

THE SOUTHERN COLONIES

	Maryland	Virginia	North & South Carolina	Georgia
Founders/ Leaders	• Lord Baltimore (1632)	• John Smith (Virginia Company 1607)	• Eight Lords who were friends with King Charles II (1663)	• James Oglethorpe (1732)
Reasons Founded	• Religious Freedom for Catholics	• Investment to make money	• Given as a political gift	• New start for debtors who were in prison
People	• Catholics	• Europeans seeking cheap land • African slaves	• Europeans • Indentured servants • African slaves	• Debtors • Europeans • African slaves
Climate and Geography	• Chesapeake Bay was surrounded by fertile land • Cold winters, hot and humid summers	• Mild winters, hot summers • Flat, fertile land • Swampy in the east; wooded mountains in the west	• Mild winters, hot summers • Flat, fertile land • Swampy in the east; wooded mountains in the west	• Mild winters, hot summers • Flat, fertile land • Swampy in the east; wooded mountains in the west
Economy	• Farms that raised grains, tobacco, flax • Fishing	• Crops such as tobacco, cotton, indigo and rice	• Crops such as tobacco, cotton, indigo and rice	• Crops such as tobacco, cotton, indigo and rice
Religious Views	• Tolerant	• Church of England	• Tolerant	• Tolerant
Government	• Elected representatives	• House of Burgesses	• Ruled by the King	• Elected representatives to Common House of Assembly

THE MIDDLE COLONIES

	New York	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Delaware
Founders/ Leaders	• Dutch Settlers (1624) • English (after military take-over)	• Lord Berkley (1664)	• William Penn (1681)	• Dutch Settlers • English (after military take-over)
Reasons Founded	• Profit (Economic)	• Profit and Trade (Economic)	• Escape from religious persecution in England (Religious)	• Profit and Trade (Economic) • Religious Freedom (Religious)
People	• Mixed Europeans (ethnic diversity/ melting pot) • Harbors • Fertile soil but had trees and rocks • Hot humid summers, bitter cold winters • Moderate growing season	• Mixed Europeans (ethnic diversity/ melting pot) • Heavily forested • Bitter cold winters with mild summers • Rocky, fertile soil	• Quakers and other religious groups • Fertile land with heavy forests • Hot, humid summers, cold winters • Land contains iron ore	• Dutch • Swedish • English
Climate and Geography	• Fertile soil but had trees and rocks • Hot humid summers, bitter cold winters • Moderate growing season	• Heavily forested • Bitter cold winters with mild summers • Rocky, fertile soil	• Fertile land with heavy forests • Hot, humid summers, cold winters • Land contains iron ore	• Cool winters and mild/warm summers • Forests
Economy	• Farmers ("Breadbasket Colonies") • Merchants and tradesmen • Fur • Lumber • Shipping	• Fishing • No natural harbor so not as much trade as NY • Small farms	• Farms that produced grains ("Breadbasket Colonies") • Dairy cattle • Merchants and tradesmen • Lumber	• Lumber • Fishing
Religious Views	• Religious toleration	• Religious toleration	• Religious toleration	• Religious toleration
Government	• Governor appointed by the King of England	• A royal colony where colonists made their own local laws (self-government)	• Political freedom and self-government • Representative assembly	• Separate colony supervised by Pennsylvania's governor

THE NEW ENGLAND COLONIES

	Massachusetts	New Hampshire	Rhode Island	Connecticut
Founders/ Leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• William Bradford (1620 Pilgrims)</li> <li>• John Winthrop (1630 Puritans)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John Wheelwright (1638)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roger Williams</li> <li>• Anne Hutchinson (1644)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thomas Hooker (1636)</li> </ul>
Reasons Founded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Escape religious persecution in England (Religious)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Escape religious persecution in Massachusetts (Religious)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Escape religious persecution in Massachusetts (Religious)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Escape religious persecution in Massachusetts (Religious)</li> </ul>
People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Separatists known as Pilgrims and Puritans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• British, Scottish, Irish</li> <li>• Native Americans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Europeans</li> <li>• Native Americans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dutch and Swedish</li> <li>• Native Americans</li> </ul>
Climate and Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Harbors</li> <li>• Rocky soil, heavy forest, fertile land</li> <li>• Bitter cold winters, warm and humid summers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heavily forested</li> <li>• Bitter cold winters with mild summers</li> <li>• Rocky, fertile soil</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rocky Soil</li> <li>• Colder Winters, short but humid summers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hilly and Forested</li> <li>• Colder Winters, short but humid summers</li> </ul>
Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shipping &amp; Ship building</li> <li>• Fur</li> <li>• Lumber</li> <li>• Fishing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fishing, whaling</li> <li>• Shipping &amp; Ship building</li> <li>• Fur</li> <li>• Lumber</li> <li>• Rum-making</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shipping</li> <li>• Subsistence Farming</li> <li>• Livestock and dairy farms</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fishing, whaling</li> <li>• Shipping &amp; Ship building</li> <li>• Subsistence Farming</li> <li>• Livestock and dairy farms</li> </ul>
Religious Views	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lives centered around religious worship and the church</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Religious freedom</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Religious freedom</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Religious freedom</li> </ul>
Government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town meetings (self-government)</li> <li>• Laws based on religious beliefs</li> <li>• Only white men in good standing with the church could vote</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Representative Assembly</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town Meeting</li> <li>• Governor and General Assembly</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town Meeting</li> <li>• Fundamental Orders of Connecticut (first written constitution)</li> </ul>