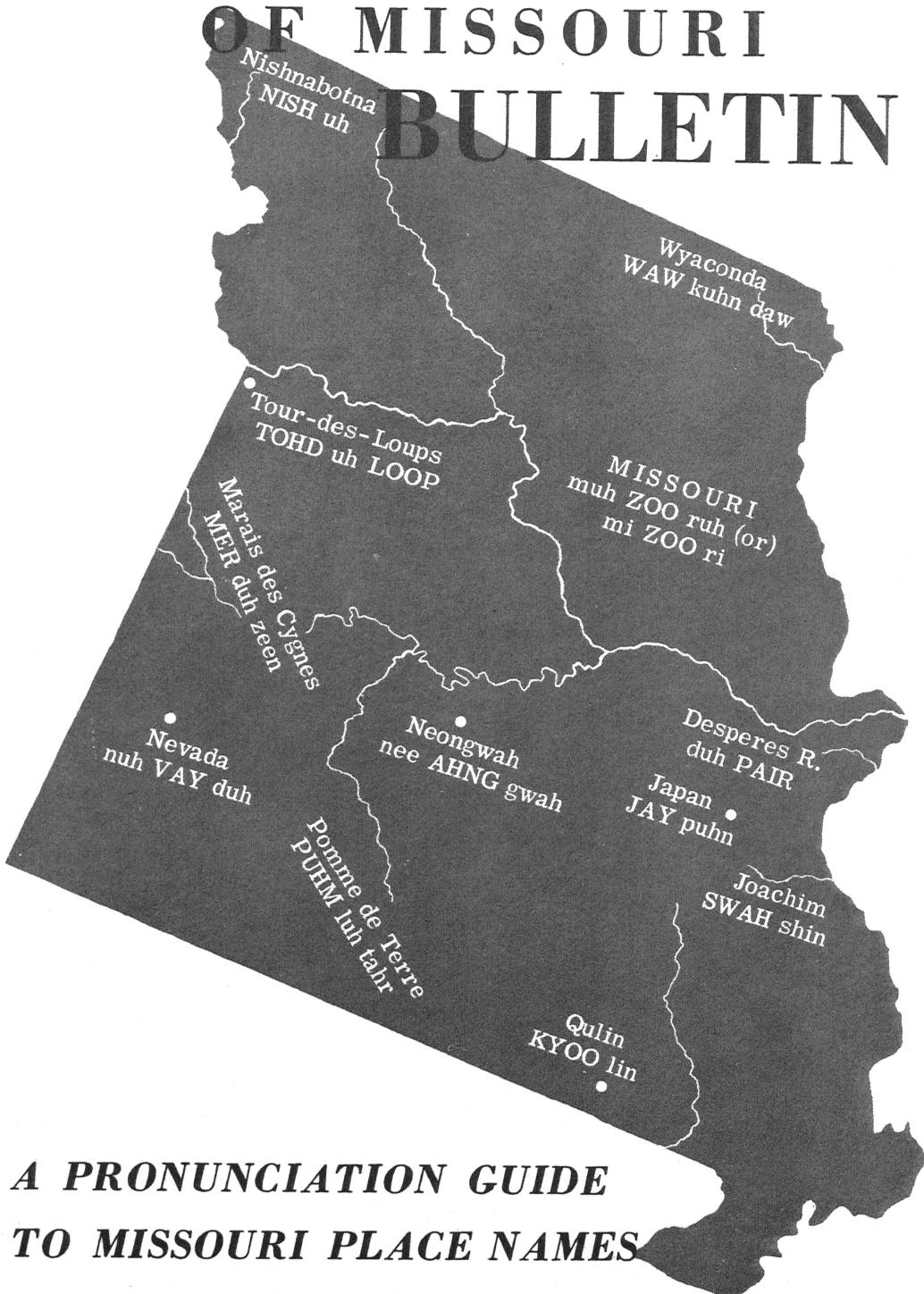


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PREFACE

This revised edition of Mr. Picinich's painstaking Pronunciation Guide to Missouri Place Names (first issued on January 20, 1951) has been made to meet an unexpected demand that soon exhausted its first printing. Over one hundred names have been added to the more than seven hundred which he included, and helpful suggestions from many sources have been incorporated. Among these, special and grateful acknowledgment must be made to Professor John S. Kenyon for his invaluable aid and counsel on many points of detail, although he is of course not responsible for such errors as may still remain. Further criticisms and corrections are cordially invited.

Mr. Picinich's Guide is purely descriptive, not prescriptive. It does not attempt to lay down the law about how our many puzzling Missouri place names ought to be pronounced, but merely to report how they are pronounced by reputable native speakers, whose actual usage has been carefully recorded. How this was done is described in Mr. Picinich's "Preface" to the first edition, which is reprinted below.

We believe that the duty of a dictionary maker is never to dictate, but merely to report as best he can. We have striven to avoid any sort of dogmatism in dealing with the many disputed problems of our place-name pronunciation. The people who live in a place, we believe, have the best right to decide what to call it. The standard for pronunciation is always usage, and usage alone; not merely the usage of schoolteachers or of self-constituted authorities, but that of the natural leaders in each community, the men and women who manage its affairs and set the standards for its way of speaking, as well as for all other matters of fashion or etiquette. Our avowed motto for determining place-name pronunciation is simply this: Whatever is done, by the right people, is right.

In so doing, we have resolutely rejected a number of false guides that have been widely recommended. In the first place, we do not believe that the spelling of a name affords any criterion whatever for its correct pronunciation. English spelling is notoriously irrational and even chaotic, and nowhere more so than in our place names. Dozens of Missouri names are actually pronounced in ways that never could be guessed from their orthography. Some of the more surprising of these discrepancies between the spelling and the current speaking of the name have been noted in the following pages by a sic in parentheses placed after the pronunciation recorded in the central column.

Nor do we believe that the pronunciation of our many foreign names, drawn as they have been from the Indians, the French, the

Spanish, the Germans, and the diverse breeds of Americans from East, North, South, and West who poured in to build up our State, can ever be decided, as some have sought to do, by the rules of pronunciation in the foreign languages or the distant dialects from which they have been derived. Many of these aliens have now become Americanized, or "Missourianized," quite out of recognition by their original users; and the sooner this healthy process of complete naturalization, for words as well as for men, is finished and accepted the better.

Most startling of all, to some sticklers for conformity, may seem our conviction that many of our Missouri place names have two or even more acceptable pronunciations, and that both or all of these are equally "correct" and entirely unobjectionable. See for example the recorded variants, none of which deserve to be condemned by anybody, for such important names as Missouri, Kansas, Illinois, St. Louis, and a host of others. Our State, as Defoe described his England, is

"so various that it seems to be
Not one, but all mankind's epitome";

and our people have every right to their individual preferences in matters of pronunciation, whenever these have been able to enlist a respectable following. Hundreds of common English words are acceptably pronounced in more than one way. The same freedom to differ, though it has sometimes been denied by those whom the poet Robert Burns described as the "rigidly righteous," should, we firmly believe, also be granted in the pronunciation of our place names.

The pronunciations we have found in actual use have been recorded in two ways, both of which are carefully explained in the following pages. First is the system we have entitled "Simplified Respelling," which has been adapted from various similar methods employed in other state pronunciation guides and network handbooks. The second is the "International Phonetic Alphabet," or "IPA," used by Kenyon and Knott in their well known Pronouncing Dictionary of American English, and by other scholars all over the world. This scientific notation, though it has not been previously employed in any place-name state guide, is really simpler and clearer than the "Simplified Respelling," as a few minutes study of the "Key" on the adjoining page will demonstrate. It is hoped that our use of it side by side with the more familiar system will lead the way to a wider recognition of its many advantages.

Robert Lee Ramsay
(RAH buhrt LEE RAM zi)
('rəbət li 'ramzɪ)

No guide to pronunciation can hope to satisfy every user with respect to the recommendations made as to the usual pronunciation of the place names found within its covers. Rather, the compiler directs his efforts to the majority of users who can, in most instances, consult the listings with the assurance that for normal, everyday speech requirements, the recommendations are satisfactory. While no effort is made here to establish final authority for the pronunciations recommended, a sound basis for arriving at these recommendations was the investigation of this subject made by the writer in his thesis submitted for the degree of M.A. in the School of Journalism. This guide is offered on the basis of the findings in that study.

The compiler wishes to thank Professor Edward C. Lambert, head of the Journalism Radio Department, for his help in drafting the initial steps in this investigation; Dr. Robert L. Ramsay of the Department of English for his help with the linguistic problems encountered, and for his continuous assistance in seeing this guide brought to a successful conclusion; Dr. Earl F. English, Dean of the School of Journalism, for recommending this project to the writer and for editing the booklet in its final form; and all the Missouri radio men and other interested persons who contributed their time and efforts throughout this work.

It is hoped this pronunciation guide to Missouri place names will find a useful place in the newsrooms of every Missouri radio station, as well as in those of other states. It is also the purpose of this guide to be of some help to librarians, public speakers, and other interested persons both in Missouri and throughout the nation.

