

The Canadian Postal Code System

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Preamble

While I knew the postal code of my old home for about as long as my memory goes back, I was first made aware of the existence of a postal code *system* when I was a very young child, probably just beginning elementary school. My mom and I were in some store, and she had to give our postal code to some guy (I forget the exact details). What stuck out to me was that he *knew* the first letter of our postal code was V, without even having to ask.

Being a little kid, but still quite analytical (at least at that moment, anyways), I drew two immediate conclusions:

1. There is a formal system for postal codes in place – as in, the letters and numbers on your postal code are not randomly chosen, as I had previously assumed.
2. If the first letter of your postal code is “V”, it means that you live in Vancouver. (This is actually incorrect; I’ll revisit this later.)

I was not to revisit this topic until more than a decade later, while researching major Canadian cities on Wikipedia, when I discovered the postal code spans of each city listed on the right-hand sidebar of the page. Curious, I followed the links, which lead to a list of postal codes and explanations for the structure of the Canadian postal code system.

Since then, I’ve studied the subject in depth, noting the information one’s postal code reveals about their location and, perhaps more interestingly, which postal codes are *valid*. The ideal would

be for me to read a postal code and instantly identify where you live, but there are far too many possible postal codes for me to do that (and anyways, I have better things to do with my time). Nevertheless, I hope this document proves to be interesting and informative to you.

Note: whenever the document makes reference to “as of this time of writing” or “current time”, that should be understood to mean “January 2012”.

A Brief History

The initial concept of a postal code system in Canada dates back to 1925, when Toronto was divided into 14 *number postal zones*. Other Canadian cities soon adopted the concept, but there was no formal, consistent structure in these, which lead to a lot of confusion and rapid changes in the numbering system.

So, beginning in 1971, our modern-day postal code system was introduced to Ottawa, and the rest of the country gradually implemented the system from 1972 to 1974.

Structure

The Canadian postal code system is alphanumeric, with a sequence of six characters that can be described using the regular expression

`[A-CEGHJ-NPR-TVXY][0-9][A-CEGHJ-NPR-TV-Z] [0-9][A-CEGHJ-NPR-TV-Z][0-9]`

In plain English, the format is simply

`[letter][digit][letter] [digit][letter][digit]`

but with the following restrictions:

- D, F, I, O, Q, and U are not valid letters. (These letters are not used in Canadian postal codes because of the fact that these letters are easy to confuse with other symbols, which is particularly troublesome when you use scanners to automatically detect which letters are written.)
- W and Z are not valid *first* letters. (The Canadian postal code format does not *technically* forbid the use of W and Z as a first letter, but currently those letters are simply unused. This may change in the distant future, as the demand for additional postal codes increases.)

Forward Sortation Area (FSA) – Overview

The first half of a postal code is called the *forward sortation unit* (FSA).

Every FSA corresponds to a small geographical region in Canada. In general:

- For small, rural communities, a single FSA will likely cover a large number of these communities.
 - Example: N0P is the FSA for Kent County, Ontario (located along the Quebec City-Windsor corridor, just east of Windsor), which includes tiny communities such as Tilbury and Dresden.
- For medium-sized communities, a single FSA will likely cover the entire community.
 - Example: Y1A is the FSA for Whitehorse, Yukon.
- For moderately large-sized communities, a single FSA will likely cover a single area of the community.
 - Example: C1E covers the western part of Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island.
- For extremely large-sized communities, a single FSA will likely cover a single neighborhood of the community.

- Example: T6V is the FSA for West Castledowns, a neighborhood in Edmonton, Alberta.

Forward Sortation Area (FSA) – Structure

The first letter of an FSA is called a *postal district*, and represents a large, collective grouping of communities.

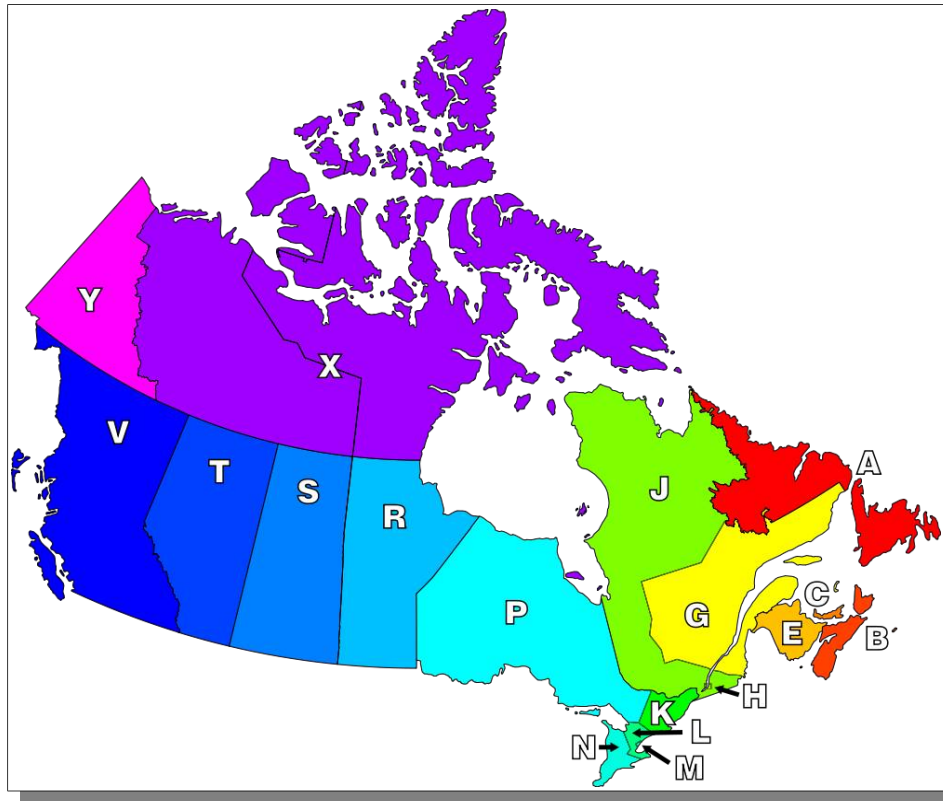
In general, each postal district corresponds to a single province or territory. The exceptions are:

- Ontario and Quebec, which have populations large enough to demand multiple postal districts (five and three, respectively), and have cities large enough to demand their very own postal district (Toronto and Montreal, respectively).
- Nunavut and the Northwest Territories, which have populations small enough to warrant sharing a single postal district.
 - The reason that these two share a postal district is that the Canadian postal code system was implemented back in the 1970s, when Nunavut had not yet entered Confederation. After it did (in 1999), Canada Post saw no reason to create a new postal district exclusively for Nunavut, for the above reason (small populations).

