

UNITED KINGDOM

Capital: London

GEODATA

Area

241,000 km²

Population

58.39 million (1995)

Population growth

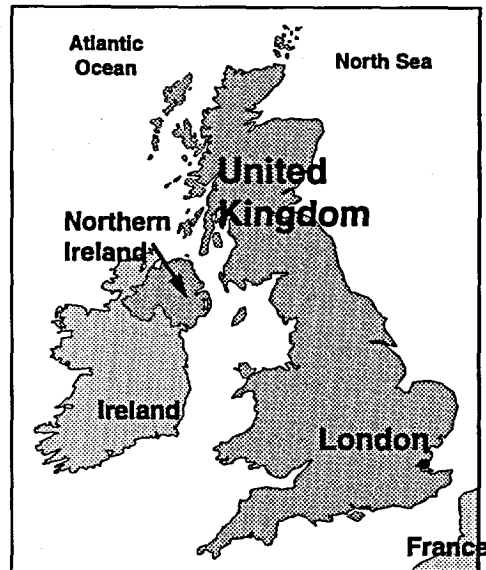
0.3% (1994)

Major languages

English, Welsh, Gaelic

Major religions

Anglican (57%), Protestant (15%),
Roman Catholic (13%)



POLITICAL DATA

Type of Government

Constitutional monarchy

Leader

Prime Minister Tony Blair

Minister of Foreign Affairs and Commonwealth Affairs

Robin Cook

Chancellor of the Exchequer

Gordon Brown

Democratic institutions

Bicameral parliament

UN Human Development Index

The United Kingdom ranks 16th among
174 countries

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ECONOMIC DATA

Nominal GDP

\$1.14 trillion US (1996)

Real GDP growth rate

2.3% (1996)

GDP per capita on a PPP basis

\$19,202 US (1996)

Inflation rate

2.9% (1996)

Unemployment rate

7.5% (1996)

Major exports

Petroleum, machinery, motor vehicles, chemicals, metals, non-metallic minerals, manufactured goods, textiles and beverages

Major imports

Manufactured goods, foodstuffs and beverages, petroleum products, chemicals, machinery, metals and crude materials

Major exports to Canada

\$5.91 billion Cdn (1996), including petroleum and petroleum products, machinery and equipment, iron and steel, foodstuffs and beverages

Major imports from Canada

\$3.87 billion Cdn (1996), including wood and paper products, metals and minerals, machinery and parts, and food products