

Belarus

Country name	Belarus
State title	Republic of Belarus
Name of citizen	Belarus, Belarusian
Official language(s)	Belarusian ¹ (be ²); Russian (ru)
Country name in official language(s)	Беларусь (Byelarus') (be); Беларусь (Belarus') (ru)
State title in official language(s)	Рэспубліка Беларусь (Respublika Byelarus') (be); Республика Беларусь (Respublika Belarus') (ru)
Script	Cyrillic
Romanization Systems	BGN/PCGN romanization system for Belarusian BGN/PCGN romanization system for Russian
ISO-3166 code (alpha-2/alpha-3)	BY/BLR
Capital(s)	Minsk
Capital(s) in official language(s)	Мінск (be); Минск (ru) (both romanized <i>Minsk</i>)
Population	9.49 million ³

Introduction

Belarus is a landlocked country in eastern Europe, bordering Lithuania and Latvia to the north, Ukraine to the south, Russia to the east, and Poland to the west. In its current form, Belarus has existed since 25th August 1991. Prior to that, it was one of the fifteen Soviet republics within the framework of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR). The country name “Belarus” translates as “White Rus”, but its etymology is subject to some debate.

Geographical names policy

Geographical names in Belarus are found written in both Belarusian Cyrillic and Russian Cyrillic and should be romanized using the [BGN/PCGN romanization systems](#) for Belarusian and Russian respectively. Belkartahrafiya (Belkartografiya) is an official source for maps, atlases, and other toponym-related sources published in both Belarusian and Russian Cyrillic alphabets. Maps and tourist information published in Belarusian, however, are still hard to find, especially at the larger scale (1:200,000 and larger).

¹ The spellings *Belorussian* and *Byelorussian* are sometimes encountered but should no longer be used by HMG.

² ISO 639-1 codes are given for languages mentioned in this fact file

³ 2018 data from Belarus statistics: www.belstat.gov.by

In 2013, PCGN and BGN agreed a dual-language policy for geographical names in Belarus, allowing the use of Russian spellings alongside the Belarusian names. It was agreed that the BGN/PCGN romanization system for Russian would be applied to Russian Cyrillic forms of the names, for example Gomel', Grodno, Mogilev and Vitebsk, while the system for Belarusian would be applied to Belarusian Cyrillic forms, e.g. Homyel', Hrodna, Mahilyow and Vitsyebesk.

Ideally this dual-language policy means use of both language forms, i.e. that where Belarusian and Russian forms are different, both spellings will be shown alongside one another, separated by a solidus, with Belarusian in primary position: for example, Homyel'/Gomel'; Hrodna/Grodno; Mahilyow/Mogilev; Vitsyebesk/Vitebsk (and where the spelling is identical in romanized Belarusian and Russian, that a single spelling would be used, e.g. Minsk; Brest). Additionally, PCGN has offered flexibility in this dual-language approach, so that either language alone can be used according to product/requirement, such that in cases where a single name is preferred, the customer might select the language base (i.e. either Belarusian or Russian) and a set of names in that language could be used. This single language form should usually be Belarusian unless there is a compelling customer requirement to use Russian.

Languages and romanization systems

Until 1991, Russian was the official language of the Belorussian⁴ Soviet Socialist republic and the majority of street and road signs, as well as maps, reflected only Russian toponymic forms. Since gaining its independence in 1991, Belarus has continued to use Russian as its *lingua franca*, with increasing application of Belarusian name forms in street and road signs.

The [Constitution of Belarus](#), Section 1, article 17, states that the Belarusian and Russian languages are official languages in the Republic of Belarus and constitutional amendments in 2022, though the subject of much opposition, reaffirm Russian's status as a state language. Other minority languages include Polish and Ukrainian. Although the state promotes the use of the Belarusian language through education and mass media, the Russian language is commonly used for personal communication, in media, advertising, and official correspondence and is, according to the 2019 census, used as a household language by approximately 64% of the population as a whole⁵. Furthermore, a mix of Belarusian and Russian (known as "trasyanka") is also frequently used, sometimes even by government officials in their speeches.

