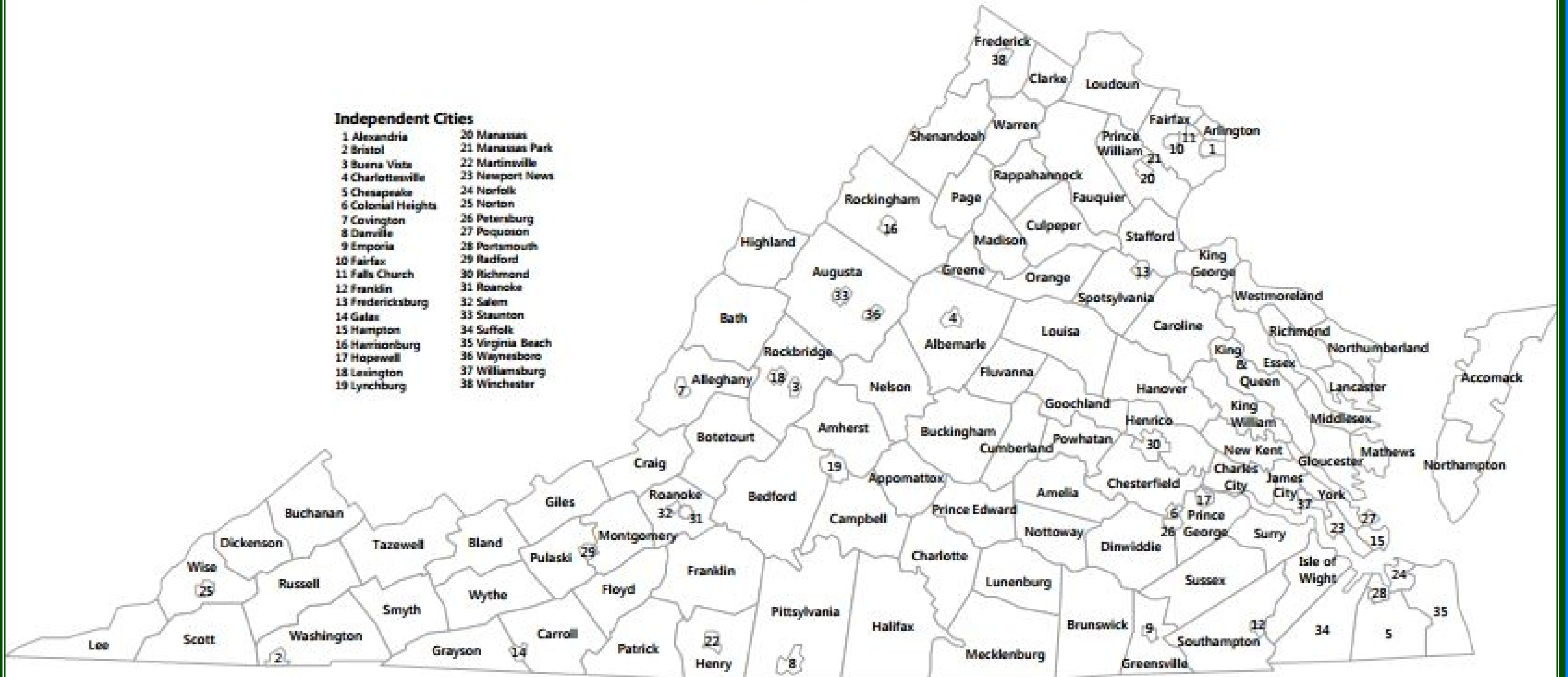


# Map of Virginia by Cities and Counties

## Independent Cities

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| 1 Alexandria       | 20 Manassas       |
| 2 Bristol          | 21 Manassas Park  |
| 3 Buena Vista      | 22 Martinsville   |
| 4 Charlottesville  | 23 Newport News   |
| 5 Chesapeake       | 24 Norfolk        |
| 6 Colonial Heights | 25 Norton         |
| 7 Covington        | 26 Petersburg     |
| 8 Danville         | 27 Poquoson       |
| 9 Emporia          | 28 Portsmouth     |
| 10 Fairfax         | 29 Radford        |
| 11 Falls Church    | 30 Richmond       |
| 12 Franklin        | 31 Roanoke        |
| 13 Fredericksburg  | 32 Salem          |
| 14 Galax           | 33 Staunton       |
| 15 Hampton         | 34 Suffolk        |
| 16 Harrisonburg    | 35 Virginia Beach |
| 17 Hopewell        | 36 Waynesboro     |
| 18 Lexington       | 37 Williamsburg   |
| 19 Lynchburg       | 38 Winchester     |



