

Colonization

COLONY



Colony

A settlement in a new area

The first colonies in North America were along the **eastern coast**.

Settler

A person that moves to an area, usually to colonize

Settlers in America came from Spain, France, Sweden, Holland, and England.

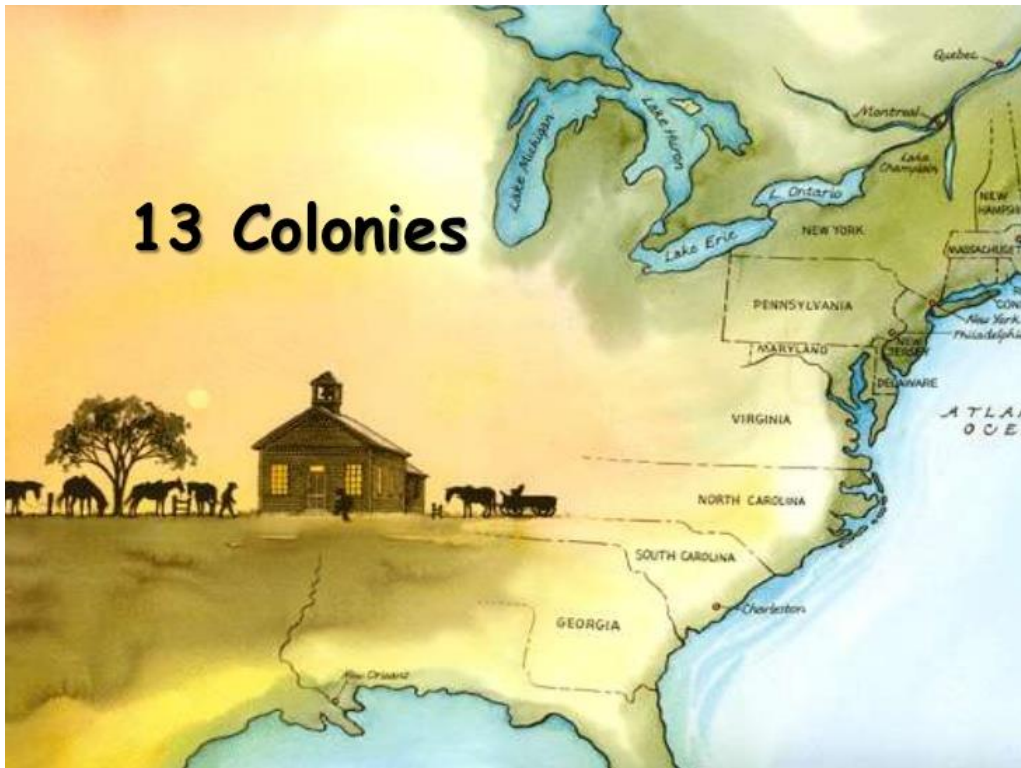


The New Land /New World (America)



Coming to America





13 Colonies

When did it start?

After Spanish Armada

In order to compete with Spain and France, England sent many people to the east coast of America to establish colonies. England was happy to support the growth of colonies (towns) in America because it helped England claim land in the New World.





The First Colony

After several early attempts, English colonization became a success in 1607 when the Virginia Company of England sent a group of men to Jamestown, Virginia to build a colony.

