

## Colonial America Timeline (British North American Colonies to 1763)

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1585 – 1587	Roanoke Island colony fails
1588	British Navy defeats Spanish Armada (sig)
1607	Jamestown (Virginia Colony) founded
1609	Henry Hudson explores Delaware Bay and New York Bay
1614	First Anglo-Powhatan War ends in Virginia
1619	First slaves introduced to Virginia First colonial representative government – Virginia House of Burgesses
1620	Separatist Puritans (or Pilgrims) found Plymouth Colony
1624	Virginia becomes royal colony after investigation of mismanagement by Virginia/London Company Dutch found New Netherlands (present-day New York)
1630	Great Puritan Migration (Non-Separatists) to Massachusetts Bay Led by John Winthrop, creates the Massachusetts Bay Colony
1634	Calvert (Lord Baltimore) founds Maryland
1635 – 1637	Pequot War with Native Americans in Massachusetts Roger Williams exiled for heresy in Mass. – founds Rhode Island
1638	New Haven colony, merges with Connecticut New Sweden is founded near Delaware river (not successful, later becomes British Jersey Colony and Delaware)
1639	Fundamental Orders of Connecticut (Thomas Hooker-Conn. River settlement)
1641	New Hampshire absorbed into Massachusetts
1642 – 1648	English Civil War, Charles I beheaded, Oliver Cromwell – Lord Protector
1643	New England Confederation formed (later becomes ineffective Dominion of New England led by Andros)
1644 – 1646	Second Anglo-Powhatan War (Virginia) – tribe exiled from lands
1649	Maryland's Act of Toleration
1650	First Navigation Act – beginnings of mercantilism
1660	Restoration – Charles II invited to English throne
1662	Half-Way Covenant for Congregational Churches in Puritan Massachusetts
1664	New Netherlands conquered by English, become New York New Sweden becomes East and West Jersey colonies
1670	Carolina Colony founded at Charles Town (now Charleston, SC)

1675 – 1676	King Philip's War (Metacom) in Massachusetts
1676	Bacon's Rebellion in Virginia (SIG: problems of old indentured servants)
1679	New Hampshire separated from Massachusetts to become royal colony
1682	Pennsylvania settled (William Penn)
1686	Dominion of New England founded, Sir Edmond Andros appointed governor
1688 – 1689	Glorious Revolution in England (William & Mary); English Bill of Rights Ends Dominion of New England
1689 – 1697	King William's War (Europe = War of the League of Augsburg)
1691	Massachusetts becomes a royal colony; Plymouth colony merges with Mass.
1692	Salem witch trials
1702 – 1713	Queen Anne's War (Europe = War of Spanish Succession)
1702	East and West Jersey combine into New Jersey colony
1703	Queen Anne authorizes "Test Acts" which drive Presbyterian (Calvinist) Scots-Irish to American colonies – begin to settle western frontier and in Appalachians Delaware granted own assembly (but still somewhat under authority of Penn.)
1712	North Carolina separates from South Carolina Slave revolt in New York City
1732	Benjamin Franklin publishes <i>Poor Richard's Almanack</i>
1733	Georgia founded
1734 – 1741	First Great Awakening, led by Jonathan Edwards and George Whitefield
1735	Trial of John Peter Zenger (freedom of press issue)
1739	South Carolina slave revolt (Stono River) War of Jenkins's Ear
1744 – 1748	King George's War (Europe = War of Austrian Succession)
1754	Albany Congress and Albany Plan of Union by Ben Franklin ("Join or Die")
1754 – 1763	French-Indian War (known as Seven Years War of 1756-1763) Ignited by George Washington at Ft. Necessity and Ft. Duquesne

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