



# List of Premier League clubs

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The following is a **list of clubs who have played in the Premier League** since its formation in 1992 to the current season. All statistics here refer to time in the Premier League only, with the exception of 'Most Recent Finish' (which refers to all levels of play) and 'Last Promotion' (which refers to the club's last promotion from the second tier of English football). For the 'Top Scorer' column, those in **bold** still play in the Premier League for the club shown. Premier League teams playing in the 2018–19 season are indicated in **bold**, while founding members of the Premier League are shown in *italics*. If the longest spell is the current spell, this is shown in **bold**, and if the highest finish is that of the most recent season, then this is also shown in **bold**.


As of the 2018–19 season, 49 teams have played in the Premier League. [Preston North End](#) are the only former top-flight First Division champions that have never played in the Premier League,<sup>[1]</sup> and are among sixteen clubs who have played in the old First Division but not in the Premier League. By contrast, [Barnsley](#), [Bournemouth](#), [Hull City](#), [Reading](#), [Swindon Town](#), and [Wigan Athletic](#) never played in the old First Division before being promoted to the Premier League.


Nine of the twenty-two founder members of the Premier League are competing in the 2018–19 season. Six ([Arsenal](#), [Chelsea](#), [Everton](#), [Liverpool](#), [Manchester United](#), and [Tottenham Hotspur](#)) have contested every season of the Premier League. Three ([Crystal Palace](#), [Manchester City](#), and [Southampton](#)) were also founder members, though each team has been relegated at least once in the past.

As of the 2018-19 season, three clubs, [Bournemouth](#), [Brighton & Hove Albion](#) and [Huddersfield Town](#), are not founding members of the Premier League, but have never been relegated since their debut in the Premier League.

Two clubs, Cardiff City and Swansea City, are located in Wales but play in the English football league system for practical and historical reasons.

