

SPINAL COLUMN ANATOMY

Vertebral Segmentation Reference Chart

CERVICAL

Neck region; supports the skull and allows head rotation. Includes the Atlas (C1) and Axis (C2).
C1 - C7

THORACIC

Mid-back; each vertebra articulates with a corresponding pair of ribs.
T1 - T12

LUMBAR

Lower back; largest individual vertebrae designed to support majority of body weight.
L1 - L5

SACRUM

Shield-shaped structure; five vertebrae fused into a single bone in adults.
S1 - S5

COCCYX

The tailbone; small terminal section composed of fused rudimentary vertebrae.
4 Fused

Total Vertebrae: 33 (Pre-fusion) | Medical Reference Only