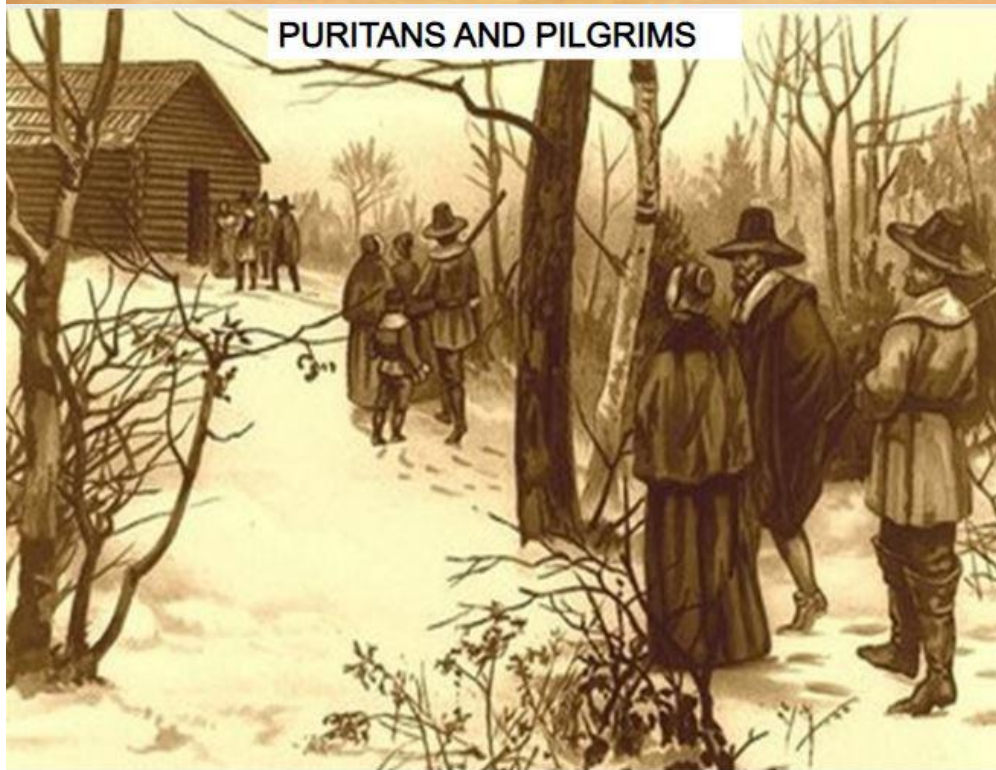


Jamestown would become the first permanent and successful English colony in America .

Twenty years after the start of Jamestown, another group of people called the Pilgrims headed to America from England.



Unlike the Jamestown colonists who wanted land and a chance to make money, these **Pilgrims were looking for religious freedom**. The Pilgrims landed just north of Virginia, in Plymouth Massachusetts, and began the Plymouth colony.

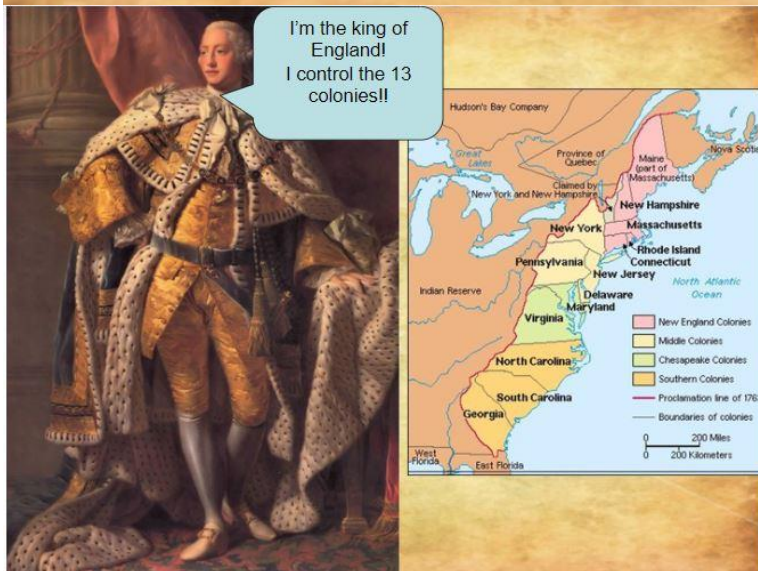


Government in the Colonies

All of the colonies were settled with the permission of the king of England. The King of England issued charters (formal documents) that outlined the colony's boundaries and how it would be governed.



- However, since the colonies were so far away from England they still needed to be able to make their own laws to keep peace and order .