Donald George Picinich
(DAH nld JORJ pi SIN ik)
(dənl dʒɔrdʒ pi'sinik)

S I M P L I F I E D R E S P E L L I N G K E Y

VOWELS

<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Equivalent</u>
a	is like the a in cat (kat)
ah	is like the a in calm (kahn) or arm (ahrn); also the usual American pronunciation of o in such words as pot, God, Tom (paht, Gahd, Tahm)
air	is like the air in pair, or the ar in care (kair), with the vowel of either sat or bet
aw	is like the aw in law
ay	is like the ay in day, or the a in date (dayt)
e	is like the e in bet
ee	is like the ee in bee, or the e in me
eye	is like the eye in eye, or the i in ride (reyed)
o	is like the o sometimes (rarely in Missouri) heard in God, Tom, dog, or the a in watch
oh	is like the oh in oh, or the o in toe (toh)
oi	is like the oi in oil, or the oy in boy
oo	is like the oo in mood, or the u in rude
or	is like the or in fort, with the vowel of either law or toe
oor	is like the oor in moor, with the vowel of either mood or good
ow	is like the ow in owl, or the ou in out
u	is like the u in pull, or the oo in good
uh	is like the u in dull (duhl) or cup (kuhp), or the oo in blood (bluhd); also used for the "obscure" vowel sound of a in sofa (SOH-fuh) or above (uh-BUHV), or the e in quiet (KWEYE-uht), the o in custom (KUHS-tuhm), or the u in suppose (suh-PORZ)
uhr	is like the ur in burn (buhrn), the er in fern (fuhrn), the or in word (wuhrd), the ir in girl (guhrl), or the ear in pearl (puhrl); also the last syllables of paper (PAY-puhr), liar (LEYE-uhr), sailor (SAY-luhr), or augur (AW-guhr)

CONSONANTS

ch	is like the ch in chip
dh	is like the th in then (dhen) or in bathe (baydh)
g	is always like the g in go;
j	is like the j in jump, or the g in gem (jem)
k	is like the k in kid, or the c in can (kan)
kw	is like the qu in quick (kwik)
l	is like the l in lip or pull; also syllabic (without any accompanying vowel sound in the syllable), as in saddle (sadl) or little (litl)
m	is like the m in mat or dam; also syllabic, as in stop 'em (stahpm) or Cobham (kahbm)
n	is like the n in net or pin; also syllabic, as in sadden (sadn), kitten (kitn), or listen (lisn)
ng	is like the ng in singer (SING-uhr)
ngg	is like the ng in finger (FING-guhr)
nj	is like the ng in ginger (JIN-juhr)
s	is like the s in sit or loose (LOOS)
sh	is like the sh in shed or dash
th	is like the th in thin or bath
w	is like the w in wail
wh	is like the wh in whale
y	is like the y in yell
yoo	is like the ew in pew (pyoo), or the u in fuse (fyoooz)
z	is like the z in zebra (ZEE-bruh), or the s in lose (LOOS)
zh	is like the s in vision (VIZN-uhn), or the z in azure (AZH-uhr)

Other consonants have the normal English values.

Accented syllables (only those with the primary or main stress) are capitalized.

THE INTERNATIONAL PHONETIC ALPHABET

(taken with a few adaptations and omissions from
A Pronouncing Dictionary of American English by
John S. Kenyon and Thomas A. Knott)

VOWELS

<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Spelling</u>	<u>Spoken Form</u>
i	bee	bi
ɪ	pity	'piti
e	rate	ret
ɛ	yet	jet
æ	sang	seen
a	ah, far	a, far
ɔ	jaw, gorge	dʒɔ, ɡɔrdʒ
ɒ	watch	wɒtʃ
(as sometimes heard, between a and ɔ)		
o	go	go
ʊ	full	ful
u	tooth	tue
ʌ	above	e'bəv
(accented syllable only)		
ə	custom	'kastem
(unaccented syllable only)		
ɔ̄	further	'fərə
(accented syllable only, r's sounded)		
ɔ̄	further	'fərə
(unaccented syllable only, r's sounded)		

CONSONANTS

<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Spelling</u>	<u>Spoken Form</u>
p	pity	'piti
b	bee	bi
t	tooth	tue
d	dish	diʃ
k	custom	'kastem
g	go	go
f	full	ful
v	vision	'visen
θ	tooth	tue
ð	further	'fərə
s	sang	seen
z	using	'juzɪŋ
ʃ	dish	diʃ
ʒ	vision	'visen
h	how	hau
tʃ	chest	tʃest
dʒ	jaw, edge	dʒɔ, edʒ
m	custom	'kastem
ɛm	keep 'em	'kipm
n	vision	'visen
ɛn	Eden	'idn
ŋ	singer	'singə
f	finger	'fingə
l	full	ful
r	cradle	'kredl
j	very	'veri
w	yet	jet
w	wail	wel
hw	whale	hwel

DIPHTHONGS

ai	while	hwail
au	how	hau
ɔɪ	toy	tɔɪ
ɪu	fuse	fuz
ju	using	'juzɪŋ

n	vision	'visen
ɛn	Eden	'idn
ŋ	singer	'singə
f	finger	'fingə
l	full	ful
r	cradle	'kredl
j	very	'veri
w	wail	wel
hw	whale	hwel

COMMON VARIANTS

(unrecorded, to avoid undue complication)

ær (often) er	care	ker (or) ker
ɔr (often) or	port	port (or) port
ur (often) ur	moor	mur (or) mur

ACCENT

' before syllables with primary stress	schoolroom	'skul,rum
, before syllables with secondary stress	hesitate	'heze,tet
Light or weak stress not indicated	hesitation	,heze'teʃən
	outrun	aut'ran
	misunderstand	,misandə'stənd

	Simplified Respelling	IPA
A		
Aaron (Bates)	AY ruhn (or) AIR uhn	'erən (or) 'ærən
Abadyl (Christian)	ab uh DIL	,əbə'dil
Abattis (Warren)	uh BAT is (or) ay BAT is	e 'bætɪs (or) e 'bætɪs
Aberdeen (Pike)	ab uhr DEEN	,əbə'din
Abesville (Stone)	AYBZ vil	'ebz, vrl
Abo (Laclede)	AY boh	'ebo
Acacia (St.Louis)	uh KAY shuh	e 'keʃə
Acasto (Clark)	uh KAS toh	e 'kæsto
Acid (Franklin)	AS uhd	'æsed
Adair County	uh DAIR	e 'dær
Adelbert (Washington)	ay DEL buhrt	e 'dælbət
Adrian (Bates)	AY dri uhn	'edriən
Advance (Stoddard)	AD vans	'æd, væns
Aholt (Chariton)	AY hohlt	'e, holt
Akers (Shannon)	AY kuhrz	'ekəz
Akron (Harrison)	AK ruhn	'ækren
Alba (Jasper)	AL buh	'albe
Albany (Franklin)	AWL buh ni	'ɔlbəni
Alderney (St.Louis)	AWL duhr ni	'ɔldəni
Algire (Washington)	AWL geyer	'ɔl,garr
Algoa (Cole)	AL goh uh	'ælgoe
Alhambra (Stoddard)	al HAM buhr	æl 'hæmbrə
Alice (Texas)	AL is (or) AL uhs	'ælis (or) 'æles
Allamongs (Carroll)	AL uh mahngz	'æle, manz
Alley (Shannon)	AL i	'æli
Alliance (Bollinger)	uh LEYE uhns	e 'laɪəns
Alma (Lafayette)	AL muh	'alme
Almartha (Ozark)	AL mahr thuh	'æl,mɑrθə
Altamont (Daviess)	AL tuh mahnt	'ælte, mant
Altenburg (Perry)	AL tuhn buhrg	'ælten, bəg
Amazonia (Andrew)	am uh ZOHN yuh (or) am uh ZOH ni uh	,æmə'zonjə (or) ,æmə'zonɪə
Americus (Montgomery)	uh MER i kuhs	e 'merikəs
Amity (De Kalb)	AM i ti	'æmiti
Amoret (Bates)	AM uh ret	'æmə, ret
Amory (Clay)	AYM ri	'emri

