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Regional Studies

History of the USA and Canada

European conquest of North America

- In 1492 Christopher Columbus 'discovered' America thinking it was India.
- Columbus's contemporary Amerigo
 Vespucci made four voyages to the New
 World and suggested that North and South
 America were not part of Asia.
- Martin Waldseemüller Martin
 Waldseemüller named the new
 continent America on his world map of
 1507.

European conquest of North America

- The Europeans who came to America were Spanish, Portuguese, French, Dutch people.
- The indigenous population all became Indians, though in reality they were peoples speaking different languages and leading different ways of life, some were settled, others nomadic.

European conquest of North America

- Beginning in the late 15th century, <u>French</u>Beginning in the late 15th century, French and <u>British</u>Beginning in the late 15th century, French and British expeditions explored the <u>Atlantic coast</u>.
- French fishing fleets began to sail to the Atlantic coast and into the St. Lawrence River, trading with Indians.
- In 1604, a North American fur trade In 1604, a North American fur trade monopoly was granted to Pierre Dugua in Canada.



The thirteen colonies

- Britain began to colonize North
 America only in the beginning of the 17th century.
- The Thirteen Colonies were the colonies on the Atlantic coast of North America founded between 1607 (Virginia) and 1733 (Georgia).

New England Colonies

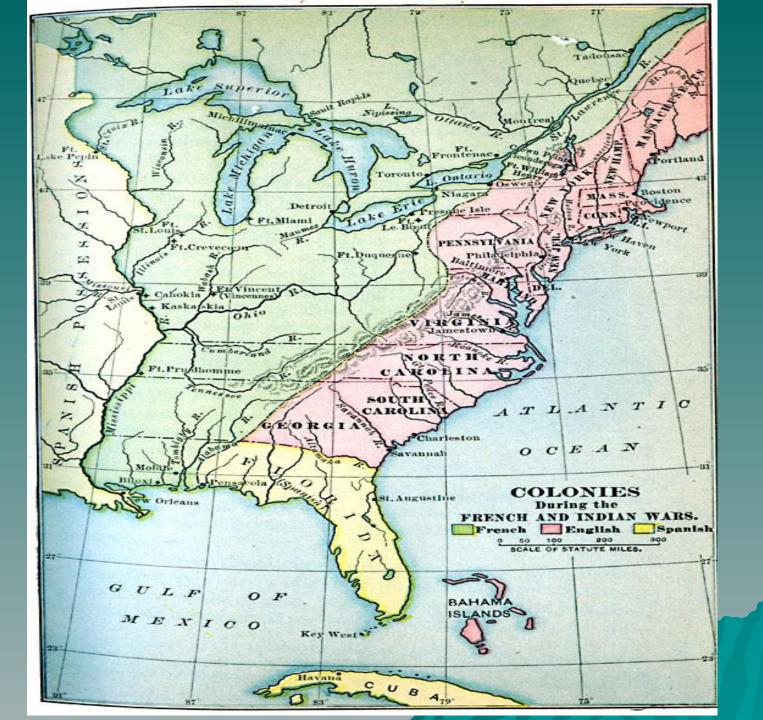
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- Province of Massachusetts
 BayProvince of Massachusetts Bay,
 later Massachusetts Bay,
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 later Massachusetts and Maine
- Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Colony of Rhode Island and Providence

Middle Colonies

- Province of New YorkProvince of New York, later New York, later New York and VermontProvince of New York, later New York and Vermont[3]
- Province of New Jersey Province of New Jersey, later New Jersey
- Province of Pennsylvania Province of Pennsylvania, later <u>Pennsylvania</u>
- Delaware Colony (before 1776, the Lower Counties on Delaware),

Southern Colonies

- Province of Maryland Province of Maryland, later Maryland
- Colony and Dominion of Virginia
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 later Virginia
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 Virginia, later Virginia, Kentucky
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 and Dominion of Virginia,
 later Virginia, Kentucky, and West Virginia
- Province of North Carolina Province of North Carolina, later North Carolina Province of North Carolina, later North Carolina and Tennessee
- Province of South Carolina Province of



The French and Indian war (1754 – 1763)

- The war was the product of an imperial struggle, a clash between France and Britain over colonial territory and wealth.
- Tensions between the British and French in America had been rising for some time, as each side wanted to increase its land holdings.

