

Notes from the United Kingdom

Cultural profile

The four home countries each has its own distinct national identity and language. Each also has an elected devolved government, albeit with varying degrees of power. The central government is located in at Westminster, in London, the UK capitol. Across England and Wales, the White ethnic group accounts for 86% of the population, with London the most ethnically diverse. The next largest ethnic group is the Asian/Asian British, at 7.5% of the population. Although a multi-faith country, the dominant faith noted in the 2011 census is Christianity (55%), with 40% professing no religion. The country has one of the lowest rates of gun homicide in the world and homicide rates generally in the UK and Europe are lower than other developed countries.