In one form or another, the languages of neighbouring Poland, Ukraine, and Lithuania are also used in Belarus. The most common of the three is the Polish language, spoken mostly in Brestskaya and Hrodzyenskaya voblasts' as well as in the western part of Minskaya voblasts' – the territories that were part of Poland prior to 1939. Although Polish is not an official language, it is used in the Belarusian mass media and is taught at schools specialising in Polish. After gaining independence, Belarus saw an increase in the role of the Polish language, however, according to census data⁵, of 287, 693 Poles living in Belarus, over half speak Russian at home, 46% speak Belarusian and only 1.2% record using Polish.

⁴ This spelling reflects the conventional form previously used in British English to refer to the Republic.

⁵ The [2019 census](#) [link may not work, contact PCGN for document] indicates 64% reported Russian as home language, and 32%, Belarusian.

The Ukrainian and Lithuanian languages are spoken locally in certain geographical regions. Ukrainian is used in some southern areas of Brestskaya and Homyel’skaya voblasts’, while Lithuanian is spoken in some areas of eastern Hrodzyenskaya voblasts’.

Both Belarusian and Russian are classified as Indo-European Slavic languages and are written in Cyrillic script. In addition to the BGN/PCGN system of romanization used by the UK and US Governments, there are several other systems that may be encountered for Belarusian. A [national system](#), developed by the State Committee for Land resources, Geodesy and Cartography in 1998, and revised in 2000 and again in 2007, was successfully submitted to the Tenth United Nations Conference on the Standardisation of Geographical Names in August 2012 and was adopted by [Resolution X/6](#). This system is based on the traditional Roman alphabet *lacinka* used at the beginning of the twentieth century, and contains the following letter diacritic combinations (BGN/PCGN romanization in brackets): ć (ts’), č (ch), í (l’), ñ (n’) ś (s’), š (sh), ŭ (w), ź (zh) and ż (z’). Names romanized in this style may be encountered and may look quite different from the approved BGN/PCGN form eg. Шаркаўшчына in the Belarusian system would be Šarkaŭščyna, whereas in BGN/PCGN it would be Sharkawshchyna.

Inventory of characters (and their Unicode encodings⁶):

The **BGN/PCGN Romanization system for Belarusian** does not contain any letter-diacritic combinations or special characters in addition to the unmodified letters of the basic Roman script.

The **BGN/PCGN Romanization system for Russian** contains the following letter-diacritic combinations in addition to the unmodified letters of the basic Roman script:

Upper-case character	Unicode encoding	Lower-case character	Unicode encoding
Ё	00CB	ё	00EB

All apostrophes appearing in romanization for both languages should use Unicode encoding 2019.

Administrative structure

Belarus comprises six regions (*voblasts’* in Belarusian; *oblast’* in Russian) and one city (*horad* in Belarusian; *gorod* in Russian) at the first-order administrative level (ADM1). Each of these is further subdivided into districts (*rayon* in Belarusian and Russian) and cities “of oblast subordination”⁷ (*horad ablasnoha padparadkavannya [singular]* in Belarusian; *gorod oblastnogo podchineniya* in Russian) at the ADM2 level. A full list is attached at Annex A [note that most internet sources are not currently available for Belarus, and this detail has not been reviewed since the 2013 edition of this document].

⁶ See www.unicode.org

⁷ The number of these has been reduced since independence, as they have been unified with *rayons* of the same name to minimise confusion.

1. Brest (52° 30' 00" N 025° 30' 00" E)

Name in native script	Брэст (be); Брест (ru)
Long form name	Brestskaya voblasts' (be) Brestskaya oblast' (ru)
Long form name in native script	Брэцкая вобласць (be); Брестская область (ru)
Other names/spellings	Bresckaja voblasć; Brestskaja oblast'
ISO 3166-2 code	BY-BR
Centre	Brest (52° 05' 51" N 023° 41' 16" E)
Centre in native script	Брэст (be); Брест (ru)
Other names/spellings of centre	Берасце; Bierascie; Brestas, Brasta (lt); Brześć (pl); Brześć nad Bugiem (pl); Brest-Litovsk; <i>Береста</i> (Berestya) (uk)
Website	http://www.brest-region.by/
ADM2s	Consists of 16 <i>rayons</i> , 3 cities of oblast subordination

