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Chronological Table

406	The 'Great Invasion' of Vandals, Alans, Sueves and Burgundians across the Rhine
418	Visigoths settled in Aquitaine
443	Burgundians settled in Sapaudia
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587	Treaty of Andelot between Guntram, Brunhild and Childebert II
591	End of Gregory of Tours' <i>History</i>
599	Defeat of Chilperic's son Chlothar II by Childebert's sons
613	Chlothar II sole king of the Franks; death of Brunhild; Edict of Paris
615	Death of St Columbanus
623	Chlothar makes son Dagobert king in Austrasia
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687	Pippin defeats Neustrians at Tertry; establishes Theuderic III as sole Frankish king
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717	Charles Martel chooses own king
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732	Charles Martel defeats 'Abd ar-Rahman near Poitiers
735	Death of Eudo; Charles Martel campaigns in Aquitaine
741	Charles Martel succeeded by Carloman and Pippin
746	Carloman becomes monk in Rome
751	Pippin king of the Franks
754	St Boniface martyred in Frisia
768	Waifar defeated in Aquitaine; Pippin succeeded by Charlemagne and Carloman
771	Death of Carloman
774	Charlemagne crowned king of the Lombards
778	Charlemagne's army defeated by Basques at Roncesvalles; death of Roland
781	Louis King in Aquitaine; Pippin in Italy
789	Admonitio Generalis
792	Revolt of Pippin against Charlemagne
800	Charlemagne crowned Emperor in Rome
804	Death of Alcuin
814	Louis the Pious succeeds Charlemagne
817	Ordinatio Imperii
818	Death of Bernard of Italy
821	Death of Benedict of Aniane
822	Penance of Louis at Attigny
823	Birth of Charles the Bald
829	Lothar revolts against father Louis
833	Lothar declares self sole master of Empire
834	Restoration of Louis
838	Pippin I of Aquitaine dies
840	Death of Louis the Pious

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843	Treaty of Verdun
844	Vikings raid up Garonne as far as Toulouse
848	Charles the Bald crowned at Orleans
855	Partition of Lothar I's Middle Kingdom
858	Louis the German invades West Francia
864	Pippin II of Aquitaine forced into monastery
869	Charles the Bald crowned at Metz
875	Charles crowned Emperor in Rome
877	Louis II succeeds Charles the Bald
879	Boso declared king at Mantaille
882	Hincmar of Rheims flees from Vikings; dies
884	Charles III 'the Fat' elected king of West Francia
885–6	Siege of Paris by the Vikings
888	Odo king in West Francia; Rudolf in Burgundy
890	Louis, son of Boso, king in Provence
898	Charles III 'the Simple' succeeds Odo
901	Louis of Provence Emperor
905	Louis blinded by Berengar of Friuli
910	Foundation of Cluny by William of Aquitaine
911	Treaty between Charles III and Rollo of Normandy
919	Much of Brittany falls to Vikings
922	Revolt against Charles III: Robert crowned king
923	Robert's son-in-law Ralph succeeds; Charles III imprisoned by Herbert of Vermandois
929	Death of Charles III
936	Death of Ralph; Charles III's son Louis brought from England and crowned
942	William Longsword of Normandy assassinated
943	Death of Herbert of Vermandois
954	Louis IV succeeded by Lothar
956	Death of Hugh 'the Great'
960	Hugh Capet made 'duke of the Franks'; his brother Odo duke of Burgundy
962	The Saxon Otto I crowned Emperor in Rome
978	Lothar's invasion of Lotharingia
986	Louis V succeeds Lothar
987	Death of Louis V; Hugh Capet crowned
992	Death of Charles of Lorraine
993	Rudolf III 'the Sluggard' succeeds Conrad 'the

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	Peaceful' (937–993) as king in Burgundy
996	Robert II 'the Pious' succeeds Hugh Capet
999	Gerbert of Aurillac becomes Pope Sylvester II

The Civitates of Gaul, c. 600 (Key to Maps 2 and 3)

The civitates are grouped into the ecclesiastical provinces of the late sixth century; but the provincial names, the form of the city names, and the order in which they are listed are taken from the fifth-century list of cities, the *Notitia Galliarum*. The Latin name for the town is followed by the modern town name and, where appropriate, the name of the modern province which corresponds to the old civitas. As in the rest of the book, the modern spellings are followed except in the cases of Köln, Lyon, Marseille and Reims, where the traditional English forms are used. If there are two modern town names, this normally indicates a shift of the civitas-capital.

