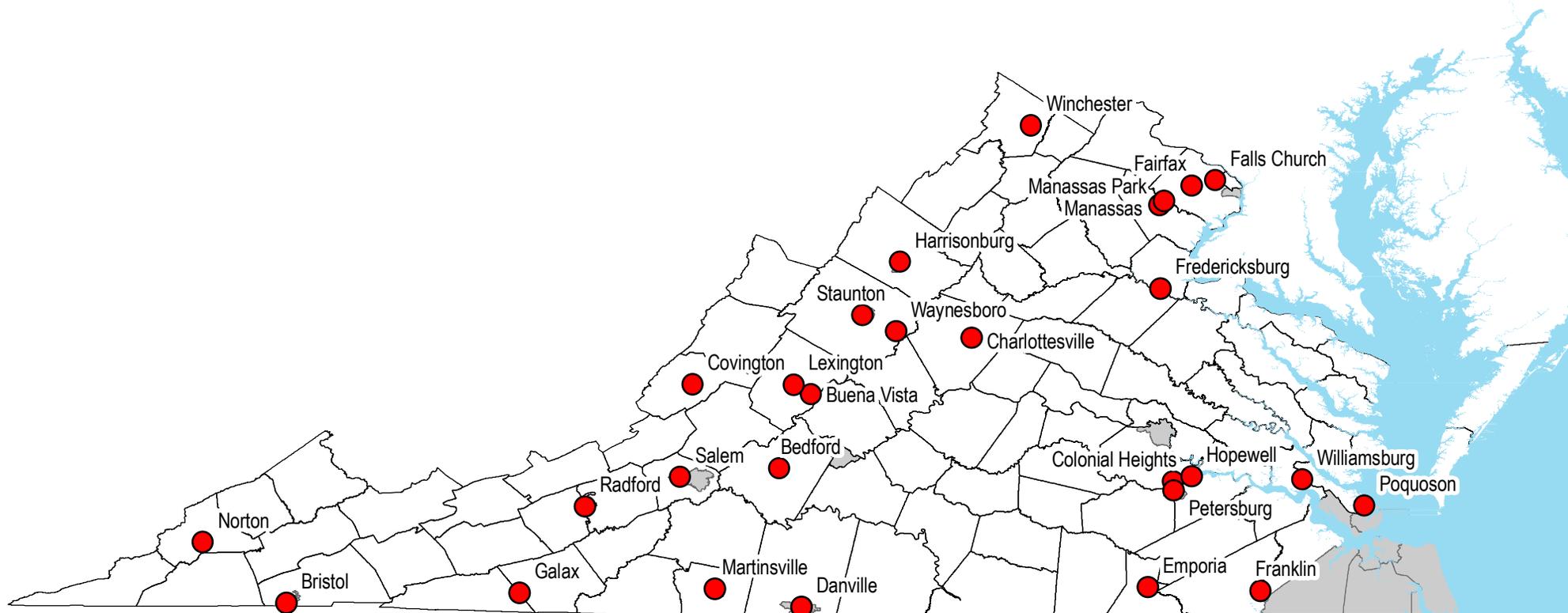


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§15.2-4100 et seq. provides that any city with a population of less than 50,000 persons may be eligible for reversion from city to town status.

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<u>City</u>	<u>2010 Population</u>	<u>Affected County</u>	<u>2010 Population</u>	<u>Post-Reversion County Population</u>	<u>Former City as % of Enlarged County</u>
Bedford	6,222	Bedford	68,676	74,898	8.31%
Bristol	17,835	Washington	54,876	72,711	24.53%
Buena Vista	6,650	Rockbridge	22,307	28,957	22.97%
Charlottesville	43,475	Albemarle	98,970	142,445	30.52%
Colonial Heights	17,411	Chesterfield	316,236	333,647	5.22%
		Prince George	35,725	53,136	32.77%
Covington	5,961	Alleghany	16,250	22,211	26.84%
Danville	43,055	Pittsylvania	63,506	106,561	40.40%
Emporia	5,927	Greensville	12,243	18,170	32.62%
Fairfax	22,565	Fairfax	1,081,726	1,104,291	2.04%
Falls Church	12,332	Fairfax	1,081,726	1,094,058	1.13%
Franklin	8,582	Isle of Wight	35,270	43,852	19.57%
		Southampton	18,570	27,152	31.61%
Fredericksburg	24,286	Spotsylvania	122,397	146,683	16.56%
		Stafford	128,961	153,247	15.85%
Galax	7,042	Carroll	30,042	37,084	18.99%
		Grayson	15,533	22,575	31.19%
Harrisonburg	48,914	Rockingham	76,314	125,228	39.06%
Hopewell	22,591	Chesterfield	316,236	338,827	6.67%
		Prince George	35,725	58,316	38.74%
Lexington	7,042	Rockbridge	22,307	29,349	23.99%
Manassas	37,821	Prince William	402,002	439,823	8.60%
Manassas Park	14,273	Prince William	402,002	416,275	3.43%
Martinsville	13,821	Henry	54,151	67,972	20.33%
Norton	3,958	Wise	41,452	45,410	8.72%
Petersburg	32,420	Chesterfield	316,236	348,656	9.30%
		Dinwiddie	28,001	60,421	53.66%
		Prince George	35,725	68,145	47.58%
Poquoson	12,150	York	65,464	77,614	15.65%
Radford	16,408	Montgomery	94,392	110,800	14.81%
		Pulaski	34,872	51,280	32.00%
Salem	24,802	Roanoke	92,376	117,178	21.17%
Staunton	23,746	Augusta	73,750	97,496	24.36%
Waynesboro	21,006	Augusta	73,750	94,756	22.17%
Williamsburg	14,068	James City	67,009	81,077	17.35%
		York	65,464	79,532	17.69%
Winchester	26,203	Frederick	78,305	104,508	25.07%

NOTE:

Sec. 15.2-4101, Code of Virginia authorizes cities with a population at the time of the latest decennial census of less than 50,000 persons to petition for town status.

However, Chapter 688, Acts of Assembly, 1989 provides that before a court can grant town status to any city having a population of more than 5,000 but less than 5,900 persons, a referendum on the question of town status must be held in the affected city. Based on the 1980 Census, only the City of Clifton Forge met that criteria, but the City of Emporia also met that criteria based on the 1990 Census. No additional cities qualified as a result of the 2000 Census. The 2010 Census revealed that no city continued to meet the population criteria.

South Boston in Halifax County reverted to town status on July 1, 1995.
Clifton Forge in Alleghany County reverted to town status on July 1, 2001.