

# COUNTRY LIST

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Defining what is a “radio country” has been a problem for radio listeners since the DX hobby began. The following list is not an attempt to impose a standard on those who DX NDBs – only those who would like to apply for award certificates or participate in “Coordinated Listening Events” (CLEs). The list allows the listener and the coordinators of these programs to “sing from the same page” when it comes to counting “countries”. Use of the country codes listed below will also simplify the job of processing CLE logs.

This list was developed to give listeners seeking certificates a reasonably large number of “targets” within each geographic area. This serves both those new to the hobby and those who have been listening for a long time. It is important to emphasize that this list does *not* imply approval of current political boundaries, nor does it take a position on unresolved territorial, cultural, political or other disputes.

The list treats each US state and Canadian province as a separate “radio country”. That differs from most other lists of this kind but seems appropriate, given the realities of the hobby and the vast size of the North American continent. The same is true of Australia, where each of its states is also considered a separate “country” for our purposes.

Only one country is divided between continents: Russia. The portion west of the Urals is considered part of Europe while that to the east is in Asia. Turkey also straddles the line separating the two continents, however all but a small part of it is in Asia and that is where it is listed.

Not all of the countries listed may have active NDBs. Country codes in blue are unofficial. Wherever possible, standard International Telecommunications Union (ITU) three-letter country codes have been used. In cases in which these are not available, logical substitutes have been used (this includes several countries still using one-letter, pre-ITU codes (shown in brackets) as well as radio “countries” not recognized by the ITU ). Most of the unofficial codes used in this list are already very familiar to radio hobbyists.

Note that abbreviations for the Australian states have been kept to two letters rather than the three-letter postal abbreviations used by several. This was done to prevent problems processing CLE logs.

References: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ITU\\_letter\\_codes](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ITU_letter_codes)

Comments: [country-coordinator at beaconworld.org.uk](http://country-coordinator.beaconworld.org.uk) (replace ‘at’ with @)

# **NORTH AMERICA** (66)

**ALASKA** (US state)

**BERMUDA** (UK)

**CANADA:** (13)

- o Alberta (**AB**)
- o British Columbia (**BC**)
- o Manitoba (**MB**)
- o New Brunswick (**NB**)
- o Newfoundland & Labrador (**NL**)
- o Northwest Territories (**NT**)
- o Nova Scotia (**NS**)
- o Nunavut (**NU**)
- o Ontario (**ON**)
- o Prince Edward Island (**PE**)
- o Quebec (**QC**)
- o Saskatchewan (**SK**)
- o Yukon (**YT**)

**ST PIERRE ET MIQUELON** (France)

**GREENLAND:** (Denmark)

**USA:** (49 - Alaska & Hawaii counted separately)

- o Alabama (**AL**)
- o Arizona (**AZ**)
- o Arkansas (**AR**)
- o California (**CA**)
- o Colorado (**CO**)
- o Connecticut (**CT**)
- o Delaware (**DE**)
- o Florida (**FL**)
- o Georgia (**GA**)
- o Idaho (**ID**)
- o Illinois (**IL**)
- o Indiana (**IN**)
- o Iowa (**IA**)
- o Kansas (**KS**)
- o Kentucky (**KY**)
- o Louisiana (**LA**)
- o Maine (**ME**)
- o Maryland (**MD**)
- o Massachusetts (**MA**)
- o Michigan (**MI**)
- o Minnesota (**MN**)
- o Mississippi (**MS**)
- o Missouri (**MO**)
- o Montana (**MT**)
- o Nebraska (**NE**)
- o Nevada (**NV**)

**ITU**

**ALS**

**BER**

**CAN**

**SPM**

**GRL**

**USA**

## **NORTH AMERICA** ( USA CONTINUED)

- o New Hampshire (**NH**)
- o New Jersey (**NJ**)
- o New Mexico (**NM**)
- o New York (**NY**)
- o North Carolina (**NC**)
- o North Dakota (**ND**)
- o Ohio (**OH**)
- o Oklahoma (**OK**)
- o Oregon (**OR**)
- o Pennsylvania (**PA**)
- o Rhode Island (**RI**)
- o South Carolina (**SC**)
- o South Dakota (**SD**)
- o Tennessee (**TN**)
- o Texas (**TX**)
- o Utah (**UT**)
- o Vermont (**VT**)
- o Virginia (**VA**)
- o Washington (**WA**)
- o Washington/District of Columbia (**DC**)
- o West Virginia (**WV**)
- o Wisconsin (**WI**)
- o Wyoming (**WY**)

