FORMATION of VIRGINIA COUNTIES from 1634

( )→ Territory also taken from this county
{ } Independent city
WV West Virginia KY Kentucky

1

- Charles River 1634–1642 — York 1642/3
  - Gloucester 1651 — Mathews 1791
  - New Kent 1654
    - King and Queen 1691 — King William 1702
    - Hanover 1721 — Louisa 1742
- Accawmack 1634–1642/3 — Northampton 1642/3 — Accomack 1661/2
- (York) ↓ Northumberland 1645
  - Lancaster 1651
    - Rappahannock 1656–1692
      - Essex 1692
        - Caroline 1728 ↑ (King William, King and Queen) ↓ Spotsylvania 1721 — Orange 1734
        - Richmond 1692 — King George 1721
    - Middlesex 1669
  - Westmoreland 1653 — Stafford 1664 — Prince William 1731 ↑ (King George)
    - Fauquier 1759
      - Loudoun 1757
    - Fairfax 1742
      - *District of Columbia 1791–1846*
        - Alexandria 1847–1920 — Arlington 1920

2

- Warrosquyoake 1634–1637 — Isle of Wight 1637 — Southampton 1749
- Charles City 1634 — Prince George 1703
  - Brunswick 1732
    - Greensville 1781
    - Lunenburg 1746
      - Mecklenburg 1765
        - Halifax 1752 — Pittsylvania 1767 — Henry 1777 — Patrick 1791
        - Bedford 1754
          - Franklin 1786 ←
          - Campbell 1782
        - Charlotte 1765
  - Dinwiddie 1752
  - Amelia 1735 ↑ (Brunswick)
    - Nottoway 1789
    - Prince Edward 1754

3

- Warwick River 1634–1642 — Warwick 1642–1952 — {Became independent city of Warwick, 1952; annexed to city of Newport News, 1958}
- Henrico 1634
  - Goochland 1728
    - Albemarle 1744
      - Buckingham 1761 — Appomattox 1845 ↑ (Prince Edward, Charlotte, Campbell)
      - Amherst 1761 — Nelson 1808
      - Fluvanna 1777
    - Cumberland 1749 — Powhatan 1777
  - Chesterfield 1749
- James City 1634 — Surry 1652 — Sussex 1754

4

- Elizabeth City 1634–1952 — New Norfolk 1636–1637
  - Lower Norfolk 1637–1691
    - Norfolk 1691–1963 — {Chesapeake} 1963
    - Princess Anne 1691–1963 — {Virginia Beach} 1963
  - Upper Norfolk 1637–1646 — Nansemond 1646–1972 {city, 1972–1974} — {Suffolk} 1974
- {Elizabeth City County annexed to independent city of Hampton, 1952}

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A

- Culpeper 1749
  - Madison 1793
  - Rappahannock 1833
- Greene 1838
- Frederick 1743
  - Dunmore 1772–1778 — Shenandoah 1778 — (Frederick) ↓ Warren 1836
  - Clarke 1836
  - Berkeley 1772 WV
    - Jefferson 1801 WV
    - Morgan 1822 WV
- Augusta 1745
  - Hampshire 1754 WV ↑ (Frederick) — Hardy 1786 WV
  - Monongalia 1776 WV
    - Preston 1818 WV
    - Marion 1842 WV
    - Harrison 1784 WV
  - Yohogania 1776–1786
  - Ohio 1776 WV
    - Marshall 1835 WV
    - Tyler 1814 WV — Wetzel 1846 WV
    - Brooke 1797 WV — Hancock 1848 WV
  - Illinois 1778–1784 [ceded to U. S. government]
  - (Greenbrier) ↓ Bath 1791 ↑
    - (Monroe, Botetourt) ↓ Alleghany 1822
    - Pocahontas 1821 WV
  - Botetourt 1770
  - Rockingham 1778 ↓
    - Page 1831 ← (Shenandoah)
  - Pendleton 1788 WV ↑ (Hardy)
    - Highland 1847 ← (Bath)
  - Rockbridge 1778 ← (Botetourt)

B

- Taylor 1844 WV ← (Barbour, Marion)
- Doddridge 1845 WV
- Randolph 1787 WV
  - Tucker 1850 WV
  - Upshur 1851 WV ← (Barbour, Lewis)
- Barbour 1843 WV
- Lewis 1816 WV
  - (Kanawha) ↓ Gilmer 1845 WV — Calhoun 1858 WV
  - Braxton 1836 WV — Clay 1858 WV
    - (Nicholas)
- Richie 1843 WV
  - Pleasants 1851 WV ← (Tyler)
  - Wirt 1848 WV ← (Jackson)
- Wood 1798 WV
- (Montgomery) → Greenbrier 1778 WV
  - Kanawha 1789 WV
    - Mason 1804 WV — Jackson 1831 WV ↑ (Kanawha, Wood)
    - Putnam 1848 WV
    - Cabell 1809 WV — Wayne 1842 WV
    - Boone 1847 WV ← (Logan)
    - Roane 1856 WV ← (Jackson, Gilmer)
  - Monroe 1799 WV
  - Nicholas 1818 WV — Webster 1860 WV ← (Braxton, Randolph)
    - (Kanawha, Randolph)
- (Monroe, Giles) ↓ Craig 1851 ↑
  - Roanoke 1838
- Fincastle 1772–1777
  - Montgomery 1777
    - Floyd 1831
      - (Tazewell) ↓ Mercer 1837 WV
        - (Kanawha, Cabell) ↓ Logan 1824 WV
          - Wyoming 1850 WV
          - (Nicholas, Kanawha, Greenbrier) ↓ Fayette 1831 WV — Raleigh 1850 WV
        - (Tazewell) ↓ Bland 1824 ← (Wythe)
    - (Monroe) ↓ Giles 1806
    - Pulaski 1839
    - Wythe 1790
      - (Russell) → Tazewell 1800
        - Buchanan 1858
        - McDowell 1858 WV
      - Grayson 1793 — Carroll 1842
  - Washington 1777
    - Smyth 1832
    - Russell 1786
      - Dickenson 1880 ← (Buchanan, Wise)
      - Lee 1793
        - Wise 1856 ← (Scott, Russell)
        - Scott 1814 ← (Washington, Russell)
  - Kentucky 1777–1780
    - Fayette 1780 KY
      - Woodford 1789 KY
      - Bourbon 1786 KY — Mason 1789 KY
    - Lincoln 1780 KY
      - Madison 1786 KY
      - Mercer 1786 KY
    - Jefferson 1780 KY — Nelson 1785 KY

