

13 COLONIES CHART

Colony / Date Founded	Founders/Leader	Reasons Founded	Notes
NEW ENGLAND COLONIES – fur, fish and timber -- shipbuilding and manufacturing region			
Massachusetts Plymouth / 1620 Massachusetts Bay 1630	Pilgrims (Separatists) William Bradford Puritans John Winthrop	Religious freedom for Separatists (Pilgrims) Religious freedom for Puritans	Pilgrims: Mayflower Compact. William Bradford political leader. Miles Standish military leader. Starving Time. Help from Indians. First Thanksgiving.
New Hampshire 1622	John Mason	Escape for those limited by religious and economic rules-- Profit from trade and fishing	Puritan harshness led these settlers north and inland to New Hampshire.
Connecticut 1636	Thomas Hooker	Religious and political freedom Economic--expand trade	Leaders of Massachusetts asked Hooker and his followers to leave. They left and founded Connecticut
Rhode Island 1636	Roger Williams	Religious freedom	Williams set up the most tolerant colony.
MIDDLE COLONIES – goods, cattle and agriculture – grain, the “Bread Basket colonies”			
New York 1624	Dutch West India Company Peter Minuit (1664-English)	Trade and profit	Set up as a Dutch colony, taken over by the English in 1664
Delaware 1638	Swedish Settlers (1664-English)	Trade and profit	Set up as a Swedish colony, taken over by the English in 1664
New Jersey 1664	George Calvert Lord Berkeley	Trade and profit Profit from land sales Religious and political freedom	Set up as Swedish colony, taken over by the English in 1664
Pennsylvania 1682	Quakers William Penn	Religious freedom for Quakers Trade and profit from land sales	Originally Quaker, this colony became home to many European immigrants
SOUTHERN COLONIES – cash crop agricultural region – tobacco, indigo, cotton, rice			
Virginia Jamestown/1607	Virginia Company John Smith	Trade and profit/farming	Founded as joint-stock company. Only 60 of first 900 colonists survived. Starving Time. Disease. House of Burgesses (1619).
Maryland 1632	Lord Baltimore Catholics	Religious and political freedom for Catholics Profit from land sales	Safe haven for Catholics. Maryland Toleration Act (1649) Slow growing.
North Carolina 1663	Group of 8 proprietors	Trade and profit/farming Vast land opportunity Religious freedom	Joint business venture -- investors
South Carolina 1663	Group of 8 proprietors	Trade and profit/farming Vast land opportunity Religious freedom	Joint business venture – investors Rice—major crop
Georgia 1732	James Oglethorpe	Debtor colony Social mobility Political freedom Buffer from Spanish Florida	Offered the imprisoned debtors of England a new start with an opportunity to pay their debts, and allowed social mobility. Buffer zone, protecting other colonies from Spanish Florida