2. Homyel'/Gomel' (52° 00' 00" N 030° 00' 00" E)

Name in native script	Гомель (be & ru)
Long form name	Homyel'skaya voblasts' (be) Gomel'skaya oblast' (ru)
Long form name in native script	Гомельская вобласць (be) Гомельская область (ru)
Other names/spellings	Homieĺskaja voblasć; Gomel'skaja oblast'; Homiel Voblast
ISO 3166-2 code	BY-HO
Centre	Homyel' (be); Gomel' (ru) (52° 26' 04" N 030° 58' 31" E)
Centre in native script	Гомель (be & ru)
Other names/spellings of centre	Homiel; Homieĺ; Homel (pl); Gomelis (lt)
Website	http://www.gomel-region.by/
ADM2s	Consists of 21 <i>rayon</i> , 1 city of oblast subordination

3. Horad Minsk/Gorod Minsk (53° 54' 00" N 027° 34' 00" E)

Name in native script	Мінск (be); Минск (ru)
Long form name	Horad Minsk (be) Gorod Minsk (ru)
Long form name in native script	Горад Мінск (be); Город Минск (ru)
Other names/spellings	
ISO 3166-2 code	BY-HM
Centre	Minsk (53° 54' 00" N 027° 34' 00" E)
Centre in native script	Мінск (be); Минск (ru)
Other names/spellings of centre	
Website	www.minsk.gov.by
ADM2s	Consists of 9 <i>rayons</i>

4. Hrodna/Grodno (53° 30' 00" N 024° 30' 00" E)

Name in native script	Гродна (be); Гродно (ru)
Long form name	Hrodzyenskaya voblasts' (be) Grodnenskaya oblast' (ru)
Long form name in native script	Гродзенская вобласць (be) Гродненская область (ru)
Other names/spellings	Hrodzenskaja voblasts'; Grodnenskaja oblast'; Hrodzienskaja voblasts'; Haradzyenskaya voblasts'
ISO 3166-2 code	BY-HR
Centre	Hrodna (be); Grodno (ru) (53° 41' 18" N 023° 49' 33" E)
Centre in native script	Гродна (be); Гродно (ru)
Other names/spellings of centre	Gardinas (lt)
Website	http://region.grodno.by
ADM2s	Consists of 17 <i>rayons</i> , 1 city of oblast subordination

5. Mahilyow/Mogilev (54° 00' 00" N 030° 45' 00" E)

Name in native script	Магілёў (be); Могилёв (ru)
Long form name	Mahilyovskaya voblasts' (be) Mogilëvskaya oblast' (ru)
Long form name in native script	Магілёўская вобласць (be) Могилёвская область (ru)
Other names/spellings	Mahilioŭskaja voblasts'; Mogilevskaja oblast'; Mogilevskaya oblast'
ISO 3166-2 code	BY-MA
Centre	Mahilyow (be); Mogilev (ru) (53° 54' 50" N 030° 20' 11" E)
Centre in native script	Магілёў (be); Могилёв (ru)
Other names/spellings of centre	Mahilioŭ; Mahiloŭ; Mogilyov; Mohylew (pl)
Website	http://region.mogilev.by
ADM2s	Consists of 21 <i>rayons</i> , 2 cities of oblast subordination

6. Minsk (54° 00' 00" N 028° 00' 00" E)

Name in native script	Мінск (be); Минск (ru)
Long form name	Minskaya voblasts' (be) Minskaya oblast' (ru)
Long form name in native script	Мінская вобласць (be) Минская область (ru)
Other names/spellings	Minskaja voblasts'; Minskaja oblast';
ISO 3166-2 code	BY-MI
Centre	Minsk (53° 54' 00" N 027° 34' 00" E)
Centre in native script	Мінск (be); Минск (ru)
Other names/spellings of centre	Mensk
Website	www.minsk-region.gov.by
ADM2s	Consists of 22 <i>rayons</i> ; 1 city of oblast subordination

7. Vitsyebsk/Vitebsk (55° 00' 00" N 029° 30' 00" E)

Name in native script	Віцебск (be); Витебск (ru)
Long form name	Vitsyebskaya voblasts' (be) Vitebskaya oblast' (ru)
Long form name in native script	Віцебская вобласць (be); Витебская область (ru)
Other names/spellings	Vicebskaja voblasć; Vitebskaja oblast'
ISO 3166-2 code	BY-VI
Centre	Vitsyebsk (be); Vitebsk (ru) (55° 11' 25" N 030° 12' 18" E)
Centre in native script	Віцебск (be); Витебск (ru)
Other names/spellings of centre	Viciebsk; Witebsk (pl); Vitebskas (lt)
Website	www.vitebsk-region.gov.by
ADM2s	Consists of 21 <i>rayons</i> ; 4 cities of oblast subordination