## **CENTRAL AMERICA/CARIBBEAN:** (35)

**ANGUILLA**  
**ANTIGUA & BARBUDA**  
**ARUBA**  
**BAHAMAS**  
**BARBADOS**  
**BELIZE**  
**CAYMAN ISLANDS**  
**COSTA RICA**  
**CUBA**  
**DOMINICA**  
**DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**  
**EL SALVADOR**  
**GRENADA**  
**GUADELOUPE**  
**GUATEMALA**  
**HAITI**  
**HONDURAS**  
**JAMAICA**  
**MARTINIQUE**  
**MEXICO**  
**MONTSERRAT**  
**NETHERLANDS ANTILLES**  
**NICARAGUA**

**AIA**  
**ATG**  
**ABW**  
**BAH**  
**BRB**  
**BLZ**  
**CYM**  
**CTR**  
**CUB**  
**DMA**  
**DOM**  
**SLV**  
**GRD**  
**GDL**  
**GTM**  
**HTI**  
**HND**  
**JMC**  
**MRT**  
**MEX**  
**MSR**  
**ATN**  
**NCG**

## CENTRAL AMERICA/CARIBBEAN (CONTINUED)

PANAMA	PNR
PUERTO RICO (US COMMONWEALTH)	PTR
SAN ANDRES & PROVIDENCIA (COLOMBIA)	SAP
ST BARTHELEMY	BAR
ST KITTS-NEVIS	SCN
ST LUCIA	LCA
ST VINCENT	VCT
SWAN ISLAND (ISLAS DEL CISNE)(HONDURAS)	SWN
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	TRD
TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS	TCA
VIRGIN ISLANDS (BRITISH)	VRG
VIRGIN ISLANDS (US)	VIR

## SOUTH AMERICA: (20)

ARGENTINA	ARG
BOLIVIA	BOL
BRAZIL	BRA (B)
CHILE	CHL
COLOMBIA	CLM
DESVENTURADOS (CHILE)	DES
ECUADOR	EQA
FALKLAND ISLANDS (UK)	FLK
FERNANDO DE NORONHA (BRAZIL)	FDN
FRENCH GUYANA (FRANCE)	GUF
GALAPAGOS (ECUADOR)	GAL
GUYANA	GUY
JUAN FERNANDEZ & ISLA ROBINSON CRUSOE (CHILE)	ROC
PARAGUAY	PRG
PERU	PRU
SAINTS PETER & PAUL ROCKS (BRAZIL)	PPR
SURINAME	SUR
TRINADADE MARTIN VAZ IS. (BRAZIL)	TMV
URUGUAY	URG
VENEZUELA	VEN

## EUROPE: (63)

ALBANIA	ALB
ANDORRA	AND
AUSTRIA	AUT
AZORES (PORTUGAL)	AZR
BEAR ISLAND / BJORNOYA (NORWAY)	BRI
BELARUS	BLR
BELGIUM	BEL
BALEARIC ISLANDS (SPAIN)	BAL
BOSNIA-HERCEGOVINA	BIH
BULGARIA	BUL
CORSICA (FRANCE)	COR
CROATIA	HRV
CZECH REPUBLIC	CZE

## EUROPE (CONTINUED)

DENMARK	DNK
ENGLAND (UK)	ENG
ESTONIA	EST
FAROE ISLANDS (DENMARK)	FRO
FINLAND	FIN
FRANCE	FRA (F)
GERMANY	DEU (D)
GIBRALTAR (UK)	GIB
GREECE	GRC
GUERNSEY (UK)	GSY
HUNGARY	HNG
ICELAND	ISL
IRELAND	IRL
ISLE OF MAN (UK)	IOM
ITALY	ITA (I)
JAN MAYEN (NORWAY)	JMY
JERSEY (UK)	JSY
KALINIGRAD (RUSSIA)	KAL
LATVIA	LVA
LIECHTENSTEIN	LIE
LITHUANIA	LTU
LUXEMBOURG	LUX
MACEDONIA	MKD
MALTA	MLT
MOLDOVA	MDA
MONACO	MCO
MONTENEGRO	MNE
NETHERLANDS	HOL
NORTHERN IRELAND (UK)	NIR
NORWAY	NOR
ORKNEY ISLANDS (UK)	ORK
POLAND	POL
PORTUGAL	POR
ROMANIA	ROU
RUSSIA (EUROPEAN)	RUS
SAN MARINO	SMR
SARDINIA (ITALY)	SAR
SCOTLAND (UK)	SCT
SERBIA	SRB
SHETLAND ISLANDS (UK)	SHE
SICILY (ITALY)	SCY
SLOVAKIA	SVK
SLOVENIA	SVN
SPAIN	ESP (E)
SVALBARD (NORWAY)	SVB
SWEDEN	SWE (S)
SWITZERLAND	SUI
UKRAINE	UKR
VATICAN STATE	CVA
WALES (UK)	WLS