The French and Indian war

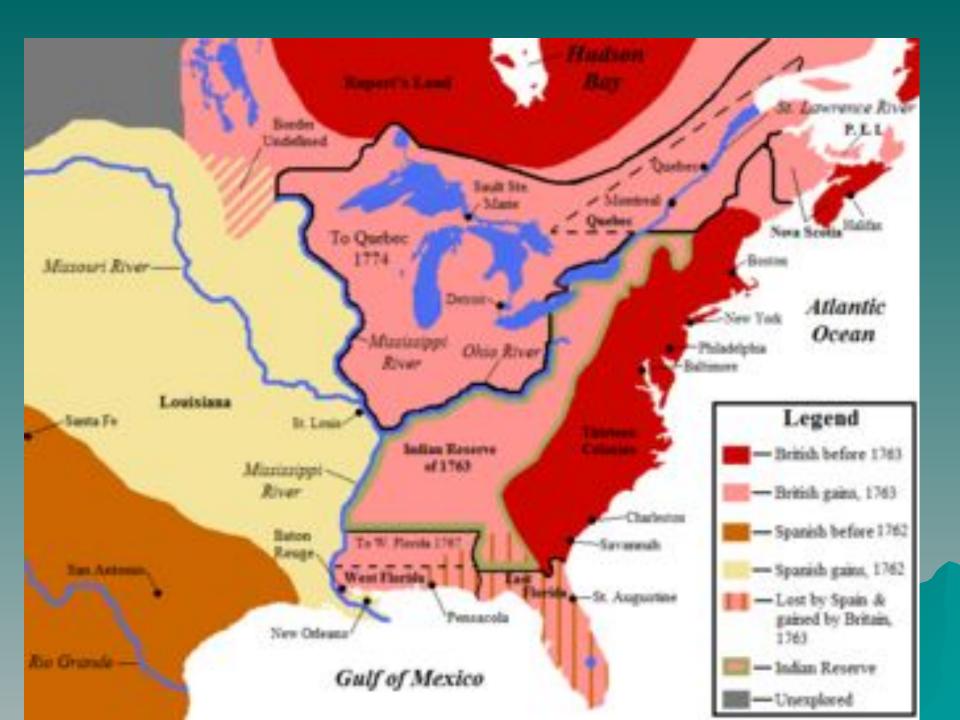
 After a year and a half of undeclared war, the French and the English formally declared war in May 1756. For the first three years of the war, the outnumbered French dominated the battlefield, soundly defeating the English in battles at Fort Oswego and Ticonderoga.

The French and Indian war

 The tide turned for the British in 1758, as they began to make peace with important Indian allies and, under the direction of Lord William Pitt began adapting their war strategies to fit the territory and landscape of the American frontier. Outnumbered and outgunned by the British, the French collapsed during the years 1758-59, climaxing with a massive defeat at Quebec in September 1759.

The French and Indian war

 By September 1760, the British controlled all of the North American frontier; the war between the two countries was effectively over. The 1763 Treaty of Paris, which also ended the European Seven Years War, set the terms by which France would capitulate. Under the treaty, France was forced to surrender all of her American possessions to the British and the Spanish.



American Revolution

The American Revolutionary War (1775 - 1783) or American War of Independence began as a war between the Kingdom of Great Britain began as a war between the Kingdom of Great Britain and thirteen former British colonies began as a war between the Kingdom of Great Britain and thirteen former British colonies in orth America began as a war



No taxation without representation

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The role of Boston

 Before the war, <u>Boston</u> had been the scene of much revolutionary activity.

like Boston Tea party.

The first battles of the war were fought in Boston or nearby (Bunker Hill, Lexington, Concord).

The Boston Massacre site

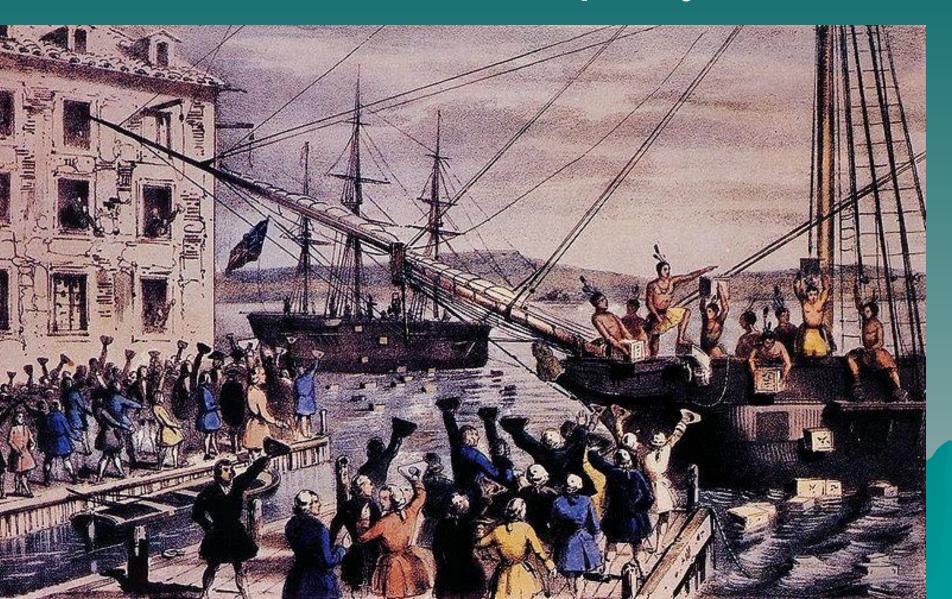


is located directly in front of the Old State House and is marked by a circle of dark stones. Exactly at this site on March 5, 1770 an argument between Boston residents and British regulars turned violent killing five colonists.

Boston Tea party

 The men who dumped tea into Boston Harbor in 1773 were from many different backgrounds. About one-third of them were skilled artisans such as carpenters, masons and shoemakers. A much smaller number were merchants, doctors, clerks, and the like.