Other Significant Locations

PCGN Approved Name	Name in Native Script	Conventional Name	Variant Names/Spellings	Location	Feature Type
Babruysk (be) Bobruysk (ru)	Бабруйск (be) Бобруйск (ru)		Babrujsk; Bobruisk	53°08'18"N 029°13'17"E	Town
Baranavichy (be) Baranovichi (ru)	Баранавічы (be) Барановичи (ru)		Baranavičy; Baranoviche; Baranowicze (pl); Baranowitschi	53°07'58"N 026°00'50"E	Town
Barysaw (be) Borisov (ru)	Барысаў (be) Борисов (ru)		Barysaŭ; Borissow; Borisovas (lt); Borysów (pl)	54°13'40"N 028°30'18"E	Town
Bruzgi (be & ru)	Брузгі (be) Брузги (ru)			53°33'19"N 023°40'54"E	Village and border crossing point to Poland (Bruzgi-Kuźnica)
Byelavezhskaya Pushcha (be); Belovezhskaya Pushcha (ru); Puszcza Białowiecka (pl)	Белавежская пушча (be); Беловежская пуца	Białowieża Forest		52°46'33"N 023°49'29"E	Reserve (Belarus/Poland) (UNESCO World Heritage Site)
Dnieper Dnyapro (be); Dnepr (ru); Dnipro (uk)	Дняпро (be) Днепр (ru) Дніпро (uk)	Dnieper	Dniepr; Dnjepr; Dniapro; Borysthènes	46°29'51"N 032°18'31"E	River (Belarus/Russia/Ukraine)
Neman Nyoman (be) Nemunas (lt) Neman (ru)	Нёман (be) Неман (ru)	Neman	Memel (de); Nioman; Niemán; Njemen; Nyamunas; Niman (uk); Nemuna (lv)	55°18'07"N 021°22'54"E	River (Belarus/Lithuania/Russia)
Orsha (be & ru)	Орша (be & ru)		Vorsha; Orša; Ворша	54°30'29"N 030°25'02"E	Town
Pinsk (be & ru)	Пінск (be) Пинск (ru)		Pyńsk (uk); Пинськ (uk); Pinskas (lt)	52°07'22"N 026°05'42"E	Town
Pripyat Marshes Prypyatskiya baloty (be) Prypiatski bolota (uk)	Прыпяцкія балоты (be) Прип'ятські болота (uk)	Pripyat Marshes	Pinsk Marshes; Pinskiya baloty (be); Pyński bolota (uk)	52° 00' 00" N, 026° 00' 00" E	Marshes

PCGN Approved Name	Name in Native Script	Conventional Name	Variant Names/Spellings	Location	Feature Type
Pripyat Prypyats' (be); Pripjat' (ru); Prypiat (uk)	Прыпяць (be) Припять (ru) Прип'ять (uk)	Pripyat	Prypiać; Pripet; Pripjat'; Prypeć (pl)	51°10'00"N 030°30'00"E	River (Belarus/Ukraine)
Svyetlahorsk (be); Svetlogorsk (ru)	Светлагорск (be); Светлогорск (ru)		Svietlahorsk; Shatilki; Shatsilki; Щацілкі	52°37'58"N 029°44'20"E	Town
Vesyalowka (be) Senkivka (uk) Novye Yurkovichi (ru)	Весялоўка (be) Сеньківка (uk) Новые Юрковичи (ru)	Senkivka ⁸		52°06'22"N 31°46'52"E	Border tripoint (Ukraine/Belarus/ Russia)
Bug Zakhodni Buh (be); Zapadnyy Bug (ru); Zakhidnyi Buh (uk); Bug (pl)	Заходні Буг (be); Западный Буг (ru) Західний Буг (uk)	Bug (or Western Bug)		52°30'29"N 21°05'02"E	River (Ukraine/Belarus/ Poland)

