



Today in History

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▲ Lithuania became the 19th member of the Eurozone. It was the last of the three Baltic states to adopt the euro, after Estonia in 2011 and Latvia in 2014

1772: The first traveller's cheques, which could be used in 90 European cities, were issued in London, England

1901: The Commonwealth of Australia came into being

1995: Sudan gained independence from Egypt and the United Kingdom

2006: Russian gas giant Gazprom cut supplies to Ukraine after failing to reach agreement over a price increase; the shortage had a knock-on effect on EU countries