COUNTRY FACT SHEET

UNITED KINGDOM

Country Stats

- The United Kingdom is a uranium “destination state”, an importer and consumer of natural uranium
- Uranium has never been mined in UK
- In August 2014, the Springfields Conversion facility was closed after sixty-eight years of operation.

International Conventions

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Domestic Legislation

- Energy Act 2013
- The Energy Act 2013 (Commencement No. 1) Order 2014
- Health and Safety at Work Act 1974
- Nuclear Installations Act 1965
**The Ionising Radiations Regulations 1999**

**Nuclear Safeguards and Electricity (Finance) Act 1978**

**Nuclear Safeguards Act 2000**

Other legislation that underpins the legal framework for the nuclear industry in UK can be found [here](#).

**Actors**

**Health and Safety Executive (HSE)**

**Department for Work and Pensions (DWP)**

**Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR)** (working under HSE) is responsible for regulating safety at nuclear sites in the UK. The ONR’s license conditions cover all arrangements for managing safety, including emergency planning arrangements and responding to accidents, leaks and spillages of radioactive materials at individual civil nuclear sites.

**UK Safeguards Office (UKSO)** (under ONR)

**Scottish Environment Protection Agency**

**Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC)**

**Civil Nuclear Constabulary (CNC)** is an armed police force that secure civil nuclear material

**Nuclear Decommissioning Authority** (NDA)

**Conversion**

**Springfields** (closed in August 2014) [Google map](#)

Under management of: [Westinghouse](#)

Ownership: 60 % Toshiba 40 % Westinghouse

**Transport Routes**

**Ports:** [Port of Liverpool](#)

**Shipping companies:**

[Atlantic Container Line (ACL)](#)

[Uranium Asset Management (UAM)](#)