Useful references

- Administrative divisions: <http://www.statoids.com>
- BBC Belarus profile: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-17941131>
- CIA World Factbook: [Belarus - The World Factbook \(cia.gov\)](#)
- [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office \(FCDO\) Travel Advice](#)
- International Organization for Standardization (ISO): www.iso.org
- Languages: www.ethnologue.com, www.omniglot.com
- Unicode standard: www.unicode.org
- US Board on Geographic Names [GEOnet Names Server](#)
- Belarusian government websites:
 - President website-page of links to Government resources:
<http://www.president.gov.by/press23538.html>
 - National Statistical Organisation of the Republic of Belarus: www.belstat.gov.by
 - Official site of the Republic of Belarus: <http://www.belarus.by>
 - Legislation on national legal portal: <http://www.pravo.by/>

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⁸ Name used in most press reporting

Annex A

Administrative structure of Belarus (ADM2s)

[Note that most internet sources are not currently available for Belarus, and this detail has not been reviewed since the 2013 edition of this document.]

1. Brestskaya voblasts' / Brestskaya oblast'

	Name (Belarusian / Russian)	Name in Belarusian Cyrillic	Name in Russian Cyrillic
1	Baranavitski rayon/Baranovichskiy rayon	Баранавіцкі раён	Барановичский район
2	Brestski rayon/Brestskiy rayon	Брэсцкі раён ⁹	Брестский район
3	Byarozawski rayon/Berėzovskiy rayon	Бярозаўскі раён	Берёзовский район
4	Drahichynski rayon/Drogichinskiy rayon	Драгічынскі раён	Дрогичинский район
5	Hantsavitski rayon/Gantsevichskiy rayon	Ганцавіцкі раён	Ганцевичский район
6	Ivanawski rayon/Ivanovskiy rayon	Іванаўскі раён	Ивановский район
7	Ivatsevitski rayon/Ivatsevichskiy rayon	Івацэвіцкі раён	Ивацевичский район
8	Kamyanyetski rayon/Kamenetskiy rayon	Камянецкі раён	Каменецкий район
9	Kobrynski rayon/Kobrinskiy rayon	Кобрынскі раён	Кобринский район
10	Luninyetski rayon/Luninetskiy rayon	Лунінецкі раён	Лунинецкий район
11	Lyakhavitski rayon/Lyakhovichskiy rayon	Ляхавіцкі раён	Ляховичский район
12	Malarytski rayon/Maloritskiy rayon	Маларыцкі раён	Малоритский район
13	Pinski rayon/Pinskiy rayon	Пінскі раён	Пинский район
14	Pruzhanski rayon/Pruzhanskiy rayon	Пружанскі раён	Пружанский район
15	Stolinski rayon/Stolinskiy rayon	Столінскі раён	Столинский район
16	Zhabinkawski rayon/Zhabinkovskiy rayon	Жабінкаўскі раён	Жабинковский район
17	Horad Baranavichy/Gorod Baranovich	горад Баранавічы	город Барановичи
18	Horad Brest/Gorod Brest	горад Брэст	город Брест
19	Horad Pinsk/Gorod Pinsk	горад Пінск	город Пинск

2. Homyel'skaya voblasts' / Gomel'skaya oblast'

	Name (Belarusian / Russian)	Name in Belarusian Cyrillic	Name in Russian Cyrillic
1	Aktyabrski rayon/Oktyabr'skiy rayon	Акцябрскі раён	Октябрьский район
2	Brahinski rayon/Braginskiy rayon	Брагінскі раён	Брагинский район
3	Buda-Kashalyowski rayon/Buda-Koshelėvskiy rayon	Буда-Кашалёўскі раён	Буда-Кошелёвский район
4	Chacherski rayon/Checherskiy rayon	Чачэрскі раён	Чечерский район
5	Dobrushski rayon/Dobrushskiy rayon	Добрушскі раён	Добрушский район

⁹ Also seen in Belarusian as Byeras'tsyeyski Rayon (Берасьцейскі раён)

