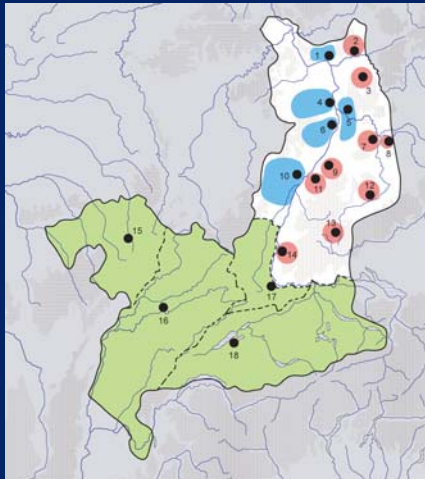


Roman units of civil administration

In most provinces the native tribal units of pre-Roman times formed the basis of civil administration, retaining their own self-government under Roman rule.

Areas with little pre-existing settlement were treated in various ways by the Romans. In places they settled tribes from outside the empire in the newly acquired lands. In other areas they even

created administrative units which, while designated as Civitates, bore no relation to local tribal structures. In the province of Upper Germany these three types of Civitas are found close to one another – tribes from pre-Roman times (green), newly settled peoples (blue) and administrative units without any direct relation to a pre-existing tribal territory (red).



The origins of Civitates in Upper Germany

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| 1 Wiesbaden | 10 Brumath |
| 2 Frankfurt-Heddernheim | 11 Baden-Baden |
| 3 Dieburg | 12 Rottenburg |
| 4 Worms | 13 Rottweil |
| 5 Ladenburg | 14 Riegel |
| 6 Speyer | 15 Langres |
| 7 Bad Wimpfen | 16 Besançon |
| 8 Neuenstadt | 17 Augst |
| 9 Pforzheim | 18 Avenches |



Besançon - continuation of a tribal centre from pre-Roman times



Heddernheim – centre of a newly created administrative zone unrelated to any tribal group

An entirely different administrative organisation is found in Noricum. When Rome, under the emperor Claudius, transformed the Kingdom of Noricum into an independent province, cities were founded on the Italian model (municipia). Instead of tribal areas

these had their own surrounding territories and from that time on formed the basis for the civil administration of the local population (yellow).



The municipia in Noricum

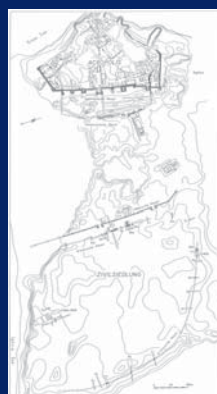


Wagna – a Norican municipium on the Roman model

On the Black Sea coast the Romans allowed cities that were former Greek colonies into the province of Moesia while allowing them to retain their legal independence.



The Greek colonies on the Black Sea coast



Istria and Varna – Greek colonies on the Black Sea