**Virginia county formation dates**

For Interactive Map of Virginia County Formation History, copy and paste: <http://www.mapofus.org/virginia/>

| COUNTY NAME     | DATE FORMED                                   | FORMED FROM  | SOURCE  | COMMENT  |
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| Accomac Shire-1 | 1634  | one of 8 original shires/ Northampton  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Accomack_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Accomack_County,_Virginia#History</a> |  |
| Albenarle       | 1744  | Goochland  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Albemarle_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Albemarle_County,_Virginia</a>               |  |
| Alleghany       | 5 Jan 1822                                    | Botetourt, Bath & Monroe (now WV)  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alleghany_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alleghany_County,_Virginia</a>               |  |
| Amelia          | 1734  | Prince George, Brunswick   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amelia_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amelia_County,_Virginia#History</a>     |  |
| Amherst         | 1761  | Albenarle  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amherst_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amherst_County,_Virginia#History</a>   |  |
| Appomattox      | 1845  | Buckingham, Prince Edward, Campbell and Charlotte counties. In 1848, another part from Campbell County | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Appomattox_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Appomattox_County,_Virginia</a>             |  |
| Arlington       | 1920  | was previously Alexandria Co after retroceded c1846, was Fx Co till c1789                              | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arlington_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arlington_County,_Virginia</a>               | Complicated -originally Fairfax Co, ceded to US for cap, retroceded to Va 1846, called Alexandria Co. Renamed Arl 1920   |
| Augusta         | 1738  | Orange   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Augusta_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Augusta_County,_Virginia</a>                   |  |
| Bath            | 14 Dec 1790                                   | Augusta, Botetourt, & Greenbrier (WV)  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bath_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bath_County,_Virginia</a>                         |  |
| Bedford         | 1753  | Lunenburg; Later in 1756, a portion of Albemarle County lying south of the James River was added.      | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bedford_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bedford_County,_Virginia#History</a>   | In 1782, Campbell County was formed from eastern Bedford County and the county seat was moved from New London to Liberty (now Bedford). Also in 1786, the portion of Bedford County south of the Staunton (Roanoke) River was taken with part of Henry County to form Franklin County. |
| Bland           | 30 Mar 1861                                   | Wythe, Tazewell, Giles   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bland_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bland_County,_Virginia</a>                       |  |
| Botetourt       | 1770  | Augusta  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Botetourt_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Botetourt_County,_Virginia</a>               |  |
| Bristol (City)  | 1890  | Goodson, Va  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bristol,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bristol,_Virginia</a>                                 | Complicated!!  |
| Brunswick       | 1720  | Prince George  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brunswick_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brunswick_County,_Virginia</a>               |  |
| Buchanan        | 1858  | Russell, Tazewell  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buchanan_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buchanan_County,_Virginia</a>                 |  |
| Buckingham      | 1 May 1761                                    | Albemarle  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buckingham_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buckingham_County,_Virginia</a>             |  |
| Buena Vista     | 1888 (name)<br>1890 (town)<br>15 Feb 1892city | Hart's Bottom, Green Forest, Green Valley  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buena_Vista,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buena_Vista,_Virginia</a>                         |  |
| Campbell        | 1782  | Bedford  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Campbell_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Campbell_County,_Virginia#History</a> |  |
| Caroline        | 1727  | Essex, King & Queen, King William  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Caroline_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Caroline_County,_Virginia</a>                 |  |