Simplified
Respelling

IPA

Anaconda (Franklin)	an uh KAHN duh	,ænə 'kandə
Ancell (Scott)	AN suhl	'ænsəl
Andre (Vernon)	AN dri	'ændri
Andrew County	AN droo	'ændru
Annada (Pike)	AN ay duh	'æn , eðə
Annapolis (Iron)	an AP uh lis	æn 'æpelis
Anniston (Mississippi)	AN uhs tuhn	'ænestən
Anthonies Mill (Washington)	AN thuh niz MIL	'ænθəniz 'mil
Anutt (Dent)	AN uht	'ænət
Apex (Lincoln)	AY peks	'e , peks
Aquilla (Stoddard)	uh KWIL uh	e 'kwile
Arab (Bollinger)	AY rab	'e , rab
Arbela (Scotland)	ahr BEE luh	ar'bile
Arbyrd (Dunklin)	AHR buhrd	'arbəd
Arcadia (Iron)	ahr KAY di uh	ar'kedɪə
Archie (Cass)	AHR chi	'artʃi
Arcola (Dade)	ahr KOH luh	ar'kole
Ardeola (Stoddard)	ahr di OH luh	,ardɪ 'ole
Argentville (Lincoln)	AHR juhnt vil	'ardzɪnt,vɪl
Argo (Franklin)	AHR goh (or) AIR goh	'argo (or) 'ærgo
Argola (Lewis)	ahr GOH luh	ar'gole
Argonne (Lafayette)	AHR gawn	'ar , gon
Argyle (Osage)	AHR geyel	'ar , gaɪl
Arkansas (the State)	AHR kuhn saw	'arken , sɔ
Arkansas (town in Kansas)	ahr KAN zuhs	ar'kænzəs
Arkoe (Nodaway)	AHR koh	'arko
Arnica (Cedar)	Ahr ni kuh	'arnike
Arnold (Jefferson)	AHR nld	'arnld
Atchison County	ACH uh suhn	'ætʃɪsən
Athelstan (Worth)	ATH uhl stan	'æθəl,stæn
Athens (Clark)	ATH uhnz (or) AY thuhnz	'æθənz (or) 'eθənz
Athol (Jackson)	ATH uhl	'æθəl
Aud (Osage)	AWD	ɔd
Audrain County	aw DRAYN (or) AW drayn	,ɔ'dren (or) 'ɔ,dren
Auglaize (Camden)	AW glayz (or) OH glaz	'ɔ,gleyz (or) 'o,gleyz

	Simplified Respelling	IPA
Augusta (St.Charles)	aw GUHS tuh (or) uh GUHS tuh	ə'gæstə (or) ə'gæstə
Aullville (Lafayette)	AWL vil	'ɔ:l,vil
Aurora (Lawrence)	aw ROH ruh	ə'rōrə
Aux Vases Creek (Ste.Genevieve)	aw VAWZ (or) oh VAWZ	,ə'vez (or) ,o'vez
Auxvasse (Callaway)	OH vawz (or) oh VAWZ	'o,vəz (or) ,o'vez
Ava (Douglas)	AY vuh	'eve
Avert (Stoddard)	AY vuhrt	'e,vət
Avilla (Jasper)	uh VIL uh	ə'vile
Avon (Cass)	AV uhn (or) AY vawn	'e'ven (or) 'e,vən
Avondale (Clay)	AV uhn dayl	'e'ven,del
Axtell (Macon)	AKS tuhl	'ækstəl
Ayres (Saline)	AIRZ	ərz
Azen (Scotland)	AY zuhn	'ezen
B		
Bachelor (Callaway)	BACH uh luhr	'bætʃələr
Baden (St.Louis)	BAD n (or) BAY dn	'bedn (or) 'bedn
Bado (Texas)	BAD oh	'bedo
Bagnell Dam	BAG nel	'beɪg,nəl
Bahner (Pettis)	BAH nuhr	'bænzə
Banister (St.Francois)	BAN is tuhr	'benɪstə
Baring (Knox)	BAIR ing	'beəriŋ
Barnumton (Camden)	DAHR nuhm tuhn	'barnəmətn
Barry County	BAIR i	'beəri
Baryties (Washington)	BAIR i teeZ	'beəri,tiz
Bates County	BAYTS	bets
Baudendistel (Perry)	BAW duhn disl	'bədən,disl
Bayouville (New Madrid)	BEYE oh vil	'baɪo,vil
Beaufort (Franklin)	BOH fuhrt (or) BYOO fuhrt	'bofət (or) 'bjufət
Beauvois (Ste.Genevieve)	boh VAY	bo've
Belgique (Perry)	bel ZHIK (or) bel JEEK	bel'zɪk (or) bel'dʒɪk
Belgrade (Washington)	BEL grayd	'bel,gred
Bellefontaine (St.Louis)	bel FOWN tn	bel'faʊntn
Belvoir (Vernon)	BEL vuhr	'belvər
Benavis (St.Louis)	ber AY vuhs	bən'eves

	Simplified Respelling	IPA
Bendavis (Texas)	BEN day vis	'ben, devis
Benoist (St.Francois)	buh NOIST	be'noist
Benton County	BEN tn	'bentn
Berger Creek (Franklin)	BUHR juhr	'bərdʒər
Berlin (Lafayette)	BUHR lin	'berlin
Bernie (Stoddard)	BUHR ni	'berni
Bethel (Shelby)	BETH l	'bəθl
Bevier (Macon)	buh VIR	be'ver
Biehle (Perry)	BEEL	bil
Bismarck (St.Francois)	BIZ mahrk	'biz, mark
Blanche (Douglas)	BLANCH	blæntʃ
Blase (St.Charles)	BLAH zuh	'blaze
Blodgett (Scott)	BLAH juht	'bladʒet
Boaz (Crawford)	BOH az.	'bo, az
Boeuf Creek (Franklin)	BEF (or) BUFF	bef (or) baf
Boekerton (New Madrid)	BOH kuhr tuhn	'bokətən
Bois Brule Creek	bahb ROO li	,bab'ruli:
Bois D'Arc (Greene)	BOH dahrk	'bo, dark
Bolckow (Andrew)	BOHL kow (or) BOHL koh	'bol,kau (or) 'bólko
Bolivar (Polk)	BAH luh vuhr	'balevər
Bollard (Stoddard)	BAH luhrd	'baləd
Bollinger County	BOH ling (g)uhr (or) BUL ing (g)uhr (or) BAH lin juhr	'bolɪŋ(g)ər (or) 'bulɪŋ(g)ər (or) 'balɪndʒər
Bona (Dade)	BOH nuh	'bone
Bonfils (St.Louis)	BAHN filz	'ban, filz
Bon Homme Road	BAH nuhm (or) BOH nuhm	'banəm (or) 'bonəm
Bonne Femme Creek	bahn FAM	,ban'fəm
Bonne Terre (St.Francois)	bahn TER (or) BAH ni tahr (sic)	,ban'ter (or) 'bani,tar
Bonnets Mill (Osage)	BAH nuhts MIL	'banets 'mil
Boone County	BOON	bun
Boscobel (Dent)	BAH skuh bel	'baskə,bəl
Bourbeuse River	BUHR buhs	'bəbəs
Bourbon (Crawford)	BUHR buhn	'bəbən
Bowdry (Carroll)	BOH dri	'bodri
Bowlan (Shannon)	BOH luhn	'bołen
Braggadocio (Pemiscot)	BRAG uh doh shuh	'brægə,dəʃə

	Simplified Respelling	IPA
Branham (Ralls)	BRAN uhm	'brænəm
Brashear (Adair)	bruh SHEER	brə'ʃɪr
Brazeau (Perry)	BRAZ oh	'brazə
Brazil (Washington)	bruh ZIL (or) buhr ZIL	brə'zil (or) bə'zil
Brazito (Cole)	bruh ZEE toh	brə'zito
Bremen (St.Louis)	BREE muhn	'brimən
Brevator (Lincoln)	BREV uh tor	'breve, tɔr
Bristleridge (Johnson)	BRIS l rij	'brisl, rɪdʒ
Bronaugh (Vernon)	bruh NAW	brə'nɔ
Brosely (Butler)	BROHZ li	'brozli
Brucam (Jackson)	BROO kuhm	'brukəm
Brumot (Wayne)	BROO no	'bruno
Brussels (Lincoln)	BRUH slz	'braslz
Buchanan County	byoo KAN uhn (or) buuh KĀN uhn	bju'kænen (or) bə'kænen
Bucoda (Dunklin)	byoo KOH duh	bju'kode
Bucyrus (Texas)	byoo SEYE ruhs	bju'saires
Buell (Montgomery)	BYOO uhl	'bjuel
Bunceton (Cooper)	BUHN stuhn	'bansten
Buncombe (Franklin)	BUHNG kuhm	'bʌŋkəm
Busick (Carter)	BYOO zik	'bjuzik
Bute (Sullivan)	BYOOT	bjut
Butler County	BURT luhr	'batlə

C

Cabanne Avenue (St.Louis)	KAB uh ni	'kæbenɪ
Cable (Reynolds)	KAY bl	'kebl
Cabool (Texas)	kuh BOOL	kə'bul
Cache River (Butler)	KASH	kæʃ
Cadet (Washington)	kuh DET	kə'det
Cairo (Randolph)	KAY roh (or) KAIR oh	'kero (or) 'kəro
Caldwell County	KAWLD wel (or) KAWLD wuhl	'kɔld_wel (or) 'kɔldwel
Caledonia (Washington)	kal uh DOWN yuh	,kæle'donjə
Calhoun (Henry)	KAL hoon	'kæl,hun
Callao (Macon)	KAL i oh	'kælɪo
Callaway County	KAL uh way	'kæle,we