Boston Tea party

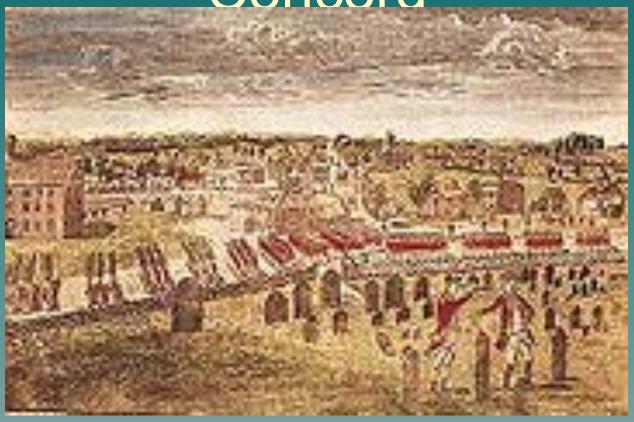


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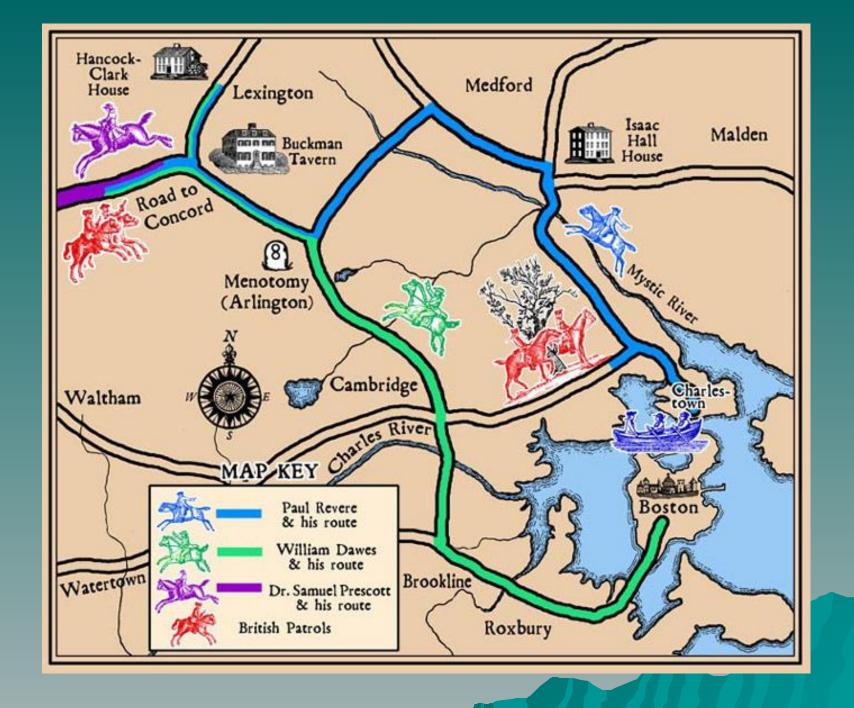
Concord



The British marching to **Concord** in April 1775

Battles of Lexington and Concord

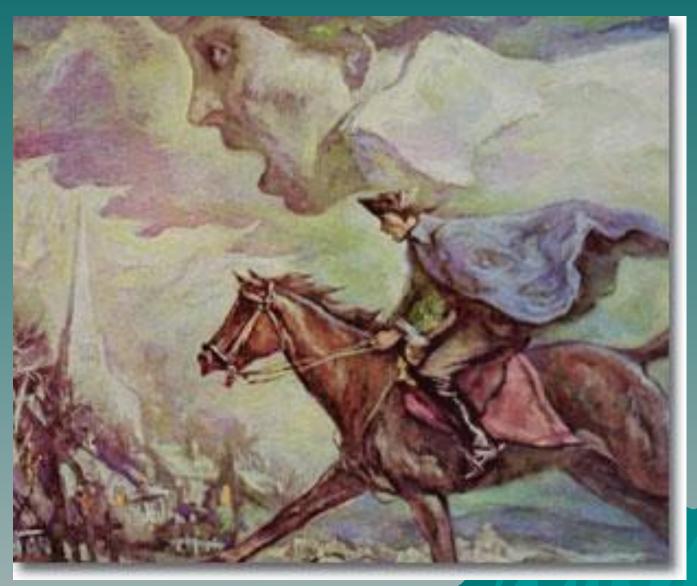
- On the night of April 18, 1775, General Gage sent 700 men to seize munitions stored by the colonial militia at Concord, Massachusetts.
- Riders including <u>Paul Revere</u> Riders including Paul Revere alerted the countryside, and when British troops entered Lexington Riders including Paul Revere alerted the countryside, and when British troops entered Lexington on the morning of April 19, they found 77 minutemen formed up on the village green.



Paul Revere's Ride Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

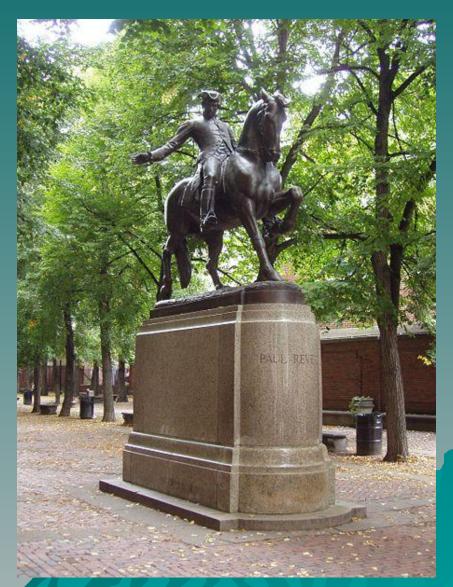
 Listen my children and you shall hear Of the midnight ride of Paul Revere, On the eighteenth of April, in Seventy-five; Hardly a man is now alive Who remembers that famous day and year. He said to his friend, "If the British march By land or sea from the town to-night, Hang a lantern aloft in the belfry arch Of the North Church tower as a signal light,--One if by land, and two if by sea; And I on the opposite shore will be, Ready to ride and spread the alarm Through every Middlesex village and farm, For the country folk to be up and to arm."