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| Carroll                                       | 1842                        | Grayson, & later Patrick   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carroll_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carroll_County,_Virginia</a>                                 |   |
| Charles City Shire–6                          | 1634                        | one of 8 original shires   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles_City_Shire">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles_City_Shire</a>   | now Charles City County   |
| Charles City                                  | 1619                        | Lndn Cpny as 1 of 4 boros  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles_City_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles_City_County,_Virginia</a>                       |   |
| Charlotte                                     | 1764                        | Lunenburg  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charlotte_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charlotte_County,_Virginia</a>                             |   |
| Charlottesville (city)                        | formed in 1762              | by an Act of Assembly of Albemarle Co.   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charlottesville,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charlottesville,_Virginia#History</a>               |   |
| Chesapeake (city)                             | 1963                        | ind city of South Norfolk consolidated w/ Norfolk County   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chesapeake,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chesapeake,_Virginia#History</a>                         |   |
| Chesterfield                                  | 1749                        | Henrico  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chesterfield_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chesterfield_County,_Virginia</a>                       |   |
| Clarke  | 1836                        | Frederick  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Clarke_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Clarke_County,_Virginia#History</a>                   |   |
| Craig   | 1851                        | Botetourt, Roanoke, Giles&Monroe,WV  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Craig_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Craig_County,_Virginia</a>                                     |   |
| Culpeper                                      | 1749                        | Orange   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Culpeper_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Culpeper_County,_Virginia</a>                               |   |
| Cumberland                                    | 1749                        | Goochland  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cumberland_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cumberland_County,_Virginia</a>                           | included Prince Edward,   |
| Danville                                      | 1890                        | 1830-town charter<br>1890 ind city in Pittsylvania   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Danville,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Danville,_Virginia</a>   |   |
| Dickenson                                     | 1880                        | Buchanan, Russell, & Wise  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dickenson_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dickenson_County,_Virginia</a>                             |   |
| Dinwiddie                                     | 1752                        | Prince George  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dinwiddie_County">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dinwiddie_County</a>   |   |
| Dunmore                                       | 24 Mar 1772-<br>12 Jan 1778 | Frederick  | <a href="https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Shenandoah_County,_Virginia_Genealogy">https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Shenandoah_County,_Virginia_Genealogy</a> | Prior to January 12, 1778, Shenandoah County was originally called Dunmore County |
| Elizabeth Cittie–A<br>Elizabeth City County–3 | 1619<br>1634-1952           | one of 4 orig boros<br>one of 8 original shires  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elizabeth_City_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elizabeth_City_County,_Virginia</a>                   | Original name was Elizabeth River Shire   |
| Emporia                                       | 1887<br>1967                | Hicksford (co seat of Freensville) & Belfield merged & new town was named Emporia in 1887<br>Chartered as ind city in 1967 | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Emporia,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Emporia,_Virginia#History</a>                               |   |
| Essex   | 1692                        | old Rappahannock County  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Essex_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Essex_County,_Virginia#History</a>                     |   |
| Fairfax                                       | 1742                        | Prince William   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fairfax_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fairfax_County,_Virginia</a>                                 |   |
| Fauquier                                      | 1 May 1759                  | Prince William   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fauquier_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fauquier_County,_Virginia</a>                               |   |
| Fincastle                                     | 1772                        | Botetourt  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fincastle_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fincastle_County,_Virginia</a>                             |   |
| Floyd   | 15 Jan 1831                 | Montgomery   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Floyd_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Floyd_County,_Virginia</a>                                     |   |