	Simplified Respelling	IPA
Calumet (Pike)	KAL yu met	'kalju, met
Camden County	KAM duhn	'kæmdən
Campbell (Dunklin)	KAM l	'kæml
Campbellton (Franklin)	KAM l tuhn	'kæmltən
Cansas (Gasconade)	KAY nuhn	'kenən
Canalou (New Madrid)	kuh NAL oo	ke'nal, u
Canton (Lewis)	KAN tn	'kæntn
Capaha Village (New Madrid)	KAP uh hah	'kæpe, ha
Cap au Gris (Lincoln)	KAP oh gray	'kæpo, gre
Cape Girardeau (County and city)	KAYP juh RAH doh (or) KAYP juh RAH duh	'kep dʒe'rado (or) 'kep dʒe'rade
Carlisle (Shelby)	KAHR leyel	'kar, laɪl
Carondelet (St.Louis)	kuh RAHN duh let	ke'rændə, let
Carroll County	KAIR uhl	'kærəl
Carter County	KAHR tuhr	'kartə
Caruth (Dunklin)	kuh ROOTH	ke'rʊθ
Caruthersville (Pemiscot)	kuh RUH dhuhrz vil (or) KRUH dhuhrz vil	ke'rʌθəz, vil (or) 'kraθəz, vil
Cashion (Perry)	KASH uhn	'keʃən
Cass County	KAS	kæs
Casto (Shannon)	KAS toh	'kæsto
Castor River	KAS tuhr	'kæstər
Catalpa (Mississippi)	kuh TAL puh (or) kuh TAL fuh (sic)	ke'tælpu (or) ke'tælfə
Catawba (Caldwell)	kuh TAW buh	ke'təbe
Catawissa (Franklin)	KAT uh wis uh	'kæte, wise
Cato (Barry)	KAY toh	'keto
Catron (New Madrid)	KAT ruhn	'kætren
Caulfield (Howell)	KAWL feed (or) KAW feeld	'kɔl, fild (or) 'kɔ, fild
Cazzell (Chariton)	kuh ZEL	ke'zel
Cedar County	SEE duhr	'sɪdər
Celina (Dent)	suh LEYE nuh	se'laine
Centralia (Boone)	sen TRAYL yuh	sen'treljə
Chaffee (Scott)	CHAF ee	'tʃæ, fi
Chaminade (St.Louis)	SHAM uh nahd	'ʃæmə, nad
Chamois (Osage)	shuh MOI	ʃə'mɔɪ
Chantilly (Lincoln)	SHAN ti li	'ʃæntili
Chaonia (Wayne)	KAY oh nuh (sic)	'ke, one
Chariton County	SHAIR uh tuhn	'ʃærɪtn

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Charrette (Warren)	SHAIR uht (or) shuh RET	'ʃærət (or) 'ʃe'ret
Chelsea (St.Louis)	CHEL si	'tʃelsɪ
Chicopee (Carter)	CHIK uh pee	'tʃɪkə,pi
Chilhowee (Johnson)	CHIL how i	'tʃɪl,hauɪ
Chillicothe (Livingston)	chil uh KAH thi	,tʃɪle'kaθɪ
Chilliticaux (Cape Girardeau)	CHIL uh tuh koh	'tʃɪlɪte,ko
Chitwood (Jasper)	CHIT wud	'tʃɪt,wud
Chloe (St.Clair)	KLOH i	'kloɪ
Choat (Bollinger)	CHOHT	tʃot
Chouteau Avenue (St.Louis)	SHOH to	'ʃoto
Christian County	KRIS chuhn	'krɪstʃən
Chula (Livingston)	CHOO luh	'tʃuːlə
Clara (Texas)	KLAIR uh	'klærə
Clark County	KLAHRK	klark
Clay County	KLAY	kle
Claycomo (Clay)	KLAY koh moh	'kle,komo
Clever (Christian)	KLEV uhr	'klevə
Clinton County	KLIN tn	'klɪntn
Cliquot (Polk)	KLEE koh	'kliko
Clones (Iron)	KLOH nuhs	'klones
Coelleda (Camden)	kuh LEE duh	ke'lide
Cole County	KOHL	kol
Collopy (St.Louis)	KAHL uh pi	'kalepi
Coloma (Henry)	kuh LOH muh	ke'lome
Columbia (Boone)	kuh LUHM bi yuh	ke'lambɪə
Concordia (Perry)	kahn KOR di uh	kan'kordɪə
Como (New Madrid)	koh moh	'komo
Cooper County	KUP uhr	'kupə
Cooter (Pemiscot)	KOO tuhr	'kutə
Corkery (Dallas)	KOR kuh ri	'kərkəri
Cote Sans Dessein (Callaway)	koht SAN duh suhn	,kot'sændesən
Courtois (Washington)	KOOR toiz	'kur,toiz
Courtois Creek	KOH tuh way (sic)	'kote,we
Covert (Texas)	KOH vuhrt	'kovərt
Cowgill (Caldwell)	KOW gil	-'kau,gil-

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Crawford County	KRAW fuhrd	/'krofərd
Creighton (Cass)	KRAY tuhn	'kreten
Creve Coeur (St.Louis)	KREEV kor (or) KREEV kahr	'kriv kər (or) 'kriv,kar
Crosno (Mississippi)	KRAHS noh (or) KRAWS noh	'krasno (or) 'krəsno
Cuivre River	KWIV uhr	'kwivə
Cureall (Howell)	KYOOR awl	'kjur,ɔl
Current River	KUHR uhnt	'kɔrənt
Cyrene (Pike)	SEYE reen	'sai,rin

D

Dade County	DAYD	ded
Dagonia (Reynolds)	duh GOHN yuh	də'gonjə
Dallas County	DAL uhs	'dæləs
Dameron (Lincoln)	DAM ruhn	'dæmərn
Dardenne River	DAHR duhn	'darden
Darien (Kent)	DAIR i uhn	'dærɪən
Davault (Bollinger)	duh VAWLT	~de'velt
Daviess County	DAY vis	'devɪs
Davis (Lincoln)	DAY vis	'devɪs
Debery (Laclede)	DEE be ri	'di,bəri
Decatur (Cape Girardeau)	duh KAY tuhr	de'ketə
Decypri (New Madrid)	di SIP ri	di'sipri
De Hodiamont (St.Louis)	duh HOH di uh mahnt (or) duh HOH duh mahnt	de'hodie,mant (or) de'hode,mant
De Kalb County	di KALB	dɪ'kælb
De Lassus (St.Francois)	DEL uh soo	'dælə,su
Delhi (Crawford)	DEL heyē	'dæl,hai
Delmar (St.Louis)	DEL mahr	'dæl,maɹ
Dent County	DENT	dənt
De Soto (Jefferson)	di SOH toh	dɪ'soto
Deray (Cape Girardeau)	DEE ray	'di,re
Des Arc (Iron)	DEZ ahrk	'dez,ark
Deslet (Shannon)	DES let	'deslet
Desloge (St.Francois)	duh LOHZH	de'lɔz
Des Moines River	duh MOIN (or) duh MOINZ	de'moɪn (or) de'moɪnz
Desperes River	duh PAIR	de'peər

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Deventer (Mississippi)	duh VИН tuhr	de'vintə
Diecke (St.Louis)	DEYE ki	'daikɪ
Diehlstadt (Scott)	DEEL stat	'dil, stæt
Dissen (Franklin)	DEYE suhn	'daisen
Dongola (Bollinger)	dahn GOH luh	dan'gole
Doniphan (Ripley)	DAH nuh fuhn	'danefen
Dorena (Mississippi)	-doh REE nuh	do'rīne
Douglas County	DUHG luhs	'dagles
Dozier (St.Louis)	DOH zhuhru	'dozə
Duenweg (Jasper)	DUHN uh weg	'dane, wəg
Duly (Franklin)	DOO li	'duli
Dumas (Clark)	DOO muhs	'dumes
Dunklin County	DUNG klin	'dʌŋklɪn
Duquesne (Jasper)	doo KAYN	du'ken
Durham (Lewis)	DUHR uhm	'dəm
Dutzow (Warren)	DUHT zoh (or) DOOT zow	'datzo (or) 'dutzo

E

Easley (Boone)	EEZ li	'izlɪ
Baudevie (Christian)	OH duh vee	'ode, vi
Eden (Dent)	EE dn	'idn
Edina (Knox)	ee DEYE nuh	i'dairn
Edinburg (Scotland)	ED in buhrg (or) ED n buhrg	'edɪn, bəg (or) 'edɪn, bəg
Elayer (Crawford)	EE lay uhr	'i, ler
Eldorado (Clark)	el duh RAY duh	, elde'rede
Eleven Points River (Oregon)	uh LEV n (or) uh LEE m	a'ləvn (or) ə'lebm
Elijah (Ozark)	i LEYE juh	i'lārdʒə
Elmira (Ray)	el MEYE ruh	əl'maire
Ely (Marion)	EE li	'ili
Eminence (Shannon)	EM uh nuhns	'emenəns
Emmaus Creek (Warren)	EM uhs (sic)	'eməs
Englewood (Jackson)	ENG gl wud	'engl, wud
Enon (Moniteau)	EE nuhn	'inen
Enough (Iron)	EE nuhf (sic)	'i, naf
Eolia (Pike)	ee OHL yuh	i'oljə
Estes (Pike)	ES tuhs	'estəs
Ethlyn (Lincoln)	ETH luhn	'eθlən

