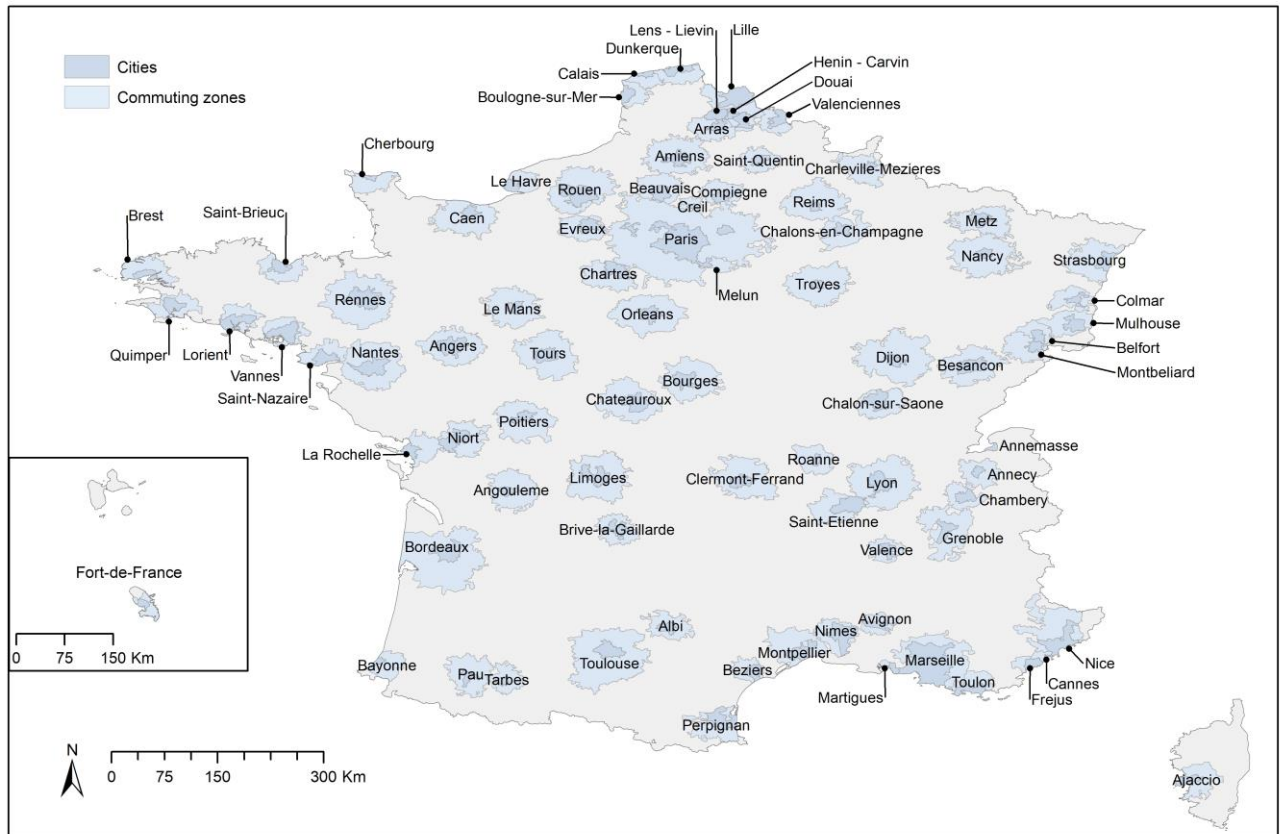


# France



## Notes:

This map is for illustrative purposes and is without prejudice to the status of or sovereignty over any territory covered by these maps.

The functional urban areas identified with the methodology described in the book *Redefining "urban": A new way to measure metropolitan areas*, OECD Publishing 2012 are here listed by size, according to four classes:

- Small FUAs, with population between 50,000 and 100,000
- Medium-sized FUAs, with population between 100,000 and 250,000
- Metropolitan FUAs, with population between 250,000 and 1.5 million
- Large metropolitan FUAs, with population above 1.5 million

Functional urban areas are economic units characterised by a city (or core) and a commuting zone that is functionally interconnected to the city.

A city is a local administrative unit (i.e. LAU for European countries, such as municipality, local authorities, etc.) where at

least 50% of its population live in an urban centre. An urban centre is defined as a cluster of contiguous grid cells of 1 km<sup>2</sup> with a density of at least 1,500 inhabitants per km<sup>2</sup> and a population of at least 50,000 inhabitants overall. Urban centres are defined using the population grid from the Global Human Settlement Layer database, referred to circa year 2015.

The commuting zone is composed of the local administrative units for which at least 15% of their workforce commute to the city. Commuting zones of the functional areas are identified based on commuting data (travel from home-to-work). Commuting data are also used to defined whether more than one city share the same commuting zone in a single polycentric functional urban area.

The list of functional urban areas takes into account the results of the consultation with the European National Statistical Institutes launched by Eurostat in June 2011 on the definition of cities and by the OECD with Delegates from the Working Party on Territorial Indicators. This list of functional urban areas may be reviewed on the basis of additional comments provided by countries. The OECD Metropolitan Areas Database which provides a set of economic, environmental, social and demographic estimated indicators on the 649 OECD metropolitan areas (functional urban areas with 250 000 or more inhabitants).

Additionally, interactive maps, histograms and summary profiles of each metropolitan area are available on the tool [MetroeXplorer](#).