England claims land along the Atlantic Coastline

Over time, more and more people headed from Europe to America. England claimed most of the land along the east coast of America so many people who landed in what would become the 13 colonies were from the European nation of England.



The 13 Colonies

- By 1770 the America had grown into 13 English colonies. These colonies developed distinctive (unique) ways of life that would affect the development of America for years to come.



Three Different Regions

- New England
- Middle Colonies
- Southern Colonies



Reasons for coming to America



- To increase wealth through more trade opportunities
- Religious freedom and to escape religious persecution in Europe
- The chance to own land and make money off of crops

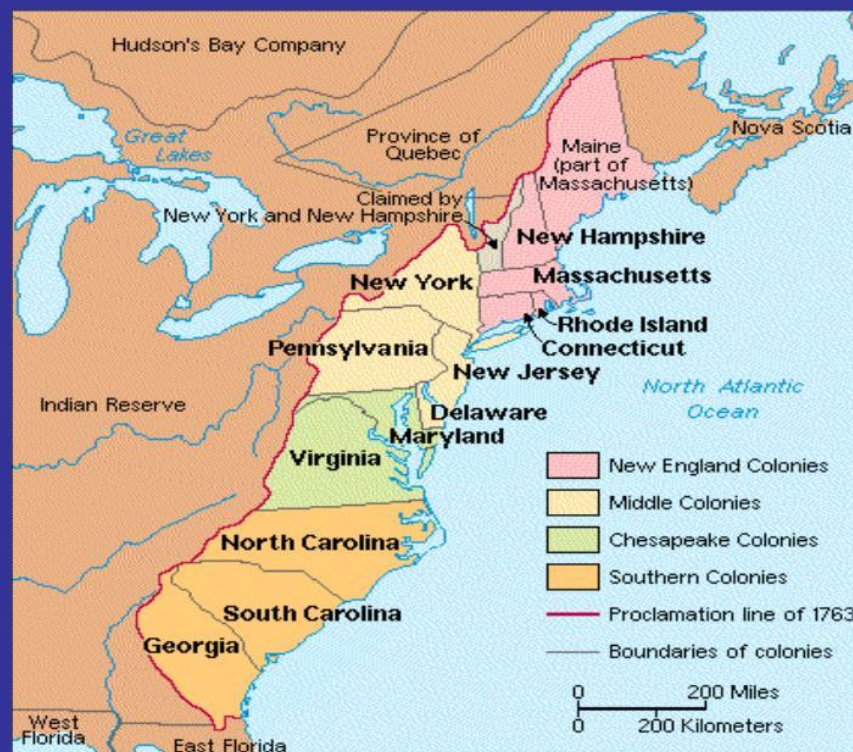


The First Settlers



- The first settlers to America came from Spain, France, Sweden, Holland, and England. They started claiming land in the 17th century.
- English colonies were set up all along the Atlantic coast. The Swedish and the Dutch established colonies in and around what is now the state of New York.
- As more and more people arrived in the New World, more and more conflicts arose over territory. Many wars were fought in the 1600s and 1700s.
- In the French and Indian War (1754-1763), France and England fought over territory. England won the war and got control of Canada, as well as keeping control of all the English colonies.

