

Know before you go United Kingdom



Population: 67 million | **Currency:** Great British Pound £ (GBP) | **Capital City:** London



Official languages

The official language of the UK is English, however Welsh is the only official language by law in any part of the UK



Greeting
Hello,
Hi, Hey



Most popular city for expats and tourists
London



Famous national food
Shepherd's Pie, Beef Wellington,
Fish and Chips



National animals

Lion (England), Unicorn (Scotland), Dragon (Wales)



Tipping

It is customary to leave 10-15% of the bill as tip when eating out, though some restaurants add on a service charge instead



Fun Fact

There is not a single point in Britain that is more than 75 miles away from a coastline

Cost of living & travel in London



- **Standard city one-way bus ticket:** 1.55 GBP
- **Weekly pass for all transport:** 37.00-96.50 GBP
- **Taxi fare:** 3.20 GBP (initial charge); 1.71 GBP (per km)



- **Standard pint of beer:** 5.33 GBP
- **3-course meal for 2 people:** 60.00 GBP at a mid-range restaurant



- **Typical hotel for 2 adults:** 153.00 GBP (per night)
- **Average rent for 1-bedroom apartment:** 1,572-1,656 GBP (per month)



- **Doctor's visit:** Free

Costs are based on average in London, UK in July 2021; costs will vary from region to region.

Celebrating UK culture



Notable landmarks

Buckingham Palace, Big Ben, Edinburgh Castle



National sports
Cricket, Football