

Key Vocabulary

Climate: is like the weather, but over a long time.

Human features: things built by humans such as bridges and roads.

Physical features: natural objects such as mountains and rivers.

Population: how many people live in a particular place.

Terrain: a stretch of land, with regard to it's physical features (e.g. mountainous terrain, desert terrain).

Biome: a large region of Earth that has a certain climate and certain types of living things (e.g. tundra, forests, grasslands and deserts).



Locating Manchester and California on a map

We use the contents and index page to locate countries and cities.



Manchester



California

Maps and Atlases

A map is a two-dimensional (2D) drawing of an area. Maps help us to understand what places are like and how to plot routes.

An atlas is a book/collection of lots of maps. These can be used for directions or to study areas of the world.

Manchester and California in the World

There are seven continents and five major oceans in the world.

The equator is an invisible line dividing Earth in half and creating a Northern Hemisphere and a Southern Hemisphere.

California and Manchester are both located in the Northern Hemisphere.

California is a state in the USA, in North America. Manchester is a large city in England, in Europe.



Manchester vs California

	Manchester	California
Country, state, city or town?	City	State
Population	555,700	39.56 million
Size	1,276km ²	423,970km ²
Climate	Oceanic climate: it has cool summers and cool but not cold winters	Due to the various regions, California has a range of climates.