

Great Britain



Location

Britain forms the greater part of the British Isles, which lie off the north-west coast of mainland Europe. Great Britain is separated from the Continent by the English Channel. «Great Britain» is a geographical expression but «The United Kingdom» is a political expression. The full name is the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Great Britain comprises England, Wales and Scotland. Great Britain is in fact the biggest of the group of islands which lies between the North Sea and the Atlantic Ocean. The total area is 242,534 sq. km. Britain is just under 1,000 km long from the south coast of England to the extreme north of Scotland, and just under 500 km across in the widest part



The current population of the United Kingdom is 66,314,338, based on the latest United Nations estimates.

Current male population 49%

Current female population 51%

The United Kingdom population is equivalent to 0.88% of the total world population.

The U.K. ranks number 21 in the list of countries (and dependencies) by population.

The population density in the United Kingdom is 274 per Km² (709 people per mi²).

The total land area is 241,930 Km² (93,410 sq. miles)

81.0 % of the population is urban (53,627,859 people in 2017)

The median age in the United Kingdom is 40.3 years.



Big Ben



Tower



Stonehenge



Buckingham Palace



Interesting Facts about the United Kingdom

More languages (300) are spoken in London than in any other country in the world.

The word “Britain” is derived from the name of a Celtic tribe, the Brythons.

The first fish and chips restaurant was opened in 1860 in London by a Jewish immigrant named Joseph Malin.

About 30% of today’s Londoners were born outside the United Kingdom.

Every day, the British drink 165 million cups of tea, which is over 20 times more than the average American.

The full, official name of the Tower of London is “Her Majesty’s Royal Palace and Fortress of London.”