The postal districts are as follows:

- A: Newfoundland and Labrador
- B: Nova Scotia
- C: Prince Edward Island
- E: New Brunswick
- G, H, J: Quebec
 - G: Eastern Quebec
 - H: Island of Montreal, Laval
 - J: Western/Northern Quebec
- K, L, M, N, P: Ontario
 - K: Eastern Ontario
 - L: Central Ontario
 - M: Toronto
 - N: Western Ontario
 - P: Northern Ontario
- R: Manitoba
- S: Saskatchewan
- T: Alberta
- V: British Columbia
- X: Northwest Territories, Nunavut
 - The FSAs X0A, X0B, and X0C correspond to Nunavut. All other FSAs in the postal district X correspond to the Northwest Territories.
- Y: Yukon

A map of the postal districts (from Wikipedia, in the public domain):



The digit in the FSA specifies whether the FSA represents a rural or urban area. If the digit is 0, the FSA represents a rural area; otherwise, the area is urban.

The final letter in the FSA has no intrinsic meaning; it is only meaningful when combined with the rest of the FSA.

Local Delivery Unit (LDU)

The last half of a postal code is called the *local delivery unit* (LDU), and represents either a single address, or a group of addresses (or even an entire community, in the case of a rural FSA).

In general, LDUs do not have an explicit structure, as FSAs do. However, the following rules can still be observed:

- If the last digit is 0, the address is that of a postal facility (e.g. post office). (If the FSA is rural, this rule does not apply.)
- An LDU of 9Z0 specifies a large regional distribution centre facility (and occasionally serves as a placeholder when no specific LDU is required).
- An LDU of 9Z9 specifies Business Reply Mail.

Number of Postal Codes

There are 26 letters in the English alphabet, of which 20 are in use for postal codes. Eighteen of those letters are in use for the initial letter (postal district), which, combined with 10 digits, gives us a total of $18 * 10 * 20 * 10 * 20 * 10 = 7200000 = 7.2$ million possible postal codes.

For each postal district, there are $10 * 20 = 200$ possible FSAs, 180 urban and 20 rural, and for each FSA, there are $10 * 20 * 10 = 2000$ possible LDUs. This gives a total of $200 * 2000 = 400$ thousand possible postal codes per postal district.

Statistics Canada, as of 2006, estimates that there are about 850000 postal codes in use, which is

about 12% of the possible postal codes that exist under the current system. Therefore, there is no foreseeable need to change the current postal code system in the near future.

However, this is actually a little oversimplified, since each postal district is self-contained. A postal district like C (Prince Edward Island) will use very few FSAs compared to a postal district like M (Toronto), but if Toronto were to run out of FSAs, it cannot start borrowing from C, because C is reserved for PEI. Thus, the better question is, will any *postal district* be exhausted in the near future?

At this time of writing, the most populated postal district is V (British Columbia), which uses 190 out of 200 possible FSAs. But even this is no cause for concern, since new FSAs are not introduced quickly. If, in the distant future, BC requires additional FSAs, it is more than likely that Canada Post will simply split BC into two postal districts (say, the Lower Mainland and the rest of BC), and use either W or Z as a new postal district.

Santa Claus

After all that theory, an actual application of it is probably very welcome, so here's an interesting one: analysis of mail to Santa Claus.

When writing mail addressed to Santa Claus, the postal code specified for use is H0H 0H0, which is obviously supposed to spell "ho ho ho", his trademark greeting.

Although it may not be obvious at first, this postal code contains a contradiction.

1. The digit in the FSA is 0, denoting a small, rural area.
2. But the postal district is H, which denotes Montreal, Canada's second-largest city.

Hence the postal code H0H 0H0, and, in fact, any postal code beginning with H0-, is guaranteed to not exist.

Note: strictly speaking, there does exist *one* FSA that begins with H0-: namely, H0M, which is reserved for the Akwesasne First Nations tribe, located over 100 km from Montreal. (This is an example of a "special" FSA which does not follow the general rules described above.)

Major Metropolitan FSA Tables

Collected here is a list of all FSAs currently in use by Canada Post in major metropolitan areas, complete with analysis of their postal code spans. Full tables of all FSAs may be found using other online resources.

A major metropolitan area is defined here as a metropolitan area with a population of over one million people. At this time of writing, that includes:

- Montreal, QC
- Ottawa, ON
- Toronto, ON
- Edmonton, AB
- Calgary, AB
- Vancouver, BC

Metropolitan areas are referred to with the name of their principal city, prefixed with "Greater".

Greater Montreal

Span: J0L 1B0, J0L 1N0, J0L 2K0, J0L 2R0, J0N 1E0, J0N 1G0, J0N 1H0, J0N 1M0, J0N 1P0, J0P 1H0, J0P 1M0, J3E, J3L, J3N, J3V, J4B, J4G-J4S, J4W-J5C, J5R, J5W, J5Y-J6A, J6S-J7R, J7T-J7W, H [excluding H0A-H0Z, H5C-H6Z, H7Z-H8M, H8V-H8X, H9L-H9N,

H9T-H9V, H9Y-H9Z]
Total FSAs: 168

Note: Because Greater Montreal is located in Quebec, a predominantly French-speaking province, names of cities and neighborhoods will be given in French where reasonable.

Montréal

Span: H1A-H5B [excluding H1B, H1G-H1H, H3P-H3R, H3X-H3Z, H4P, H4V-H4Y], H8N-H8T, H8Y-H9H [excluding H9A-H9B, H9G]

Total FSAs: 79

- H1A: Pointe-aux-Trembles
- H1C: Rivière-des-Prairies (Northeast)
- H1E: Rivière-des-Prairies (Southwest)
- H1J: Anjou (West)
- H1K: Anjou (East)
- H1L: Mercier (North)
- H1M: Mercier (West)
- H1N: Mercier (Southeast)
- H1P: Saint-Léonard (North)
- H1R: Saint-Léonard (West)
- H1S: Saint-Léonard (Southeast)
- H1T: Rosemont (North)
- H1V: Maisonneuve
- H1W: Hochelaga
- H1X: Rosemont (Central)
- H1Y: Rosemont (South)
- H1Z: Saint-Michel (West)
- H2A: Saint-Michel (East)
- H2B: Ahuntsic (North)
- H2C: Ahuntsic (Central)
- H2E: Villeray (Northeast)
- H2G: Petite-Patrie (Northeast)
- H2H: Plateau Mont-Royal (North)
- H2J: Plateau Mont-Royal (North Central)
- H2K: Centre-Sud (North)
- H2L: Centre-Sud (South)
- H2M: Ahuntsic (East)
- H2N: Ahuntsic (Southeast)
- H2P: Villeray (West)
- H2R: Villeray (Southeast)
- H2S: Petite-Patrie (Southwest)
- H2T: Plateau-Mont-Royal (West)
- H2V: Outremont
- H2W: Plateau-Mont-Royal (South Central)
- H2X: Plateau-Mont-Royal (Southeast)
- H2Y: Vieux-Montréal
- H2Z: Downtown Montreal (Northeast)
- H3A: Downtown Montreal (McGill University)
- H3B: Downtown Montreal (East)
- H3C: Griffintown (includes the University of Montreal)