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Eudora (Polk)	yoo DOH ruh	ju'dore
Exchange (Reynolds)	EKS chaynj	'eks, tʃendʒ
Exeter (Barry)	EKS uh tuhr	'eksetə
F		
Fabius River	FAB i uhs	'fæbɪəs
Fagus (Butler)	FAY guhs	'fegez
Falcon (Laclede)	FAWL kuhn	'fɔlkn̩
Falmouth (Lincoln)	FAL moyth	'fæl, mauθ
Faro (Madison)	FAY roh	'fero
Farrar (Perry)	fuH RAHR	fe'rər
Faucett (Buchanan)	FAW sit	'fɔsɪt
Faust (Pemiscot)	FOWST	faust
Fayette (Howard)	FAY et	'fe, ət
Femme Osage Creek	FEM oh SAYJ	'fem o'seɪdʒ
Florissant (St.Louis)	FLOH ruh suhnt	'florescent
Foristell (St.Charles)	FAW ris tel	'forɪstə, tel
Fortescue (Holt)	FOR tis kyoo	'fortɪs, kju
Forsyth (Taney)	FOR seyeth	'for, saɪθ
Fort Duquette (St.Charles)	FORT doo KET	'fort du'ket
Fourche a Du Clos (Ste.Genevieve)	FORSH uh duh KLOO	'forʃ edə'klu
Fourche Creek (Ripley)	FOR shi	'forʃi
Franklin County	FRANG klin	'fræŋklɪn
Fredonia (Ray)	FREE dohn yuh	'fri, donjə
Freistatt (Lawrence)	FREYE stad	'fraɪ, stəd
Frieden Gemeinde (St.Charles)	FREE dn guh MEYEN duh	'frɪdn ɡe'maɪndə
Friedheim (Cape Girardeau)	FREED heyem	'frɪd, haɪm
Frohna (Perry)	FROH nuh	'frone
G		
Galena (Franklin)	guh LEE nuh	ge'line
Gallatin (Daviess)	GAL uh tuhn	'galetən
Gasconade River (and County)	GAS kuh nayd (or) gas kuh NAID	'gæskə,ned (or) gæskə'næd
Gayoso (Pemiscot)	gay OH soh	ge'oso
Gentry County	JEN tri	'dʒentri
Gideon (New Madrid)	GID i uhn	'gidɪən
Gilead (Lewis)	GIL i uhd	'gilɪəd
Glaize Creek	GLAYZ	glez
Glasgow (Howard)	GLAS goh	'glæsgo
Golahy (Saline)	GOW luH hi	'golehɪ

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Gorin (Scotland)	GAW rin	'gorin
Gower (Clinton)	GOW uhr	'gauə
Gratiot (St.Louis)	GRASH uht	'græʃət
Gravois Creek (Morgan)	GRAV uhz	'grævəz
Gravois Mills (St.Louis)	GRAV oi MILZ	'grævɔɪ 'mɪlz
Greasy Creek (six or more)	GREE zi	'grizi
Greene County	GREEN	grin
Grundy County	GRUHN di	'grandi
Guber (Reynolds)	GOH buhr	'gobə
H		
Haggai (St.Francois)	HAWG eye (sic)	'həg, aɪ
Hehatonka (Camden)	hah hah TARNG kuh	,ha, ha 'tanke
Hahn (Bollinger)	HAHN	han
Halcyon (Dent)	HAL si uhn	'hælsiən
Hamestring (Bollinger)	HAM string	'hem, strɪŋ
Hannibal (Marion)	HAN uh buhl	'hænebel
Hardage (Shannon)	HAHR dij	'hardidʒ
Harrison County	HAR uh sn	'hæresn
Harviell (Butler)	HARR vuhl	'harvel
Hayti (Pemiscot)	HAY teye	'he, tai
Heagy (Stoddard)	HAY gi	'hegi
Helena (Andrew)	huh LEE nuh	he'line
Hematite (Jefferson)	HEM uh teyet	'heme, tæt
Henry County	HEN ri	'henri
Herculanum (Jefferson)	huhr kyuh LAY ni uhm	,həkje'ləniəm
Heumaders (Buchanan)	hyoo MAY duhrz	hju'medəz
Hickory County	HIK uh ri	'hikeri
Hocomo (Howell)	HOH kuh moh	'hokemo
Holcomb (Dunklin)	HAFL kuhm	'halkəm
Hollow (general use)	HAH luuh (or) HAH luhr	'hale (or) 'halə
Holstein (Warren)	HOHL steen (or) HOHL steyen	'hol, stin (or) 'hol, stain
Holt County	HOHLT	holt
Houck (Cape Girardeau)	HOWK	hauk
Hough (New Madrid)	HUHF	haf
Houston (Texas)	HYOO stuhn	'hjustən
Howard County	HOW uhrd	'havəd
Howell County	HOW uhl	'havel

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Huiskamp (Marion)	HU si kamp (or) WHIS kamp	'husɪ,kæmp (or) 'hwɪs,kæmp
Hunnewell (Shelby)	HUHN i wel	'hanɪ,wel
Huxie (Bollinger)	HUHK si	'haksi
Huzzah (Crawford)	HOO zah (or) HOO zaw	'hu,za (or) 'hu,zɔ

I

Iantha (Barton)	EYE an thuh	'aɪ,ənθə
Iatan (Platte)	EYE uh tan	'aɪ,ətən
Iberia (Miller)	eye BIR i yuh	aɪ 'bɪrɪə
Iconium (St.Clair)	EYE koh nuhm (sic)	'aɪ,konəm
Idalia (Stoddard)	eye DAYL yuh	aɪ 'deljə
Ilasco (Marion)	uh LAS koh	ə'læsko
Illinois (State)	il uh NOI (or) il uh NOIZ	,ɪlə'noɪ (or) ,ɪlə'noɪz
Illmo (Franklin)	IL moh	'ɪlmo
Independence (Jackson)	in duh PEN duhns	,ɪndə'pɛndəns
Inglesyde (St.Louis)	ING gl seyed	'ɪŋgl,said
Ionia (Benton)	eye OH ni uh	aɪ 'onɪə
Iowa (State)	EVE uh wuh	'aɪəwə
Irena (Worth)	eye REE nuh	aɪ 'rine
Iron County	EVE uhrn	'aɪən
Ishmael (Washington)	ISW mi uhl	'ɪʃməl
Isle au Bois Creek	EE luuh boi (or) ZIL uh boi (sic)	'ɪlə,bɔɪ (or) 'zɪl,boɪ

J

Jackson County	JAK sn	'dʒæksn
Jadwin (Dent)	JAD win	'dʒædwin
Jaeger (Franklin)	YAY guhr	'jɛgə
Japan (Franklin)	JAY pan (or) JAY puhn (sic)	'dʒe,pən (or) 'dʒepən
Jasper County	JAS puhr	'dʒæspə
Jaudon (Cass)	JOO dawn	'dzu,dən
Jefferson County (and City)	JEF uhr sn	'dʒefəsn
Joachim Creek (Jefferson)	SWAW shin (or) SWAW shing (sic)	'swaʃɪn (or) 'swaʃɪŋ
Johnson County	JAHN sn	'dʒənən
Joplin (Jasper)	JAH plin	'dʒəplɪn
Jordan Creek (Franklin)	JOR dn (or) JUHR dn	'dʒɔrdn (or) 'dʒədn
Juanita (New Madrid)	waw NEE tuh	wə 'nītə

K

Kahoka (Clark)	kuh HOH kuh	ke'hone
Kansas (City and State)	KAN suhs (or) KAN zuhs	'kenses (or) 'kenzes
Kaolin (Iron)	kay OH lin	ke'olin
Kearney (Clay)	KAHR ni (or) KAIR ni	'karni (or) 'karni
Kehl (Ste.Genevieve)	KEL (or) KAYL	kel (or) kel
Kennett (Dunklin)	KEN uht	'kenet
Kenoma (Barton)	KEE noh muh	'ki, nome
Kentucky (State)	kuhn TURK i	ken'taki
Keota (Macon)	kee OH tuh	ki'ote
Kewanee (New Madrid)	kee WAH ni	ki'wanz
Keytesville (Chariton)	KEETS vil	'kits, vil
Kilwinning (Scotland)	kil WIN ing	kil'winin
Kissee Mills (Taney)	ki SEE MILZ	ki'si'milz
Knob Lick (St.Francois)	NAHB lik	'nab, lik
Knob Noster (Johnson)	NAHB NAHS tuhr	'nab'nastə
Knoche (Jackson)	kuh NOH kə	ke'nokə
Knox County	NAHKS	naks
Koch (St.Louis)	KOWK	kok
Koelztown (Osage)	KELTS town	'kelts, taun
Koester (St.Francois)	KES tuhr	'kestə
Kolano (Crawford)	koh LAN oh	ko'læno
Koshkonong (Oregon)	KARSH kuh nahng	'kaʃke, naŋ
Krakow (Franklin)	KRAY kow (or) KRAY koh	'kre,kau (or) 'kreko
Kruegerville (Warren)	KREE guhr vil	'krigr, vil