Paul Revere's ride



Statue of Paul Revere

♦ This Iconic statue of patriot Paul Revere, was created by American sculptor Cyrus Edwin Dallin. Cyrus Dallin's struggle to give Boston a monument to Paul Revere was a 58-year ordeal with a happy ending. The sculpture now crowns Boston's North End.



George Washington

- In July 1775, newly appointed General Washington arrived outside Boston to take charge of the colonial forces and to organize the Continental Army.
- Realizing his army's desperate shortage of gunpowder, Washington asked for new sources. Arsenals were raided and some manufacturing was attempted; 90% of the supply (2 million pounds) was imported by the end of 1776, mostly from France.

The role of France in the war

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American Revolution

- All hope of a British victory ended in October 1781 when Lord Cornwallis was forced to surrender at Yorktown, Virginia.
- In 1782 a provisional agreement was signed between the British and the Americans. In 1783 the Treaty of Paris was signed.
- American Revolution became possible due to several outstanding people: G. Washington, Th. Jefferson, B. Franklin.

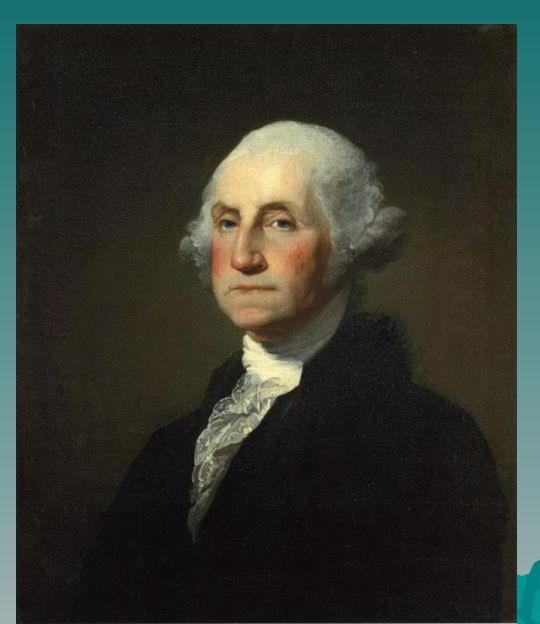
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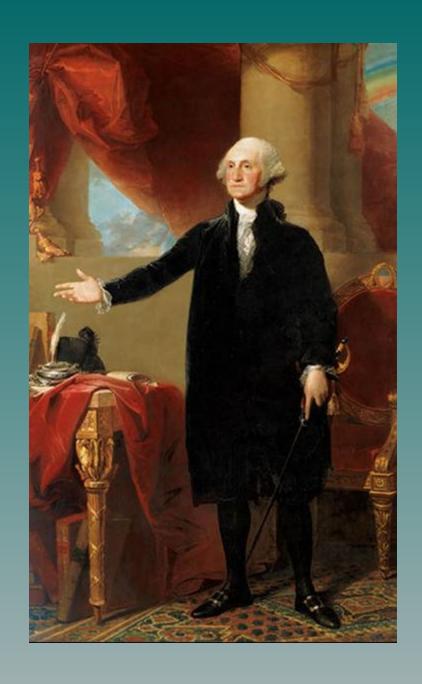
- Treaty of Paris (1783)
- Britain recognizes independence of the United States, cedes **East** Florida Britain recognizes independence of the United States, cedes East Florida, West Florida Britain recognizes independence of the United States, cedes East Florida, West Florida, and Minorca Britain recognizes independence of the United States

Canada and American Revolution

- During the <u>American Revolution</u> During the American Revolution there was some sympathy for the <u>American cause</u> among the <u>Canadiens</u>.
- When the British evacuated New York City in 1783, they took many Loyalist refugees to Nova Scotia, while other Loyalists went to southwestern Quebec.
- So many Loyalists arrived on the shores of the St. John RiverSo many Loyalists arrived on the shores of the St. John River that a separate colony—New Brunswick—was created in 1784
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George Washington (1732-1799)

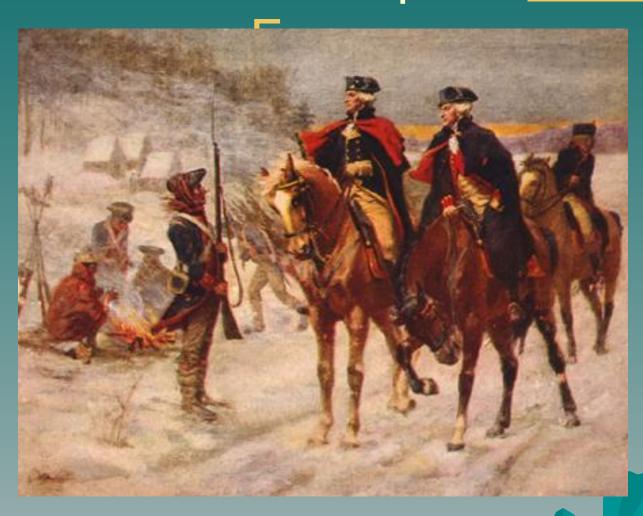




 G. Washington was a commander of the Revolutionary Army, presided over the Constitutional Convention and became the first President of the USA in 1789.

Lafayette Washington and Lafayette look over the troops at Valley

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- Today, Washington's face and image are often used as national symbols of the United States, along with the icons such as the flag and great seal.
- Washington, together with <u>Theodore</u> <u>Roosevelt</u>Washington, together with Theodore Roosevelt, <u>Thomas</u> <u>Jefferson</u>Washington, together with Theodore Roosevelt, Thomas Jefferson, and <u>Abraham</u>

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Mount Rushmore Memorial.