- H3E: L'Île-Des-Souers
- H3G: Downtown Montreal (Concordia University)
- H3H: Downtown Montreal (Southwest)
- H3J: Petite-Bourgogne
- H3K: Pointe-Saint-Charles
- H3L: Ahuntsic (Southwest)
- H3M: Cartierville (Northeast)
- H3N: Parc-Extension
- H3S: Côte-des-Neiges (North)
- H3T: Côte-des-Neiges (Northeast)
- H3V: Côte-des-Neiges (East)
- H3W: Côte-des-Neiges (Southwest)
- H4A: Notre-Dame-de-Grâce (Northeast)
- H4B: Notre-Dame-de-Grâce (Southwest)
- H4C: Saint-Henri
- H4E: Ville Émard
- H4G: Verdun (North)
- H4H: Verdun (South)
- H4J: Cartierville (Central)
- H4K: Cartierville (Southwest)
- H4L: Saint-Laurent (Inner Northeast)
- H4M: Saint-Laurent (East)
- H4N: Saint-Laurent (Outer Northeast)
- H4R: Saint-Laurent (Central)
- H4S: Saint-Laurent (Southwest)
- H4T: Saint-Laurent (Southeast)
- H4Z: Tour de la Bourse
- H5A: Place Bonaventure
- H5B: Place Desjardins
- H8N: LaSalle (Northwest)
- H8P: LaSalle (Southeast)
- H8R: Ville Saint-Pierre
- H8S: Lachine (East)
- H8T: Lachine (West)
- H8Y: Roxboro
- H8Z: Pierrefonds
- H9C: L'Île-Bizard (Northeast)
- H9E: L'Île-Bizard (Southwest)
- H9H: Saint-Geneviève, Pierrefonds

Laval

Span: H7A-H7Y

Total FSAs: 19

- H7A: Duvernay-Est
- H7B: Saint-François
- H7C: Saint-Vincent-de-Paul
- H7E: Duvernay
- H7G: Pont-Viau
- H7H: Auteull (West)
- H7J: Auteull (Northeast)

- H7K: Auteull (South)
- H7L: Sainte-Rose
- H7M: Vimont
- H7N: Laval-des-Rapides
- H7P: Fabreville
- H7R: Laval-sur-le-Lac
- H7S: Chomedey (Northeast)
- H7T: Chomedey (Northwest)
- H7V: Chomedey (East)
- H7W: Chomedey (South)
- H7X: Sainte-Dorothée
- H7Y: Îles-Laval

Longueuil

Span: J4G-J4N

Total FSAs: 7

- J4G: North
- J4H: West
- J4J: Central
- J4K: Southwest
- J4L: Southeast
- J4M: East
- J4N: Northeast

Saint-Thérèse-de-Blainville

Span: J6Z-J7H

Total FSAs: 7

- J6Z: Northeast
- J7A: East
- J7B: North
- J7C: Northwest
- J7E: Central
- J7G: South
- J7H: Southwest

Terrebonne

Span: J6V-J6Y

Total FSAs: 4

- J6V: East
- J6W: Central
- J6X: Northwest
- J6Y: Southwest

Repentigny

Span: J5Y-J6A

Total FSAs: 3

- J5Y: Northeast
- J5Z: West
- J6A: South

Brossard

Span: J4W-J4Z

Total FSAs: 4

- J4W: Northwest
- J4X: Southwest
- J4Y: South
- J4Z: Northeast

Dollard-des-Ormeaux

Span: H9A-H9B, H9G

Total FSAs: 3

- H9A: Northwest
- H9B: East
- H9G: Southwest

Saint-Eustache

Span: J7P-J7R

Total FSAs: 2

- J7P: Northeast
- J7R: Southwest

Boucherville

Span: J4B

Total FSAs: 1

Salaberry-de-Valleyfield

Span: J6S-J6T

Total FSAs: 2

- J6S: North
- J6T: South

Mirabel

Span: J7J, J7N

Total FSAs: 2

- J7J: Northeast
- J7N: Southwest, Montreal (Mirabel) International Airport

Mascouche

Span: J7K, J7L

Total FSAs: 2

- J7K: Extremities
- J7L: Central

Côte-Saint-Luc

Span: H4V-H4W

Total FSAs: 2

- H4V: East
- H4W: West

Pointe-Claire

Span: H9R

Total FSAs: 1

Sainte-Julie

Span: J3E

Total FSAs: 1

Vaudreuil-Dorion

Span: J7T-J7V

Total FSAs: 2

- J7T: regional county municipality
- J7V: city

Saint-Bruno-de-Montarville

Span: J3V

Total FSAs: 1

Saint-Constant

Span: J5A

Total FSAs: 1

Chambly

Span: J3L

Total FSAs: 1

La Prairie

Span: J5R

Total FSAs: 1

Saint-Lambert

Span: J4P-J4S

Total FSAs: 3

- J4P: North
- J4R: Central
- J4S: South

Westmount

Span: H3Y-H3Z

Total FSAs: 2

- H3Y: North
- H3Z: South

Kirkland

Span: H9J

Total FSAs: 1

Beaconsfield

Span: H9W

Total FSAs: 1

Mont-Royal

Span: H3P-H3R, H4P

Total FSAs: 3

- H3P: North
- H3R: Central
- H4P: South

Dorval [city and island]

Span: H4Y, H9P, H9S

Total FSAs: 3

- H4Y: Central, Montreal (Trudeau) International Airport
- H9P: Outskirts
- H9S: Island

L'Assomption

Span: J5W

Total FSAs: 1

Sainte-Catherine

Span: J5C

Total FSAs: 1

Saint-Basile-le-Grand

Span: J3N

Total FSAs: 1

Sainte-Anne-des-Plaines

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is J0N 1H0)

Total FSAs: N/A

Sainte-Marthe-sur-le-Lac

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is J0N 1P0)

Total FSAs: N/A

Pincourt

Span: J7W

Total FSAs: 1

Baie-d'Urfé, Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue

Span: H9X

Total FSAs: 1

Saint-Amable

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is J0L 1N0)