L

Labadie (Franklin)	LAB uh di	'labedə
La Belle (Lewis)	lah BEL (or) luh BEL	la'bel (or) le'bel
Laclede County	luh KLEED	le'klid
Laddonia (Audrain)	luh DOHN yuh	le'donjə
La Due (Henry)	luh DYOC	le'diu
Lafayette County	laf i (Y)ET (or) LAY fi (y)et	,lefɪ'(j)et (or) 'lefɪ,(j)et
Lagonda (Chariton)	luh GAHN duh	le'gandə

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La Grange (Lewis)	luh GRAYN ^J	le'grendz
Lahoma (St.Louis)	luh HOH muh	le'home
La Jolla Park (Franklin)	lah JAH luh	la'dsale
Lakenan (Shelby)	LAYK nan	'lek,næn
Lakota (Cooper)	LAY koh tuh	'lekote
Lami Street (St.Louis)	LAM i	'leemɪ
Lamine (Cooper)	luh MEYEN (or) luh MEEN	le'main (or) le'min
La Monte (Pettis)	luh MAHNT	le'mant
Lancaster (Schuyler)	LANG kuh stuhr	'læŋkɛstər
La Plata (Macon)	lah PLAY tuh	la'plete
Laredo (Grundy)	luh RAY doh	le'redo
Las Salinas (Ste.Genevieve)	lahs suh LEE nuhs	las se'lines
Laquey (Pulaski)	luh KWAY	le'kwe
Latour (Johnson)	luh TOOR	le'tur
La Valle (Stoddard)	luh VAL	le'veal
Lawrence County	LAH ruhns (or) LAW ruhns	'larens (or) 'lɔrens
Leadanna (Iron)	led AN uh	led'anə
Leavenworth Island (Platte)	LEV n wuhrrth (or) LEB m wuhrrth (sic)	'levn,wɜθ (or) 'lebm,wɜθ
Lebanon (Laclede)	LEB uh nuhm	'lebenən
Iecoma (Dent)	luh KOH muh	le'kome
Lee's Summit (Jackson)	LEEZ SUH mit (or) LEE SUH mit	'liz 'samit (or) 'li 'samit
Leonard (Shelby)	LEN uhrd	'lenəd
LeMay (St.Louis)	LEE may	'li,me
Les Mamelles(St.Charles)	lay maw MELZ	le,mɔ'melz
Levasy (Jackson)	LEV uh si	'levesi
Lewis County	LOO is (or) LOO uhs (or) LYOO is	'luis (or) 'lues (or) 'liuis
Liege (Montgomery)	LEEJ	lidʒ
Lilbourn (New Madrid)	LIL buhrn	'lilbərn
Lincoln County	LING kuhn	'linkən
Linn County	LIN	lin
Linneus (Linn)	LIN i uhs	'liniəs
Lisle (Cass)	LEYEL	lail
Livingston County	LIV ing stuhn	'livɪŋstən
Livonia (Putnam)	li VOH ni uh	li'venɪə
Lixville (Bollinger)	LIKS vil	'liks,vil
Lodi (Wayne)	LOH deye	'lo,dai

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Loehr (St.Louis)	LOHR	lor
Lorimier (Cape Girardeau)	LAHR i muhr	'larim̩r
Louisa (Texas)	loo EYE zuh	lu'aize
Louisiana (Pike)	luh wee zi AN uh (or) loo ee zi AN uh	le wizi'ænə (or) lu,izi'ænə
Louisville (Lincoln)	LOO is vil	'luɪs,vɪl
Loutre Island	LOO tuhr	'lut̩r
Lowry City (St.Clair)	LOW ri	'lauri
Low Wassie (Shannon)	loh WAH si	lo'wasi
Lucerne (Putnam)	loo SUHRN	lu'sən
Luebbering (Franklin)	LOO ber ing	'lu,berɪŋ
Lupus (Moniteau)	LOO puhs	'lupes
Luray (Clark)	LOO ray	'lu,re
Luziere Creek (St.Francois)	loo ZER i (sic)	lu'zəri

M

McCredie (Callaway)	muh KRAY di	me'kredi
McDonald County	muhk DAH nld	mek'danld
Machens (St.Charles)	MAH kuhnz	'makenz
Macon County	MAY kuhn	'mekən
Madison County	MAD uh sn	'mædəsn
Mahan (Texas)	MAY uhn	'meən
Maitland (Holt)	MAYT luhnd	'metlənd
Manes (Wright)	MAYNZ (or) MAY nuhs	menz (or) 'menes
Marais Becket (St.Charles)	meri BEK it	,meri 'bekɪt
Marais des Cygnes River	MER duh zeen	'mer de ,zin
Marais Temps Clair (St.Charles)	meri TAWN klair	,meri 'tɔn ,klær
Marceline (Linn)	mahr suh LEEN	,marse'lin
Maries County	MAIR iz	'maəriz
Marion County	MAIR i uhn	'maəriən
Marmaton River	MAHR muh tuhn	'marmetən
Marquand (Madison)	mahr KWAHND	mar'kwand
Mashiek (Lincoln)	MAH shuhk	'maʃek
Mattese (St.Louis)	ma TEES	meə'tis
Maupin (Franklin)	MAH pin	'mapin
Maurine (Henry)	MAW reen	'mɔ,rin
Medoc (Jasper)	MEE dahk	'mi,dak

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Melbourne (Harrison)	MEL buhRN	'melbərn
Melugin (Jasper)	MEE luH gin	'mlegin
Memphis (Scotland)	MEM fis	'memfɪs
Mendota (Putnam)	men DOH tuh	men'dote
Meramec River	MER uh mek (or) MER uh mek	'merə, mek (or) 'merə, mek
Merger County	MUHR suhr	'məsər
Meta (Osage)	MEE tuh	'mite
Metz (Vernon)	METS	mets
Mexico (Audrain)	MEK si co	'mek'siko
Miami (Saline)	meye AM uh	mai'ame
Milan (Sullivan)	MEYE luhn	'marlen
Miller County	MIL uhr	'milər
Milo (Vernon)	MEYE loh	'marlo
Mindenmines (Barton)	MIN dn MEYENZ	'mindn'mainz
Mine La Motte (Madison)	MEYEN luh MAHT (or) MEYEN luh MOHT	'main le 'mat (or) 'main le 'mot
Mineola (Montgomery)	min i OH luh	,mini'ole
Mingo (Stoddard)	MING goh	'mingo
Mississippi River (and County)	mis uh SIP i	,misi'sipi
Missouri River (and State)	muH ZOO ruh (or) muH ZOO ri (or) mi ZOO ri	me'zure (or) me'zuri (or) mi'zuri
Missouriton (St.Charles)	muH ZOO ruh tuhn	me'zureten
Moab (Pulaski)	MOH ab	'mo,əb
Moberly (Randolph)	MOH buhr li	'mobərlɪ
Modena (Mercer)	moh DEE nuh	mo'dine
Mokane (Callaway)	moh KAYN	mo'ken
Molino (Audrain)	moh LEE noh	mo'lino
Monett (Barry)	MOH net	'mo,net
Moniteau County	MAH nuh toh (or) MAH nuh taw (or) MAH nuh tuhr	'maneto (or) 'manetɔ (or) 'manetə
Monroe County	muhn ROH	men'rō
Montague (Christian)	mahn TAG (or) MAHN tuh gyoo	man'tag (or) 'mantə,gyoo
Montauk (Dent)	mahn TAWK	man'tök
Montebello (Jefferson)	mahn tuh BEL oh	,mantə'belo
Monterey (Reynolds)	mahn tuh RAY	,mantə're
Montevallo (Vernon)	mahn tuh VAL oh	,mantə'velo

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Montgomery County	mahnt GUHM uh ri	mant'gameri
Monticello (Lewis)	mahn tuh SEL oh	,mante'selo
Montier (Shannon)	mahn TEER	man'tir
Montrose (Henry)	mahnt ROHZ	mant'roz
Montserrat (Johnson)	mahnt suh RAT	,mantse'rast
Moreau Creek	muh ROH (or) MAW roh	me'ro (or) 'moro
Morgan County	MAWR guhn	'morgen
Moscow Mills (Lincoln)	MAH skow (or) MAH skoh	'maskav (or) 'masko
Moselle (Franklin)	moh ZEL	mo'zel
Mount Moriah (Harrison)	MOWNT muh REYE uh	'maunt me'raie
Munger (Iron)	MUHNG guhr	'mangə
<i>N</i>		
Naomi (Marion)	ne OH mi (or) ne OH muh	ne'omi (or) ne'ome
Napier (Holt)	NAY pi uhr	'nepiə
Nashua (Clay)	NAHSH wuh (or) NASH oo way (sic)	'naʃwe (or) 'næʃu, we
Nebo (Laclede)	NEE boh	'nibo
Neola (Dade)	nee OH luh	ni'ole
Neongwah (Camden)	nee AHNG gwah	ni'angwa
Neosho (Newton)	nee OH shoh	ni'oʃo
Ne Ska River	NEE skuh	'niske
Nevada (Vernon)	nuh VAY duh	ne'veda
Newark (Knox)	NOO ahrk (or) NYOO uhrk	'nu, ark (or) 'nruək
New Cambria (Macon)	NOO (or) NYOO KAM briuh	nu (or) niu 'kembrie
New Madrid County (and city)	nyoo MAD rid	niu'medrid
New Melle (St. Charles)	nyoo MEL (or) nyoo MEL uh (sic)	niu'mel (or) niu'mele
Newton County	NYOO tn	'niutn
Niangwa River	neye ANG gwuh	nai'əngwe
Nineveh (Lincoln)	NIN uh vuuh	'nineve
Nishnabotna River	NISH nuh baht nuh (or) NISH uh (locally)	'niʃne batne (or) 'niʃə
Nixa (Christian)	NIK suh	'nikse
Nodaway River (and County)	NAH duh way	'nade, we
Noel (McDonald)	NOH uhl	'noel
Norborne (Carroll)	NOR buhrn	'norberə
Novinger (Adair)	NAH vin juhr	'navindʒə

