

Tory migration policy is a shambles – Abbott

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Abbott MP, Labour's Shadow Home Secretary, commenting on today's migration statistics, said:

"Tory migration policy is a shambles. Against all advice, Theresa May continues to insist in maintaining an arbitrary net migration target of under 100,000, which has never once been met.

"Now it seems that her long-running campaign to malign international students is based on fantasy, with no evidence of a major issue with students overstaying.

"Some in government appear to be waking up to the idea that overseas students make a valuable contribution to our country and have belatedly asked the Migration Advisory Committee to gather evidence.

"Labour will offer fair rules and reasonable management of migration; prioritising jobs, growth and prosperity, not bogus net migration targets."