Total FSAs: N/A

Kahnawake

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is J0L 1B0)

Total FSAs: N/A

Delson

Span: J5B

Total FSAs: 1

Hampstead

Span: H3X

Total FSAs: 1

Pointe-Calumet

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is J0N 1G0)

Total FSAs: N/A

Verchères

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is J0L 2R0)

Total FSAs: N/A

Montréal-Ouest

Span: H4X

Total FSAs: 1

Montréal-Est

Span: H1B

Total FSAs: 1

Saint-Philippe

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is J0L 2K0)

Total FSAs: N/A

Hudson

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is J0P 1H0)

Total FSAs: N/A

Saint-Joseph-du-Lac

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is J0N 1M0)
Total FSAs: N/A

Oka

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is J0N 1E0)
Total FSAs: N/A

Pointe-des-Cascades

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is J0P 1M0)
Total FSAs: N/A

Senneville

Span: H9K
Total FSAs: 1

Greater Ottawa

Span: J0X 1A0, J0X 1S0, J0X 1T0, J0X 2G0, J0X 2V0, J0X 3G0, J8N-J8V [excluding J8S], J9B, K0A 1E0, K0A 1N0, K0A 2A0, K0A 3N0, K1A-K2W [excluding K2N], K4A-K4C, K4K, K4M, K4P-K4R
Total FSAs: 49

Note: Greater Ottawa is actually divided between Ontario and Quebec, with cities in both provinces (Ottawa being the dominant one in Ontario, Gatineau being the dominant one in Quebec).

Ottawa

Span: K1A-K2W [excluding K2N], K4A-K4C, K4M, K4P
Total FSAs: 41

- K1A: Government of Canada
- K1B: Blackburn Hamlet, Pine View, Sheffield Glen
- K1C: Orleans
- K1E: Queenswood
- K1G: Riverview, Hawthorne, Canterbury, Hunt Club Park
- K1H: Alta Vista, Billings Bridge
- K1J: Beacon Hill, Cyrville, Carson Grove
- K1K: Overbrook, Forbes, Manor Park, Viscount Alexander Park, Finter Quarries
- K1L: Vanier, McKay Lake
- K1M: Rockcliffe Park, New Edinburgh
- K1N: Lower Town, Byward Market, Sandy Hill, University of Ottawa
- K1P: Parliament Hill
- K1R: Dalhousie Ward
- K1S: The Glebe, Old Ottawa South, Old Ottawa East, Carleton University, Dow's Lake

- K1T: Blossom Park, Greenboro, Leitrim
- K1V: Heron Gate, Heron Park, Riverside Park, Hunt Club, Riverside South, Ottawa International Airport
- K1W: Chapel Hill South, Blackburn
- K1X: South Gloucester
- K1Y: Civic Hospital, Island Park, Hintonburg, Mechanicsville, Champlain Park
- K1Z: Westboro, Carlington
- K2A: Highland Park, McKellar Park, Carlingwood
- K2B: Britannia, Pinecrest
- K2C: Queensway, Copeland, Carlington, Carleton Heights
- K2E: Fisher Heights
- K2G: Davidson Heights
- K2H: Bells Corners, Arlington Woods
- K2J: Barrhaven
- K2K: Beaverbrook, South March
- K2L: Katimavik-Hazeldean, Glen Cairn
- K2M: Bridlewood
- K2P: Centre Town
- K2R: Fallowfield Village, Cedarhill Estates, Orchard Estates
- K2S: Stittsville
- K2T: Marchwood
- K2V: Terry Fox Drive, Palladium Drive
- K2W: North March
- K4A: Fallingbrook
- K4B: Cumberland Ward
- K4C: Cumberland
- K4M: Manotick
- K4P: Greely

Gatineau

Span: J8P-J8V [excluding J8S]

Total FSAs: 4

- J8P: Southeast
- J8R: Northeast
- J8T: Southwest
- J8V: Northwest

Clarence-Rockland

Span: K0A 1E0, K0A 1N0, K0A 2A0, K0A 3N0, K4K

Total FSAs: 1

- K0A 1E0: Bourget
- K0A 1N0: Clarence Creek
- K0A 2A0: Hammond
- K0A 3N0: Saint-Pascal-Baylon
- K4K: Rockland