## AFRICA: (68)

ALGERIA  
ANGOLA  
ASCENSION ISLAND (UK)  
BENIN  
BOTSWANA  
BURKINA FASO  
BURUNDI  
CABINDA (ANGOLA)  
CAMEROON  
CANARY ISLANDS (SPAIN)  
CAPE VERDE  
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC  
CEUTA (SPAIN)  
CHAD  
COMOROS  
CONGO-BRAZZAVILLE  
CONGO-KINSHASA  
DJIBOUTI  
EGYPT  
EQUATORIAL GUINEA  
ERITREA  
ETHIOPIA  
EUROPA ISLAND (FRANCE)  
GABON  
GAMBIA  
GHANA  
GLORIEUSE ISLAND  
GUINEA  
GUINEA-BISSAU  
IVORY COAST  
JUAN DE NOVA ISLAND  
KENYA  
LESOTHO  
LIBERIA  
LIBYA  
MADAGASCAR  
MADEIRA (PORTUGAL)  
MALAWI  
MALI  
MAURITANIA  
MAURITIUS  
MAYOTTE  
MELILLA (SPAIN)  
MOROCCO  
MOZAMBIQUE  
NAMIBIA  
NIGER  
NIGERIA  
REUNION  
RWANDA  
SAO TOME E PRINCIPE  
SENEGAL  
SEYCHELLES

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REU  
RRW  
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## AFRICA (CONTINUED)

SIERRA LEONE  
SOMALIA  
SOUTH AFRICA  
ST HELENA (UK)  
SUDAN  
SWAZILAND  
TANZANIA  
TOGO  
TRISTAN DA CUNHA (UK)  
TROMELIN ISLAND  
TUNISIA  
UGANDA  
WESTERN SAHARA  
ZAMBIA  
ZIMBABWE

SRL  
SOM  
AFS  
SHN  
SDN  
SWZ  
TZA  
TGO  
TRC  
TRO  
TUN  
UGA  
AOE  
ZMB  
ZWE

## ASIA: (60)

AFGHANISTAN  
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS (INDIA)  
ARMENIA  
AZERBAIJAN  
BAHRAIN  
BANGLADESH  
BHUTAN  
BRUNEI  
CAMBODIA  
CHINA (PRC)  
CHRISTMAS ISLAND (AUSTRALIA)  
COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS (AUSTRALIA)  
CYPRUS  
DIEGO GARCIA (BIOT) (UK)  
GEORGIA  
INDIA  
INDONESIA  
IRAN  
IRAQ  
ISRAEL  
JAPAN  
JORDAN  
KAZAKHSTAN  
KOREA, NORTH  
KOREA, SOUTH  
KUWAIT  
KIRGHIZISTAN  
LAOS  
LEBANON  
MALAYSIA  
MALDIVES  
MINAMI TORI SHIMA (JAPAN)  
MONGOLIA  
MYANMAR (BURMA)

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BRM

## ASIA (CONTINUED)

NAKHICHEVAN (AZERBAIJAN)	NAK
NEPAL	NPL
OGASAWARA (JAPAN)	OGA
OKINO TORI SHIMA (JAPAN)	OTS
OMAN	OMA
PAKISTAN	PAK
PHILIPPINES	PHL
QATAR	QAT
RUSSIA (EASTERN)	RSE
RYUKYU ISLANDS	RYI
SAUDI ARABIA	ARS
SINGAPORE	SNG
SPRATLEY ISLANDS	SPR
SRI LANKA	CLN
SYRIA	SYR
TAJIKISTAN	TJK
TAIWAN (ROC)	TWN
THAILAND	THA
TIMOR	TMP
TURKEY	TUR
TURKMENISTAN	TKM
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	UAE
UZBEKISTAN	UZB
VIETNAM	VTN
VOLCANO ISLANDS / IWO JIMA (JAPAN)	VOI
YEMEN	YEM