A. Lugdunensis Prima

1. Metropolis civitas Lugdunensium: Lyons
2. Civitas Aeduorum (Augustodunum): Autun
3. Civitas Lingonum: Langres
4. Castrum Cabillonense: Chalon-sur-Saône
5. Castrum Matisconense: Mâcon

B. Lugdunensis Secunda

1. Metropolis civitas Rotomagensium: Rouen
2. Civitas Baiocassium: Bayeux (Bessin)
3. Civitas Abrincatum: Avranches
4. Civitas Ebroicorum: Evreux
5. Civitas Saiorum: Séez
6. Civitas Lexoviorum: Lisieux
7. Civitas Constantia: Coutances (Cotentin)

C. Lugdunensis Tertia

1. Metropolis civitas Turonorum: Tours (Touraine)
2. Civitas Cenomannorum: Le Mans (Maine)
3. Civitas Redonum: Rennes
4. Civitas Andecavorum: Angers (Anjou)
5. Civitas Namnetum: Nantes
6. Civitas Curiosolitum: Corseul

7. Civitas Venetum: Vannes
8. Civitas Dolensium: Dol

D. Lugdunensis Senonia

1. Metropolis civitas Senonum: Sens
2. Civitas Carnotum: Chartres
3. Civitas Autisiodorum: Auxerre
4. Civitas Tricassium: Troyes
5. Civitas Aurelianorum: Orleans
6. Civitas Parisiorum: Paris
7. Civitas Melduorum: Meaux
8. Civitas Nivernensium: Nevers

E. Belgica Prima

1. Metropolis civitas Treverorum: Trier
2. Civitas Mediomatricum: Metz
3. Civitas Leucorum: Toul
4. Civitas Verodunensium: Verdun

F. Belgica Secunda

1. Metropolis civitas Remorum: Rheims
2. Civitas Suessionum: Soissons
3. Civitas Catalaunorum: Châlons-sur-Marne
4. Civitas Veromandorum: Vermand
5. Civitas Atrebatum: Arras (Artois)
6. Civitas Camaracensium: Cambrai
7. Civitas Turnacensium: Tournai
8. Civitas Silvanectum: Senlis
9. Civitas Bellovacorum: Beauvais
10. Civitas Ambianensium: Amiens
11. Civitas Morinarum: Théroutanne
12. Civitas Bononiensium: Boulogne
13. Civitas Lugduni Clavati: Laon

G. Germania Prima

1. Metropolis civitas Magontiacensium: Mainz
2. Civitas Argentoratensium (Stratoburgensis): Strasbourg
3. Civitas Nemetum (Spirensis): Speyer
4. Civitas Vangionum (Vuormiacensis): Worms

H. Germania Secunda

1. Metropolis civitas Agrippinensium, Colonia: Cologne
2. Civitas Tungrorum: Tongres

I. Maxima Sequanorum

1. Metropolis civitas Vesontiensem: Besançon
2. Civitas Belisensium: Belley
3. Civitas Elvitiorum, Aventicus: Avenches
4. Civitas Basiliensium: Basel

J. Viennensis

1. Metropolis civitas Viennensium: Vienne
2. Civitas Genavensium: Geneva
3. Civitas Gratianopolitana: Grenoble
4. Civitas Albensium/Vivarium: Aps/Viviers
5. Civitas Deensium: Die
6. Civitas Valentinarum: Valence
7. Civitas Valensium/Sedunensis: Wallis/Sitten
8. Civitas Tarantensium: Tarantaise
9. Civitas Mauriennensis: Maurienne
10. Civitas Augusta: Aosta

