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***‘Europe’ doesn’t work:
the three-million-jobs lie
and other misconceptions***



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The three-million-jobs lie

According to a story in *The Daily Telegraph* of 11th January, Clegg said 'to reporters in Westminster' a day earlier that

When you have one in 10 jobs in this country, 3 million people whose jobs are dependent on our position as a leading member of the world's biggest borderless single market, you play with that status at your peril; these are jobs at stake, livelihoods...

The three-million-jobs lie 1.

Membership of the EU is not a condition of trading with EU member states. Last year the EU imported about 1,700 billion euros of goods from the rest of the world. (This figure is slightly – but only slightly – less than the UK's national output.)

The three-million-jobs lie 2.

China now exports more to the EU than the UK exports to the other 26 members. Chinese exports to the EU are about 4% of its national output and China's labour force is over 800 million people, implying that about 30 million people produce those exports. So 30 million Chinese jobs 'depend on the EU market'.

The three-million-jobs lie 3.

But China is not an EU member state and no one has suggested that it should become one.

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When the UK has left the EU, it will continue to be a huge exporter to the remaining 26 EU member states. It will export to the EU, just as it exports now to Norway, Switzerland and Turkey, which are in 'Europe' geographically, but are not EU members.

The three-million-jobs lie 4.

Clegg says that the UK would be 'isolated' outside the EU and that 'isolation costs jobs'. On that basis every nation outside the EU is 'isolated' and has lost jobs because it is not an EU member state. **So China, the USA, Australia, Russia and India are 'isolated', the poor things, and hence marginalized, poor, deprived, etc. and have fewer jobs because they are not in the EU.**

The three-million-jobs lie 5.

Clegg suffers from 'Eurocentrism gone mad' .

The world today has about 190 countries, of which 27 are EU member states and the rest are not. Non-EU member states enjoy stronger growth of output, trade and living standards.

By leaving the EU, we would cease be one of the 27 and instead be like the other 160 or so of the world's countries. Big deal.

Employment of men in Britain in the 25 years from 1971

- Chart shows male employment in the UK in millions



Employment ratios in high-income nations

Table shows proportion of people in 15-64 age group that are in employment.

Figures relate to the second quarter of 2012 and come from the OECD database.

	%
Switzerland	79.3
Norway	75.9
Australia	72.5
New Zealand	72.4
Canada	72.3
United Kingdom	70.0
Japan	70.5
USA	67.1
European Union	64.2
Eurozone	63.8

The message of EU 'harmonization'

The employment ratio in the UK was 70.0% in the middle of last year, compared with 63.8% in the Eurozone. About 30 million people are employed in the UK. If we were 'harmonized' with the Eurozone, about 6% of UK jobs - meaning jobs for about 1.8 million people - would go.

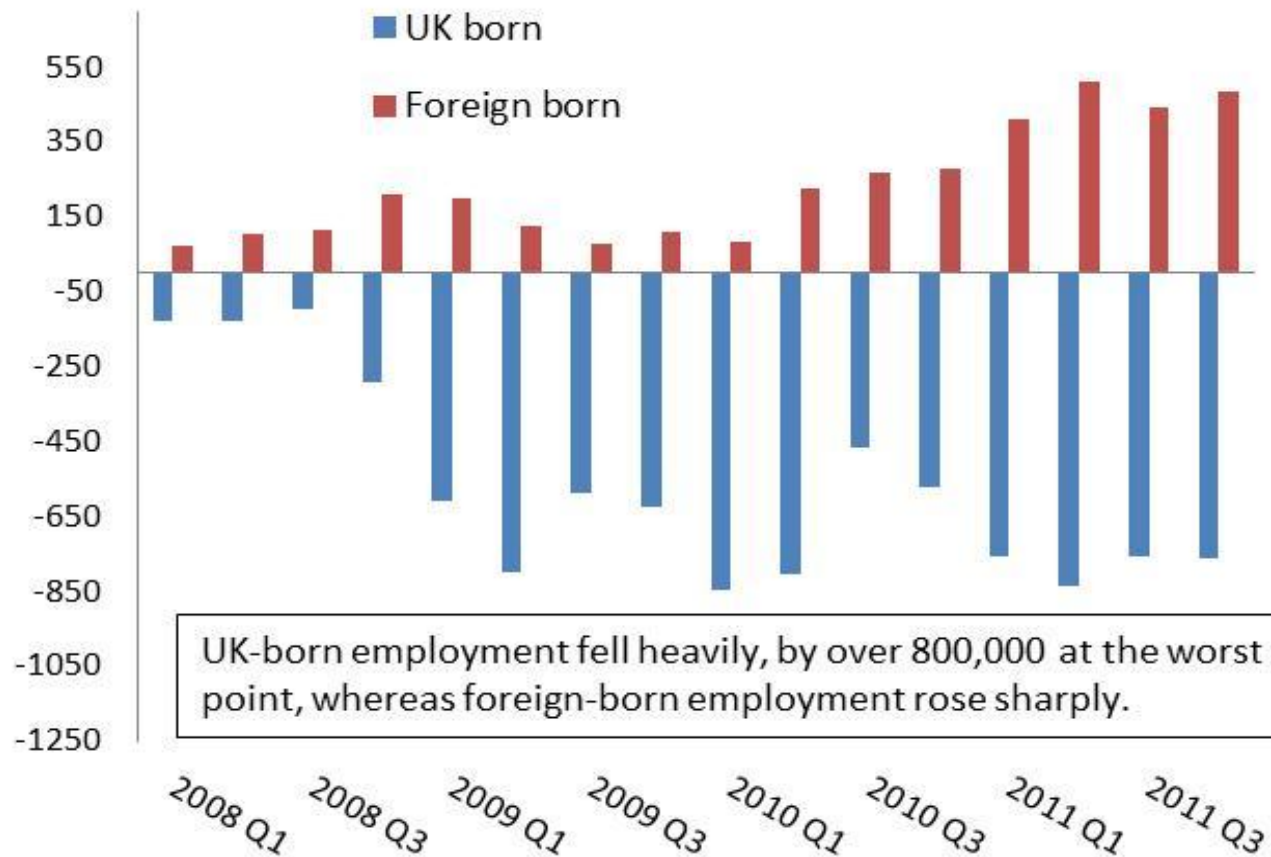


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Employment in the UK in the Great Recession

