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Duval County in northeastern Florida and adjacent to the Atlantic Ocean contains approximately 840 square miles of which approximately 80 square miles are covered by water. The county is drained by three major rivers, the St. Johns, Nassau, and St. Marys. In addition, the coastal areas are drained by numerous small streams that empty into the Intracoastal Waterway or the Atlantic Ocean.

A drainage basin consists of a major surface stream, its tributaries, and the surrounding land that they drain. Drainage basins are bounded by drainage divides, which are ridges or topographically high areas that separate adjacent stream drainage systems. Parts of Duval County have very little topographic relief and the drainage divides in these areas are indistinct and low enough to be inundated during floods, with the result that water occasionally can move from one drainage system to another.

A drainage basin comprises smaller subdivisions called subbasins. Subbasins are tributary streams and the surrounding land that they drain. Basins and subbasins vary in size from many square miles to less than 1 square mile.

The drainage basins and major subbasins in Duval County, Fla., are delineated on this map and the area of each is shown in the accompanying table. Each basin is shown by an identifying letter on the map and the subbasins in each drainage basin are shown by identifying numbers. The hydrologic-unit codes shown in the table for each major basin are part of the numerical classification used by the U.S. Geological Survey for managing the National Water Data Network.

Drainage areas may be revised periodically as more detailed information becomes available or as development changes the drainage patterns in a basin. Drainage areas at U.S. Geological Survey gaging stations are included in the U.S. Geological Survey annual report, "Water Resources Data for Florida."

EXPLANATION

- MAJOR RIVER BASIN DRAINAGE DIVIDE
- RIVER BASIN BOUNDARY
- SUBBASIN BOUNDARY
- A — RIVER BASIN DESIGNATION
- 2 — SUBBASIN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

NASSAU RIVER BASIN

ST. JOHNS RIVER BASIN

ST. MARYS RIVER BASIN

ST. JOHNS RIVER BASIN

ATLANTIC COASTAL AREA

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Table 1.—*Drainage basins in Duval County, Florida*

Map Reference No.	Stream basin	Drainage area in square miles: Duval County	Total
	St. Johns River Hydrologic unit 03080103	113	9,430
A.	Black Creek	72	488
	North Fork Black Creek		
1.	Long Branch	12.5	(a)
2.	Yellow Water Creek	30.8	62
3.	Sal Taylor Creek	26.5	29
4.	Little Black Creek	0.71	(a)
5.	North Prong Double Branch	1.08	8
B.	Julington Creek	23	100
6.	Sweetwater Creek	4.9	4.9
7.	Big Davis Creek	16	16
8.	Oldfield Creek	4.6	4.6
9.	Durbin Creek	16	44
10.	Cormorant Branch	2.36	2.36
11.	St. Johns River Tributary No. 1	1.34	1.34
12.	St. Johns River Tributary No. 2	0.94	0.94
13.	Deep Bottom Creek	1.66	1.66
14.	St. Johns River Tributary No. 3	0.79	0.79
15.	Goodbys Creek	5.03	5.03
16.	Christopher Creek	1.43	1.43
17.	New Rose Creek	1.82	1.82
18.	St. Johns River Tributary No. 4	0.94	0.94
C.	Ortega River	80	88
	Cedar Creek		
19.	Wills Branch	7.66	10.4 (b)
20.	South Fork Wills Branch	2.70	2.70
21.	Williamson Creek	1.54	1.54
22.	Butcher Pen Creek	1.39	1.39
23.	Fishing Creek	5.73	5.73

Map Reference No.	Stream basin	Drainage area in square miles: Duval County	Total
	St. Johns River—Continued		
24.	Big Fishweir Creek	3.11	4.14(b)
25.	Little Fishweir Creek	1.03	1.03
26.	Willow Branch	0.55	0.55
27.	Craig Creek	0.86	0.86
28.	McCoys Creek	5.47	5.47
29.	Hogan Creek	3.84	3.84
30.	Miller Creek	0.94	0.94
D.	Arlington River (also known as Pottsburg Creek)	31.9	31.9
31.	Pottsburg Creek (continuation of Arlington River)	19.2	19.2
32.	Silversmith Creek	2.32	2.32
33.	Strawberry Creek	4.73	6.78(b)
34.	Red Bay Branch	2.05	2.05
35.	Little Pottsburg Creek	3.66	3.66
36.	Deer Creek	1.04	1.04
37.	Long Branch	2.05	2.05
E.	Trout River	48.2	94
38.	Little Trout River	1.77	1.77
39.	Ninemile Creek	7.58	7.58
40.	Ribault River	10.1	28.8 (b)
41.	Sixmile Creek	16.9	18.7 (b)
42.	Little Sixmile Creek	1.77	1.77
43.	Moncrief Creek	5.90	5.90
44.	Drummond Creek	2.86	2.86
F.	Broward River	8.78	25.6 (b)
45.	Cedar Creek	6.27	6.27
46.	Pickett Branch	4.06	4.06
47.	Little Cedar Creek	6.52	6.52
G.	Dunn Creek	13.6	21.9 (b)

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	St. Johns River—Continued		
48.	Caney Branch	3.16	7.09(b)
49.	Rushing Branch	1.52	3.73(b)
50.	Sample Swamp	2.21	2.21
51.	Terrapin Creek	1.20	1.20
52.	Newcastle Creek	1.12	1.12
53.	Nichols Creek	0.74	0.74
54.	Browns-San Carlos Creeks	6.37	6.37
55.	Jones Creek	3.13	3.13
56.	Ginhouse Creek	1.86	1.86
57.	Cowhead Creek	1.00	1.00
58.	Shipyard Creek	0.60	0.60
59.	Mt. Pleasant Creek	5.49	5.49
60.	Greenfield Creek	3.62	9.11
H.	Intracoastal Waterway	37.4	(a)
61.	Pablo Creek	40.7	(a)
62.	Cedar Swamp Creek	4.10	4.10
63.	Intracoastal Waterway Tributary	1.47	1.47
64.	Hopkins Creek	3.77	3.77
65.	Sherman Creek	7.24	7.24
	Coastal Area Hydrologic unit 03080201		
66.	Intracoastal Waterway-Atlantic Ocean	1.40	(a)
	St. Marys River Hydrologic unit 03080204	59	1,480
67.	Deep Creek	21.8	48.5
68.	Brandy Branch	36.8	66.9
	Nassau River Hydrologic unit 03070205	11	(a)
69.	Thomas Creek	51.7	109
70.	Nassau River	39.6	400
71.	Sisters Creek-Intracoastal Waterway	22.2	(a)

(a) Not determined.
(b) Includes drainage area of tributaries.

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