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	O	
Ocie (Ozark)	OH si	'osi
Octavia (Scotland)	ahk TAY wi uh	ak'teviə
Odessa (Lafayette)	oh DES uh	o'deſə
Oermann (Jefferson)	UHR muhn	'er̥mən
Ojibway (Wayne)	oh JIB way	o'dʒib̥, we
Oklahoma (State)	oh kluh HOH muh	,oklə'homə
Olathe (Douglas)	oh LAY thuh	o'leθə
Olean (Miller)	OH lee an	'oli, æn
Omaha (Putnam)	OH muh haw	'ome, ho
O'Meara (St.Francois)	oh MAIR uh	o'meərə
Omega (Jasper)	oh MEG uh (or) oh MEE guh	o'meɡə (or) o'miɡə
Opal (Lawrence)	OH pl	'opl
Oran (Scott)	oh RAN	o'ran
Oregon County	AW ri guhn (or) AH ri guhn	'ɔrɪgən (or) 'arɪgən
Origanna (Laclede)	aw ri GAN uh (or) or GAN uh	,ɔrɪ'gænə (or) 'ɔrɪ'gænə
Orla (Laclede)	OR li	'ɔrlɪ
Oronogo (Jasper)	OH ruh noh goh	'ore, nogo
Orrick (Ray)	AW rik	'ɔrik
Osage River (and County)	OH sayj (or) oh SAYJ	'o'sedʒ (or) 'o'sedʒ
Osceola (St.Clair)	OH see oh luh	'osi, ole
Osiris (Cedar)	oh SEYE ris	o'saɪris
Oskaloosa (Barton)	ah skuh LOO suh	,aske'luso
Ovid (Ray)	OH vid (sic)	'ovid
Owasco (Sullivan)	oh WAH skoh	o'wasko
Owen (Lincoln)	OH uhn	'oen
Oxly (Ripley)	AHK sli	'aksli
Oyer (St.Clair)	OH yuhr	'ojə
Ozark County	OH zahrk	'o,zark
Ozarks (mountains)	OH zahrks	'o,zarks
Ozora (Ste.Genevieve)	oh ZOH ruh	o'zore
	P	
Palemon (Carroll)	PAY luh muhn	'pelemon
Palmetto (Greene)	pal MET oh	peel'meto

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Palmyra (Marion)	pal MEYE ruh	pæl 'maɪrə
Palopinto (Benton)	PAY luh pin toh	'pele, pinto
Panther Creek (Bollinger)	PAN thuhr (or) PAYN tuhr (sic)	'pænθər (or) 'pæntər
Papin Street (St.Louis)	PAP in (or) PAY puhn (or) puh PAN	'pepɪn (or) 'pepən (or) pe'pən
Paris (Monroe)	PAIR is	'peərɪs
Parma (New Madrid)	PAHR muh	'parme
Pascota (Pemiscot)	pas KOH luh	pæs 'kole
Passaic (Bates)	puh SAY ik	pe'se-ik
Peculiar (Cass)	pi KYOOL yuhr	pi 'kiuljə
Pembina (Christian)	pem BEYE nuh	pem'baine
Pemiscot County	PEM i skaht (or) PEM i skoh	'pəmi, skat (or) 'pəmisko
Peoria (Washington)	pi OH ri uh	pi 'ɔriə
Perry County	PER i	'peri
Peruque Creek	puh ROOK	pe'ruk
Pettis County	PET is (or) PET uhs	'petɪs (or) 'petəs
Pevely (Jefferson)	PEEV li	'pivli
Phelps County	FELPS	fəlps
Pike County	PEYEK	pæk
Pisgah (Cooper)	PIZ guh	'pɪzge
Plad (Dallas)	PLAD	plæd
Plato (Luxas)	PLAY toh	'pleto
Platte County (and River)	PLAT	plat
Plevna (Knox)	PLEV nuh	'plevne
Pocahontas (Cape Girardeau)	poh kuh HAHN tuhs	,pəkə'hantes
Polk County	POHK	pok
Pomme de Terre River	PUHM duh tahr (or) PUHM luh tahr (sic)	'pamde, tar (or) 'pamlə, tar
Pomona (Howell)	puh MOH nuh	pe'mone
Ponca (Ste.Genevieve)	PAHNG kuh	'panke
Ponce de Leon (Stone)	PAWN si duh LEE uhn (or) PAWN si (locally)	'pənsi de 'lien (or) 'pənsi
Poplar Bluff (Butler)	PAHP luhr BLUHF	'paplə 'blaf
Portage des Sioux (St.Charles)	por TAYJ day SOO (or) por TAYJ di soo	por'tedʒ de 'su (or) por'tedʒdi, su
Portageville (New Madrid)	POHR tuhj vil	'portedʒ, vil
Potosi (Washington)	puh TOH si (or) puh TOH suh	pe'tosi (or) pe'tose

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Prosperine (Laclede)	PRAH spuh reen	'praspe, rin
Protom (Taney)	proh TEM	pro 'tem
Pulaski County	puh LAS ki (or) puh LAS keye	pe'læski (or) pe'læs,kai
Punjab (Ste.Genevieve)	PURN jaab	'pan,dzab
Putnam County	PUEH nuhm	'patnem
Puxico (Stoddard)	PUHK si koh	'paksiko
Q		
Quail (Stone)	KWAYL	kwel
Quarles (Henry)	KWORLZ	kworlz
Qulin (Butler)	KYOO lin	'kruuln
R		
Racola (Washington)	ruh KOH luh	re'kole
Raison (Perry)	RAY zohn	're,zon
Ralls County	RAWLZ	rɔlz
Ramona (St.Louis)	ruh MOH nuh	re'mone
Randolph County	RAN dahlf	'reən,dalf
Ravanna (Mercer)	ruh VAN uh (or) ruh VEN uh	re'vene (or) re'vene
Ray County	RAY	re
Rea (Andrew)	REE (or) RAY	ri (or) re
Reagen (Bollinger)	REE guhn	'rigen
Rensselaer (Ralls)	RENS uhl uhr (or) ren suh LIR	'rensələr (or) ,rense'lir
Reuter (Taney)	ROO tuhr	'rutə
Revelle (Bollinger)	ruh VEL	re'vel
Revere (Clark)	ruh VIR	re'ver
Reynolds County	REN ldz (or) REN lz	'renldz (or) 'renlz
Rhyse (Dent)	REES	ris
Riga (Ripley)	REE guh	'rige
Ripley County	RIP li	'ripli
Rively (Bates)	REEV li	'rivli
River Aux Vases (Ste.Genevieve)	riv uhr uh VAWZ	,riva'ə,vəz
Rives (Dunklin)	REEVZ	rivz
Roanoke (Randolph)	ROH uh nohk	'roe,nok
Roche Perche Creek	rohsh PUHR shi	,roʃ 'pɛʃi
Rocheport (Boone)	ROHSH port	'roʃ, port