## OCEANIA: (49)

AUSTRAL ISLANDS (FRANCE)	AUI
AUSTRALIA (8) AUS	
o Australian Capital Territory (Canberra) (AT)	
o New South Wales (NW)	
o Northern Territory (NN)	
o Queensland (QD)	
o South Australia (SA)	
o Tasmania (TA)	
o Victoria (VI)	
o Western Australia (WE)	
CLIPPERTON (FRANCE)	CLI
COOK ISLANDS (NORTHERN)	CKH
COOK ISLANDS (SOUTHERN)	CKS
EASTER ISLAND (CHILE)	PAQ
FIJI	FJI
GUAM (US)	GUM
HAWAII (US STATE)	HWA
HOWLAND & BAKER ISLANDS	HWL
JARVIS	JAR
JOHNSTON ISLAND (US)	JON
KIRIBATI	KIR
LINE ISLANDS (NORTH)	LIN

## OCEANIA (CONTINUED)

LINE ISLANDS (SOUTH)	LIS
LORD HOWE ISLAND (AUSTRALIA)	LHI
MARQUESAS ISLANDS (FRANCE)	MAR
MARSHALL ISLANDS	MHL
MIDWAY ISLAND (US)	MDW
MICRONESIA	FSM
NAURU	NRU
NEW CALEDONIA (FRANCE)	NCL
NEW ZEALAND	NZL
NIUE ISLAND	NIU
NORFOLK ISLAND (AUSTRALIA)	NFK
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS (US)	MRA
PALAU	PLW
PALMYRA	PLM
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	PNG
PHOENIX ISLANDS	PHX
PITCAIRN ISLAND (UK)	PTC
SAMOA, AMERICAN (US)	SMA
SAMOA, WESTERN	SMO
SOCIETY ISLANDS (TAHITI) (FRANCE)	OCE
SOLOMON ISLANDS	SLM
TOKELAU	TKL
TONGA	TON
TUAMOTU ARCHIPELAGO (FRANCE)	TUA
TUVALU	TUV
VANUATU	VUT
WAKE ISLAND (US)	WAK
WALLIS ET FUTUNA (FRANCE)	WAL

## ANTARCTICA: (5)

ANTARCTICA MAINLAND	ATA
SOUTH GEORGIA (UK)	VPG
SOUTH ORKNEY IS. (UK)	VP0
SOUTH SANDWICH IS. (UK)	VPS
SOUTH SHETLAND IS. (UK)	VPH

## INTERNATIONAL WATERS: (7)

NOTE: This category covers artificial structures offshore (oil drilling platforms, ships, etc.) It does not include islands, either man-made or natural.

AFRICA	XOF
ASIA	XOA
CENTRAL AMERICA & CARIBBEAN	XOC
EUROPE	XOE
NORTH AMERICA	XON
OCEANIA	XOP
SOUTH AMERICA	XOS

## UNIDENTIFIED: (8)

AFRICA (PROBABLE LOCATION)	XUF
ASIA (PROBABLE LOCATION)	XUA
CENTRAL AMERICA & CARIBBEAN (PROBABLE LOCATION)	XUC
EUROPE (PROBABLE LOCATION)	XUE
NORTH AMERICA (PROBABLE LOCATION)	XUN
OCEANIA (PROBABLE LOCATION)	XUP
SOUTH AMERICA (PROBABLE LOCATION)	XUS
LOCATION UNKNOWN	XUU

### Revision History

#### Nov 7, 2005:

- Added contact email, references and revision date
- Added VOI and RYI to Asia
- Moved OGA, OTS and MTS to Asia
- Deleted SPO in South America due to lack of evidence
- Added PPR, FDN and TMV to South America
- Split Antarctica into Mainland and four island groups (ATA, VPG, VPO, VPS and VPH)

#### Oct 23, 2006:

- Serbia & Montenegro, new 'official' ITU codes SRB and MNE replaced the previous SER and MON