C

D

E

COUNTIES

Accawmack A–1
Accomack A–1
Albemarle A–3
Alexandria B–2
Alleghany C–2
Amelia A–3
Amherst B–3
Appomattox B–3
Arlington C–2
Augusta C–1
Barbour WV D–1
Bath C–3
Bedford B–3
Berkeley WV C–1
Bland E–3
Boone WV E–2
Botetourt C–3
Bourbon KY E–4
Braxton WV D–1
Brooke WV C–2
Brunswick A–2
Buchanan E–3
Buckingham B–3
Cabell WV E–2
Calhoun WV DE–1
Campbell B–3
Caroline B–1
Carroll E–3
Charles City A–2
Charles River A–1
Charlotte B–3
Chesterfield A–3
Clarke C–1
Clay D–1
Craig D–3
Culpeper C–1
Cumberland A–3
Dickenson E–4
Dinwiddie A–2
Doddridge WV D–1
Dunmore C–1
Elizabeth City A–4
Essex B–1
Fairfax B–2
Fauquier B–2
Fayette KY CD–4
Fayette WV E–3
Fincastle D–3
Floyd DE–3
Fluvanna B–3
Franklin B–2
Frederick C–1
Giles DE–3
Gilmer WV D–1
Gloucester A–1
Goochland A–3
Grayson E–3
Greenbrier WV D–2
Greene C–1
Greensville B–2
Halifax B–2
Hampshire WV C–1
Hancock WV D–2
Hanover A–1
Hardy WV C–1
Harrison WV D–2
Henrico A–3
Henry BC–2
Highland CD–3
Illinois C–2
Isle of Wight A–2
Jackson WV E–1
James City A–4
Jefferson KY E–4
Jefferson WV C–1
Kanawha WV D–2
Kentucky KY D–4
King & Queen AB–1
King George B–1
King William B–1
Lancaster A–1
Lee E–4
Lewis WV D–1
Lincoln KY DE–4
Logan WV E–3
Loudoun B–2
Louisa B–1
Lower Norfolk A–4
Lunenburg B–2
McDowell WV E–3
Madison KY E–4
Madison C–1
Marion WV D–1
Marshall WV C–2
Mason KY E–4
Mason WV E–1
Mathews A–1
Mecklenburg B–2
Mercer KY E–4
Mercer WV E–3
Middlesex A–2
Monongalia WV C–2
Monroe WV D–2
Montgomery D–3
Morgan WV C–1
Nansemond B–4
Nelson B–3
Nelson KY E–4
New Kent A–1
New Norfolk A–4
Nicholas WV D–2
Norfolk B–4
Northampton A–1
Northumberland A–2
Nottoway B–3
Ohio WV C–2
Orange B–1
Page C–3
Patrick C–2
Pendleton WV C–3
Pittsylvania B–2
Pleasants WV D–2
Pocahontas WV C–3
Powhatan B–3
Preston WV D–1
Prince Edward B–3
Prince George A–2
Prince William B–2
Princess Anne B–4
Pulaski DE–3
Putnam WV E–2
Raleigh WV E–3
Randolph WV D–1
Rappahannock A–1
Rappahannock C–1
Richmond B–1
Ritchie WV D–2
Roane WV E–2
Roanoke D–3
Rockbridge C–3
Rockingham C–3
Russell DE–4
Scott E–4
Shenandoah C–1
Smyth DE–4
Southampton AB–2
Spotsylvania B–1
Stafford A–2
Surry A–4
Sussex A–4
Taylor WV D–1
Tazewell E–3
Tucker WV D–1
Tyler WV C–2
Upper Norfolk A–4
Upshur WV D–1
Warren CD–1
Warrosquyoake A–2
Warwick A–3
Warwick River A–3
Washington D–4
Wayne WV E–2
Webster WV E–2
Westmoreland A–2
Wetzel WV D–2
Wirt WV D–2
Wise E–4
Wood WV D–2
Woodford KY E–4
Wyoming WV E–3
Wythe DE–3
Yohogania C–2
York A–1

CITIES

Chesapeake B–4
Hampton B–4
Newport News B–3
Suffolk B–4
Virginia Beach B–4
Warwick B–3