# **The British Monarchy**

# Monarchy of the United Kingdom

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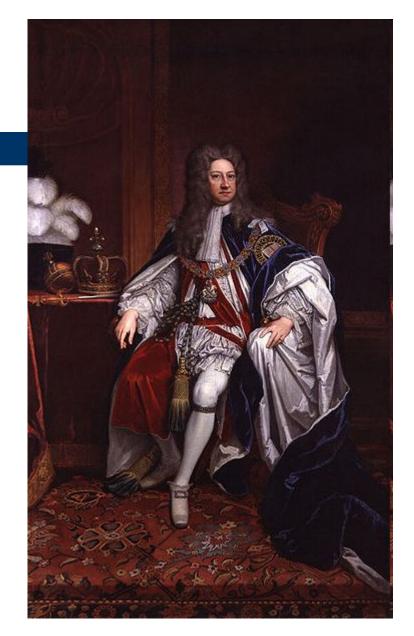
#### **House of Stuart**

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#### **House of Hanover**

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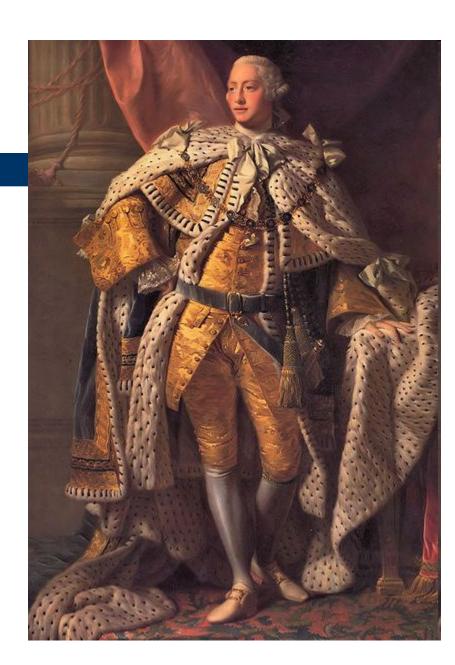


George I

- George II11 June1727–1760
- son of <u>George I</u>son of George I and <u>Sophia</u> <u>Dorothea of</u> <u>Brunswick-Lueneburg-Ce</u> <u>Ile</u>



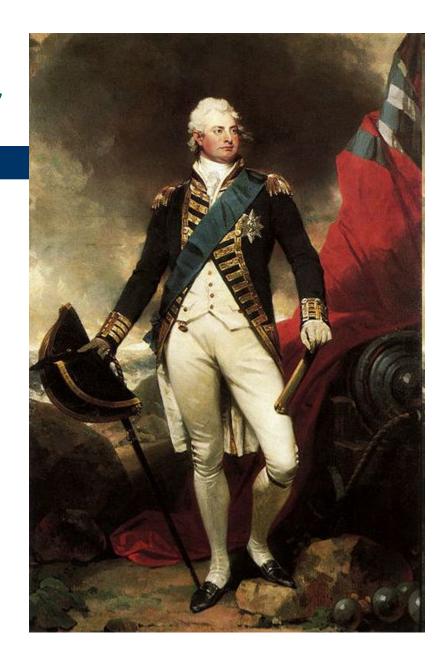
- George III
   25 October
   1760–1820
- son of <u>Frederick</u>, <u>Prince of Wales</u>son of Frederick, Prince of Wales and <u>Princess</u> <u>Augusta of</u> <u>Saxe-Gotha</u>



- George IV29 January1820–1830
- son of <u>George III</u>son of George III and <u>Charlott</u> of <u>Mecklenburg-Strelitz</u>



- William IV26 June1830–1837
- son of <u>George III</u>son of George III and <u>Charlotte of</u> <u>Mecklenburg-Strelitz</u>



- Victoria20 June1837–1901
- daughter of <u>Prince</u>
   Edward, <u>Duke of</u>
   Kent and
   Strathearn daughter
   of Prince Edward,
   Duke of Kent and
   Strathearn and
   Princess Victoria of



# House of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha

- Although he was the son and heir of Victoria, Edward VII inherited his father's names and is therefore counted as inaugurating a new royal house.
- Edward VII

   22 January 1901 –
   6 May 1910
   son of <u>Victoria</u> son of Victoria and <u>Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha</u>



- The house name WindsorThe house name Windsor was adopted in 1917, during the First World WarThe house name Windsor was adopted in 1917, during the First World War. It was changed from Saxe-Coburg-Gotha because of wartime anti-German sentiment.
- George V
   6 May 1910 –



- Edward VIII
  20 January –
  11 December 1936
- son of <u>George V</u>son of George V and <u>Mary</u> <u>of Teck</u>son of George V and Mary of Teck[



- George VI11 December 1936 –6 February 1952
- son of <u>George V</u>son of George V and <u>Mary</u> <u>of Teck</u>



- Elizabeth II
   6 February
   1952 present
- daughter of <u>George</u>
   <u>VI</u>daughter of
   George VI and
   <u>Elizabeth</u>
   <u>Bowes-Lyon</u>



#### Modern status

- Today, 16 of the 53 independent states within the Commonwealth, including the United Kingdom, remain Commonwealth realms and share the same monarch.
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# Style of the British Sovereign

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