- Chart shows cumulative change, in '000s, in employment from Q4 2007

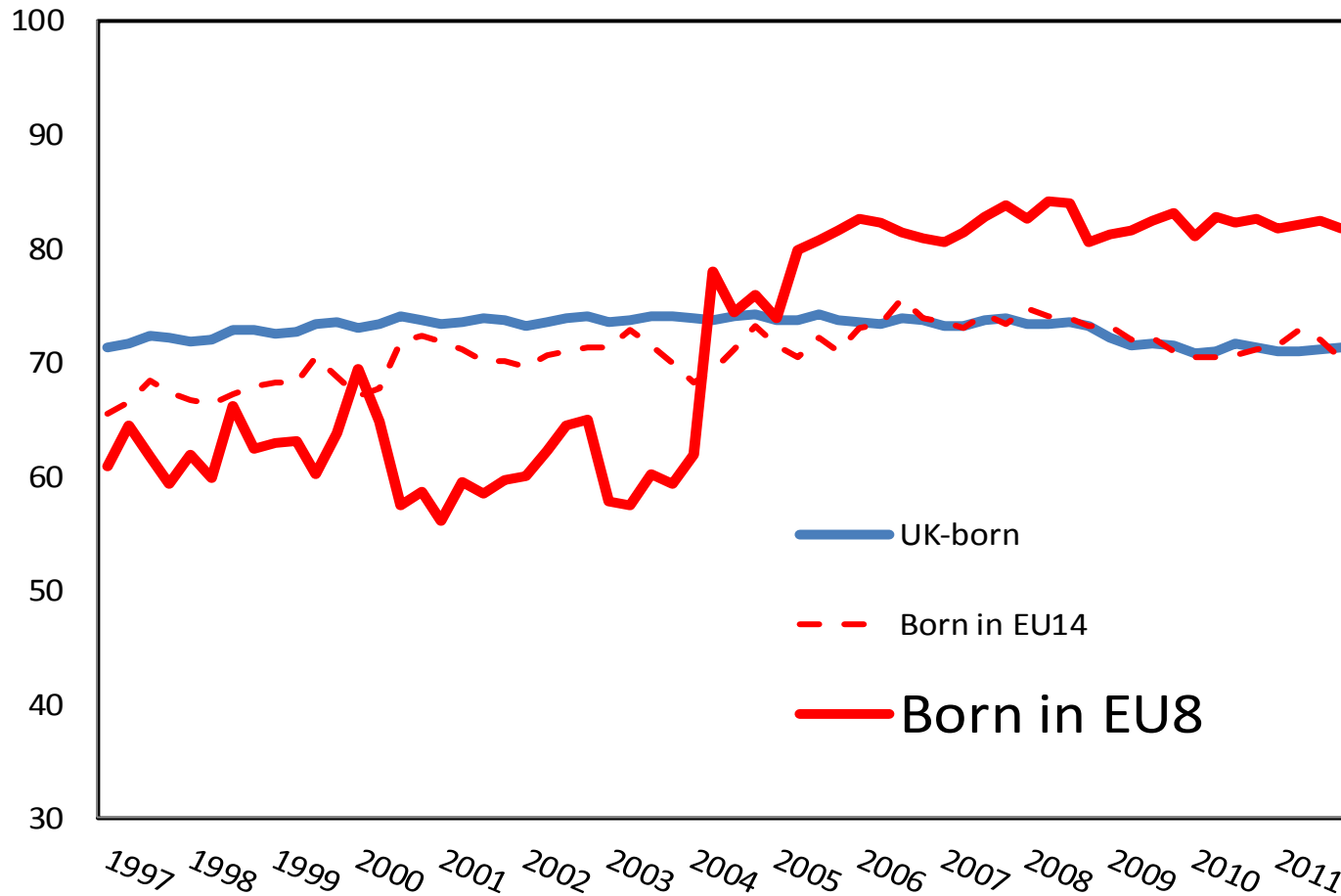


UK-born employment fell heavily, by over 800,000 at the worst point, whereas foreign-born employment rose sharply.

- **In the four years to the end of 2011 – the four years of the Great Recession – employment in our country of British-born people *fell* by 800,000 and employment of foreign-born people *rose* by 400,000.**
- These numbers are from official sources, to be precise, from the Office for National Statistics.

Employment ratios in the Great Recession of people of different nationality, by birth

- Chart shows % of working-age population, of groups born in the UK and EU, actually in UK employment



UKIP policy on immigration

- When people from other countries are in Britain, they must be made welcome and treated in the same way as our own citizens under the rule of law. **There must be no discrimination between foreign-born and British-born people in our labour market.**
- But we must have control over our own borders and the power to stop immigration - *and that means we must leave the European Union.*



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EU membership destroys jobs because of excessive regulation and too much immigration from the rest of the EU



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the EU, more small
businesses will be set up
and more jobs will be
created



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