- Washington's name became that of the nation's capital, <u>Washington</u>, <u>D.C.</u> (The capital moved from Philadelphia to Washington D.C. in 1800.
- The state of <u>Washington</u> is the only state to be named after an American
- The <u>Washington Monument</u>, one of the most well-known American landmarks, was built in his honor.

The Washington Monument

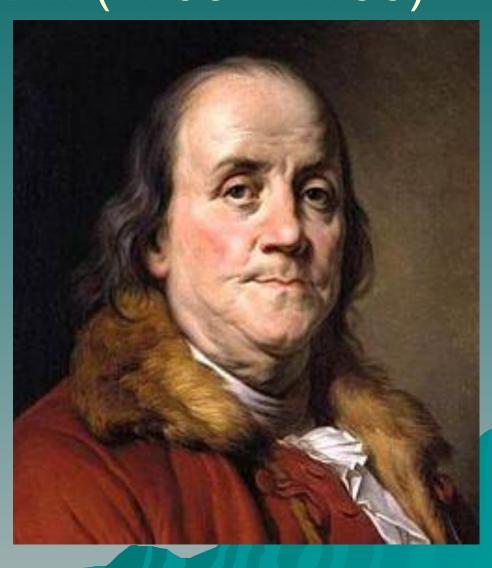


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Benjamin Franklin (1706 – 1790)

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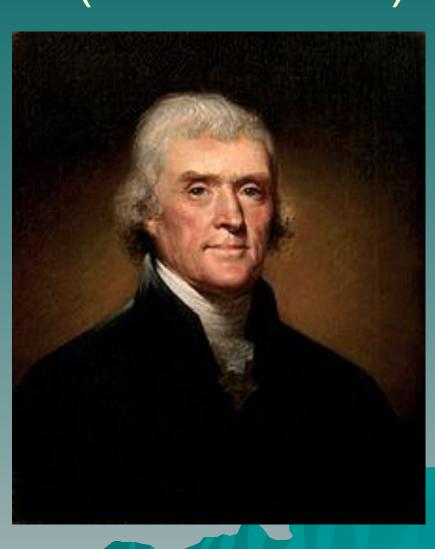


American Constitution

- Right after the end of the American revolution there appeared a Confederation of 13 independent states.
- In 1787 representatives of these states met in Philadelphia and worked out the American Constitution.
- The first ten ammendments added to the Constitution in 1791 are known as the Bill of Rights.

Thomas Jefferson (1743 – 1826)

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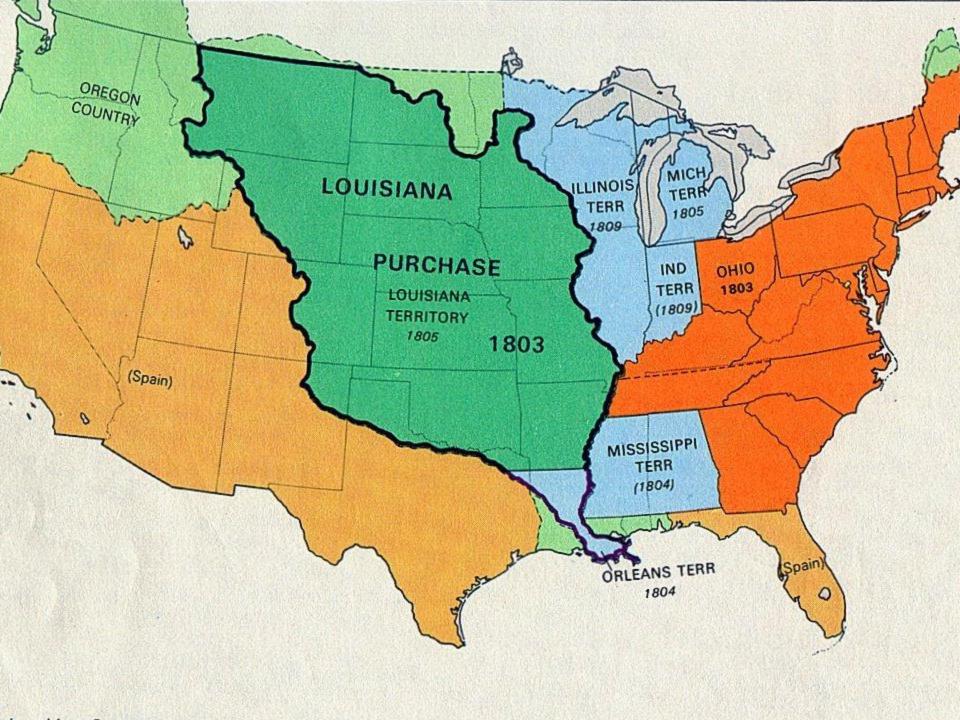


Thomas Jefferson

 At the beginning of the <u>American</u> Revolution, Jefferson served in the **Continental Congress**, representing Virginia. He then served as a wartime Governor of Virginia, representing Virginia. He then served as a wartime Governor of Virginia (1779–1781). From mid-1784 Jefferson served as a diplomat, stationed in Paris, to help negotiate commercial treaties. In May 1785, he became the United States <u>linister to France</u>, representing Virginia. He then served as a Warting Covernor of Virginia (1770, 1701)

Louisiana Purchase

 By a treaty signed on Apr. 30, 1803, the United States purchased from France the LouisianaTerritory, more than 2 million sq km (800,000 sq mi) of land extending from the Mississippi River to the Rocky Mountains. The price was 60 million francs, about \$15 million; \$11,250,000 was to be paid directly.



