

Comparing Capital Cities

City	Date Founded	Location	Nearby River
Berlin	1237 A.D.	Northeast Germany	Spree
Washington, D.C.	1790 A.D.	Central Eastern U.S.A.	Potomac

City	Reason for Selection as Capital	Original Founder/ Designer of City	Current Population
Berlin	Prussia strongest state at time of unification in 1871	German settlers	3,400,000
Washington, D.C.	Halfway between newly formed states	L'Enfant	674,000