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The coloured countries are members of the European Union (EU).

The striped countries are planning to join the EU.

The other countries, including those shown by a small circle, are neighbours of the EU.

The dots show where the capital cities are.

Vatican City is in Rome.

Some islands and other pieces of land belonging to France, Portugal and Spain are part of the EU. But they are a long way from mainland Europe, so we have put them in the box (top right).

The European Union countries

The countries are in alphabetical order according to what each country is called in its own language or languages (as shown in brackets).

Flag	Country	Capital City	Population
	Belgium (België; Belgique)	Brussels (Brussel; Bruxelles)	10.4 million
	Czech Republic (Česká republika)	Prague (Praha)	10.2 million
	Denmark (Danmark)	Copenhagen (København)	5.4 million
	Germany (Deutschland)	Berlin (Berlin)	82.5 million
	Estonia (Eesti)	Tallinn (Tallinn)	1.4 million
	Greece (Ελλάδα/Ellada)	Athens (Αθήνα/Athinai)	11.0 million
	Spain (España)	Madrid (Madrid)	40.7 million
	France (France)	Paris (Paris)	59.6 million
	Ireland (Ireland; Eire)	Dublin (Dublin; Baile Atha Cliath)	4.0 million
	Italy (Italia)	Rome (Roma)	57.3 million
	Cyprus (Κύπρος/Kypros) (Kibris)	Nicosia (Λευκωσία/Lefkosia) (Lefkosa)	0.7 million
	Latvia (Latvija)	Riga (Riga)	2.3 million
	Lithuania (Lietuva)	Vilnius (Vilnius)	3.5 million



Flag	Country	Capital City	Population
	Luxembourg (Luxembourg)	Luxembourg (Luxembourg)	0.5 million
	Hungary (Magyarország)	Budapest (Budapest)	10.1 million
	Malta (Malta)	Valletta (Valletta)	0.4 million
	Netherlands (Nederland)	Amsterdam (Amsterdam)	16.2 million
	Austria (Österreich)	Vienna (Wien)	8.1 million
	Poland (Polska)	Warsaw (Warszawa)	38.2 million
	Portugal (Portugal)	Lisbon (Lisboa)	10.4 million
	Slovenia (Slovenija)	Ljubljana (Ljubljana)	2.0 million
	Slovakia (Slovensko)	Bratislava (Bratislava)	5.4 million
	Finland (Suomi; Finland)	Helsinki (Helsinki; Helsingfors)	5.2 million
	Sweden (Sverige)	Stockholm (Stockholm)	8.9 million
	United Kingdom (*) (United Kingdom)	London (London)	59.3 million

(*) The full name of this country is 'the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland', but for short most people just call it Britain, the United Kingdom or the UK.

Population figures are for 1 January 2004.

Source: Eurostat.