

# UK & EU: THE FACTS

## Who makes all of these decisions?

Passport Colour		Allowing fishing quotas to be sold to foreign boats	
UK Border Control		UK Foreign and Defence policies	
NHS Funding		UK housing, pensions, work and welfare policies	

## What does the EU do for us?

Right to work in 28 EU countries		Free medical cover in 32 countries	
Illegal to pay migrant workers less than locals		Banned mobile phone roaming charges	
Trade agreements with over 50 countries		Cleaner rivers, beaches and air	

## ? DID YOU KNOW?

- When new states joined the EU (early 2000s), we could have stopped people coming to work here for 7 years. Many EU countries did this. **The UK chose not to.**
- In many EU countries you must prove that you have a job or can support yourself after 3 months. **The UK chooses not to do this.**
- The UK **opted out** of joining the Schengen area (the passport-free area shared by 26 EU countries). This means WE control our own borders. That's why refugees are stuck in Calais and we have to show passports whenever we enter the UK.



Source: Centre for Cities

## How much do Devon businesses export to the EU?

**Plymouth: 68%** of exports go to the EU

**Exeter: 70%** of exports go to the EU

## ? DID YOU KNOW?

*Exeter has a higher percentage of exports to the EU than ANY OTHER UK CITY!*