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| Fluvanna           | 1777                           | Albenarle   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fluvanna_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fluvanna_County,_Virginia#History</a> |  |
| Franklin           | 1785                           | Bedford, Henry  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Franklin_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Franklin_County,_Virginia</a>                 |  |
| Frederick          | 1743                           | Orange  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frederick_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frederick_County,_Virginia</a>               |  |
| Galax (city)       | 1906 (town)<br>6Dec 1953(city) | Carroll, Grayson  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Galax,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Galax,_Virginia#History</a>                     |  |
| Giles              | 1806                           | Montgomery, Tazewell, Wythe, & Monroe Co (WV)   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Giles_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Giles_County,_Virginia</a>                       |  |
| Gloucester         | 1651                           | York  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gloucester_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gloucester_County,_Virginia</a>             |  |
| Goochland          | 1728                           | Henrico shire   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Goochland_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Goochland_County,_Virginia</a>               |  |
| Grayson            | 1793                           | Wythe   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grayson_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grayson_County,_Virginia</a>                   |  |
| Greene             | 1838                           | Orange  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Greene_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Greene_County,_Virginia</a>                     |  |
| Greensville        | 1781                           | Brunswick County  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Greensville_County_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Greensville_County_Virginia</a>             |  |
| Halifax            | 1752                           | Lunenburg   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Halifax_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Halifax_County,_Virginia#History</a>   |  |
| Hampton            | 1849<br>1908                   | incorp as city<br>ind city from Elizabeth City Co   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hampton,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hampton,_Virginia#History</a>                 |  |
| Hanover            | 26 Nov 1719                    | New Kent  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hanover_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hanover_County,_Virginia#History</a>   |  |
| Henrico–4          | 1634                           | one of eight original shires  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henrico_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henrico_County,_Virginia</a>                   | The City of Richmond was officially part of Henrico County until 1842, when it became a fully independent city.[5]   |
| Henry              | 1777                           | Pittsylvania  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henry_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henry_County,_Virginia</a>                       | originally named Patrick Henry County. In 1785 the northern part of Patrick Henry County was combined with part of Bedford County to form Franklin County. In 1790, Patrick Henry County was split again: the western part became Patrick County and the rest remained Henry County. |
| Highland           | 1847                           | Bath, Pendleton WV  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Highland_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Highland_County,_Virginia</a>                 |  |
| Isle of Wight–8    | 1637 – one of 8 shires         | eight shires or counties with a total population of approximately 5,000 inhabitants. One of these was Warrosquyoake Shire, renamed Isle of Wight County in 1637, after the island off the south coast of England of the same name | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Isle_of_Wight_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Isle_of_Wight_County,_Virginia</a>       |  |
| James City Shire–7 | 1634                           | one of 8 original shires  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James_City_Shire">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James_City_Shire</a>                                   | now James City County  |
| James City County  | c1642-43                       | name changed from James City Shire  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James_City_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James_City_County,_Virginia</a>             |  |

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| King and Queen       | 1691                                    | New Kent   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/King_and_Queen_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/King_and_Queen_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| King George          | 1720                                    | Richmond County  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/King_George_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/King_George_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| King William         | 1702                                    | King and Queen   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/King_William_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/King_William_County,_Virginia</a>  | oldest crhouse in continuous use is USA   |
| Lancaster            | 1652                                    | Northumberland and York  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lancaster_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lancaster_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Lee                  | 1793                                    | Russell  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lee_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lee_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Loudoun              | 1757                                    | Fairfax  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Loudoun_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Loudoun_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Louisa               | 1742                                    | Hanover  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Louisa_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Louisa_County,_Virginia#History</a>  |   |
| Lunenburg            | 1 May 1746                              | Brunswick County   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lunenburg_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lunenburg_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Lynchburg            | 1757 founded<br>1786 became<br>ind city | Campbell   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Campbell_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Campbell_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Madison              | Dec 1792                                | Culpeper   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Madison_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Madison_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Manassas (city)      | 1873-town inc<br>1975- city inc         | Prince William   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Manassas,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Manassas,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Manassas Park (city) | 1957-town inc<br>1957-city inc          | Prince William   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Manassas_Park,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Manassas_Park,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Martinsville (city)  | 1928                                    | Henry County   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martinsville,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martinsville,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Mathews              | 1791                                    | Gloucester   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mathews_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mathews_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Mecklenburg          | 1 March 1765                            | Lunenburg  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mecklenburg_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mecklenburg_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Montgomery           | 1777                                    | Fincastle County   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Montgomery_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Montgomery_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Nelson               | 1807                                    | Amherst  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nelson_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nelson_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| New Norfolk          | 1636-1637                               | Elizabeth City Shire   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Norfolk_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Norfolk_County,_Virginia</a>  | 1637 New Nor div into<br>1- Upper Norfolk (soon renamed Nansemond)<br>2- Lower Norfolk  |
| New Kent             | 1654                                    | York   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Kent_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Kent_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Newport News (city)  | c1877<br>1896 ind city                  | Warwick County<br>During Reconstruction, the new City of Newport News was essentially founded by California merchant Collis P. Huntington. | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Newport_News,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Newport_News,_Virginia</a><br><a href="https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Newport_News_(Independent_City),_Virginia#History">https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Newport_News_(Independent_City),_Virginia#History</a> | In 1958, the citizenry of the cities of Warwick and Newport News voted by referendum to consolidate the two cities, choosing to assume the better-known name of Newport News. |
| Norfolk (city)       | 1705 inc as ???                         | Norfolk County   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Norfolk,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Norfolk,_Virginia</a>  |   |