Russell

Span: K4R

Total FSAs: 1

Val-des-Monts

Span: J8N

Total FSAs: 1

La Pêche

Span: J0X 1A0, J0X 1S0, J0X 1T0, J0X 3G0

Total FSAs: N/A

- J0X 1A0: Alcove
- J0X 1S0: Duclos
- J0X 1T0: Farrellton
- J0X 3G0: Wakefield

Chelsea

Span: J9B

Total FSAs: 1

Pontiac

Span: J0X 2G0, J0X 2V0

Total FSAs: N/A

- J0X 2G0: Luskville
- J0X 2V0: Quyon

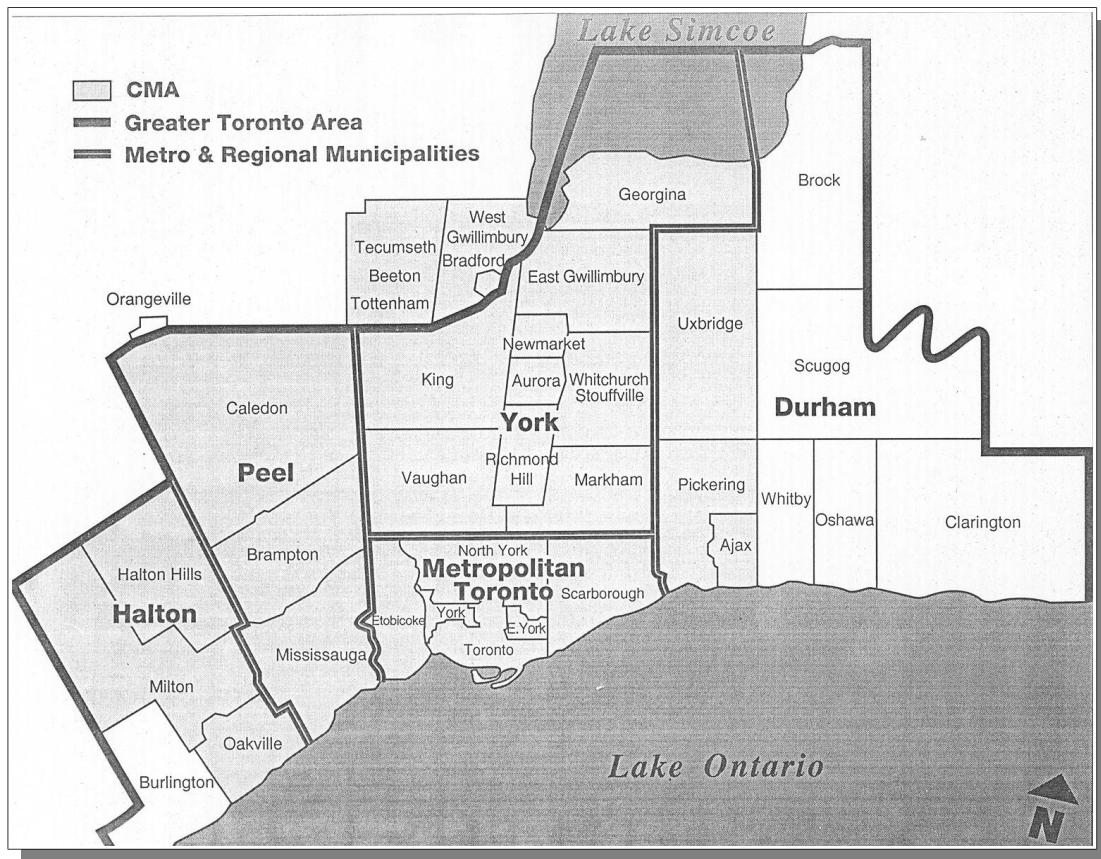
Greater Toronto

Span: LOC 1L0, LOE 1A0, LOE 1N0, LOE 1R0, LOE 1S0, LOG 1A0, LOG 1E0, LOG 1N0, LOG 1T0, LOG 1W0, LOH 1G0, LOJ 1C0, LON 1E0, LOP 1E0, LOP 1H0, LOP 1K0, L1S-L1Z, L3P-L3T, L3X-L4L, L4P, L4S-L5W, L6A-L6M, L6P-L7C, L7G, L7J-L7K, L9N-L9R, L9T, M [excluding M0A-M1A, M1Y-M2G, M2S-M2Z, M3E-M3G, M3P-M3Z, M4Z, M5Y-M5Z, M6T-M6Z, M7B-M7X, M7Z-M8T, M9E-M9K, M9S-M9T, M9X-M9Z]

Total FSAs: 179

Note: "Greater Toronto" is a distinct concept from the well-known "Greater Toronto Area". The former refers to the Toronto Census Metropolitan Area, while the latter refers to Toronto and the regions of Durham, York, Peel, and Halton. The two concepts are *not* identical.

The following map will make the distinction clear (map from the Data Services Library at the University of Toronto):



(Note that “Metropolitan Toronto” is equivalent to “the city of Toronto” since 1998. The then-cities of Etobicoke, North York, York, East York, (then) Toronto, and Scarborough were merged into a single city of Toronto.)

Toronto

Span: M [excluding M0A-M1A, M1Y-M2G, M2S-M2Z, M3E-M3G, M3P-M3Z, M4Z, M5Y-M5Z, M6T-M6Z, M7B-M7X, M7Z-M8T, M9E-M9K, M9S-M9T, M9X-M9Z]

Total FSAs: 102

- M1B: Scarborough (Malvern, Rouge River)
- M1C: Scarborough (Rouge Hill, Port Union, Highland Creek)
- M1E: Scarborough (Guildwood, Morningside, Ellesmere)
- M1G: Scarborough (Woburn)
- M1H: Scarborough (Cedarbrae)
- M1J: Scarborough (Scarborough Village)
- M1K: Scarborough (Kennedy Park, Ionview, East Birchmount Park)
- M1L: Scarborough (The Golden Mile, Clairlea, Oakridge, East Birchmount Park)
- M1M: Scarborough (Cliffside, Cliffcrest, West Scarborough Village)
- M1N: Scarborough (Birch Cliff, West Cliffside)
- M1P: Scarborough (Dorset Park, Wexford Heights, Scarborough Town Centre)
- M1R: Scarborough (Wexford, Maryvale)
- M1S: Scarborough (Agincourt)
- M1T: Scarborough (Clarks Corners, Tam O'Shanter, Sullivan)
- M1V: Scarborough (Milliken, North Agincourt, East Steeles, East L'Amoreaux)
- M1W: Scarborough (West Steeles, West L'Amoreaux)
- M1X: Scarborough (Upper Rouge)

- M2H: North York (Hillcrest Village)
- M2J: North York (Fairview, Henry Farm, Oriole)
- M2K: North York (Bayview Village)
- M2L: North York (York Mills, Silver Hills)
- M2M: Willowdale (Newtonbrook)
- M2N: Willowdale (South)
- M2P: North York (West York Mills)
- M2R: Willowdale (West)
- M3A: North York (York Heights, Victoria Village, East Parkway)
- M3B: Don Mills (North)
- M3C: Don Mills (Flemingdon Park)
- M3H: North York (Bathurst Manor, Wilson Heights, North Downsview)
- M3J: North York (Northwood Park, York University)
- M3K: Downsview (Canadian Forces Base Downsview)
- M3L: Downsview (West)
- M3M: Downsview (Central)
- M3N: Downsview (Northwest)
- M4A: North York (Sweeney Park, Wigmore Park)
- M4B: East York (Parkview Hill, Woodbine Gardens)
- M4C: East York (Woodbine Heights)
- M4E: East Toronto (The Beaches)
- M4G: East York (Leaside)
- M4H: East York (Thornccliffe Park)
- M4J: East Toronto (The Danforth East)
- M4K: East Toronto (The Danforth West, Riverdale)
- M4L: East Toronto (India Bazaar, The Beaches West)
- M4M: East Toronto (Studio District)
- M4N: Central Toronto (East Lawrence Park)
- M4P: Central Toronto (North Davisville)
- M4R: Central Toronto (West North Toronto)
- M4S: Central Toronto (Davisville)
- M4T: Central Toronto (Moore Park, East Summerhill)
- M4V: Central Toronto (West Summerhill, Rathnelly, South Hill, Southeast Forest Hill, Deer Park)
- M4W: Downtown Toronto (Rosedale)
- M4X: Downtown Toronto (St. James Town, Cabbagetown)
- M4Y: Downtown Toronto (Church and Wellesley)
- M5A: Downtown Toronto (Regent Park, Harbourfront)
- M5B: Downtown Toronto (Ryerson University)
- M5C: Downtown Toronto (St. James Town)
- M5E: Downtown Toronto (Berczy Park)
- M5G: Downtown Toronto (Central Bay Street)
- M5H: Downtown Toronto (Richmond, Adelaide, King)
- M5J: Downtown Toronto (East Harbourfront, Union Station, Toronto Island)
- M5K: Downtown Toronto (Toronto Dominion Centre, Design Exchange)
- M5L: Downtown Toronto (Commerce Court, Victoria Hotel)
- M5M: North York (Bedford Park, West Lawrence Park, East Lawrence Manor)
- M5P: Central Toronto (North Forest Hill, West Forest Hill)
- M5R: Central Toronto (The Annex, North Midtown, Yorkville)
- M5S: Downtown Toronto (University of Toronto, Harbord)
- M5T: Downtown Toronto (Kensington Market, Chinatown, Grange Park)