## Table

Club	Location	Total seasons	Total spells	Longest spell	Most recent promotion	Most recent relegation	Total seasons absent	Seasons	Most recent finish	Highest finish	Top scorer
<u><b>Arsenal</b></u>	<u>London</u> ( <u>Highbury</u> )	27	1	<b>27</b>	<u>1914–15</u> <sup>[2]</sup>	Never relegated	0	<b>1992–</b>	6th	1st	<u>Thierry Henry</u> (175)
<u>Aston Villa</u>	<u>Birmingham</u> ( <u>Aston</u> )	24	1	24	<u>1987–88</u>	<u>2015–16</u>	3	1992–2016	<u>Championship 4th</u>	2nd	<u>Gabriel Agbonlahor</u> (73)
<u>Barnsley</u>	<u>Barnsley</u>	1	1	1	<u>1996–97</u>	<u>1997–98</u>	26	1997–1998	<u>Championship 22nd (relegated)</u>	19th ( <i>relegated</i> )	<u>Neil Redfearn</u> (10)
<u>Birmingham City</u>	<u>Birmingham</u> ( <u>Bordesley</u> )	7	3	4	<u>2008–09</u>	<u>2010–11</u>	20	2002–2006 2007–2008 2009–2011	<u>Championship 19th</u>	9th	<u>Mikael Forssell</u> (29)
<u>Blackburn Rovers</u>	<u>Blackburn</u>	18	2	11	<u>2000–01</u>	<u>2011–12</u>	9	1992–1999 2001–2012	<u>League One 2nd (promoted)</u>	1st	<u>Alan Shearer</u> (112)
<u>Blackpool</u>	<u>Blackpool</u>	1	1	1	<u>2009–10</u>	<u>2010–11</u>	26	2010–2011	<u>League One 12th</u>	19th ( <i>relegated</i> )	<u>DJ Campbell</u> (13)
<u>Bolton Wanderers</u>	<u>Bolton</u> ( <u>Horwich</u> )	13	3	11	<u>2000–01</u>	<u>2011–12</u>	14	1995–1996 1997–1998 2001–2012	<u>Championship 21st</u>	6th	<u>Kevin Davies</u> (68)
<u>Bournemouth</u>	<u>Bournemouth</u> ( <u>Boscombe</u> )	4	1	<b>4</b>	<u>2014–15</u>	Never relegated	23	<b>2015–</b>	12th	9th	<b>Joshua King</b> (30)
<u>Bradford City</u>	<u>Bradford</u>	2	1	2	<u>1998–99</u>	<u>2000–01</u>	25	1999–2001	<u>League One 11th</u>	17th	<u>Dean Windass</u> (13)
<u>Brighton &amp; Hove Albion</u>	<u>Brighton</u> ( <u>Falmer</u> )	2	1	<b>2</b>	<u>2016–17</u>	Never relegated	25	<b>2017–</b>	15th	<b>15th</b>	<b>Glenn Murray</b> (12)
<u>Burnley</u>	<u>Burnley</u>	5	3	<b>3</b>	<u>2015–16</u>	<u>2014–15</u>	22	2009–2010 2014–2015 <b>2016–</b>	7th	<b>7th</b>	<b>Ashley Barnes</b> (20)
<u>Cardiff City</u>	 <u>Cardiff</u>	2	2	1	<u>2017–18</u>	<u>2013–14</u>	25	2013–2014 <b>2018–</b>	<u>Championship 2nd (promoted)</u>	20th ( <i>relegated</i> )	<u>Jordon Mutch</u> (7)
<u>Charlton Athletic</u>	<u>London</u> ( <u>Charlton</u> )	8	2	7	<u>1999–2000</u>	<u>2006–07</u>	19	1998–1999 2000–2007	<u>League One 6th</u>	7th	<u>Jason Euell</u> (34)
<u><b>Chelsea</b></u>	<u>London</u> ( <u>Fulham</u> )	27	1	<b>27</b>	<u>1988–89</u>	Never relegated	0	<b>1992–</b>	5th	1st	<u>Frank Lampard</u> (147)
<u>Coventry City</u>	<u>Coventry</u>	9	1	9	<u>1966–67</u>	<u>2000–01</u>	18	1992–2001	<u>League Two 6th (promoted)</u>	11th	<u>Dion Dublin</u> (61)
<u><b>Crystal Palace</b></u>	<u>London</u> ( <u>Selhurst</u> )	10	5	<b>6</b>	<u>2012–13</u>	<u>2004–05</u>	17	1992–1993 1994–1995 1997–1998 2004–2005 <b>2013–</b>	11th	10th	<b>Wilfried Zaha</b> (24)
<u>Derby County</u>	<u>Derby</u>	7	2	6	<u>2006–07</u>	<u>2007–08</u>	20	1996–2002 2007–2008	<u>Championship 6th</u>	8th	<u>Dean Sturridge</u> (32)
<u><b>Everton</b></u>	<u>Liverpool</u> ( <u>Walton</u> )	27	1	<b>27</b>	<u>1953–54</u>	Never relegated	0	<b>1992–</b>	8th	4th	<u>Romelu Lukaku</u> (68)
<u>Fulham</u>	<u>London</u> ( <u>Fulham</u> )	14	2	13	<u>2017–18</u>	<u>2013–14</u>	13	2001–2014 <b>2018–</b>	<u>Championship 3rd (promoted)</u>	7th	<u>Clint Dempsey</u> (50)
<u>Huddersfield Town</u>	<u>Huddersfield</u>	2	1	<b>2</b>	<u>2016–17</u>	Never relegated	25	<b>2017–</b>	16th	<b>16th</b>	<b>Steve Mounie</b> (7)
<u>Hull City</u>	<u>Kingston upon Hull</u>	5	3	2	<u>2015–16</u>	<u>2016–17</u>	22	2008–2010 2013–2015 2016–2017	<u>Championship 18th</u>	16th	<u>Nikica Jelavić</u> (12)
<u>Ipswich Town</u>	<u>Ipswich</u>	5	2	3	<u>1999–2000</u>	<u>2001–02</u>	22	1992–1995 2000–2002	<u>Championship 12th</u>	5th	<u>Marcus Stewart</u> (25)
<u>Leeds United</u>	<u>Leeds</u>	12	1	12	<u>1989–90</u>	<u>2003–04</u>	15	1992–2004	<u>Championship 13th</u>	3rd	<u>Mark Viduka</u> (59)
<u>Leicester City</u>	<u>Leicester</u>	13	4	6	<u>2013–14</u>	<u>2003–04</u>	14	1994–1995 1996–2002 2003–2004 <b>2014–</b>	9th	1st	<b>Jamie Vardy</b> (62)