	Name (Belarusian / Russian)	Name in Belarusian Cyrillic	Name in Russian Cyrillic
6	Homyel'ski rayon/Gomel'skiy rayon	Гомельскі раён	Гомельский район
7	Kalinkavitski rayon/Kalinkovichskiy rayon	Калінкавіцкі раён	Калинковичский район
8	Karmyanski rayon/Kormyanskiy rayon	Кармянскі раён	Кормянский район
9	Khoynitski rayon/Khoynikskiy rayon	Хойніцкі раён	Хойникский район
10	Loyewski rayon/Loyevskiy rayon	Лоеўскі раён	Лоевский район
11	Lyel'chytski rayon/Lel'chitskiy rayon	Лельчыцкі раён	Лельчицкий район
12	Mazyrski rayon/Mozyrskiy rayon	Мазырскі раён	Мозырский район
13	Narawlyanski rayon/Narovyanskiy rayon	Нараўлянскі раён	Наровлянский район
14	Pyetrykawski rayon/Petrikovskiy rayon	Петрыкаўскі раён	Петриковский район
15	Rahachowski rayon/Rogachëvskiy rayon	Рагачоўскі раён	Рогачёвский район
16	Rechytski rayon/Rechitskiy rayon	Рэчыцкі раён	Речицкий район
17	Svyetlahorski rayon/Svetlogorskiy rayon	Светлагорскі раён	Светлогорский район
18	Vyetkawski rayon/Vetkovskiy rayon	Веткаўскі раён	Ветковский район
19	Yel'ski rayon/Yel'skiy rayon	Ельскі раён	Ельский район
20	Zhlobinski rayon/Zhlobinskiy rayon	Жлобінскі раён	Жлобинский район
21	Zhytkavitski rayon/Zhitkovichskiy rayon	Жыткавіцкі раён	Житковичский район
22	Horad Homyel' /Gorod Homel'	горад Гомель	город Гомель

3. Horad Minsk/Gorod Minsk

	Name (Belarusian / Russian)	Name in Belarusian Cyrillic	Name in Russian Cyrillic
1	Frunzyenski rayon /Frunzenskiy rayon	Фрунзенскі раён	Фрунзенский район
2	Lyeninski rayon/Leninskiy rayon	Ленінскі раён	Ленинский район
3	Maskowski rayon/Moskovskiy rayon	Маскоўскі раён	Московский район
4	Kastrychnitski rayon/Oktyabr'skiy rayon	Кастрычніцкі раён	Октябрьский район
5	Partyzanski rayon/Partizanskiy rayon	Партызанскі раён	Партизанский район
6	Pyershamayski rayon/Pervomayskiy rayon	Першамайскі раён	Первомайский район
7	Savyetski rayon/Sovetskiy rayon	Савецкі раён	Советский район
8	Tsentral'ny rayon/Tsentral'nyy rayon	Цэнтральны раён	Центральный район
9	Zavoski rayon/Zavodskoy rayon	Заводскі раён	Заводской район

4. Hrodzyenskaya voblasts' / Grodnenskaya oblast'

	Name (Belarusian / Russian)	Name in Belarusian Cyrillic	Name in Russian Cyrillic
1	Ashmyanski rayon/Oshmyanskiy rayon	Ашмянскі раён	Ошмянский район
2	Astravyetski rayon/Ostrovetskiy rayon	Астравецкі раён	Островецкий район

	Name (Belarusian / Russian)	Name in Belarusian Cyrillic	Name in Russian Cyrillic
3	Byerastavitski rayon/Berestovitskiy rayon	Бераставіцкі раён	Берестовицкий район
4	Dzyatlawski rayon/Dyatlovskiy rayon	Дзятлаўскі раён	Дятловский район
5	Hrodzyenski rayon/Grodnenskiy rayon	Гродзенскі раён	Гродненский район
6	Iwyeuski rayon/Iv'yevskiy rayon	Іўеўскі раён	Ивьевский район
7	Karelitski rayon/Korelichskiy rayon	Карэліцкі раён	Кореличский район
8	Lidski rayon/Lidskiy rayon	Лідскі раён	Лидский район
9	Mastowski rayon/Mostovskiy rayon	Мастоўскі раён	Мостовский район
10	Navahrudski rayon/Novogrudskiy rayon	Навагрудскі раён	Новогрудский район
11	Shchuchynski rayon/Shchuchinskiy rayon	Шчучынскі раён	Щучинский район
12	Slonimski rayon/Slonimskiy rayon	Слоні́мскі раён	Слонимский район
13	Smarhonski rayon/Smorgonskiy rayon	Смаргонскі раён	Сморгонский район
14	Svislatski rayon/Svislochskiy rayon	Свіслацкі раён	Свислочский район
15	Vawkavyski rayon/Volkovysskiy rayon	Ваўкавы́скі раён	Волковысский район
16	Voranawski rayon/Voronovskiy rayon	Воранаўскі раён	Вороновский район
17	Zel'vyenski rayon/Zel'venskiy rayon	Зэльвенскі раён	Зельвенский район
18	Horad Hrodna/Gorod Grodno	горад Гродна	город Гродно

