

Notes from the United Kingdom

Population and basic demographics

The United Kingdom is a sovereign state located off the north-western coast of Europe and is made up of four countries, England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales, total population 64.1 million (2013). It was the world's first industrialised country and is a developed country. Life expectancy at birth is 82.1 years (females) and 78.1 years (males). The population is ageing and this is predicted to continue over the next few decades.