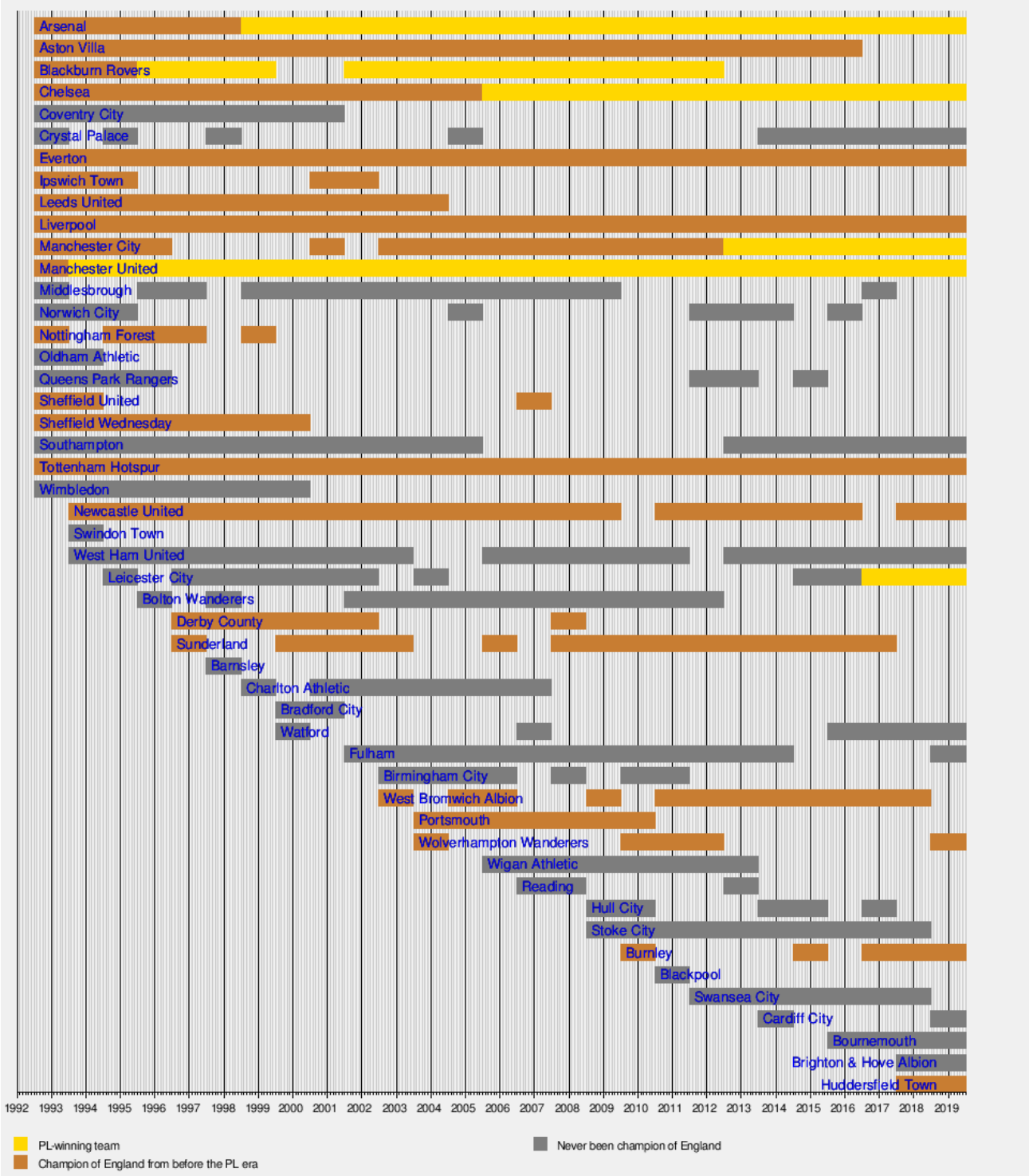
Club	Location	Total seasons	Total spells	Longest spell	Most recent promotion	Most recent relegation	Total seasons absent	Seasons	Most recent finish	Highest finish	Top scorer
<i><b>Liverpool</b></i>	<u>Liverpool (Anfield)</u>	27	1	<b>27</b>	<u>1961–62</u>	Never relegated	0	<b>1992–</b>	4th	2nd	Robbie Fowler (128)
<i><b>Manchester City</b></i>	<u>Manchester</u>	22	3	<b>16</b>	<u>2001–02</u>	<u>2000–01</u>	5	1992–1996 2000–2001 <b>2002–</b>	1st	1st	<b>Sergio Agüero</b> (143)
<i><b>Manchester United</b></i>	<u>Stretford</u>	27	1	<b>27</b>	<u>1974–75</u>	Never relegated	0	<b>1992–</b>	2nd	1st	Wayne Rooney (183)
<i>Middlesbrough</i>	<u>Middlesbrough</u>	15	4	11	<u>2015–16</u>	<u>2016–17</u>	12	1992–1993 1995–1997 1998–2009 2016–2017	<u>Championship 5th</u>	7th	Hamilton Ricard (31)
<i><b>Newcastle United</b></i>	<u>Newcastle upon Tyne</u>	24	3	16	<u>2016–17</u>	<u>2015–16</u>	3	1993–2009 2010–2016 <b>2017–</b>	10th	2nd	Alan Shearer (148)
<i>Norwich City</i>	<u>Norwich</u>	8	4	3	<u>2014–15</u>	<u>2015–16</u>	19	1992–1995 2004–2005 2011–2014 2015–2016	<u>Championship 14th</u>	3rd	Chris Sutton (33)
<i>Nottingham Forest</i>	<u>Nottingham (West Bridgford)</u>	5	3	3	<u>1997–98</u>	<u>1998–99</u>	22	1992–1993 1994–1997 1998–1999	<u>Championship 17th</u>	3rd	Bryan Roy (24)
<i>Oldham Athletic</i>	<u>Oldham</u>	2	1	2	<u>1990–91</u>	<u>1993–94</u>	25	1992–1994	<u>League One 21st (relegated)</u>	19th	Graeme Sharp (16)
<u>Portsmouth</u>	<u>Portsmouth</u>	7	1	7	<u>2002–03</u>	<u>2009–10</u>	20	2003–2010	<u>League One 8th</u>	8th	Yakubu (28)
<i>Queens Park Rangers</i>	<u>London (Shepherd's Bush)</u>	7	3	4	<u>2013–14</u>	<u>2014–15</u>	20	1992–1996 2011–2013 2014–2015	<u>Championship 16th</u>	5th	Les Ferdinand (60)
<u>Reading</u>	<u>Reading</u>	3	2	2	<u>2011–12</u>	<u>2012–13</u>	24	2006–2008 2012–2013	<u>Championship 20th</u>	8th	Kevin Doyle (19)
<i>Sheffield United</i>	<u>Sheffield (Highfield)</u>	3	2	2	<u>2005–06</u>	<u>2006–07</u>	24	1992–1994 2006–2007	<u>Championship 10th</u>	14th	Brian Deane (15)
