The U.S. Census Bureau divides the Washington statistical metropolitan area into two metropolitan divisions:[[16]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Washington_metropolitan_area" \l "cite_note-msa_list-16)

* Washington–Arlington–Alexandria, DC–VA–MD–WV Metropolitan Division, comprising the majority of the metropolitan area
* Silver Spring–Frederick–Rockville, MD Metropolitan Division, consisting of Montgomery and Frederick counties

The area includes the following counties, districts, and independent cities:[[16]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Washington_metropolitan_area" \l "cite_note-msa_list-16)

**District of Columbia**[[edit](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Washington_metropolitan_area&action=edit&section=4" \o "Edit section: District of Columbia)]

* [Washington](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Washington,_D.C.)

**Maryland**[[edit](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Washington_metropolitan_area&action=edit&section=5)]

* [Calvert County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Calvert_County,_Maryland)
* [Charles County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles_County,_Maryland)
* [Frederick County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frederick_County,_Maryland)
* [Montgomery County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Montgomery_County,_Maryland)
* [Prince George's County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prince_George%27s_County,_Maryland)

**Virginia**[[edit](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Washington_metropolitan_area&action=edit&section=6" \o "Edit section: Virginia)]

* [Alexandria](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alexandria,_Virginia)
* [Arlington County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arlington_County,_Virginia)
* [Clarke County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Clarke_County,_Virginia)
* [Culpeper County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Culpeper_County,_Virginia)
* [Fairfax County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fairfax_County,_Virginia)
* [Fairfax](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fairfax,_Virginia)
* [Falls Church](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Falls_Church,_Virginia)
* [Fauquier County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fauquier_County,_Virginia)
* [Fredericksburg](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fredericksburg,_Virginia)
* [Loudoun County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Loudoun_County,_Virginia)
* [Manassas](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Manassas,_Virginia)
* [Manassas Park](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Manassas_Park,_Virginia)
* [Prince William County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prince_William_County,_Virginia)
* [Rappahannock County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rappahannock_County,_Virginia)
* [Spotsylvania County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spotsylvania_County,_Virginia)
* [Stafford County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stafford_County,_Virginia)
* [Warren County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warren_County,_Virginia)

**West Virginia**[[edit](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Washington_metropolitan_area&action=edit&section=7)]

* [Jefferson County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jefferson_County,_West_Virginia)