A State Visit is a formal visit to the UK by a Head of State from overseas, with the aim of strengthening diplomatic, professional and personal relations between the two countries. Planning for a State Visit is a coordinated effort between the Foreign and Commonwealth Office of the government and the Royal Household.

During her reign The Queen has welcomed 110 Heads of State on official State Visits. The first, in 1954, was King Gustaf VI Adolph of Sweden, while the most recent was the President of the United Mexican States, Señor Enrique Peña Nieto in March 2015.



The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh with King Gustaf VI and Queen Louise of Sweden in 1954



The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh with King Mahendra and Queen Ratna of Nepal in 1960



1 Afghanistan 1971

2 Austria 1966

3 Bahrain 1984

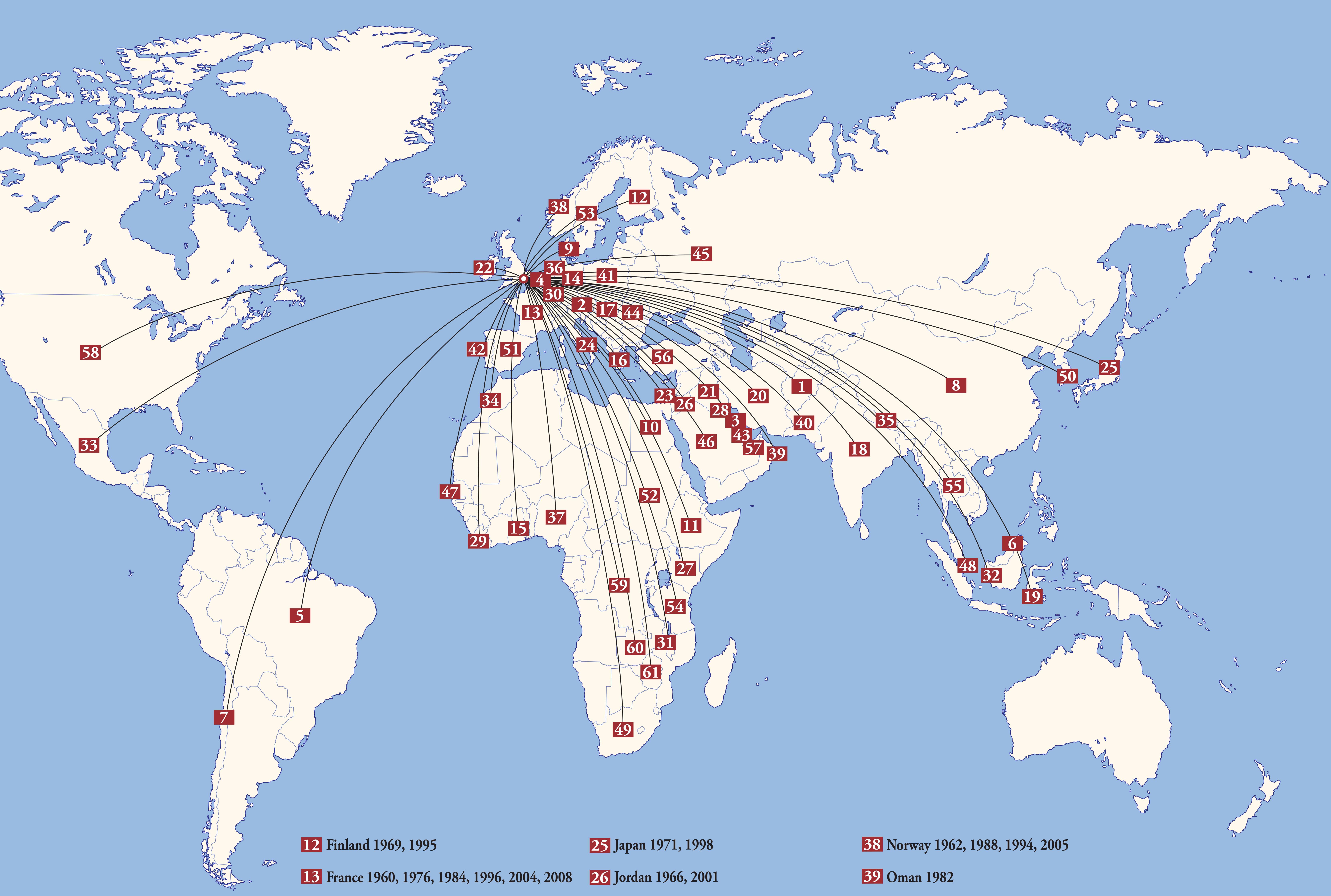
4 Belgium 1963

6 Brunei 1992

7 Chile 1965

5 Brazil 1976, 1997, 2006

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh with President and Madame Soeharto of Indonesia in 1979



Germany 1958, 1972, 1986, 1998	27 Kenya 1979
Ghana 2007	28 Kuwait 1995, 2012

29 Liberia 1962 16 Greece 1963 30 Luxembourg 1972 17 Hungary 1999 31 Malawi 1985 18 India 1963, 1990, 2009

19 Indonesia 1979, 2012 32 Malaysia 1974, 1993 33 Mexico 1973, 1985, 2009, 2015 20 Iran 1959

40 Pakistan 1966

51 Spain 1986 52 Sudan 1964 41 Poland 1991, 2004

53 Sweden 1954, 1975 42 Portugal 1955, 1978, 1993

54 Tanzania 1975 43 Qatar 1985, 2010 55 Thailand 1960 44 Romania 1978

56 Turkey 1967, 1988, 2011 45 Russia 2003 46 Saudi Arabia 1967, 1981, 1987, 2007 57 UAE 1989, 2013

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh with The Yang di-Pertuan Agong and The Raja Permaisuri Agong of Malaysia in 1993



The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh with President Mandela of South Africa and his daughter, Princess Zenani in 1996



The Ougan and the Duke of Edinburgh with The Precident of the United