

English County List

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Pre-1974 county		Chapman code	Old abbreviation
other name	shire name		
Bedford	Bedfordshire	BDF	Beds
	Berkshire	BRK	Berks
Buckingham	Buckinghamshire	BKM	Bucks
Cambridge	Cambridgeshire	CAM	Cambs
Chester	Cheshire	CHS	Ches.
Cornwall		CON	Corn.
Cumberland		CUL	Cumbs / Cumb
Derby	Derbyshire	DBY	Derbys
Devon	Devonshire	DEV	Devon
Dorset	Dorsetshire	DOR	Dor * / Dors.
Durham		DUR	Dur.
Essex		ESS	Essex
Gloucester	Gloucestershire	GLS	Gloucs / Glos
Southampton	Hampshire	HAM	Hants / Hamps.
Hereford	Herefordshire	HEF	Herefords / Herefs
	Hertfordshire	HRT	Herts
Huntingdon	Huntingdonshire	HUN	Hunts
Kent		KEN	Kent (never abbrev.)*
Lancaster	Lancashire	LAN	Lancs
Leicester	Leicestershire	LEC	Leics
Lincoln	Lincolnshire	LIN	Lincs
London		LND	omit "county"*
Middlesex		MDX	Mddx / Midd'x
Norfolk		NFK	Nfk *
Northampton	Northamptonshire	NTH	Northants / N'thants
Northumberland		NBL	Northumbs/ N'thumb.
Nottingham	Nottinghamshire	NTT	Notts
Oxford	Oxfordshire	OXF	Oxon
Rutland		RUT	Rutland
	Shropshire	SAL	Shrops. / Salop
Somerset	Somersetshire	SOM	Som *
Stafford	Staffordshire	STS	Staffs
Suffolk		SFK	Sfk
Surrey		SRY	Sry
Sussex		SSX	Ssx
Warwick	Warwickshire	WAR	Warks / Warws
Westmorland		WES	Westm / West.
	Wiltshire	WIL	Wilts /Sarum
Worcester	Worcestershire	WOR	Worcs
York	Yorkshire	YKS	Yorks

The list ignores the Channel Islands, Isle of Man, Isle of Wight (part of Hampshire).

The 5 counties that disappeared are: Cumberland, Huntingdon, Middlesex, Rutland, and Westmorland.

The 15 new counties are: Avon, Cleveland, Cumbria, East & West Sussex, Greater London, Greater Manchester, Hereford and Worcester, Humberside, Merseyside, Tyne and Wear, West Midlands, Yorkshires (North, West & South).

The information is from 3 different sources.

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