<i>Sheffield Wednesday</i>	<u>Sheffield (Owlerton)</u>	8	1	8	<u>1990–91</u>	<u>1999–2000</u>	19	1992–2000	<u>Championship 15th</u>	7th	Mark Bright (48)
<i><b>Southampton</b></i>	<u>Southampton</u>	20	2	13	<u>2011–12</u>	<u>2004–05</u>	7	1992–2005 <b>2012–</b>	17th	6th	Matt Le Tissier (100)
<u>Stoke City</u>	<u>Stoke-on-Trent (Stoke)</u>	10	1	10	<u>2007–08</u>	<u>2017–18</u>	17	2008–2018	19th (relegated)	9th	<b>Peter Crouch</b> (45)
<u>Sunderland</u>	<u>Sunderland</u>	16	4	10	<u>2006–07</u>	<u>2016–17</u>	11	1996–1997 1999–2003 2005–2006 2007–2017	<u>Championship 24th (relegated)</u>	7th	Kevin Phillips (61)
<u>Swansea City</u>	 <u>Swansea</u>	7	1	7	<u>2010–11</u>	<u>2017–18</u>	20	2011–2018	18th (relegated)	8th	Gylfi Sigurðsson (34)
<u>Swindon Town</u>	<u>Swindon</u>	1	1	1	<u>1992–93</u>	<u>1993–94</u>	26	1993–1994	<u>League Two 9th</u>	22nd (relegated)	Jan Åge Fjørtoft (12)
<i><b>Tottenham Hotspur</b></i>	<u>London (Tottenham)</u>	27	1	<b>27</b>	<u>1977–78</u>	Never relegated	0	<b>1992–</b>	3rd	2nd	<b>Harry Kane</b> (108)
<i><b>Watford</b></i>	<u>Watford</u>	6	3	<b>4</b>	<u>2014–15</u>	<u>2006–07</u>	21	1999–2000 2006–2007 <b>2015–</b>	14th	13th	<b>Troy Deeney</b> (28)
<i>West Bromwich Albion</i>	<u>West Bromwich</u>	12	4	8	<u>2009–10</u>	<u>2017–18</u>	15	2002–2003 2004–2006 2008–2009 2010–2018	20th (relegated)	8th	Peter Odemwingie (30)
<i><b>West Ham United</b></i>	<u>London (Stratford)</u>	23	3	10	<u>2011–12</u>	<u>2010–11</u>	4	1993–2003 2005–2011 <b>2012–</b>	13th	5th	Paolo Di Canio (47)
<u>Wigan Athletic</u>	<u>Wigan</u>	8	1	8	<u>2004–05</u>	<u>2012–13</u>	19	2005–2013	<u>League One 1st (promoted)</u>	10th	Hugo Rodallega (24)
<i>Wimbledon</i> <sup>[3]</sup>	<u>London (Wimbledon)</u> <sup>[4]</sup>	8	1	8	<u>1985–86</u>	<u>1999–2000</u>	19	1992–2000	Defunct (2003–04)	6th	Dean Holdsworth (58)
<i><b>Wolverhampton Wanderers</b></i>	<u>Wolverhampton</u>	5	3	3	<u>2017–18</u>	<u>2011–12</u>	22	2003–2004 2009–2012 <b>2018–</b>	<u>Championship 1st (promoted)</u>	15th	Steven Fletcher (22)