5. Mahilyowskaya voblasts' / Mogilevskaya oblast'

	Name (Belarusian / Russian)	Name in Belarusian Cyrillic	Name in Russian Cyrillic
1	Asipovitski rayon/Osipovichskiy rayon	Асіповіцкі раён	Осиповичский район
2	Babruyski rayon/Bobruyskiy rayon	Бабруйскі раён	Бобруйский район
3	Byalynitski rayon/Belynichskiy rayon	Бялыніцкі раён	Белыничский район
4	Bykhawski rayon/Bykhovskiy rayon	Быхаўскі раён	Быховский район
5	Chavuski rayon/Chauskiy rayon	Чавускі раён	Чаусский район
6	Cherykawski rayon/Cherikovskiy rayon	Чэрыкаўскі раён	Чериковский район
7	Drybinski rayon/Dribinskiy rayon	Дрыбінскі раён	Дрибинский район
8	Hluski rayon/Glusskiy rayon	Глускі раён	Глусский район
9	Horatski rayon/Goretskiy rayon	Горацкі раён	Горецкий район
10	Kastyukovitski rayon/Kostyukovichskiy rayon	Касцюковіцкі раён	Костюковичский район
11	Khotsimski rayon/Khotimskiy rayon	Хоці́мскі раён	Хотимский район
12	Kirawski rayon/Kirovskiy rayon	Кіраўскі раён	Кировский район
13	Klichawski rayon/Klichevskiy rayon	Клічаўскі раён	Кличевский район
14	Klimavitski rayon/Klimovichskiy rayon	Клімавіцкі раён	Климовичский район
15	Krasnapol'ski rayon/Krasnopol'skiy rayon	Краснаполскі раён	Краснопольский район

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16	Kruhlyanski rayon/Kruglyanskiy rayon	Круглянскі раён	Круглянский район
17	Krychawski rayon/Krichevskiy rayon	Крычаўскі раён	Кричевский район
18	Mahilyowski rayon/Mogilevskiy rayon	Магілёўскі раён	Могилевский район
19	Mstsislawski rayon/Mstislavskiy rayon	Мсціслаўскі раён	Мстиславский район
20	Shklowski rayon/Shklovskiy rayon	Шклоўскі раён	Шкловский район
21	Slawharadski rayon/Slavgorodskiy rayon	Слаўгарадскі раён	Славгородский район
22	Horad Babruysk/Gorod Bobruysk	горад Бабруйск	город Бобруйск
23	Horad Mahilyow/Gorod Mogilëv	горад Магілёў	город Могилёв