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| Norfolk County              | 1691                           | Lower Norfolk County   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Norfolk_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Norfolk_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Northampton–1(Accomac Shire | 1634                           | one of 8 original shires   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Northampton_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Northampton_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Northumberland              | 1648                           | created by the Virginia General Assembly   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Northumberland_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Northumberland_County,_Virginia</a>  | Settlement began in this area of the Northern Neck around 1635. Originally known as the Indian district Chickacoan, the area was first referred to as Northumberland in the colonial records in 1644. |
| Norton (city)               | 1954                           | Wise County  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Norton,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Norton,_Virginia</a><br><a href="https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Norton_(Independent_City),_Virginia">https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Norton_(Independent_City),_Virginia</a>                 |   |
| Nottoway                    | 1788                           | Amelia County (Before the county established its own government, it was known as Nottoway Parish, a district of Amelia County  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nottoway_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nottoway_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Old Rappahannock            | 1656                           | Lancaster  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rappahannock_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rappahannock_County,_Virginia</a><br>Then click on clause "see Rappahannock County (1656), Virginia."  | Old Rappahannock became extinct in 1692, when it was divided to form Essex and Richmond counties.   |
| Orange                      | August 1734                    | Spotsylvania   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Orange_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Orange_County,_Virginia#History</a>  |   |
| Page                        | 1831                           | Shenandoah, Rockingham   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Page_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Page_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Patrick                     | 1791<br>26 Nov 1790            | Patrick Henry County<br>Henry County   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patrick_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patrick_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Patrick Henry               | 1776/7-1790                    | Pittsylvania   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patrick_Henry_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patrick_Henry_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Petersburg (City)           | 17 Dec 1748<br>16 Mar 1850     | Dinwiddie, Prince George, Chesterfield   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Petersburg,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Petersburg,_Virginia</a><br><a href="https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Petersburg_(Independent_City),_Virginia">https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Petersburg_(Independent_City),_Virginia</a> |   |
| Pittsylvania                | 1767                           | Halifax  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pittsylvania_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pittsylvania_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Poquoson (City)             | 1952-inc town<br>1975-ind city | York   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Poquoson,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Poquoson,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Portsmouth (city)           | 1752<br><br>1858               | established as a town in 1752 ;<br>independent city from <b>Norfolk County</b><br>in 1858. Portsmouth was the county seat of Norfolk County until 1963 when the new city of Chesapeake was formed in a political consolidation with city of South Norfolk. | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Portsmouth,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Portsmouth,_Virginia#History</a>  |   |
| Powhatan                    | 1777                           | Cumberland   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Powhatan_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Powhatan_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Prince Edward               | 1754                           | Amelia   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prince_Edward_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prince_Edward_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Prince George               | 1703                           | Charles City   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prince_George_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prince_George_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |

