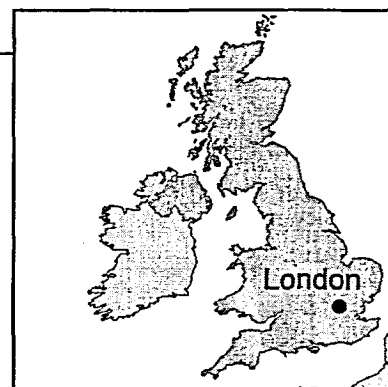


UNITED KINGDOM

Capital: London

GEODATA

Area 241,752 km ²	Population 59.9 million (2001 est.)
Major languages English, Welsh, Gaelic	Population growth rate 0.2% (2001 est.)
Major religious groups Anglican (57%), Protestant (15%), Roman Catholic (13%)	
Surrounding countries Belgium, Denmark, France, Ireland, Netherlands, Norway	



POLITICAL DATA

Type of government Constitutional monarchy	Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs Jack Straw
National legislature Upper chamber: House of Lords; Lower chamber: House of Commons; multiparty	Chancellor of the Exchequer Gordon Brown
Leaders Queen Elizabeth II Prime Minister Tony Blair	UN Human Development Index (2001) The United Kingdom ranks 14th among 162 countries

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP \$1.4 trillion US (2000)	Inflation rate 2.1% (2000)
GDP growth rate 3.1% (2000)	Unemployment rate 5.6% (2000)
GDP per capita \$23,800 US (2000)	
Main exports Machinery, vehicles, mineral fuels, oil, metals, medical instruments, pharmaceutical products	
Main imports Machinery, vehicles, metals, medical instruments, plastic resins, plastic materials, plastic manufactured products, aircraft, spacecraft	
Main exports to Canada \$13 billion (2000), including machinery (electrical included), mineral fuel, oil, aircraft parts, vehicles, medical instruments, pharmaceutical products, organic chemicals	
Main imports from Canada \$5.7 billion (2000), including machinery, aircraft parts, railway equipment, nickel and articles of nickel, minerals, paper and paperboard, wood pulp, medical instruments, wood	

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