Further expansion of the USA

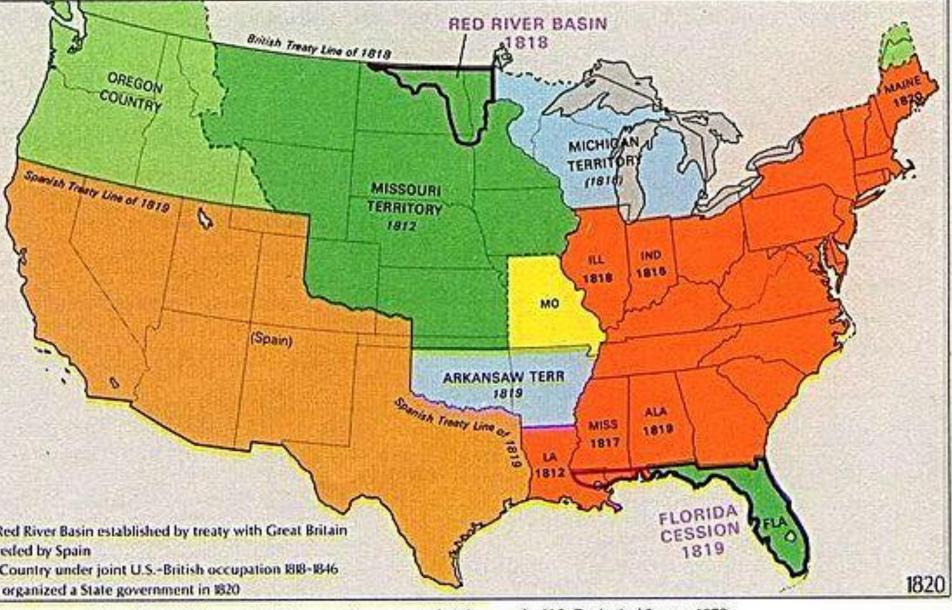
- The war of 1812 with Britain led to an agreement in 1818 to demarcate the .USA's northern border with Canada along the 49th parallel.
- The USA captured Florida from Spain in 1813-1819.
- In 1846 Oregon became American.
- In 1845 Texas was annexed by the USA. In the following war with Mexico the USA captured California, Nevada, Utah and New Mexico.
- Alaska was purchased in 1867.

- As the new country expanded the problem of slavery became more and more acute.
- The Missouri Compromise was an agreement passed in 1820 between the pro-slavery was an agreement passed in 1820 between the pro-slavery and anti-slavery was an agreement passed in 1820 between the pro-slavery and anti-slavery factions in the United States Congress was an agreement passed in 1820 between the pro-slavery and anti-slavery factions in the United States Congress, involving primarily the regulation of slavery in the western

- Arkansas 1836 slave
- Michigan 1837 free
- Florida 1845 slave
- Texas 1845 slave
- Iowa 1846
- Wisconsin 1848 free

- In 1850 California asked to be admitted to the Union. The Missouri Compromise had cut California in half. Congressmen argued over whether California should enter the war as a free or slave state.
- The new agreement was called the Compromise of 1850. In this compromise Northern California entered the Union as a free state.

 The Missouri Compromise of 1820 prohibited slavery in the unorganized territoryprohibited slavery in the unorganized territory of the Great Plains (dark green) and permitted it in Missouri (yellow) and the Arkansas Territory (lower blue area).

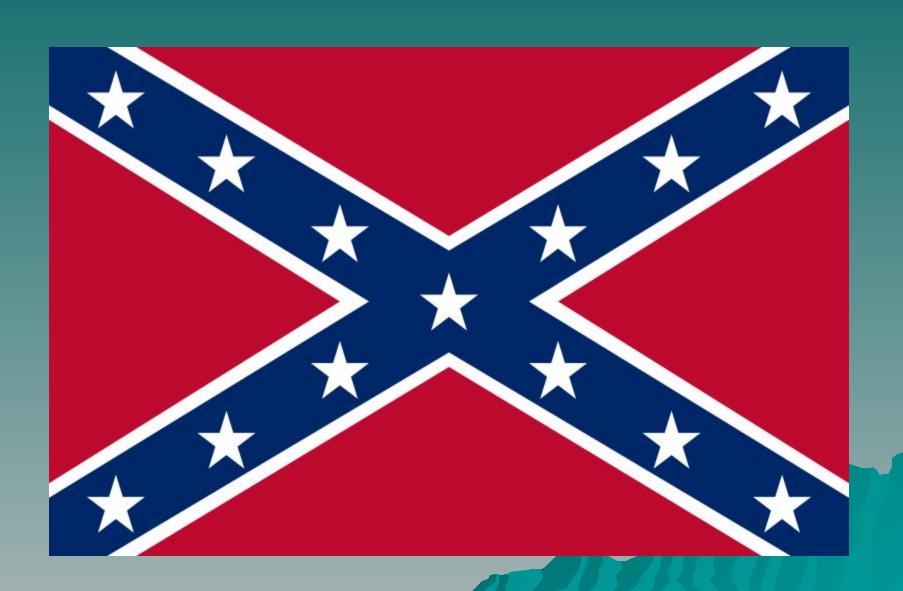


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The Civil War (1864 – 1865)

- In 1861 when Abraham Lincoln became president some southern states decided to leave the Union: South Carolina, Virginia, North Carolina, Arkansas, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Missouri, Mississippi, Texas, Florida.
- Those states formed the Confederacy, which was a government set up from 1861 to 1865 by eleven Southern which was a government set up from 1861 to 1865 by eleven Southern slave states which was a government set up from 1861 to 1865 by eleven Southern slave states that had declared their properties from the United

The confederate flag



- Hostilities began on April 12, 1861, when Confederate forces fired on a U.S. military basis at Fort Sumter at Fort Sumter in South Carolina.
- Both sides raised armies as the Union seized control of the border states early in the war and established a <u>naval blockade</u>.
- In 1862 Lincoln issued the <u>Emancipation</u> <u>Proclamation</u>, which made ending slavery a war goal.

