

Geography Guide



Germany during the "Second Reich" period, 1871–1918 (Kingdom of Prussia is in blue).

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HISTORICAL REGIONS

Place	English Name	Today in...
das Banat	Banat	Romania, Serbia, Hungary
Böhmen	Bohemia	Czech Republic
Dalmatien	Dalmatia	Croatia
Elsass	Alsace	France
Galizien	Galicia	Poland/ Ukraine
Mähren	Moravia	Czech Republic
Moldau (Moldova)	Moldavia	Romania, Moldavia
Poznań	Posen	Poland
Preußen (dissolved in 1947)	Prussia	Germany, Poland, Russia, Lithuania, Denmark, Belgium, Czech Republic, Switzerland
Schlesien	Silesia	Poland

PRESENT-DAY GERMAN STATES

State	German Name	Capital
Baden-Württemberg	Baden-Württemberg	Stuttgart
Bavaria	Bayern	Munich
Berlin	Berlin	Berlin
Brandenburg	Brandenburg	Potsdam
Bremen	Bremen	Bremen
Hamburg	Hamburg	Hamburg
Hesse	Hessen	Wiesbaden
Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania	Mecklenburg-Vorpommern	Schwerin
Lower Saxony	Niedersachsen	Hanover
North Rhine-Westphalia	Nordrhein-Westfalen	Düsseldorf
Rhineland-Palatinate	Rheinland-Pfalz	Mainz
Saarland	Saarland	Saarbrücken
Saxony	Sachsen	Dresden
Saxony-Anhalt	Sachsen-Anhalt	Magdeburg
Schleswig-Holstein	Sleswig-Holstein	Kiel
Thuringia	Thüringen	Erfurt

ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISIONS

Bezirk	district
Gemeinde	community/parish
Grafschaft	countship
Heimat	home town
Herzogtum	duchy/dukedom
Kreis	district (similar to a county)
Kreisarchive	county archives
Land	state
Stadt	city
Stadtarchive	city archives

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