As of the 2006–07 season, former Premier League members were in all three divisions of the Football League for the first time following the relegation of Swindon Town to Football League Two and their promotion back to Football League One at the end of that season. Since then, other former Premier League clubs relegated to League Two have included Bradford City, Portsmouth, Blackpool, Coventry City and Oldham Athletic. To date no former Premier League club has been relegated to the National League.

Crystal Palace have had the most separate spells in the Premier League, with five; all but the latest lasted a single season. The club were relegated at the end of the inaugural 1992–93 season, but after winning the First Division Championship the following season, they returned to the Premier League for 1994–95 campaign. This was the only season when the Premier League had four relegation places, and Palace finished fourth from bottom to be relegated back to the First Division. At the end of the 1996–97 season, Palace once again gained promotion to the top flight (this time through the play-offs), only to be relegated the following season after finishing bottom. After winning the play-offs again in 2003–04, Palace were once again relegated back to the Championship the following season. They won the play-offs for the third time at the end of the 2012–13 season, and for the first time managed to avoid relegation the following season.

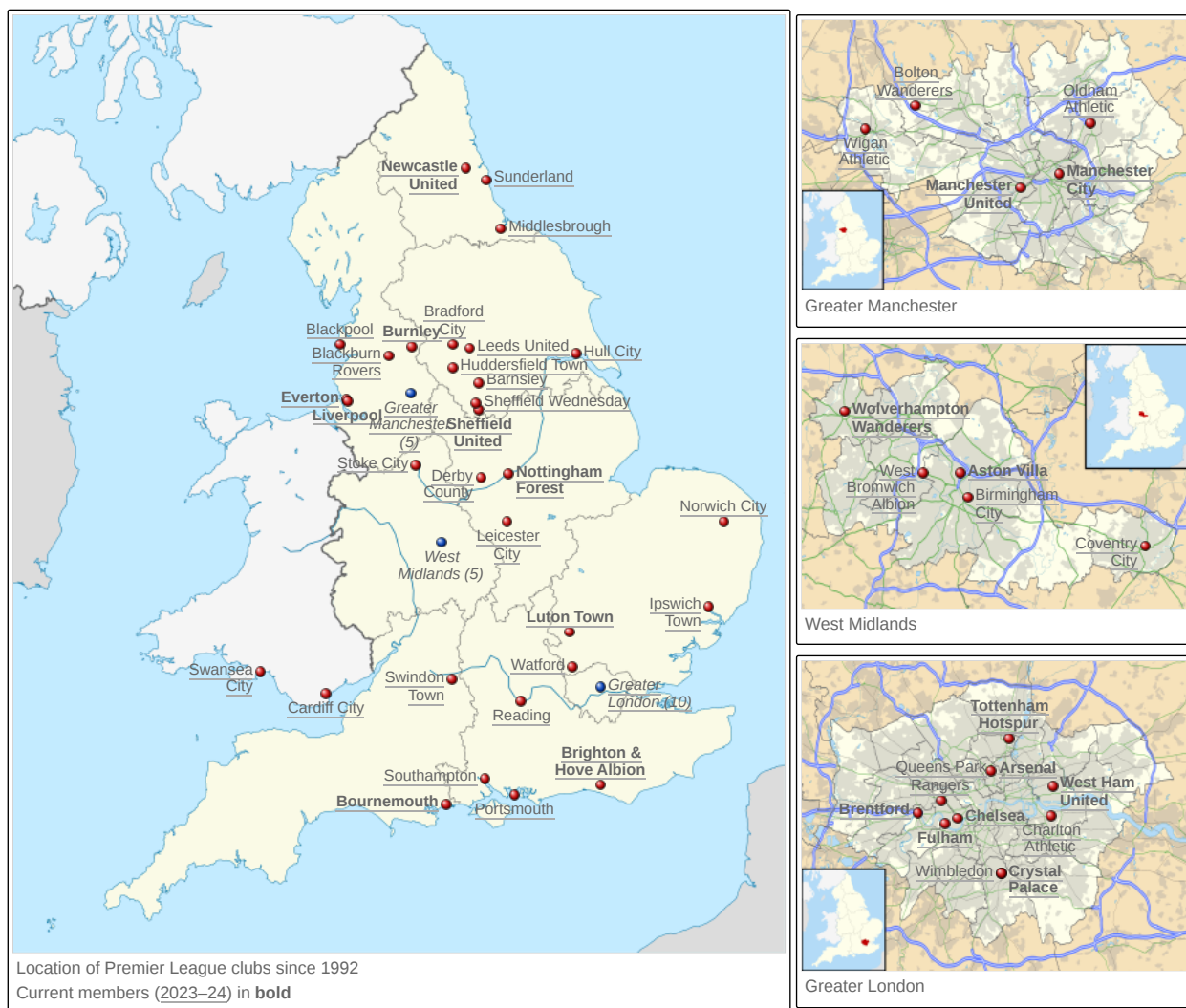
Both Luton Town and Notts County were in the top flight in 1991–92, and so took part in the original negotiations in 1991 that led to the formation of the Premier League, and both resigned their membership of The Football League along with the other 20 clubs in the top flight. However, both clubs were relegated that season and have not returned to the top flight since, with Luton even dropping to the National League. The third top-flight club relegated that season was West Ham United, who subsequently won promotion into the Premier League the following season.