The American Colonies



A list of the Colonies in each Region

New England

Connecticut
Massachusetts
New Hampshire
Rhode Island

Middle

Delaware
New Jersey
New York
Pennsylvania

Southern

Georgia
Maryland
North Carolina
South Carolina
Virginia

New England Colonies

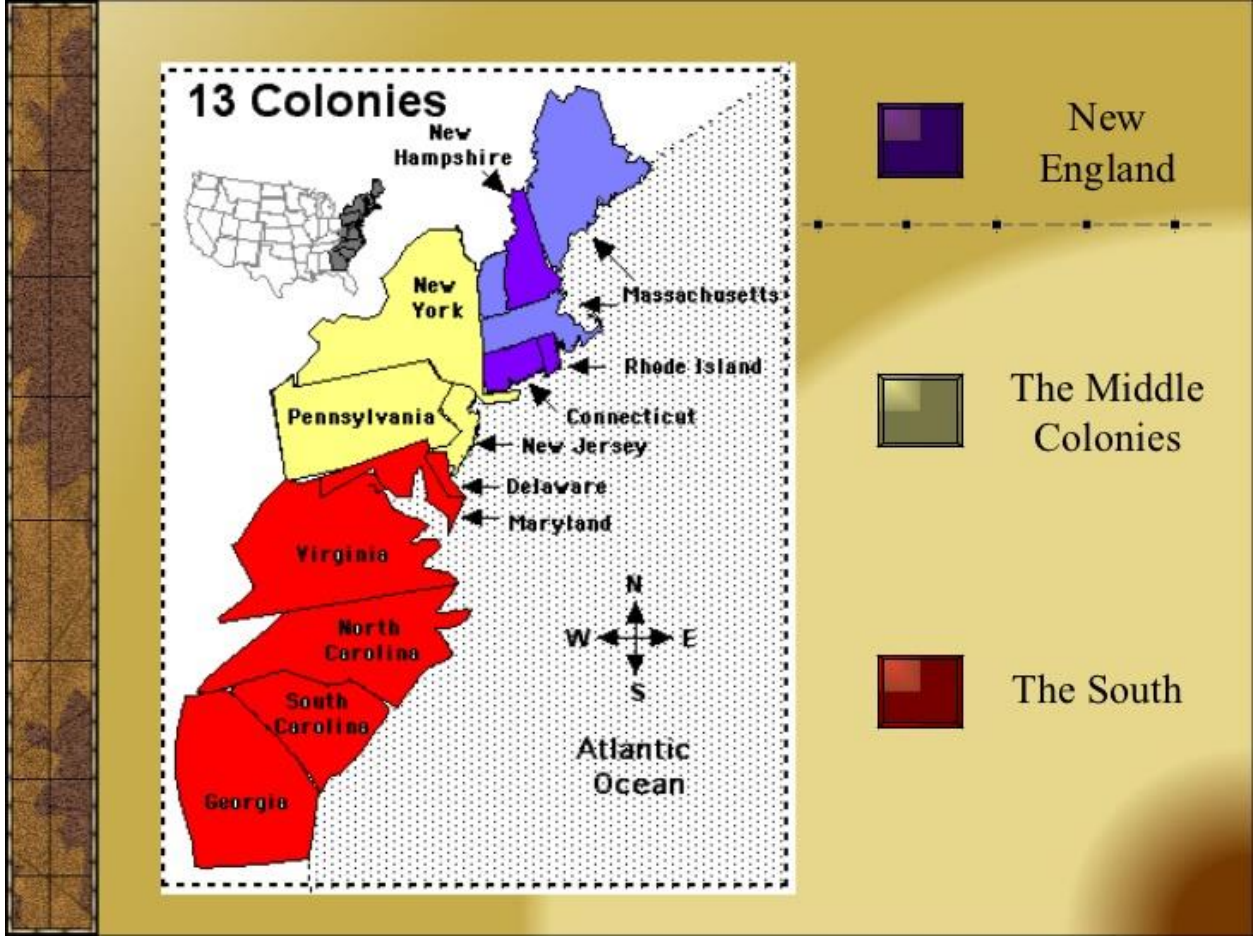
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- Connecticut
- Massachusetts
- New Hampshire

Middle Colonies

- Delaware
- Pennsylvania
- New York
- New Jersey

Southern Colonies

- Maryland
- Virginia
- North Carolina
- South Carolina
- Georgia





An indentured servant is a person who signed an indenture(agreement) to work for a master for a period of years in exchange for something. For example, land or a ride to America were both common things these poor servants wanted to work for.



Indentured servants were not free until they completed their term of service. Most indentured servants were released from their master after they completed around 7 years of work.