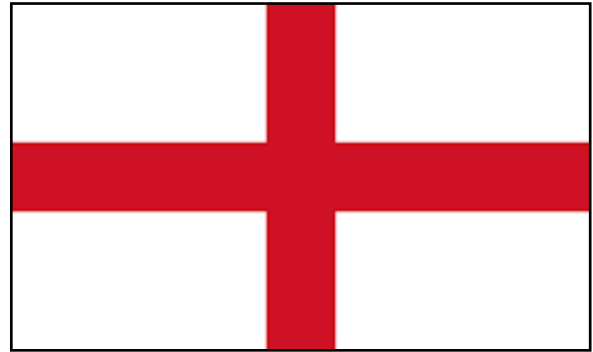




# England (country facts)

- England is the most populated country in the United Kingdom.
- England is bordered by Wales to the west and Scotland to the north.
- The capital city of England is London. Other major cities include Birmingham, Manchester, Sheffield, Liverpool, Newcastle and Leeds.
- England includes many small islands such as the Isle of Wight and Hayling Island.
- There is only a 34 kilometre (21 mile) gap between England and France and the countries are connected by the Channel Tunnel which opened in 1994.
- England was the first industrialized nation after the industrial revolution that began around 1760.
- The longest river in the United Kingdom is the River Severn. Located in England and Wales, it stretches around 354 kilometres (220 miles) in length.
- The longest river found entirely in England is the River Thames, it flows through London and is slightly shorter than the River Severn at around 346 kilometres (215 miles) in length.
- The largest lake in England is named Windermere.
- The highest mountain in England is Scafell Pike, which stands at around 978 metres (3,209 ft) in height.
- England has a large economy and uses the pound sterling as its currency.
- Football (soccer) is the most popular sport in England but others such as cricket and rugby have large followings.
- The Summer Olympic Games have been held in London 3 times, in 1908, 1948 and 2012.
- The official London home of the British monarch (king or queen) is Buckingham Palace.



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