Chart



Location of all clubs who have competed in the Premier League

Where a club has played at multiple locations, the current location is shown (if they are a current Premier League member), or the location played at during the most recent Premier League season they competed in (if they are currently in the lower divisions).



## Clubs who have competed in the top flight First Division, but not the Premier League

Club	Town or city	First Division titles	Total seasons	Last relegation	Current status (2018–19)	Level in pyramid
Accrington <sup>[5]</sup>	Accrington	–	5	1892–93	Defunct	–
Bradford Park Avenue <sup>[6]</sup>	Bradford (Horton Park)	–	3	1920–21	National League North	6
Brentford	London (Brentford)	–	5	1946–47	Championship	2
Bristol City	Bristol (Ashton Gate)	–	9	1979–80	Championship	2
Bury	Bury	–	22	1928–29	League Two	4
Carlisle United	Carlisle	–	1	1974–75	League Two	4
Darwen <sup>[7]</sup>	Darwen	–	2	1893–94	North West Counties Football League Division One North	10
Glossop North End	Glossop	–	1	1899–1900	Northern Premier League Division One North	8
Grimsby Town	Cleethorpes	–	12	1947–48	League Two	4
Leyton Orient	London (Leyton)	–	1	1962–63	National League	5
Luton Town	Luton	–	16	1991–92	League One	3
Millwall	London (New Cross)	–	2	1989–90	Championship	2
Northampton Town	Northampton	–	1	1965–66	League Two	4
Notts County	Nottingham	–	30	1991–92	League Two	4
Oxford United	Oxford	–	3	1987–88	League One	3
Preston North End	Preston	2	46	1960–61	Championship	2

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2. Arsenal finished 5th in Division Two in the 1914–15 season, but the Football League was then suspended until 1919–20 due to the First World War. After the war, Division One was expanded from 20 to 22 clubs and Arsenal was elected to the First Division for the 1919–20 season.
  3. Wimbledon relocated from London to Milton Keynes in 2003, and renamed themselves Milton Keynes Dons a year later.
  4. Throughout their time in the Premier League, Wimbledon played their home games at Selhurst Park, the home of Crystal Palace.
  5. The Accrington Stanley club competing today in League One, as well as its 1891 predecessor, are unrelated to the original Accrington club.
  6. The original Bradford Park Avenue A.F.C. went into liquidation in May 1974 and reformed as a Sunday league club. The club was refounded in 1988.
  7. The original Darwen F.C. was wound up in May 2009. A.F.C. Darwen was formed as a phoenix club the same month.
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