**Table 1. List of functional Urban Areas**

Fua name	Fua code	Classification	Pop.2015 (GHS)	Share Pop. core (%)
Ajaccio	FR027L2	Small area	90 000	78
Albi	FR096L2	Medium-sized area	140 000	60
Amiens	FR014L2	Metropolitan area	310 000	56
Angers	FR036L2	Metropolitan area	410 000	64
Angouleme	FR056L2	Medium-sized area	200 000	52
Annecy	FR048L2	Metropolitan area	270 000	51
Annemasse	FR047L0	Small area	80 000	100
Arras	FR064L2	Medium-sized area	160 000	57
Avignon	FR039L1	Metropolitan area	320 000	55
Bayonne	FR046L2	Medium-sized area	250 000	51
Beauvais	FR082L2	Medium-sized area	150 000	53
Belfort	FR076L2	Medium-sized area	140 000	67
Besancon	FR025L2	Metropolitan area	280 000	65
Beziers	FR063L2	Medium-sized area	180 000	61
Bordeaux	FR007L2	Metropolitan area	1 170 000	62
Boulogne-sur-Mer	FR057L2	Medium-sized area	150 000	70
Bourges	FR065L2	Medium-sized area	170 000	56

Brest	FR037L2	Metropolitan area	350 000	57
Brive-la-Gaillarde	FR093L2	Medium-sized area	130 000	62
Caen	FR023L2	Metropolitan area	430 000	50
Calais	FR062L2	Medium-sized area	140 000	67
Cannes	FR519L1	Medium-sized area	180 000	41
Chalon-sur-Saone	FR059L2	Medium-sized area	160 000	64
Chalons-en-Champagne	FR104L2	Small area	90 000	71
Chambery	FR058L2	Medium-sized area	220 000	55
Charleville-Mezieres	FR505L1	Medium-sized area	130 000	49
Chartres	FR060L2	Medium-sized area	160 000	68
Chateauroux	FR090L2	Medium-sized area	120 000	61
Cherbourg	FR069L2	Medium-sized area	140 000	52
Clermont-Ferrand	FR022L2	Metropolitan area	480 000	58
Colmar	FR506L1	Medium-sized area	190 000	50
Compiègne	FR074L2	Medium-sized area	150 000	46
Creil	FR084L2	Medium-sized area	140 000	49
Dijon	FR020L2	Metropolitan area	400 000	60
Douai	FR209L2	Medium-sized area	220 000	69
Dunkerque	FR042L2	Metropolitan area	260 000	70
Evreux	FR086L2	Medium-sized area	140 000	58
Fort-de-France	FR030L1	Metropolitan area	340 000	45
Frejus	FR099L2	Medium-sized area	120 000	73
Grenoble	FR026L2	Metropolitan area	660 000	60
Henin - Carvin	FR208L1	Medium-sized area	120 000	100
La Rochelle	FR053L2	Medium-sized area	220 000	67
Le Havre	FR012L2	Metropolitan area	290 000	78
Le Mans	FR038L2	Metropolitan area	360 000	49
Lens - Lievin	FR207L2	Medium-sized area	250 000	97
Lille	FR009L2	Metropolitan area	1 340 000	82
Limoges	FR024L2	Metropolitan area	320 000	64
Lorient	FR049L2	Medium-sized area	220 000	76

Lyon	FR003L2	Large metropolitan area	1 950 000	67
Marseille	FR203L2	Large metropolitan area	1 740 000	88
Martigues	FR324L1	Small area	80 000	81
Melun	FR304L1	Medium-sized area	130 000	79
Metz	FR017L2	Metropolitan area	370 000	57
Montbéliard	FR050L2	Medium-sized area	190 000	59
Montpellier	FR010L2	Metropolitan area	670 000	65
Mulhouse	FR040L2	Metropolitan area	410 000	61
Nancy	FR016L2	Metropolitan area	480 000	53
Nantes	FR008L2	Metropolitan area	910 000	65
Nice	FR205L2	Metropolitan area	820 000	83
Nîmes	FR044L2	Metropolitan area	340 000	71
Niort	FR061L2	Medium-sized area	180 000	58
Orléans	FR019L2	Metropolitan area	420 000	64
Paris	FR001L1	Large metropolitan area	12 010 000	80
Pau	FR045L2	Metropolitan area	280 000	54
Perpignan	FR043L2	Metropolitan area	400 000	67
Poitiers	FR021L2	Metropolitan area	270 000	52
Quimper	FR067L2	Medium-sized area	180 000	48
Reims	FR018L2	Metropolitan area	320 000	62
Rennes	FR013L2	Metropolitan area	720 000	57
Roanne	FR077L2	Medium-sized area	130 000	53
Rouen	FR215L2	Metropolitan area	690 000	69
Saint Denis	FR028L1	Metropolitan area	330 000	59
Saint-Brieuc	FR066L2	Medium-sized area	210 000	56
Saint-Etienne	FR011L2	Metropolitan area	520 000	70
Saint-Nazaire	FR052L2	Medium-sized area	220 000	50
Saint-Quentin	FR079L2	Medium-sized area	120 000	58
Strasbourg	FR006L2	Metropolitan area	770 000	61
Tarbes	FR073L2	Medium-sized area	140 000	54
Toulon	FR032L2	Metropolitan area	530 000	76

Toulouse	FR004L2	Metropolitan area	1 330 000	56
Tours	FR035L2	Metropolitan area	460 000	60
Troyes	FR051L2	Medium-sized area	210 000	60
Valence	FR214L1	Medium-sized area	210 000	58
Valenciennes	FR034L2	Metropolitan area	350 000	53
Vannes	FR068L2	Medium-sized area	200 000	69