**Sunderland Association Football Club** is an English professional [football](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Association_football) club based in [Sunderland](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sunderland,_Tyne_and_Wear) that plays in the [Premier League](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Premier_League). Since its formation in 1879,[[3]](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sunderland_A.F.C.#cite_note-3) the club has won six [First Division](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Football_League_First_Division) titles—in 1892, 1893, 1895, 1902, 1913, and 1936, the [FA Cup](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/FA_Cup) twice, in 1937 and 1973 and the FA Community Shield in 1936. They were also [Football League Cup](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Football_League_Cup) finalists in 1985 and 2014.

Sunderland won their first [FA Cup](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/FA_Cup) in 1937 with a 3–1 victory over [Preston North End](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Preston_North_End_F.C.), and remained in the top league for 68 successive seasons until they were relegated for the first time in 1958. Sunderland's most notable trophy after the Second World War was their second FA Cup in 1973, when the club secured a 1–0 victory over [Leeds United](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leeds_United_A.F.C.). The team has won the [second tier](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Football_League_First_Division) title five times in that period and the [third tier](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Football_League_Second_Division) title once.

Sunderland play their home games at the 48,707 capacity [all-seater](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/All-seater_stadium) [Stadium of Light](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stadium_of_Light) having moved from [Roker Park](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Roker_Park) in 1997.The original ground capacity was 42,000 which was increased to 49,000 following expansion in 2000. Sunderland have a long-standing rivalry with their neighbouring club [Newcastle United](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Newcastle_United_F.C.), with whom they have contested the [Tyne–Wear derby](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tyne%E2%80%93Wear_derby) since 1898. Since their establishment in the [Premier League](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Premier_League) in 2007, Sunderland have became one of the world's wealthiest football brands, being valued at USD $93 million in 2014, 31st in the world overall[[4]](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sunderland_A.F.C.#cite_note-4)[[5]](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sunderland_A.F.C.#cite_note-5)