

List of the UK Public Services

(As of 12 September 2025)

As part of the Agreement with the Secretary of State the BBC must maintain and publish a list of the UK Public Services setting out the name of the service, the type of service and a brief description of the service.

(1) As television services designed for audiences across the UK-

- a) **BBC One**: a mixed-genre channel, with versions for Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland and variations for English regions and the Channel Islands, providing a very broad range of programmes to a mainstream audience;
- b) **BBC Two**: a mixed-genre channel, with versions for Wales and Northern Ireland, carrying a broad range of programmes for a mainstream audience, but with a particular focus on factual programmes, innovative comedy and drama;
- c) **BBC Three**: a mixed-genre channel aimed at younger audiences (16-34) across the UK, with a particular focus on innovative entertainment, comedy, drama and factual programmes.
- d) **BBC Four**: a channel providing an intellectually and culturally enriching alternative to mainstream programming on other BBC channels;
- e) **CBeebies**: a channel providing a range of programming to educate and entertain very young children;
- f) **CBBC**: a mixed-schedule channel for pre-teen children;
- g) **BBC News**: a rolling news channel providing news, analysis and other informational programmes;
- h) **BBC Parliament**: a channel providing substantial live coverage of debates and committees of the UK's Parliaments and Assemblies, and other political coverage; and
- i) **BBC Red Button**: interactive digital content including news and other information, both freestanding and in support of the other linear services but also providing an access and navigation point for non-linear BBC content.

(2) As radio services designed for audiences across the UK-

- a) **Radio 1**: principally a popular music service aimed at young audiences, with a commitment to the best new music, but also containing significant speech output;

- b) **Radio 1 Anthems:** a service featuring popular music from the 2000s and 2010s, curated for young audiences, with a commitment to UK artists and support for new production talent;
- c) **Radio 1 Dance:** a service offering dance music across genres, aimed at young audiences, with a focus on new music, UK artists and live event coverage;
- d) **1Xtra:** a service of contemporary black music, with a focus on new and live music, alongside significant speech output for young audiences;
- e) **Radio 2:** a service providing a broad range of popular and specialist music, and speech output including news, current affairs and factual programming;
- f) **Radio 3:** a service centred on classical music, alongside other music and art forms and speech output, and with a strong focus on live and specially recorded music;
- g) **Radio 3 Unwind:** a classical music service promoting relaxation and wellbeing, featuring a broad mix of music and speech content, including new British music;
- h) **Radio 4:** a speech-based service including news, current affairs, factual programmes, drama, readings and comedy;
- i) **BBC 4 Extra:** a speech-based service offering comedy, drama and readings, mainly from the BBC archive;
- j) **BBC Radio 5 live:** 24-hour coverage of news and sport;
- k) **BBC Radio 5 live sports extra:** a part-time extension to BBC Radio 5 live providing additional live coverage of sporting events;
- l) **BBC 6 Music:** a service of popular music outside the current mainstream, together with speech output which provides context for that music; and
- m) **BBC Asian Network:** a service bringing a wide range of news, music and factual programming to audiences of British Asians.

(3) As television and radio services designed primarily for audiences in particular parts of the UK-

- a) **BBC Radio Scotland:** a radio service available throughout Scotland, with a mixed schedule of music and speech output;
- b) **BBC Radio nan Gàidheal:** a radio service of programming in the Gaelic language in Scotland;
- c) **BBC Radio Wales:** a radio service available throughout Wales, with a mixed schedule of music and speech output in the English language;

- d) **BBC Radio Cymru**: a radio service available throughout Wales with programming in the Welsh language;
- e) **BBC Radio Cymru 2**: a radio service available throughout Wales with music programming presented in the Welsh language.
- f) **BBC Radio Ulster and BBC Radio Foyle**: a radio service with a mixed schedule of music and speech output, in which BBC Radio Ulster is available throughout Northern Ireland except that at certain times BBC Radio Foyle is provided instead to audiences in the western parts of Northern Ireland;
- g) **BBC Local Radio**: a number of local radio services for audiences in different parts of England and the Channel Islands, providing a mixture of music and speech output;
- h) **BBC Alba**: a mixed-genre television channel for Gaelic speakers and those interested in the Gaelic language and culture, provided by the BBC in partnership with MG Alba; and
- i) **BBC Scotland**: a mixed genre television channel that appeals to and reflects the diversity of Scotland.

(4) As online services designed for users across the UK, **BBC Online**: a comprehensive online content service, with content serving the whole range of the BBC's Public Purposes and including the BBC's news and sports websites and BBC iPlayer.