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| Prince William              | 1731   | wrn Stafford; king geo  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prince_William_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prince_William_County,_Virginia</a>  |  |
| Princess Anne               | 1691   | Lower Norfolk County  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Princess_Anne_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Princess_Anne_County,_Virginia</a>  |  |
| Radford                     | 1891-name cnj  | original name was Lovely Mount, Central City, English Ferry and Ingle's Ferry   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Radford,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Radford,_Virginia</a>  |  |
|                             | 1887   | Pulaski County  | <a href="https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Radford_(Independent_City),_Virginia">https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Radford_(Independent_City),_Virginia</a>  |  |
| Rappahannock[Old]           | 1656-1692  | Lancaster   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rappahannock_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rappahannock_County,_Virginia</a><br>Then click on clause "see Rappahannock County (1656), Virginia."  | Old Rappahannock became extinct in 1692 when it was divided to form Essex County and Richmond County, Virginia.    |
| Rappahannock                | 1833   | Culpeper  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rappahannock_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rappahannock_County,_Virginia</a>  |  |
| Richmond County             | 1692   | Old Rappahannock  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Richmond_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Richmond_County,_Virginia</a>  |  |
| Richmond (independent City) | 1842   | Henrico   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Richmond,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Richmond,_Virginia</a>  | The City of Richmond was officially part of Henrico County until 1842, when it became a fully independent city.[5] |
| Roanoke County              | 30 Mar 1838<br>1845  | Botetourt<br>Addl terr from Montgomery Co   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Roanoke_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Roanoke_County,_Virginia</a>  |  |
| Roanoke (city)              | 1852 Big Lick<br>1874 Big Lick<br>1882 Roanoke<br>1884 Roanoke | established<br>chartered<br>town<br>ind city  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Roanoke,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Roanoke,_Virginia</a><br><br><a href="https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Salem_(Independent_City),_Virginia#History">https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Salem_(Independent_City),_Virginia#History</a>           |  |
| Rockbridge                  | Oct 1777   | Augusta, Botetourt  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rockbridge_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rockbridge_County,_Virginia</a>  |  |
| Rockingham                  | 1778   | Augusta   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rockingham_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rockingham_County,_Virginia</a>  |  |
| Russell                     | 2 Jan 1786   | Washington  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Russell_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Russell_County,_Virginia#History</a>  |  |
| Salem (City)                | 1802<br>1806<br>31 Dec 1967                                    | officially founded from Roanoke County<br>received charter<br>officially became city  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Salem,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Salem,_Virginia</a>  | Salem annexed South Salem in 1953 and also an eastern tract in 1960  |
| Scott                       | 24 Nov 1814  | Lee, Russell, Washington  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Scott_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Scott_County,_Virginia</a>  |  |
| Shenandoah                  | 24 Mar 1772<br>12 Jan 1778                                     | named Dunmore from Frederick<br>renamed to Shenandoah   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shenandoah_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shenandoah_County,_Virginia</a><br><br><a href="https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Shenandoah_County,_Virginia_Genealogy">https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Shenandoah_County,_Virginia_Genealogy</a> |  |
| Smyth                       | 23 Feb 1832  | Washington, Wythe   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Smyth_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Smyth_County,_Virginia</a>  |  |
| Southampton                 | 1749   | Isle of Wight;<br>Later, part of Nansemond County, which is now the Independent City of Suffolk, was added to Southampton County. | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Southampton_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Southampton_County,_Virginia</a>  |  |
| Spotsylvania                | 1721   | Essex, King and Queen, King William   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spotsylvania_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spotsylvania_County,_Virginia</a>  |  |

