UNITED KINGDOM







GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

Queen ELIZABETH II

Head of Government

Prime Minister Boris JOHNSON

Government Type

parliamentary constitutional monarchy

Capital

London

Legislature

bicameral Parliament consists of the House of Lords (membership not fixed) and the House of Commons (650 seats)

Judiciary

Supreme Court (consists of 12 justices)

Ambassador to US

Ambassador (vacant); Charge d'Affaires Michael TATHAM

US Ambassador

Ambassador Robert Wood "Woody" JOHNSON IV

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 243,610 sq km Land: 241,930 sq km Water: 1,680 sq km

Note: England 53%, Scotland 32%, Wales 9%, and Northern Ireland 6%; includes Rockall and the Shetland Islands, which are part of

Scotland

Climate

temperate; moderated by prevailing southwest winds over the North Atlantic Current

Natural Resources

coal, petroleum, natural gas, iron ore, lead, zinc, gold, tin, limestone, salt, clay, chalk, gypsum, potash, silica sand, slate, arable land

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

leading trading power and financial center; third-largest economy in Europe after Germany and France; large coal, natural gas, and oil resources; banking, insurance, and business services, drive GDP growth

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$2.92 trillion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$44,300 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$441.2 billion (2017 est.)

partners: US 13.2%, Germany 10.5%, France 7.4%, Netherlands 6.2%, Ireland 5.6%, China 4.8%, Switzerland 4.5% (2017)

Imports

\$615.9 billion (2017 est.)

partners: Germany 13.7%, US 9.5%, China 9.3%, Netherlands 8%, France 5.4%, Belgium 5% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

65.1 million (July 2018 est.) England 84%,Scotland 8%, Wales 5%, Northern Ireland 3%

Population Growth

0.51% (2018 est.)

Ethnicity

white 87.2%, black/African/Caribbean/black British 3%, Asian/Asian British: Indian 2.3%, Asian/Asian British: Pakistani 1.9%, mixed 2%, other 3.7% (2011 est.)

Language

English; Scots, Scottish Gaelic, Welsh, Irish, Cornish

Religion

Christian 59.5%, Muslim 4.4%, Hindu 1.3%, other 2%, unspecified 7.2%, none 25.7% (2011 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 83.7% of total population (2019)

rate of urbanization: 0.89% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

