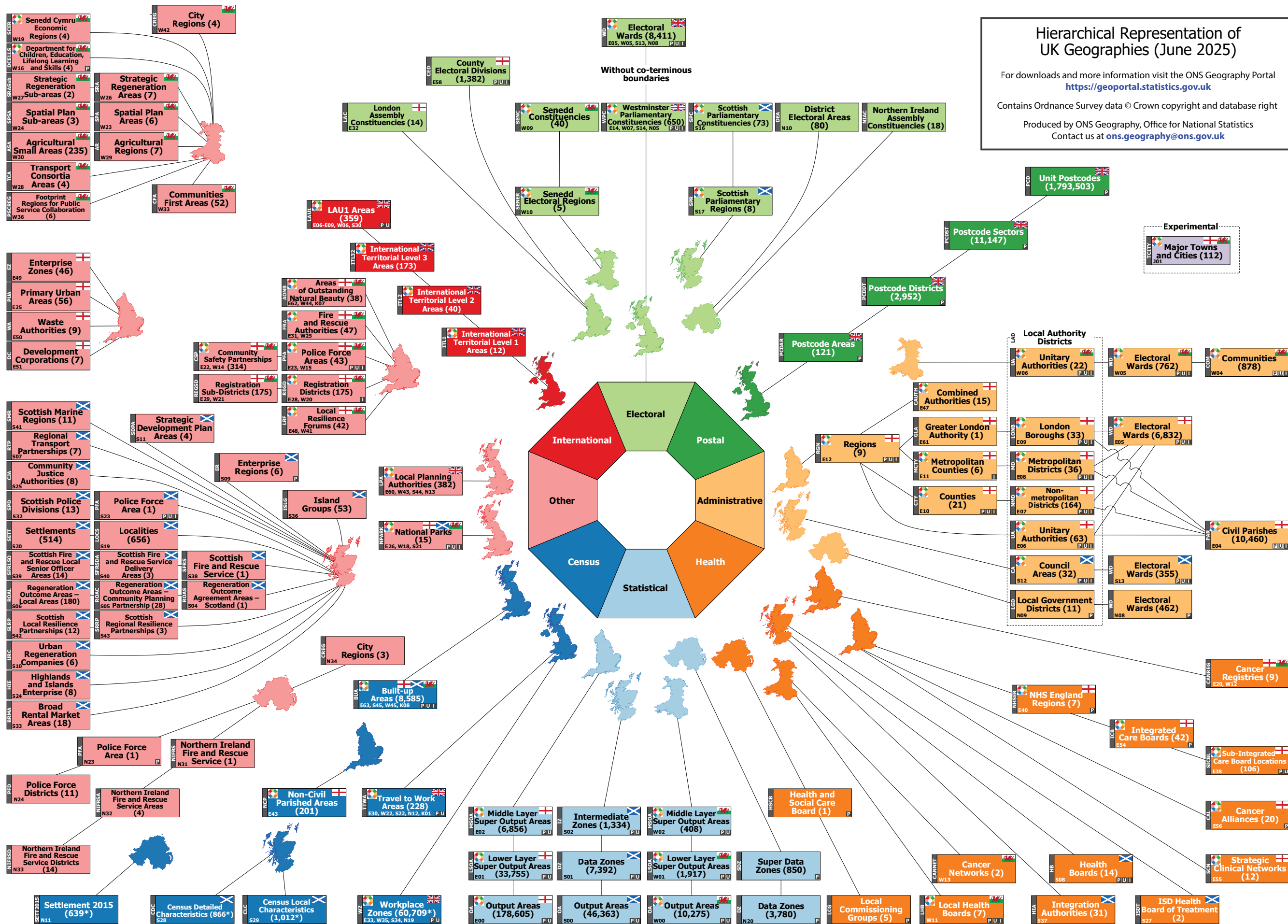




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Key

This diagram shows the geographies of the UK in a hierarchical way, divided into different geography types or groups. The main groups are shown in the central octagon, with geographies in each group colour-coded accordingly.

Geography Groups

- Census*
- Statistical
- Health
- Administrative
- Postal
- Electoral
- International
- Other
- Experimental

* The 2011 Census count is shown where the 2021 count is not yet available.

Higher level geographies are shown towards the centre of the diagram, with increased granularity moving down the hierarchy or away from the central octagon.

Some geographies are UK-wide, while others are specific to individual nations or groups of nations.



Where applicable, GSS entity codes are shown for each geography. A full list of these can be found in the Register of Geographic Codes (RGC).

Geography Entity Code

- E England
- S Scotland
- W Wales
- N Northern Ireland
- K Cross-border Instance
- J Experimental

Digital boundaries are available for many geographies and can be downloaded freely from the Open Geography portal at <https://geoportal.statistics.gov.uk>

These are shown with this symbol

Geographies referenced on postcode and UPRN lookups and directories, and on the Index of Place Names, are marked with these symbols

- NSPL and ONSPD
- ONSPD
- NSUL and ONSUD
- ONSUD
- IPN

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