- M5V: Downtown Toronto (CN Tower, King and Spadina, Railway Lands, West Harbourfront, Bathurst Quay, South Niagara, Toronto City Airport)
- M5W: Downtown Toronto (Station A PO Boxes @ 25 The Esplanade)
- M5X: Downtown Toronto (First Canadian Place, PATH)
- M6A: North York (Lawrence Manor, Lawrence Heights)
- M6B: North York (Glencairn)
- M6C: York (Humewood-Cedarvale)
- M6E: York (Caledonia-Fairbanks)
- M6G: Downtown Toronto (Christie)
- M6H: West Toronto (Dufferin, Dovercourt Village)
- M6J: West Toronto (Rua Acores, Trinity)
- M6K: West Toronto (Brockton, Parkdale Village, Exhibition Place)
- M6L: North York (North Park, Maple Leaf Park, Upwood Park)
- M6M: York (Del Ray, Keelsdale, Mount Dennis, Silverthorne)
- M6N: York (Runnymede, The Junction North)
- M6P: West Toronto (High Park, The Junction South)
- M6R: West Toronto (Parkdale, Roncesvalles)
- M6S: West Toronto (Runnymede, Swansea)
- M7A: Downtown Toronto (Queen's Park), Ontario Provincial Government
- M7Y: East Toronto (Business Reply Mail Processing Centre @ 969 Eastern)
- M8V: Etobicoke (New Toronto, South Mimico, Humber Bay Shores)
- M8W: Etobicoke (Alderwood, Long Branch)
- M8X: Etobicoke (The Kingsway, Montgomery Road, North Old Mill)
- M8Y: Etobicoke (South Old Mill, King's Mill Park, Sunnylea, Humber Bay, Northeast Mimico, The Queensway East, Southeast Royal York, Southeast Kingsway Park)
- M8Z: Etobicoke (Northwest Mimico, The Queensway West, South of Bloor, Southwest Kingsway Park, Southwest Royal York)
- M9A: Etobicoke (Islington Avenue)
- M9B: Etobicoke (West Deane Park, Princess Gardens, Martin Grove, Islington, Cloverdale)
- M9C: Etobicoke (Eringate, Bloordale Gardens, Old Burnhamthorpe, Markland Wood)
- M9L: North York (Humber Summit)
- M9M: North York (Humberlea, Emery)
- M9N: Weston
- M9P: Etobicoke (Westmount)
- M9R: Etobicoke (Kingsview Village, St. Phillips, Martin Grove Gardens, Richview Gardens)
- M9V: Etobicoke (South Steeles, Silverstone, Humbergate, Jamestown, Mount Olive, Beaumont Heights, Thistletown, Albion Gardens)
- M9W: Etobicoke (Clairville, Humberwood, Woodbine Downs, West Humber, Kipling Heights, Rexdale, Elms, Tandridge, Old Rexdale)

Mississauga

Span: L4T-L5W

Total FSAs: 23

- L4T: Malton
- L4V: Wildwood
- L4W: Matheson, East Rathwood
- L4X: East Applewood, East Dixie, Northeast Lakeview
- L4Y: West Applewood, West Dixie, Northwest Lakeview
- L4Z: West Rathwood, East Hurontario, Southeast Gateway, Sandalwood
- L5A: Mississauga Valley, East Cooksville
- L5B: West Cooksville, Fairview, City Centre, East Creditview

- L5C: West Creditview, Mavis, Erindale
- L5E: Central Lakeview
- L5G: Southwest Lakeview, Mineola, East Port Credit
- L5H: West Port Credit, Lorne Park, East Sheridan
- L5J: Clarkson, Southdown
- L5K: West Sheridan
- L5L: Erin Mills, Western Business Park
- L5M: Churchill Meadows, Central Central Erin Mills, South Streetsville
- L5N: Lisgar, Meadowvale
- L5P: Toronto International Airport
- L5R: West Hurontario, Southwest Gateway
- L5S: Cardiff, Northeast Gateway
- L5T: Courtney Park, East Gateway
- L5V: East Credit
- L5W: Meadowvale Village, West Gateway

Brampton

Span: L6P-L7A

Total FSAs: 10

- L6P: North
- L6R: Northwest
- L6S: North Central
- L6T: East
- L6V: Central
- L6W: Southeast
- L6X: Southwest
- L6Y: South
- L6Z: West Central
- L7A: West

Markham

Span: L3P-L3S, L6B-L6G

Total FSAs: 7

- L3P: Central
- L3R: Outer Southwest
- L3S: Southeast, Armadale, Milliken
- L6B: Cornell, Box Grove
- L6C: Berczy Village, Cachet, Angus Glen
- L6E: Wismer Commons
- L6G: Downtown Markham, Markham Centre

Vaughan

Span: L0J 1C0, L3T, L4H-L4L, L6A

Total FSAs: 6

- L0J 1C0: Kleinburg
- L3T: East Thornhill
- L4H: North Woodbridge
- L4J: West Thornhill
- L4K: Concord

- L4L: South Woodbridge
- L6A: Maple

Oakville

Span: L6H-L6M

Total FSAs: 5

- L6H: North
- L6J: Northeast
- L6K: East
- L6L: South
- L6M: West

Richmond Hill

Span: L4B-L4E, L4S

Total FSAs: 4

- L4B: Southeast
- L4C: Southwest
- L4E: Oak Ridges, Lake Wilcox, Temperanceville
- L4S: Central

Ajax

Span: L1S-L1T, L1Z

Total FSAs: 3

- L1S: Southwest
- L1T: Northwest
- L1Z: East

Pickering

Span: L1V-L1Y

Total FSAs: 4

- L1V: Southwest
- L1W: South
- L1X: Central
- L1Y: North

Newmarket

Span: L3X-L3Y

Total FSAs: 2

- L3X: Southwest
- L3Y: Northeast

Caledon

Span: L0N 1E0, L7C, L7K

Total FSAs: 2

- L0N 1E0: Caledon East
- L7C: Caledon
- L7K: Caledon Village

Halton Hills

Span: L0P 1E0, L0P 1H0, L0P 1K0, L7G, L7J

Total FSAs: 2

- L0P 1E0: Hornby
- L0P 1H0: Limehouse
- L0P 1K0: Norval
- L7G: Georgetown
- L7J: Acton

