**UNITED KINGDOM**

**Capital:** London (7 173 091)

**Two largest cities:** Birmingham (970 892) Glasgow (829 907)

**Area (km²):** 242 090

**Total population, 2007:** 60 852 910

**Population density (per km²), 2007:** 251

**Official languages:** English

**Date joined UN:** 24 October 1945

**National currency:** Pound sterling (GBP)

**National statistical office:** Office for National Statistics

**Date and time:** UTC

**Population by age, 2007**

- **Life expectancy (in years), 2006:**
  - Women: 82
  - Men: 77

- **Total fertility rate, 2006:** 1.8

- **Adolescent fertility rate, 2005:**
  - Number of live births per 1000 women aged 15-19: 26
  - Mean age of women at birth of first child, 2006: 30.0

**Computer use by age and sex, 2007**

- **% of total**
  - Women: 51.0%
  - Men: 49.0%

**Economic activity, 2007**

- **Employment: % change over previous year**
  - Men: 0.8
  - Women: 0.8

- **Unemployment rate (%)**
  - Men: 5.0
  - Women: 5.1

- **Youth unemployment rate (%)**
  - Men: 10.3
  - Women: 10.9

**Real GDP growth rate**

- **% change over previous year**
  - Men: 1.0
  - Women: 1.1

**Economic activity, 2007**

- **Industry (including construction)**
  - Men: 1.0
  - Women: 0.9

**Transport infrastructure**

- **Motorways**
  - Total length in kilometres, 2004: 3 657

- **Railways**
  - Total length in kilometres, 2004: 16 458