

The Netherlands (Dutch: Nederland [ˈneːdərlɑnt]), informally Holland,^{[13][14][15]} is a country located in Europe with overseas territories in the Caribbean. It is the largest of the four constituent countries of the Kingdom of the Netherlands.^[16] The Netherlands consists of twelve provinces; it borders Germany to the east and Belgium to the south, with a North Sea coastline to the north and west. It has a border with France on the split island of Saint Martin in the Caribbean. It shares maritime borders with the United Kingdom, Germany, and Belgium.^[17] The official language is Dutch, with West Frisian as a secondary official language in the province of Friesland.^[1] Dutch, English, and Papiamentu are official in the Caribbean territories.