UNITED KINGDOM

Capital: London

GEODATA

Area

241 752 km²

Population

58.19 million (1994)

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 John Major

Minister of foreign Affairs and Commonwealth Affairs

Malcom Rifkind

Minister for International Trade

Ian Lang

Democratic Institutions

Parlement bicaméral

UN Human Development Index

The United Kingdom ranks 18th among 174 countries

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ECONOMIC DATA

GDP

US\$1.325 trillion (1995 estimate)

GDP growth rate

2.6% (1995)

GDP per capita

US\$22 770 (1995 estimate)

Inflation rate

3.4% (1995)

Unemployment rate

8.3% (1995)

Major exports

Petroleum, machinery, motor vehicles, chemicals, metals, nonmetallic minerals, manufactured goods, textiles and beverages

Major imports

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

Major exports to Canada

\$5.47 billion (1995), including petroleum and petroleum products, machinery and equipment, iron and steel, food and beverages

Major imports from Canada

\$3.87 billion (1995), including wood and paper products, metals and minerals, machinery and parts, and food products