The chart shows the percentage of a country's GDP represented by trade in goods with other EU countries (average of imports and exports). This is how the EU itself summarises the Single Market and trade.

“Ah, but what about services?” cry the Remainer-Rejoiners. “This is the UK's strength!”

We also analysed the EU's figures on the benefits of the Single Market to each country in respect of the service economy.

Firstly, we must once again point out that the Single Market does not work for services – the UK's strength – by the EU's own admission.

“The Single Market – this jewel that is all too often taken for granted – does not function properly for services”

- Elżbieta Bieńkowska, EU Commissioner for the Single Market, 2017



The UK got almost as little benefit from its strength in services as in goods

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With Rejoiners quite literally on the march on 10th September, the reality of Britain's membership of the Single Market can finally be laid bare.

The conclusion is stark and unambiguous:

Our report shows that the UK benefited least from membership of the Single Market out of all 28 member countries, despite being the second-biggest funder of the EU's budget. **And this is according to the EU Commission itself.**

No amount of braying can take away the facts.

For the full report click here: <https://cibuk.org/uk-benefited-least-from-eu-single-market/>

For editors and journalists

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Founded in 1969, for over 50 years the CIBUK has made a significant contribution in campaigning on issues important to the majority of our population and in securing our exit from the European Union. Now it's time for the next chapter.