

World's longest reigning monarchs

On February 6, Queen Elizabeth II marks 60 years on the throne, the second longest current reigning monarch behind only King Bhumibol of Thailand

1. King Bhumibol Adulyadej, Thailand.

Born 1927 *Enthroned Jun 9, 1946*

Reign (years) **66**

2. Queen Elizabeth II, UK, Canada, Australia, New Zealand

b1926 *Feb 6, 1952*

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3. Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah, Brunei

b1946 *Oct 5, 1967*

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4. Sultan Qaboos bin Said al Said, Oman

b1940 *Jul 23, 1970*

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5. Queen Margrethe II, Denmark

b1940 *Jan 14, 1972*

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6. King Carl XVI Gustaf, Sweden

b1946 *Sep 15, 1973*

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7. King Juan Carlos I, Spain

b1938 *Nov 22, 1975*

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8. Queen Beatrix, Netherlands

b1938 *Apr 30, 1980*

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9. King Mswati III, Swaziland

b1968 *Apr 25, 1986*

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10. Emperor Akihito, Japan

b1933 *Jan 7, 1989*

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