

# THE THIRTEEN BRITISH COLONIES: AN OVERVIEW, 1607-1733

colony—a group of people who settle in a new land but remain subject to their original country



Between 1607 and 1733 the British founded thirteen colonies on North America's east coast and successfully ruled them for 169 years.

Other nationalities helped settle the colonies, but the population, language, laws, and culture remained predominantly British.

In 1776 the colonies broke free of their mother country and became the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.



## THE THIRTEEN COLONIES: \* DATES OF FOUNDING

