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n.

A district lying outside the original city limits of a French-speaking city or a city with a French heritage. See Note at [beignet](#).

[Middle English *faubourgh*, from Old French *faubourg*, alteration (influenced by *faux*, false) of *forsborc* : *fors*, outside (from Latin *forīs*; see **dhwer-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#)) + *borc*, town (from Late Latin *burgus*, fort, of Germanic origin; see **bhergh-** ² [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#)).]

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