

Commonwealth Countries

Note: Members of the Commonwealth (or Commonwealth of Nations) include Britain and those independent countries formerly governed by Britain which have chosen to become members. Dependent territories such as colonies, protectorates and trust territories of Britain and other member countries may be described as within the Commonwealth in that they are territories of member countries, but they are not "members" of the Commonwealth, for only sovereign independent states are accepted as such. Nauru, which became independent in January 1968, is associated with the Commonwealth as a special member entitled to participate in all functional meetings and activities and is eligible for Commonwealth technical assistance, but does not take part in meetings of Commonwealth heads of government. The prefix "British" before "Commonwealth" and the term "Dominion" are no longer used. (*Denotes the date on which dominion status was acquired.)

<u>Member Countries</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>Date of Membership</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Constitutional Status</u> (Monarchy or Republic)	<u>Accredited Canadian Post</u> (H.C. - High Commission) (Emb. - Embassy)
Australia	12,881,100	1 January 1901*	Canberra	M (Br.)	H.C. - Canberra
Bahamas	168,812	10 July 1973	Nassau	M (Br.)	H.C. - Kingston
Bangladesh	75,000,000	18 April 1972	Dacca	R	H.C. - Dacca
Barbados	238,000	30 November 1966	Bridgetown	M (Br.)	H.C. - Port of Spain
Botswana	625,900	30 September 1966	Gaborone	R	Emb. - Pretoria
Britain	55,534,000		London	M (Br.)	H.C. - London
Canada	22,000,000		Ottawa	M (Br.)	
Cyprus	640,000	1 July 1867*	Nicosia	R	Emb. - Tel Aviv
Fiji	524,500	13 March 1961	Suva	M (Br.)	H.C. - Canberra
The Gambia	320,000	10 October 1970	Banjul (Bathurst)	R	Emb. - Dakar
Ghana	8,500,000	18 February 1965	Accra	R	H.C. - Accra
Guyana	714,000	6 March 1957	Georgetown	R	H.C. - Georgetown
India	546,955,900	26 May 1966	New Delhi	R	H.C. - New Delhi
Jamaica	1,861,300	15 August 1947	Kingston	M (Br.)	H.C. - Kingston
Kenya	11,247,000	6 August 1962	Nairobi	R	H.C. - Nairobi
Lesotho	1,000,000	12 December 1963	Maseru	M (Nat'l)	Emb. - Pretoria
Malawi	4,312,400	4 October 1966	Lilongwe	R	H.C. - Lusaka
Malaysia	10,434,000	6 July 1964	Kuala Lumpur	M (Nat'l)	H.C. - Kuala Lumpur
Malta	322,300	31 August 1957	Valetta	M (Br.)	Emb. - Rome
Mauritius	854,000	21 September 1964	Port Louis	M (Br.)	H.C. - Dar-es-Salaam
Nauru	6,600	12 March 1968	Nauru	R	
(special member)		31 January 1968			