

The purpose of this assignment is to describe the linguistic diversity of a selected European country. This country is the United Kingdom. The statistical data collected from the websites "WALS" and "Ethnologue". Concerning language diversity, it seems that United Kingdom marked the 175th position in the SIL International ranking (2017) with its Language Diversity Index (LDI) accounting for 0.154, as well as the 155th in the UNESCO ranking (2009), with its LDI reaching only .139.

There are two official languages in the UK, which are: English and Welsh (in Wales).

The following table demonstrates different languages used in the UK along with their genus and Family:

Language	Genus	Family
English	Germanic	Indo-European
Gaelic (Scots)	Celtic	Indo-European
Welsh	Celtic	Indo-European
British Sign Language	Sign Language	Other
Irish	Celtic (Goidelic)	Indo-European
Angloromani	Mixed	Romani–English
Scottish Gaelic	Celtic (Goidelic)	Indo-European
Cornish	Celtic	Indo-European
Shelta	Mixed	Indo-European
Irish Sign Language	Francosign	Other
Northern Ireland Sign Language	BANZSL	Other
Manx	Celtic	Indo-European
Romani (Welsh)	Indic	Indo-European
Welsh (Colloquial)	Celtic	Indo-European

Moreover, the percentage of endangered languages in the United Kingdom is high, reaching 40% of the total number of languages spoken in the United Kingdom. The endangered languages are Polari, Cornish, Welsh Romani, Manx, Traveler Scottish, Welsh, Angloromani.