

The United Kingdom



Location

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

Northern Ireland is the only part of the UK that shares a land border with another sovereign state – the Republic of Ireland.



Territory and Population

The UK is the **78th**-largest sovereign state in the world and the **11th**-largest in Europe.

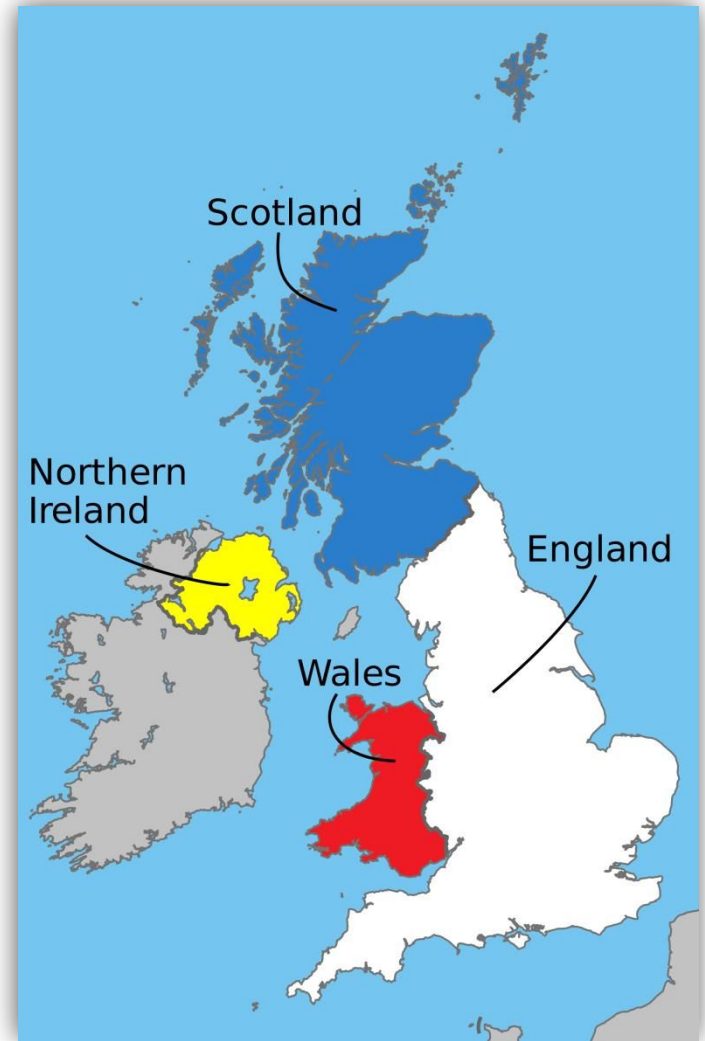
It is also the **22nd**-most populous country, with an estimated 65.1 million inhabitants (2016).



Four Countries

The UK consists of four countries:

- England;
- Scotland;
- Wales;
- Northern Ireland.





London – England



Edinburgh – Scotland



Cardiff – Wales



Belfast – Northern Ireland

Government

The United Kingdom is a constitutional monarchy with a parliamentary system of governance. Its capital and largest city is **London**.



Government

Unitary parliamentary constitutional monarchy

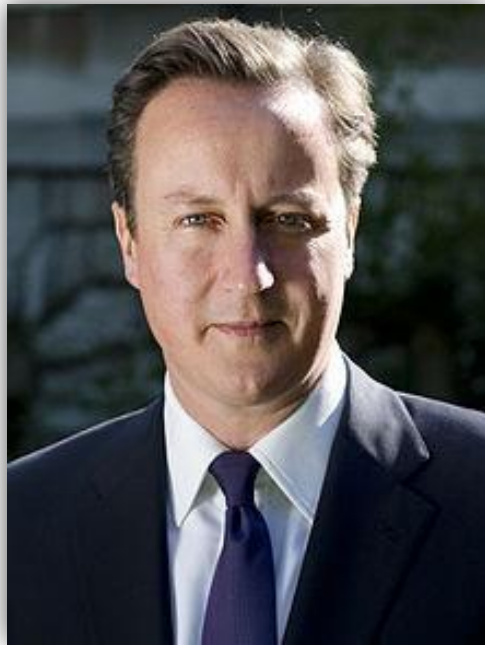
- Monarch – Queen Elizabeth II
- Prime Minister – Theresa May



Brexit referendum

In 2016, the United Kingdom voted to leave the European Union.

As a result of this, Prime Minister David Cameron announced that he would resign; he was replaced by Theresa May.



David Cameron



Theresa May

Economy

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



The Airbus A350 has its wings and engines manufactured in the UK.

Economy

The currency of the UK is the **pound sterling**, which is also the world's **third-largest** reserve currency after the United States dollar and the euro, and also one of the ten most-valued currencies in the world.



The City of London is the financial hub of the UK

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 or fifth** in the world.



Culture

William Shakespeare

was an English poet, playwright, and actor, widely regarded as the greatest writer in the English language and the world's pre-eminent dramatist.



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Sir Arthur Ignatius Conan Doyle was a Scottish writer and physician, most noted for creating the fictional detective **Sherlock Holmes** and writing stories about him.



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The Beatles have international sales of over one billion units and are the biggest-selling and most influential band in the history of popular music.



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