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 Ulysses Grant restructured the union army, and put other generals in command of divisions of the army that were to support his push into Virginia, which resulted in Robert Lee's surrender to Grant at Appomattox Court House on April 9, 1865.

 The American Civil War was one of the earliest true industrial wars. Railroads, the telegraph, steamships, and mass-produced weapons were employed extensively. The practices of total war, developed by Sherman in Georgia, the experimental use of the first usable predecessor of the machine gun of the machine gun and of trench warfare of the machine gun and of trench warfare around Petersburg, all foreshadowed World War I in Europe.

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Canada becomes a state

- In 1860s people in British North American colonies wanted to unite.
- The reasons were the following:
 - After the victory of the North in American Civil war people worried that they would be the next target because of the British support of the South during the war.
 - -Free trade between the provinces would be easier if the provinces were united.
 - In Britain many politicians thought that the colonies were too expensive to defend.

- World War I (WWI) was a global war)
 was a global war centred in <u>Europe</u> that
 began on 28 July 1914 and lasted until 11
 November 1918.
- There were two opposing alliances:
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- Additional fronts opened after the Ottoman Empire joined the war in 1914, Italy and <u>Bulgaria</u> in 1915 and <u>Romania</u> in 1916. The Russian Empire <u>collapsed in March</u> 1917. The Russian Empire collapsed in March 1917, and Russia left the war after the <u>October</u> <u>Revolution</u>.
- At the outbreak of the war the United States pursued a policy of <u>non-intervention</u>At the outbreak of the war the United States pursued a policy of non-intervention, avoiding conflict while trying to broker a peace. When a German U-boat <u>sank the British liner</u>

- After the sinking of seven U.S. merchant ships by submarines, Wilson called for war on Germany, which the <u>U.S. Congress</u>After the sinking of seven U.S. merchant ships by submarines, Wilson called for war on Germany, which the U.S. Congress <u>declared on 6 April 1917</u>.
- The United States had a small army, but, after the passage of the <u>Selective Service</u>
 Act, it drafted 2.8 million men, and by summer 1918 was sending 10,000 fresh soldiers to France every day.

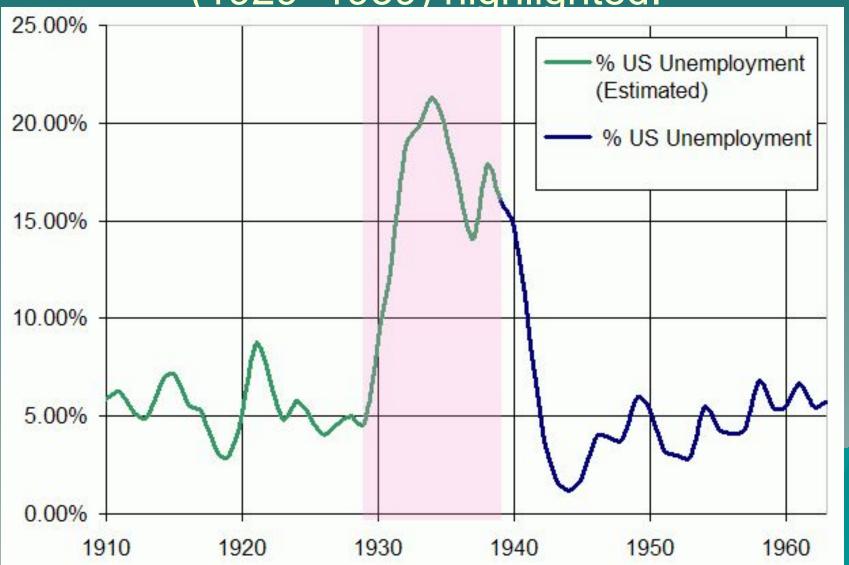
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- General John J. Pershing General John J. Pershing, American Expeditionary Forces General John J. Pershing, American Expeditionary Forces (AEF) commander, refused to break up U.S. units to be used as reinforcements for British Empire and French units. As an exception, he did allow African-American combat regiments to be used in French divisions. The Harlem Hellfighters fought as part of the French 16th Division.
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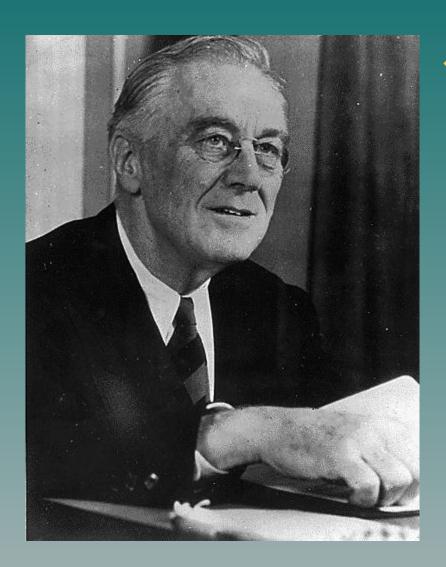
Great Depression.