6. Minskaya voblasts' / Minskaya oblast'

	Name (Belarusian / Russian)	Name in Belarusian Cyrillic	Name in Russian Cyrillic
1	Byarezinski rayon/Berezinskiy rayon	Бярэзінскі раён	Березинский район
2	Barysawski rayon/Borisovskiy rayon	Бабруйскі раён	Борисовский район
3	Chervyen'ski rayon/Chervenskiy rayon	Чэрвеньскі раён	Червенский район
4	Dzyarzhynski rayon/Dzerzhinskiy rayon	Дзяржынскі раён	Дзержинский район
5	Kapyl'ski rayon/Kopyl'skiy rayon	Капыльскі раён	Копыльский район
6	Klyetski rayon/Kletskiy rayon	Клецкі раён	Клецкий район
7	Krupski rayon/Krupskiy rayon	Крупскі раён	Крупский район
8	Lahoyski rayon/Logoyskiy rayon	Лагойскі раён	Логойский район
9	Lyubanski rayon/Lyubanskiy rayon	Любанскі раён	Любанский район
10	Maladzyechanski rayon/Molodechnenskiy rayon	Маладзечанскі раён	Молодечненский район
11	Minski rayon/Minskiy rayon	Мінскі раён	Минский район
12	Myadzyel'ski rayon/Myadel'skiy rayon	Мядзельскі раён	Мядельский район
13	Nyasvizhski rayon/Nesvizhskiy rayon	Нясвіжскі раён	Несвижский район
14	Pukhavitski rayon/Pukhovichskiy rayon	Пухавіцкі раён	Пуховичский район
15	Salihorski rayon/Soligorskiy rayon	Салігорскі раён	Солигорский район
16	Slutski rayon/Slutskiy rayon	Слуцкі раён	Слуцкий район
17	Smalyavitski rayon/Smolevichskiy rayon	Смалявіцкі раён	Смолевичский район
18	Staradarozhski rayon/Starodorozhskiy rayon	Старадарожскі раён	Стародорожский район
19	Stawbtsowski rayon/Stolbtsovskiy rayon	Стаўбцоўскі раён	Столбцовский район
20	Uzdzenski rayon/Uzdenskiy rayon	Уздзенскі раён	Узденский район
21	Valozhynski rayon/Volozhinskiy rayon	Валожынскі раён	Воложинский район
22	Vilyeyski rayon/Vileyskiy rayon	Вілейскі раён	Вилейский район
23	Horad Zhodzina/Gorod Zhodino	горад Жодзіна	город Жодино

7. Vitsyebskaya voblasts' / Vitebskaya oblast'

	Name (Belarusian / Russian)	Name in Belarusian Cyrillic	Name in Russian Cyrillic
1	Arshanski rayon/Orshanskiy rayon	Аршанскі раён	Оршанский район
2	Braslawski rayon/Braslavskiy rayon	Браслаўскі раён	Браславский район
3	Byeshankovitski rayon/Beshenkovichskiy rayon	Бешанковіцкі раён	Бешенковичский район
4	Chashnitski rayon/Chashnikskiy rayon	Чашніцкі раён	Чашникский район
5	Dokshytski rayon/Dokshitskiy rayon	Докшыцкі раён	Докшицкий район
6	Dubrovyenski rayon/Dubrovenskiy rayon	Дубровенскі раён	Дубровенский район
7	Haradotski rayon/Gorodokskiy rayon	Гарадоцкі раён	Городокский район
8	Hlybotski rayon/Glubokskiy rayon	Глыбоцкі раён	Глубокский район
9	Lyepyel'ski rayon/Lepel'skiy rayon	Лепельскі раён	Лепельский район
10	Lyoznyenski rayon/Lioznenskiy rayon	Лёзненскі раён	Лиозненский район
11	Myorski rayon/Miorskiy rayon	Мёрскі раён	Миорский район
12	Pastawski rayon/Postavskiy rayon	Пастаўскі раён	Поставский район
13	Polatski rayon/Polotskiy rayon	Полацкі раён	Полоцкий район
14	Rasonski rayon/Rossonskiy rayon	Расонскі раён	Россонский район
15	Sharkawshchynski rayon/Sharkovshchinskiy rayon	Шаркаўшчынскі раён	Шарковщинский район
16	Shumilinski rayon/Shumilinskiy rayon	Шумілінскі раён	Шумилинский район
17	Syennyenski rayon/Sennenskiy rayon	Сенненскі раён	Сенненский район
18	Talachynski rayon/Tolochinskiy rayon	Талачынскі раён	Толочинский район
19	Ushatski rayon/Ushachskiy rayon	Ушацкі раён	Ушачский район
20	Vitsyebski rayon/Vitebskiy rayon	Віцебскі раён	Витебский район
21	Vyerkhnyadzvinski rayon/Verkhnedvinskiy rayon	Верхнядзвінскі раён	Верхнедвинский район
22	Horad Navapolatsk/Gorod Novopolotsk	горад Наваполацк	город Новополоцк
23	Horad Orsha/Gorod Orsha	горад Орша	город Орша
24	Horad Polatsk/Gorod Polotsk	горад Полацк	город Полоцк
25	Horad Vitsyebsk/Gorod Vitebsk	горад Віцебск	город Витебск