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Rolla (Phelps)	RAH luh	'rale
Roosevelt (Douglas)	ROEZ velt	'roz, velt
Roselle (Madison)	roh ZEL	ro'zel
Roubidoux (Texas)	ROO bi doo	'rubi, du
Rowena (Audrain)	ruh WEE nuh	re 'wine
Ruble (Reynolds)	ROO bl	'rubl
S		
Sabula (Iron)	suh BYOO luh	se'bule
Saco (Madison)	SAY koh	'seko
Saginaw (Newton)	SAG uh naw	'sæge, nə
Saint Albans (Franklin)	saynt AWL buhnz	sent 'ɔlbənz
Saint Catherine (Linn)	saynt KATH uh rin	sent 'kæθərin
Saint Charles County (and city)	saynt CHAHLZ	sent 'tʃarlz
Saint Clair (Franklin)	saynt KLAIR	sent 'klær
Saint Francois County	saynt FRAN sis	sent 'frænsɪs
Sainte Genevieve County (and town)	saynt JEN uh veev	sent 'dʒene, viv
Saint Louis County (and city)	saynt LOO is (or) saynt LOO uhs (or) saynt LYOO is	sent 'luis (or) sent 'lues (or) sent 'liuis
Salcedo (Scott)	sal SEE doh	səl'sido
Salem (Dent)	SAY luhm	'selem
Saline County	suh LEEN	se'lin
Salisbury (Chariton)	SAWLZ ber i	'sɔlz, bərɪ
Samos (Mississippi)	SAY muhs	'semes
Santuzza (Lewis)	san tuh ZAY (sic)	, səntə'ze
Sarcoxie (Jasper)	sahr KAHK si	sar'kaksi
Saverton (Ralls)	SAY vuhr tuhn	'sevrtn
Schluersburg (St.Charles)	SLOORZ buhrg	'slurz, bəg
Schuylerville County	SKEYE luhr	'skailər
Scopus (Bollinger)	SKOH puhs	'skopes
Scotland County	SKAHT luhnd	'skatlənd
Scott County	SKAHT	skat
Sedalia (Pettis)	suh DAYL yuh	se'deljə
Seligman (Barry)	SEL ig muhn	-'stligmen-
Senath (Dunklin)	SEE nuhth	'sinesə
Seneca (Newton)	SEN uh kuh	'sneke
Sequiotia (Greene)	sek wi OH tuh	, sekwi'ote

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Sereno (Perry)	suh REE noh	se'rino
Shannon County	SHAY uhn	'ʃænən
Shelbina (Shelby)	shel BEYE nuh	ʃɛl'bainə
Shelby County	SHEL bɪ	'ʃelbɪ
Sherrill (Texas)	SHER il	'ʃəril
Shibboleth (Washington)	shi BOH luhth (sic)	ʃi'boleθ
Sibley (Jackson)	SIB li	'siblɪ
Sikeston (Scott)	SEYEK stuhn	'sæksten
Silex (Lincoln)	SEYE liks	'saɪlɪks
Siloam Springs (Howell)	seye LOH uhm	sai'loem
Silva (Wayne)	SIL vuh	'silve
Sincoe (McDonald)	SIN koh	'sinke
Skrainka (Madison)	SKREYEN kuh	'skrainkə
Sligo (Crawford)	SELYE goh	'slāɪgo
Slough (general use)	SLOO	slu
Sniabar (Lafayette)	SNEYE uh bahr	'snāɪə, bär
Snicarty (Lewis)	SNEYE kuhr ti	'snāɪkərti
Solo (Texas)	SOH loh	'solo
Soudan (Ozark)	SOO dn	'sudn
Spokane (Christian)	spoh KAYN	spo'ken
Sprott (Ste.Genevieve)	SPRAHT	sprat
Staabtown (Ste.Genevieve)	STAAB town	'stab, taun
Stahl (Adair)	STAHL	stal
Stoddard County	STAH duhrd	'stadəd
Stone County	STOHN	ston
Strother (Monroe)	STRAH duhuhr (or) STRUH duhuhr	'straðər (or) 'strʌðər
Sturgeon (Boone)	STUHR juhn	'stʊrdʒən
Sudheimer (Maries)	suhd HEYE muhr	sad'haimər
Sullivan County	SUH luu vuhn	'sælevén
Sylvania (Dade)	sil VAY ni uh	sil'venɪə

T

Tabo Creek (Lafayette)	TAB oh	'tabo
Tallapoosa (New Madrid)	TAL uh poo suh	'tælə, puse
Taney County	TAY ni	'teni
Taos (Cole)	TOWS (or) TAH uhs	taʊs (or) 'taes
Tarkio (Atchison)	TAHR ki oh	'tarkɪə

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Taum Sauk Mountain (Iron)	TAHM SUHK	'tam 'sak
Teagues (Webster)	TEEGZ	tigz
Tecumseh (Ozark)	tuh KUEHM suh	te'kamse
Teresita (Shannon)	ter uh SEYE tuh	,tter'saite
Texas County	TEK suhs	'tckses
Theodosia (Ozark)	thee uh DOH shi uh	,sie'do:zə
Thomure (Ste.Genevieve)	tuh MYOÖR	te'mirə
Tina (Carroll)	TEYE nuh	'tarne
Toloma (Lewis)	tuh LOH nuh	te'lone
Topaz (Douglas)	TOH paz	'to,pez
Topozark (Washington)	tah POH zahrk	ta'pozark
Toronto (Camden)	tuh RAHN toh	te'ranto
Tour-de-Loup (Kansas City)	TOHD uh LOOP (sic)	'tode 'lup
Treloar (Warren)	TREE loh uhr	'tri,lor
Troutt (Washington)	TROWT	traut
Truxton (Lincoln)	TRUHK stuhn	'traksten
Tuscumbia (Miller)	tuhks KUEHM bi yuh	tas 'kambie
Tuxedo (St.Louis)	tuhk SEE doh	tak'sido
Tyrone (Texas)	TEYE rohn	'tar,ron
U		
Udall (Ozark)	YOO dawl	'ju,dəl
Ulam (Ste.Genevieve)	YOO luhm	'julem
Ulman (Miller)	UEL muhn	'Almen
Undine (Washington)	UHN deyen	'an,dain
Urbana (Dallas)	uhr BAN uh	ə'bene
Urlich (Henry)	YOO rik	'jurik
V		
Vada (Texas)	VAY duh	'vedə
Valles Mines (Jefferson)	VAL iz	'valiz
Vandalia (Audrain)	van DAYL yuh	veen 'delje
Vanduzer (Scott)	van DOO zuhr	veen 'duzz
Venable (Texas)	VEN uh buhl	'venebl
Venice (Shannon)	VEN uhs	'venes
Vera Cruz (Douglas)	VEE ruh KROOZ	'vire 'kruz
Vernon County	VIHR muhn	'vənen
Verona (Lawrence)	vuh ROH muh	ve'rone
Versailles (Morgan)	vühr SAYLZ	vr'selz

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Viburnum (Iron)	veye BUHR nuhm	veɪ̯ə bɜːnəm
Vichy (Maries)	VISH i (or) VEE shi	'vɪʃi (or) 'viʃi
Vienna (Maries)	vi EN uh (or) veye EN uh	vɪ̯'ene (or) vɪ̯e'nə
Viginti (Clay)	vuh GIN ti	ve'gɪnti
Vigus (St.Louis)	VEYE guhs	'vɪ̯aɪ̯əs
Viola (Barry)	VEYE uh luh (or) veye OH luh	'vɪ̯aole (or) vɪ̯a'ole
Virgin (Bollinger)	VUHR gin (hard g)	'vɜ̯ʒɪn
<i>W</i>		
Waco (Jasper)	WAY koh	'weko
Wakenda (Carroll)	WAW kuhn daw (sic)	'wɔ̯kən,də
Wappapello (Wayne)	WAH puh pel uh	'wape,pələ
Wardell (Pemiscot)	wahr DEL (or) wavr DEL	war'del (or) wɔ̯r'del
Warren County	WAH ruhn (or) WAW ruhn	'waren (or) 'waren
Washington County	WAH shing tuhn (or) WAW shing tuhn	'waʃɪntən (or) 'woʃɪntən
Wasola (Ozark)	was OH luh	wes'ole
Wayne County	WAYN	wen
Weaubleau (Hickory)	WAH bloh	'wblo
Webster County	WEB stuhr	'webstə
Weingarten (Ste.Genevieve)	WEYEN gahr tn	'wain,gartn
Wela Park (Newton)	WEE luh	'wile
Westalton (St.Charles)	west AWL tuhn	west'əlten
Westphalia (Osage)	west FAYL yuh	west'felje
Wien (Chariton)	WEEN	win
Wilhelmina (Dunklin)	wil uh MEE nuh	,wile'mīnə
Winnetonka (Clay)	win uh TAHNG kuh	,wɪ̯nə'tanke
Winona (Shannon)	WEYE noh nuh	'wai̯,none
Womack (Ste.Genevieve)	WAH muhk	'wamək
Worcester (Audrain)	WUS tuhr	'wʊstə
Worth County	WUERTH	wɜ̯θ
Wortham (St.Francois)	WUERTH uhm	'wɜ̯θəm
Wright County	REYET	ræt
Wyaconda (Clark)	veye uh KAHN duh	,vɛ̯ə'kændə
Wyaconda River	WAW kuhn daw (sic)	'wɔ̯kən,də

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Wye City (Texas)	WEYE	wai
Wyeth (Andrew)	WEYE uh nth	'waiθə

Y

Yama (Pemiscot)	YAM uh (or) YAM i	'jæmə (or) 'jæmi
Yucatan (Callaway)	YOO kuh tan	'juke, teen
Yukon (Texas)	yoo KAHN	ju'kan

Z

Zalma (Bollinger)	ZAL muh	'zælme
Zanoni (Ozark)	zan OH ni	zee'noni
Zephyr (Bollinger)	ZEF uhr	'zefə
Zewapeta (Scott)	zuh WAH puh tuh	ze'wapete
Zodiac (Vernon)	ZOH di ak	'zodi, eek
Zwanzig (Morgan)	ZWAN zig	'zwenzig