Milton

Span: L9T

Total FSAs: 1

Aurora

Span: L4G

Total FSAs: 1

Georgina

Span: L0C 1L0, L0E 1A0, L0E 1N0, L0E 1R0, L0E 1S0, L4P

Total FSAs: 1

- L0C 1L0: Udora
- L0E 1A0: Baldwin
- L0E 1L0: Jackson's Point
- L0E 1N0: Pefferlaw
- L0E 1R0: Sutton West
- L0E 1S0: Willow Beach
- L4P: Keswick

New Tecumseth

Span: L0G 1A0, L0G 1W0, L9R

Total FSAs: 1

- L0G 1A0: Beeton
- L0G 1W0: Tottenham
- L9R: Alliston

Whitchurch-Stouffville

Span: L0G 1E0, L0H 1G0, L4A

Total FSAs: 1

- L0G 1E0: Cedar Valley
- L0H 1G0: Gormley
- L4A: Stouffville

West Gwillimbury

Span: L3Z

Total FSAs: 1

East Gwillimbury

Span: L9N

Total FSAs: 1

King

Span: LOG 1N0, LOG 1T0, L7B

Total FSAs: 1

- LOG 1N0: Nobleton
- LOG 1T0: Schomberg
- L7B: King City

Uxbridge

Span: L9P

Total FSAs: 1

Greater Edmonton

Span: T0A 0K0, T0A 1N0, T0A 2W0, T0B 3M0, T0B 0S0, T0C 2P0, T0C 2T0, T0C 0V0, T0E 2B0, T0E 2K0, T0G 1L0, T4X, T5A-T6X, T7X-T7Z, T8L, T8N, T8R, T9E-T9G

Total FSAs: 47

Edmonton

Span: T5A-T6X

Total FSAs: 38

- T5A: West Clareview, East Londonderry
- T5B: East North Central, West Beverly
- T5C: Central Londonderry
- T5E: West Londonderry, East Calder
- T5G: North Central, Queen Mary Park, Edmonton City Centre Airport
- T5H: North Downtown Fringe, East Downtown Fringe
- T5J: North Downtown
- T5K: South Downtown, South Downtown Fringe, Alberta Provincial Government
- T5L: North Westmount, West Calder, East Mistatim
- T5M: South Westmount, Groat Estate, East Northwest Industrial
- T5N: Glenora, Southwest Downtown Fringe
- T5P: North Jasper Place
- T5R: Central Jasper Place, Buena Vista
- T5S: West Northwest Industrial, Winterburn
- T5T: West Jasper Place, West Edmonton Mall
- T5V: Central Mistatim
- T5W: Central Beverly
- T5X: East Castledowns
- T5Y: Landbank, Oliver, East Lake District
- T5Z: West Lake District
- T6A: North Capilano
- T6B: Southeast Capilano, West Southeast Industrial, East Bonnie Doon

- T6C: Central Bonnie Doon
- T6E: South Bonnie Doon, East University of Alberta
- T6G: West University of Alberta, Strathcona Place
- T6H: Southgate, North Riverbend
- T6J: Kaskitayo
- T6K: West Mill Woods
- T6L: East Mill Woods
- T6M: Southwest
- T6N: South Industrial
- T6P: East Southeast Industrial, South Clover Bar
- T6R: Riverbend
- T6S: North Clover Bar
- T6T: Meadows
- T6V: West Castledowns
- T6W: Heritage Valley
- T6X: Ellerslie

St. Albert

Span: T8N

Total FSAs: 1

Spruce Grove

Span: T7X-T7Y

Total FSAs: 2

- T7X: North
- T7Y: South

Leduc

Span: T9E

Total FSAs: 1

Note: location of Edmonton International Airport

Fort Saskatchewan

Span: T8L

Total FSAs: 1

Stony Plain

Span: T7Z

Total FSAs: 1

Beaumont

Span: T4X

Total FSAs: 1

Morinville

Span: T8R

Total FSAs: 1

Devon

Span: T9G
Total FSAs: 1

Gibbons

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0A 1N0)
Total FSAs: N/A

Redwater

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0A 2W0)
Total FSAs: N/A

Calmar

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0C 0V0)
Total FSAs: N/A

Bon Accord

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0A 0K0)
Total FSAs: N/A

Bruderheim

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0B 0S0)
Total FSAs: N/A

Legal

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0G 1L0)
Total FSAs: N/A

Thorsby

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0C 2P0)
Total FSAs: N/A

Warburg

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0C 2T0)
Total FSAs: N/A

Wabamun

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0E 2K0)
Total FSAs: N/A

New Sarepta

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0B 3M0)
Total FSAs: N/A

Seba Beach

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0E 2B0)

Total FSAs: N/A

Greater Calgary

Span: T0M 1B0, T0M 0G0, T0M 0S0, T1X-T3S [excluding T1Z], T4A-T4C

Total FSAs: 39

Calgary

Span: T1Y-T3S [excluding T1Z]

Total FSAs: 35

- T1Y: Rundle, Whitehorn, Monterey Park
- T2A: Penbrooke Meadows, Marlborough
- T2B: Forest Lawn, Dover, Erin Woods
- T2C: Lynnwood Ridge, Ogden, Foothills Industrial, Great Plains
- T2E: Bridgeland, Greenview, Calgary Zoo, Calgary International Airport
- T2G: Inglewood, Burnsland, Chinatown, East Victoria Park, Saddledome
- T2H: Highfield, Burns Industrial
- T2J: Queensland Downs, Lake Bonavista, Willow Park, Acadia
- T2K: Thornecliffe, Tuxedo
- T2L: Brentwood, Collingwood, Nose Hill
- T2M: Mount Pleasant, Capitol Hill, Banff Trail
- T2N: Kensington, Westmont, Parkdale, University of Calgary
- T2P: Calgary City Centre, Calgary Tower
- T2R: Connaught, West Victoria Park
- T2S: Elbow Park, Britannia, Parkhill, Mission
- T2T: Altadore, Bankview, Richmond
- T2V: Oak Ridge, Haysboro, Kingsland, Windsor Park
- T2W: Braeside, Cedarbrae, Woodbine
- T2X: Midnapore, Sundance
- T2Y: Millrise, Somerset, Bridlewood, Evergreen
- T2Z: Douglas Glen, McKenzie Lake, Copperfield, East Shepard
- T3A: Dalhousie, Edgemont, Hamptons, Hidden Valley
- T3B: Montgomery, Bowness, Silver Springs, Greenwood
- T3C: Rosscarrock, Westgate, Wildwood, Shaganappi, Sunalta
- T3E: Lakeview, Glendale, Killarney, Glamorgan
- T3G: Hawkwood, Arbour Lake, Citadel, Ranchlands, Royal Oak, Rocky Ridge
- T3H: Discovery Ridge, Signal Hill, West Springs, Christie Estates, Patterson, Cougar Ridge
- T3J: Martindale, Taradale, Falconridge, Saddle Ridge
- T3K: Sandstone MacEwan, Beddington, Harvest Hills, Coventry Hills, Panorama Hills
- T3L: Tuscany, Scenic Acres
- T3M: Cranston
- T3N: Northeast
- T3P: Symons Valley
- T3R: Northwest
- T3S: Southeast

