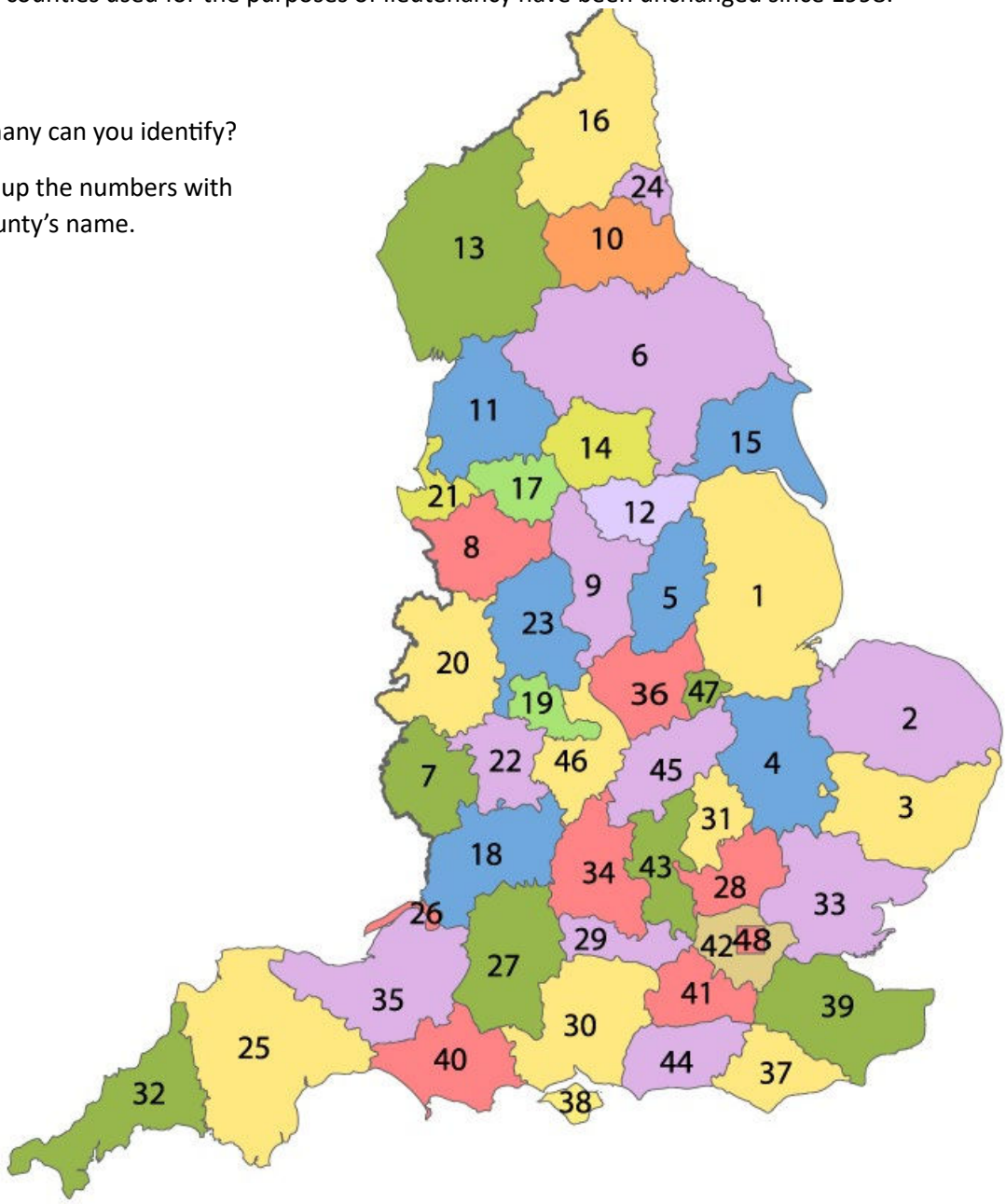
Counties of England

Counties of England are divided into 48 ceremonial counties, which are also known as geographic counties. Many of these counties have their basis in the 39 historic counties whose origins lie in antiquity, although some were established as recently as 1974. Since the most recent changes in 2023, England, outside Greater London and the Isles of Scilly, is divided into 84 metropolitan and non-metropolitan counties for local government purposes. The 48 ceremonial counties used for the purposes of lieutenancy have been unchanged since 1998.

How many can you identify?

Match up the numbers with the county's name.



31	Bedfordshire	10	County Durham	11	Lancashire	35	Somerset
29	Berkshire	15	East Riding of Yorkshire	36	Leicestershire	12	South Yorkshire
26	Bristol	37	East Sussex	1	Lincolnshire	23	Staffordshire
43	Buckinghamshire	33	Essex	21	Merseyside	3	Suffolk
4	Cambridgeshire	18	Gloucestershire	2	Norfolk	41	Surrey
8	Cheshire	42	Greater London	6	North Yorkshire	24	Tyne and Wear
48	City of London	17	Greater Manchester	45	Northamptonshire	46	Warwickshire
32	Cornwall	30	Hampshire	16	Northumberland	19	West Midlands
13	Cumbria	7	Herefordshire	5	Nottinghamshire	44	West Sussex
9	Derbyshire	28	Hertfordshire	34	Oxfordshire	14	West Yorkshire
25	Devon	38	Isle of Wight	47	Rutland	27	Wiltshire
40	Dorset	39	Kent	20	Shropshire	22	Worcestershire