

United Kingdom



Location

The country includes the island of Great Britain, the north-eastern part of the island of Ireland, and many smaller islands.



Territory

The total area of the UK is approximately 243,610 square kilometres.

The country occupies the major part of the British Isles archipelago and includes the island of Great Britain, the north-eastern one-sixth of the island of Ireland and some smaller surrounding islands.



Population

In the 2011 census the total population of the United Kingdom was 63,181,775.

It is the third largest in the European Union, the fifth largest in the Commonwealth and the twenty-second largest in the world.

Population	
2013 estimate	64,100,000 (22nd)
2011 census	63,181,775 (22nd)
Density	255.6/km ² (51st) 661.9/sq mi

Form Of Government

The UK's form of government is a constitutional monarchy with a parliamentary system and its capital city is London.



Parliament at night, with the London Eye visible at right

Form Of Government

It consists of four countries: England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland.

The latter three have devolved administrations, each with varying powers, based in their capital cities, Edinburgh, Cardiff, and Belfast, respectively.

Government

**Unitary parliamentary
constitutional monarchy
with federal elements.**

- ✓ **Monarch - Queen Elizabeth II**
- ✓ **Prime Minister - David Cameron MP**
- ✓ **Deputy Prime Minister - Nick Clegg MP**



Economy

The United Kingdom is a developed country and has the world's sixth-largest economy by nominal GDP and eighth-largest economy by purchasing power parity.

It was the world's first industrialised country and the world's foremost power during the 19th and early 20th centuries.



Economy

The UK has been a member of the European Union (EU) and its predecessor the European Economic Community (EEC) since 1973; it is also a member of the Commonwealth of Nations, the Council of Europe, the G7, the G8, the G20, NATO, and the World Trade Organization (WTO).



Influence

The UK remains a great power with considerable economic, cultural, military, scientific, and political influence internationally. It is a recognised nuclear weapons state and its military expenditure ranks fourth in the world.



Language

Official languages: English

Recognised regional languages:

- ✓ Irish
- ✓ Scottish Gaelic
- ✓ Scots
- ✓ Ulster-Scots
- ✓ Welsh
- ✓ Cornish

Climate

The United Kingdom has a temperate climate, with plentiful rainfall all year round. The temperature varies with the seasons seldom dropping below -11°C or rising above 35°C .



**An overcast day in Plymouth,
south-west England**



A sunny spring day

Foreign Relations

The UK is said to have a "Special Relationship" with the United States and a close partnership with France - the "Entente cordiale" - and shares nuclear weapons technology with both countries.



Culture



William Shakespeare



The Beatles



Alfred Hitchcock



Charles Dickens

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