Airdrie

Span: T4A-T4B

Total FSAs: 2

- T4A: East
- T4B: West

Cochrane

Span: T4C

Total FSAs: 1

Chestermere

Span: T1X

Total FSAs: 1

Crossfield

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0M 0S0)

Total FSAs: N/A

Irricana

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0M 1B0)

Total FSAs: N/A

Beiseker

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is T0M 0G0)

Total FSAs: N/A

Greater Vancouver

Span: V0N 1G0, V0N 2E0, V1M, V2W-V7Y [excluding V3P, V3Z, V4S-V4V, V4X-V4Z]

Total FSAs: 97

Vancouver

Span: V5K-V6Z [excluding V6V-V6Y], V7X, V7Y

Total FSAs: 31

- V5K: North Hastings-Sunrise
- V5L: North Grandview-Woodland
- V5M: South Hastings-Sunrise, North Renfrew-Collingwood
- V5N: South Grandview-Woodland, Northeast Kensington-Cedar Cottage
- V5P: Southeast Kensington-Cedar Cottage, Victoria-Fraserview
- V5R: South Renfrew-Collingwood
- V5S: Killarney
- V5T: East Mount Pleasant
- V5V: West Kensington-Cedar Cottage, Northeast Riley Park-Little Mountain
- V5W: Southeast Riley Park-Little Mountain, Southwest Kensington-Cedar Cottage, Northeast Oakridge, North Sunset

- V5X: Southeast Oakridge, East Marpole, South Sunset
- V5Y: West Mount Pleasant, West Riley Park-Little Mountain
- V5Z: East Fairview, South Cambie
- V6A: Strathcona, Chinatown, Downtown Eastside
- V6B: Northeast Downtown, Gastown, Harbour Centre, International Village, Victory Square, Yaletown
- V6C: Waterfront, Coal Harbour, Canada Place
- V6E: Southeast West End, Davie Village
- V6G: Northwest West End, Stanley Park
- V6H: West Fairview, Granville Island, Northeast Shaughnessy
- V6J: Northwest Shaughnessy, East Kitsilano, Quilchena
- V6K: Central Kitsilano, Greektown
- V6L: Northwest Arbutus Ridge, Northeast Dunbar-Southlands
- V6M: South Shaughnessy, Northwest Oakridge, Northeast Kerrisdale, Southeast Arbutus Ridge
- V6N: West Kerrisdale, South Dunbar-Southlands, Musqueam
- V6P: Southeast Kerrisdale, Southwest Oakridge, West Marpole
- V6R: West Kitsilano, West Point Grey, Jericho
- V6S: Northwest Dunbar-Southlands, Chaldecutt, South University Endowment Lands
- V6T: University of British Columbia
- V6Z: Southwest Downtown
- V7X: Bentall Centre
- V7Y: Pacific Centre

Surrey

Span: V3R-V3X, V4A, V4N-V4P

Total FSAs: 9

- V3R: North
- V3S: East
- V3T: Inner Northwest
- V3V: Outer Northwest
- V3W: Upper West
- V3X: Lower West
- V4A: Southwest
- V4N: Northeast
- V4P: South

Burnaby

Span: V3N, V5A-V5J

Total FSAs: 8

- V3N: East Big Bend, Stride Avenue, Edmonds, Cariboo-Armstrong
- V5A: Government Road, Lake City, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby Mountain
- V5B: Parkcrest-Aubrey, Ardingley-Sprott
- V5C: Burnaby Heights, Willingdon Heights, West Central Valley
- V5E: Lakeview-Mayfield, Richmond Park, Kingsway-Beresford
- V5G: Cascade-Schou, Douglas-Gilpin
- V5H: Maywood, Marlborough, Oakalla, Windsor
- V5J: Suncrest, Sussex-Nelson, Clinton-Glenwood, West Big Bend

Richmond

Span: V6V-V6Y, V7A-V7E

Total FSAs: 8

- V6V: Northeast
- V6W: Southeast
- V6X: North
- V6Y: Central
- V7A: South
- V7B: Sea Island, Vancouver International Airport
- V7C: Northwest
- V7E: Southwest

Coquitlam

Span: V3E, V3J-V3K

Total FSAs: 3

- V3E: North
- V3J: North
- V3K: South

Delta

Span: V4C-V4M [excluding V4H-V4J]

Total FSAs: 6

- V4C: Northeast
- V4E: East
- V4G: East Central
- V4K: Northwest
- V4L: Southeast
- V4M: Southwest

Langley (district municipality)

Span: V1M, V2Y-V2Z, V4W

Total FSAs: 4

- V1M: North
- V2Y: Northwest
- V2Z: Southwest
- V4W: East

North Vancouver (city and district municipality)

Span: V7G-V7R

Total FSAs: 9

- V7G: Outer East
- V7H: Inner East
- V7J: East Central
- V7K: North Central
- V7L: South Central
- V7M: Southwest Central
- V7N: Northwest Central
- V7P: Southwest
- V7R: Northwest

Maple Ridge

Span: V2W-V2X, V4R

Total FSAs: 3

- V2W: East
- V2X: West
- V4R: Northwest

New Westminster

Span: V3L-V3M

Total FSAs: 2

- V3L: Northeast
- V3M: Southwest, Annacis Island

Port Coquitlam

Span: V3B-V3C

Total FSAs: 2

- V3B: Central
- V3C: South

West Vancouver

Span: V7S-V7W

Total FSAs: 4

- V7S: North
- V7T: Southeast
- V7V: South
- V7W: West

Port Moody

Span: V3H

Total FSAs: 1

Langley (city)

Span: V3A

Total FSAs: 1

White Rock

Span: V4B

Total FSAs: 1

Pitt Meadows

Span: V3Y

Total FSAs: 1

Bowen Island

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is V0N 1G0)
Total FSAs: N/A

Lions Bay

Span: N/A (only valid postal code is V0N 2E0)
Total FSAs: N/A