

Hi,

I'll keep this quick. Experts such as nobel prize winner Gary Becker make the case for charging for immigration e.g. <http://www.economist.com/node/16424085>

There are so many obvious and indisputable benefits, but I'll cover the key 3 and leave experts such as Becker's example to evaluate further in detail:

1. Bureaucrats aren't good at guessing where need is, but employers and foreigners wanting to be employees are. They won't risk tens of thousands of dollars for residency for a low paid job or job which they can't find, if there's no welfare on offer to them, they have to get a job or go home, meaning they'll only come if they are coming to work, and work in a skilled job which is in need. The principle that you spend your own money very wisely, cautiously and carefully is universal and everyone understands this.
2. The idea that if skilled people are willing to pay we should charge them is an obvious solution to budget issues facing the government.
3. The fee will help fund the extra infrastructure (new suburbs, roads/telecoms to those suburbs, etc.) needed by that new resident]

Thank You for reading my submission.

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