 After nearly a decade of optimism and prosperity, the United States was thrown into despair on Black Tuesday, October 29, 1929, the day the stock market crashed and the official beginning of the Great Depression. Unemployment rate in the US 1910–1960, with the years of the Great Depression (1929–1939) highlighted.





Franklin Delano Roosevelt

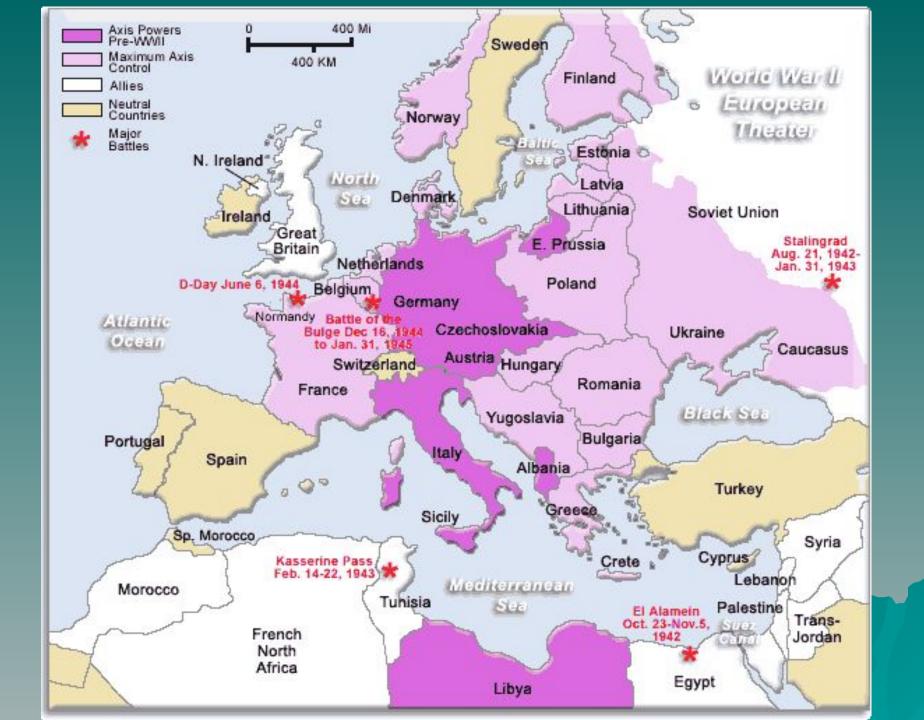


Roosevelt's ebullient public personality, conveyed through his declaration that "the only thing we have to fear is fear itself" and his "fireside chats" on the radio did a great deal to help restore the nation's confidence.

New Deal

- As soon as Roosevelt took office, he closed all the banks and only let them reopen once they were stabilized. Next, Roosevelt began to establish programs that became known as the New Deal.
- These programs were mostly known by their initials. Some of these programs were aimed at helping farmers, like the AAA (Agricultural Adjustment Administration). While other programs, such as the CCC (Civilian Conservation Corps) and the WPA (Works Progress Administration), attempted to help curb unemployment by hiring people for various projects.

- War officially began on September 1, 1939, when Germany attacked Poland. Germany then crushed six countries in three months — Denmark, Norway, Belgium, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, and France — and proceeded to conquer <u>Yugoslavia</u> and Greece.
- Japan's plans for expansion in the Far East led it to attack <u>Pearl Harbor</u> in December 1941, bringing the United States into the war. By early 1942, all major countries of the world were involved in the most destructive war in history.



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The Big Three

The leaders of the Allies, W. Churchill, F.D. Roosevelt and J. Stalin met several times coordinating their policy: they had conferences in Teheran, Yalta, Potsdam.

 The <u>Battle of Normandy</u> was fought between invading American, British, and Canadian forces, and German forces occupying Western Europe. Preparations for the invasion began early in 1943, but the operation Overlord, or D-Day took place only on 6 June, 1944. Roosevelt and Churchill selected General Dwight D. Eisenhower as supreme commander of the Allied Expeditionary Force.

The USA becomes a superpower

- On August 6,1945 a B-29 called the *Enola Gay* dropped the first atomic bomb used in warfare, on the city of Hiroshima. More than 92,000 people were killed or ended up missing. Three days later, an atomic bomb was dropped on Nagasaki, which killed at least 40,000.
- The order to use atomic bomb was given by Harry Truman who became president after the death of FDR.

H.Truman about Russia

Harry S. Truman

If we see that Germany is winning we ought to help Russia and if Russia is winning we ought to help Germany, and that way let them kill as many as possible, although I don't want to see Hitler victorious under any circumstances. Neither of them thinks anything of their pledged word.

The New York Times (24 June 1941)

The USA becomes a superpower

- In 1939, the United States had about 174,000 men in the Army; 126,400 in the Navy; 26,000 in the Army Air Corps; 19,700 in the Marine Corps; and 10,000 in the Coast Guard.
- At the height of its strength in 1945, the United States had six million in the Army; 3,400,000 in the Navy; 2,400,000 in the Army air forces; 484,000 in the Marine Corps; and 170,000 in the Coast Guard.
- In 1939, the United States had about 2,500 airplanes and 760 warships. By 1945, it had about 80,000 airplanes and 2,500 warships.