

La Marine de guerre anglaise

Au début de la guerre, selon les sources officielles publiées dans les revues militaires et navales, le *Nauticus*, le *Daily Book of Naval Officers*, le *Naval Yearbook* et autres ouvrages de références, la marine britannique comptait 638 navires.

Classification des navires par classe.

† = navires détruits pendant la guerre (jusqu'au 30 novembre 1914), définitivement mis hors service ou saisis dans des ports neutres.

I. Cuirassés : 24 (Allemagne : 17)

Agincourt – Ajax – Audacious † – Bellerophon – Benbow – Centurion – Collingwood – Colossus – Conqueror – Dreadnought – Emperor of India – Erin – Hercules – Iron Duke – King George V – Marlborough – Monarch – Neptune – Orion – Queen Elizabeth – St. Vincent – Superb – Temeraire – Vanguard – Warspite.

II. Navires de ligne : 40 (Allemagne : 22)

Africa – Agamemnon – Albemarle – Albion – Britannia – Bulwark † – Caesar – Canopus – Commonwealth – Cornwallis – Dominion – Duncan – Exmouth – Formidable – Glory – Goliath – Hannibal – Hibernia – Hindustan – Illustrious – Implacable – Irresistible – Jupiter – King Edward VII – London – Lord Nelson – Magnificent – Majestic – Mars – Ocean – Prince George – Prince of Wales – Queen – Russel – Swiftsure – Triumph – Venerable † – Vengeance – Victorious – Zeelandia.

III. Croiseurs cuirassés : 44 (Allemagne : 23)

Aboukir † – Achilles – Antrim – Argyll – Australia – Bacchante – Berwick – Black Prince – Carnarvon – Cochrane – Cornwall – Cressy † – Cumberland – Defence – Devonshire – Donegal – Drake – Duke of Edinburgh – Essex – Euryalus – Good Hope † – Hampshire – Hogue – † – Indefatigable – Indemitable – Inflexible – Invincible – Kent – King Alfred – Lancaster – Leviathan – Lion – Minotaur – Monmouth † – Natal – New Zealand – Princess Royal – Queen Mary – Roxburgh – Shannon – Suffolk – Tiger – Warrior †.

IV. Croiseurs rapides : 79 (Allemagne : 42)

Active – Adventure – Amethyst – Amphion † – Amphitrite – Argonaut – Arethusa † – Attentive – Aurora – Bellona – Birmingham – Blanche – Blonda – Boadicea – Bristol – Challenger – Chatham – Cordelia – Dartmouth – Diamond – Dido – Doris – Dublin – Encounter – Europa – Falmouth – Fearless – Foresight – Forward – Glasgow – Gloucester – Hermes † – Hightflyer – Hyacinth – Isis – Liverpool – Lowestoft – Melbourne – Newcastle – Niobe – Nottingham – Pathfinder † – Patrol – Pegasus † – Pelorus – Pioneer – Proserpine – Psyche – Pyramus – Sapphire – Sentinel – Skirmisher – Southampton – Sydney – Topaze – Undaunted – Vindictive – Weymouth – Yarmouth.

Croiseurs rapide obsolètes : 20 : Astraea – Charybdis – Crescent – Diana – Eclipse – Edgar – Endymion – Fox – Gibraltar – Grafton – Hawke † – Hermione – Juno – Minerva – Philomel – Royal Arthur – Sappho – Talbot – Theseus – Venus.

V. a) Croiseurs non protégés (9) – b) Croiseurs auxiliaires (28) – (Allemagne : 23)

a) : Algerine – Cadmus – Clio – Dryad † – Espiegle – Halcyon – Harrier – Husar – Odin.

b) : Adriatic – Alsatian – Aquitania – Britannic – Calgarian – Campania – Carmania – Caronia – Empress of Asia – Empress of Britain – Empress of Russia – Lusitania – Macedonia – Maloja – Malwa – Mantua – Marmora – Mauretania – Medina – Moldavia –

Mooltan – Morea – Oceanic † - Olympic – Royal Edward – Royal George – Victorian – Virginian.

VI. Destroyer lance-torpilles : 275 (Allemagne : 244)

Classe A : (9) : Conflict – Fervent – Lightning – Opposum – Porcupine – Ranger – Sunfish – Surly – Zephir.