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| Stafford              | 1664   | Westmoreland   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stafford_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stafford_County,_Virginia</a>   |   |
| Staunton (City)       | 1746<br>16 Jan 1908                                    | Beverley's Mill Place<br>Augusta County  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Staunton,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Staunton,_Virginia</a><br><a href="https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Staunton_(Independent_City),_Virginia">https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Staunton_(Independent_City),_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Suffolk (city)        | founded 1742<br>1808 incorptwn<br>1910 incorp city     | In 1910, it incorporated as a city and separated from Nansemond County. However, it remained the seat of Nansemond County until 1972, when N Co became ind city of Nansemond. In 1974, the independent cities of Suffolk and Nansemond merged under Suffolk's name and charter. Nansemond County | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Suffolk,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Suffolk,_Virginia#History</a>   |   |
| Surry                 | 1652   | James City County  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Surry_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Surry_County,_Virginia</a>   |   |
| Sussex                | 1754   | Surry County   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sussex_County,_Virginia#History">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sussex_County,_Virginia#History</a>   |   |
| Tazewell              |  |  |   |   |
| Upper Norfolk County  | 1637-1646  | Elizabeth City Shire<br>[or New Norfolk Co??]  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Upper_Norfolk_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Upper_Norfolk_County,_Virginia</a>   | Upper Norfolk County became Nansemond County in 1646.   |
| Virginia Beach        | 1906-inc town<br>1 Jan 1953-city                       | Princess Anne  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Virginia_Beach,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Virginia_Beach,_Virginia</a><br>Virginia Beach gained status as an independent city in 1952, although ties remained between it and Princess Anne County. In 1963, after voters in the two jurisdictions passed a supporting referendum, and with the approval of the Virginia General Assembly, the two political subdivisions were consolidated as a new, much larger independent city, retaining the better-known name of the Virginia Beach resort.[14] | Eliz Cittie 1619-A;<br>1634 shire-4<br>1637- called New Norfolk County<br>1638 New Nor div into<br>Upper Norfolk (soon renamed Nansemond<br>Lower Norfolk                     |
| Warren                | 1836   | Frederick, Shenandoah  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warren_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warren_County,_Virginia</a>   |   |
| Warrosquyoake Shire-8 | 1634   | one of 8 original shires   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warrosquyoake_Shire">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warrosquyoake_Shire</a>   | formed in 1634 & already known as "Warascoyack County."<br>Renamed Isle of Wight County in 1637.  |
| Warwick County        | 1643   | Warwick River Shire-5  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warwick_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warwick_County,_Virginia</a>   |   |
| Warwick City          | 1952-1958  | Warwick County   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warwick,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warwick,_Virginia</a>   | In 1958, the citizenry of the cities of Warwick and Newport News voted by referendum to consolidate the two cities, choosing to assume the better-known name of Newport News. |
| Warwick River Shire-5 | 1634   | one of 8 original shires   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warwick_River_Shire">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warwick_River_Shire</a>   | now Newport News  |
| Washington            | 1776   | Fincastle  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Washington_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Washington_County,_Virginia</a>   |   |
| Waynesboro            | 9 Jan 1801-twn<br>recogn<br>1834 -inc<br>1948-ind city | Augusta  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Waynesboro,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Waynesboro,_Virginia</a>   |   |



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| Westmoreland                 | 1653          | Nothumberland   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Westmoreland_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Westmoreland_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| Williamsburg (City)          | 1699-village  |   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Williamsburg,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Williamsburg,_Virginia</a>  |   |
|                              | 1722-city     | royal charter as a city<br>James City County, Charles River Shire<br>(which became York County) | <a href="https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Williamsburg_(Independent_City),_Virginia">https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Williamsburg_(Independent_City),_Virginia</a>  |   |
|                              | 1884-ind city |   |  |   |
| Wise                         | 1856          | Lee, Russell, Scott   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wise_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wise_County,_Virginia</a><br><a href="https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Wise_County,_Virginia_Genealogy#Parent_County">https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Wise_County,_Virginia_Genealogy#Parent_County</a> |   |
| Wythe                        | 1790          | Montgomery  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wythe_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wythe_County,_Virginia</a>  |   |
| York-2                       | 1619          | one of 4 "citties" (Elizabeth Cittie &<br>James Cittie)   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/York_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/York_County,_Virginia</a>  | In 1949, the county grew by 4 square miles (10 km2), as land in that amount was ceded to York County by neighboring Warwick County. |
|                              | 1634          | Charles River Shire<br>formerly Charles River County  |  |   |
|                              | 166_          | in Eng Civ War name changed to YorkCo   |  |   |
| York (Charles River Shire)-2 | 1634          | one of 8 original shires  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/York_County,_Virginia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/York_County,_Virginia</a>  | name changed in 1660s   |