

Official English in the World

Research by ProEnglish has identified 66 countries and territories that have designated English as an official language. Most of these are in Africa, Asia, and the Caribbean.

The research shows the U.S. is out of step with most English-speaking nations, and is one of the few countries in the world without an official language. For example, ten Latin American nations have made Spanish their official language.

Of the 66 countries and territories that have made English an official language, 36 of them (55 percent) have made English their sole official language. These are:

Anguilla*	Liberia
Antigua and Barbuda	Malawi
The Bahamas	Mauritius
Barbados	Federated States of Micronesia
Belize	Namibia
Bermuda	Nigeria
Botswana	Niue
British Virgin Islands*	Norfolk Island*
Cayman Islands*	Pitcairn Islands*
Christmas Island*	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Dominica	Saint Lucia
The Gambia	St. Vincent Grenadines
Ghana	Sierra Leone
Grenada	Solomon Islands
Guyana	Trinidad and Tobago
India	Turks and Caicos Islands*
Jersey	Uganda
Kiribati	Zimbabwe

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*Denotes a territory, as opposed to a country.