

Table 2.4

Estimated population resident in the United Kingdom, by foreign nationality<sup>3,4,5</sup>  
October 2009 to September 2010  
Five most common nationalities

thousands			
United Kingdom			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	545	32	
2 Republic of Ireland	345	25	
3 India	324	24	
4 Pakistan	158	17	
5 United States of America	143	16	

  

thousands			
North East			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	11	4	
2 India	11	4	
3 China	7	3	
4 Republic of Ireland	5	2	
5 Philippines	3	2	

  

thousands			
North West			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	50	9	
2 Republic of Ireland	34	7	
3 Pakistan	32	7	
4 India	21	6	
5 Nigeria	10	4	

  

thousands			
Yorkshire and The Humber			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	38	9	
2 India	19	6	
3 Pakistan	18	6	
4 Republic of Ireland	11	5	
5 China	11	5	

  

thousands			
East Midlands			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	48	11	
2 India	22	8	
3 Republic of Ireland	17	7	
4 China	8	5	
5 Portugal	7	4	

  

thousands			
West Midlands			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	49	10	
2 India	38	9	
3 Republic of Ireland	30	8	
4 Pakistan	27	7	
5 Zimbabwe	13	5	

  

thousands			
East			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	43	11	
2 Republic of Ireland	30	9	
3 India	28	9	
4 United States of America	23	8	
5 Italy	12	6	

Source: Annual Population Survey (APS)/Labour Force Survey (LFS), ONS

Countries of the United Kingdom and Regions of England

thousands			
London			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	131	19	
2 India	114	18	
3 Republic of Ireland	100	17	
4 France	66	14	
5 Nigeria	49	12	

  

thousands			
South East			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	54	12	
2 Republic of Ireland	46	11	
3 India	34	9	
4 South Africa	31	9	
5 United States of America	28	8	

  

thousands			
South West			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	37	9	
2 Republic of Ireland	18	6	
3 Germany	9	4	
4 South Africa	9	4	
5 Portugal	8	4	

  

thousands			
England			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	462	31	
2 India	296	25	
3 Republic of Ireland	290	25	
4 Pakistan	144	18	
5 United States of America	124	16	

  

thousands			
Wales			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	14	3	
2 India	8	3	
3 Republic of Ireland	6	2	
4 United States of America	4	2	
5 Germany	4	2	

  

thousands			
Scotland			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	55	8	
2 Republic of Ireland	21	5	
3 India	18	4	
4 United States of America	13	4	
5 Pakistan	11	3	

  

thousands			
Northern Ireland			
Country	Estimate	CI +/-	
1 Poland	15	6	
2 Lithuania	7	4	
3 Slovakia	4	3	
4 East Timor	4	3	
5 Latvia	3	3	

Statistical Robustness<sup>1</sup>

0≤ CV <5	Estimates are considered precise
5≤ CV <10	Estimates are reasonably precise
10≤ CV <20	Estimates are considered acceptable
CV ≥20	Estimates are not considered reliable for practical purposes

Notes:

1. Standard error is an estimate of the margin of error associated with a sample survey. The coefficient of variation (CV) indicates the robustness of each estimate. It is defined as:

$$\% = \frac{\text{standard error}}{\text{estimate}} \times 100$$

2. CI+/- is the upper (+) and lower (-) 95% confidence limits. It is defined as:

$$1.96 \times \text{standard error}$$

3. Estimates are based on the Annual Population Survey (APS) which is the Labour Force Survey (LFS) plus various sample boosts. APS and LFS data have been grossed to 2008-based population estimates and projections. Tables published from the year ending September 2009 have been weighted using these estimates. Tables published prior to this were weighted using the 2006-based estimates and projections and have not been revised. Analysis shows that there is no discontinuity in these tables.

4. It should be noted that the LFS :-

- \* excludes students in halls who do not have a UK resident parent
- \* excludes people in most other types of communal establishments (eg hotels, boarding houses, hostels, mobile home sites, etc)
- \* is grossed to population estimates of those living in private households that only include migrants staying for 12 months or more.

5. The LFS weighting does not adjust for non-response bias by the nationality variable.

6. People born in Northern Ireland have the right to British and/or Irish nationality. Therefore in this nationality table, those with Irish nationality have been omitted for Northern Ireland.