K. Aquitanica Prima

1. Metropolis civitas Biturigum: Bourges (Berry)
2. Civitas Arvernorum: Clermont (-Ferrand) (Auvergne)
3. Civitas Rutenorum: Rodez (Rouergue)
4. Civitas Albigensium: Albi
5. Civitas Cadurcorum: Cahors (Quercy)

6. Civitas Lemovicum: Limoges (Limousin)
7. Civitas Gabalum: Javols/Mende
8. Civitas Vellavorum: St-Paulien/Le Puy (Velay)
9. Civitas Tolosatium: Toulouse

L. Aquitanica Secunda

1. Metropolis civitas Burdigalensium: Bordeaux
2. Civitas Agennensium: Agen
3. Civitas Ecolisnensium: Angoulême (Angoumois)
4. Civitas Santonum: Saintes (Saintonge)
5. Civitas Pictavum: Poitiers (Poitou)
6. Civitas Petrocoriorum: Périgueux (Périgord)

M. Novempopulana

1. Metropolis civitas Elusatium: Eauze
2. Civitas Ausciorum: Auch
3. Civitas Aquensium: Dax
4. Civitas Lactoratium: Lectoure
5. Civitas Convenarum: St-Bertrand-de-Comminges
6. Civitas Consorannorum: St-Lizier (Couserans)
7. Civitas Benarnensium: Lescar (Béarn)
8. Civitas Aturensium: Aire
9. Civitas Vasatica: Bazas
10. Civitas Turba ubi castrum Bigorra: Cieutat (Bigorre)
11. Civitas Illoronensium: Oloron

N. Narbonensis Prima

1. Metropolis civitas Narbonensium: Narbonne
2. Civitas Biterrensiu: Béziers
3. Civitas Agatensium: Agde
4. Civitas Magalonensium: Maguelonne
5. Civitas Nemausensium: Nîmes
6. Civitas Lotevensium: Lodève
7. Civitas Elnensium: Elne
8. Civitas Carcassonensium: Carcassonne

O. Narbonensis Secunda, Alpes Maritimarum, parts of
Viennensis

1. Civitas Arelatensium: Arles
2. Civitas Aquensium: Aix-en-Provence
3. Civitas Aptensium: Apt
4. Civitas Reiensium: Riez
5. Civitas Foroiuliensis: Fréjus
6. Civitas Vappincensium: Gap
7. Civitas Segesteriorum: Sisteron
8. Civitas Antipolitana: Antibes
9. Civitas Ebrodunensium: Embrun
10. Civitas Diniensium: Digne
11. Civitas Telonensium: Toulon
12. Civitas Saniensium: Sénez
13. Civitas Glannativa: Glandève
14. Civitas Cemelensium/Nicea: Cimiez/Nice
15. Civitas Vencensis: Vence
16. Civitas Tricastinorum: St-Paul-Trois-Châteaux
17. Civitas Vasiensium: Vaison
18. Civitas Arausicorum: Orange
19. Civitas Carpentoratensium/Vindascensis: Carpentras/
Vénasque
20. Civitas Cabellicorum: Cavaillon
21. Civitas Avennicorum: Avignon
22. Civitas Massiliensium: Marseilles
23. Civitas Uticensium: Uzès

Map 1
Gaul in the Fifth Century

Map 2
The Civitates of Gaul, c. 600

Map 3
The Civitates of Gaul, c. 600

Map 4
The Monasteries of Frankish Gaul

Map 5

The Partitions of the Ninth Century.

A. The proposed partition of 806.

B. The divisions of the Ordinatio Imperii, 817.

C. The partition of the Treaty of Verdun, 843.

D. The kingdoms after 888.