Classe B : (10) : Albacore – Albatross – Angler – Arab – Avon – Bat – Bittern – Bonetta – Brazzen – Bullfinch.

Classe C : (10) : Cheerful – Coquette – Crane – Cygnet – Cynthia – Desperate – Dove – Earnest – Electra – Express.

Classe D : (42) : Fairy – Falcon † - Fame – Faron – Flirt – Flying-Fish – Gipsy – Greyhound – Griffon – Kangaroo – Kestrel – Leopard – Leven – Lively – Locust – Mallard – Mermaid – Myrmidon – Orwell – Osprey – Ostrich – Panther – Peterel – Quail – Racehorse – Recruit – Roebruck – Seal – Spiteful – Sprightly – Stag – Star – Success – Sylvia – Syren – Thorn – Trasher – Vigilant – Violet – Vixen – Vulture – Wolf.

Classe E : (35) : Arun – Boyne – Chelmer – Cherwell – Colne – Dee – Derwent – Doon – Eden – Erne – Ettrick – Exe – Foyle – Garry – Itchen – Jed – Kale – Kennet – Liffey – Moy – Ness – Nith – Ouse – Ribble – Rother – Stour – Swale – Test – Teviot – Ure – Usk – Velox – Waveney – Wear – Welland.

Classe F : (12) : Afridi – Amazone – Cossak – Crusade – Ghurka – Maori – Mohawk – Nubian – Saracen – Tartar – Viking – Zulu.

Classe G : (16) : Basilisk – Beagle – Bulldog – Foxhound – Grampus – Grasshopper – Harpy – Mosquito – Pincher – Raccoon – Rattlesnake – Renard – Savage – Scorpion – Scourge – Wolverine.

Classe H : (20) : Acorn – Alarm – Brisk – Cameleon – Comet – Goldfinch – Fury – Hope – Larne – Lyra – Martin – Minstrel – Nemesis – Nereide – Nymphe – Redpole – Rifleman – Ruby – Sheldrake – Staunch.

Classe J : (28) : Acheron – Archer – Ariel – Attack – Badger – Beaver – Defender – Derwent – Druid – Ferret – Firedrake – Forester – Goshawk – Hind – Hornet – Jackal – Lapwing – Lizard – Lurcher – Oak – Parramata – Phoenix – Sandfly – Swan – Tigress – Torrens – Warrego – Yarra.

Classe K : (20) : Acasta – Achates – Ambuscade – Ardent – Christopher – Crockatrice – Contest – Fortune – Garland – Hardy – Lynx – Midge – Owl – Paragon – Porpoise – Shark – Sparrowhawk – Spitfire – Unity – Victor.

Classe L : (20) : Landrail – Laforey – Laertes – Lark – Laverock – Lawford – Lance – Laurel † - Legion – Lennox – Leonidas – Liewellyn – Liberty † - Linnet – Lookout – Louis – Loyal – Lucifer – Lydiard – Lysander.

Classe M : (13) : Manly – Mansfield – Mastiff – Matchless – Meteor – Mentor – Minos – Miranda – Milne – Moorsom – Morris – Murrey – Myngs.

Bateaux Leaders de flotille : (3) : Broke – Faulkner – Swift.

VII. Sous-marins : 83 (Allemagne : 79)

Classe A : 8

Classe AE : 2 : AE 1 † et AE 2

Classe B : 10 : B1, B3 - B11

Classe C : 37 : C1 – C10, C12 – C18, C19 – 38

Classe D : 8 : D1 – D8 (D 5 †)

Classe E : 18 : E1 – E18 (E3 †)

VIII. Canonnières : 21 (Allemagne : 10)

Alert – Bramble – Britomart – Dwarf – Kinsha – Leda – Moorhen – Niger † - Nightingale – Robin – Sandpiper – Shearwater – Skipjack – Snipe – Spanker – Teal – Thistle – Torch – Widgen – Woodcock – Woodlark.

IX. Mouilleurs de mines : 7

Andromache – Apollo – Intrepid – Iphigenia – Latona – Naïad – Thetis.

Source : Georg Stehli