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### Multiculturalism in Britain

Immigration was one major aspect of Brexit, some people accusing immigrants of being responsible for problems in Britain. This is the issue raised by this dossier composed of 4 documents. The first one and the second one, respectively from the Guardian and the Huffpost UK, both published in September 2018, mention a survey about what British people think about immigration. The third document, published in the Conversation in 2019, puts forward the different attitudes of British people towards immigration depending on their age. Finally, the last document is a cartoon by Andrzej Krauze, published in the Guardian in 2017, which shows the role of European immigrants in the British economy. One can wonder if a majority of people in Britain are becoming more anti-immigration. What are the opinions concerning immigration and are there any positive future prospects?

Opinions are divided on the subjects but even if people who see positive aspects of immigration are a majority, a large number of British citizens think that immigration weakens British culture and that immigrants do not integrate properly. (documents 1 and 2). Half of the people interviewed want immigrants to be selected according to their skills because as they accept to have low-wages, they put jobs at risks and also put pressure on social services and housing (document 1). People often think that immigrants live in a segregation of communities (document 2). Many think that the government is unable to manage immigration properly and hides information (document 1). However, document 3 tends to show that many old people share these feelings whereas the younger generations do not consider immigration as a “big issue”.

Indeed, there are positive feelings about immigration. The cartoon shows that migrants are at the basis of the British economy and without them, the country will not prosper. In document 1, one can read that people think that immigrants do the jobs British people would not accept. The younger generations have lived with diversity and think more positive about it, document 3 mentions. They have travelled and met many different people and this is essential to accept immigration as something positive for Britain. (documents 1,2 and 3). There is a difference in attitude between people living in the country and those living in the cities as well. The last ones think that diversity has enriched British culture (document 1).

The testimony in document 2 shows that such surveys can be hurtful and that it is time to stop accepting ignorance, which is responsible for an anti-immigration attitude according to her. There are solutions. According to document 1, the authors of the report think that an official conversation about immigration is needed. In document 2, one can read that people should be interested in the meaning of being British today thanks to the representations in the media, the popular culture and social mobility.

As younger people seem to be more positive about diversity, the problem of immigration may become minor over the years. (document 3)

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