

UNITED KINGDOM

Capital: London

GEODATA

Area

242,910 km²

Population

58.2 million (1997)

Population growth rate

-1% (1997)

Major languages

English, Welsh, Gaelic

Major religious groups

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

POLITICAL DATA

Type of government

Constitutional monarchy

Democratic institutions

Bicameral parliament

Leader

Prime Minister Tony Blair

Minister of Foreign Affairs and Commonwealth Affairs

Robin Cook

Chancellor of the Exchequer

Gordon Brown

UN Human Development Index (1998)

The United Kingdom ranks 14th among
174 countries

ECONOMIC DATA

Nominal GDP

\$1.3 trillion US (1997)

Real GDP growth rate

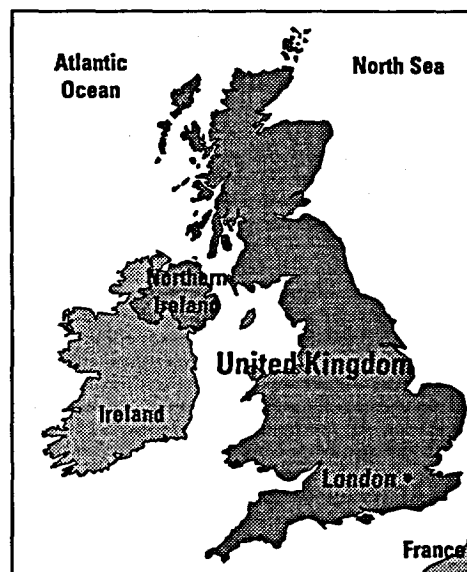
2.1% (1998)

GDP per capita

\$22,134 US (1997)

Inflation rate

3.4% (1998)



Unemployment rate

4.6% (March 1998)

Main exports

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

Main imports

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

Main exports to Canada

\$6.20 billion (1998), including crude oil, machinery
and equipment, chemicals, automobiles and parts,
pharmaceuticals

Main imports from Canada

\$4.35 billion (1998), including wood and paper
products, metals and minerals, machinery and parts,
gas turbines

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