

CHRONOLOGY

1441	African slaves first brought to Portugal	1710	English capture Port Royal in Acadia
1518	Spain grants official license to Portuguese slavers	1712	Slave uprising in New York City
1535	Africans constitute a majority on Hispaniola	1713	Peace of Utrecht
1619	First Africans brought to Virginia	1721–48	Robert Walpole leads British cabinet
1655	English seize Jamaica	1729	Natchez Rebellion in French Louisiana
1662	Virginia law makes slavery hereditary	1733	Molasses Act
1670	South Carolina founded	1739	Stono Rebellion in South Carolina
1672	Royal African Company organized	1739–43	War of Jenkins's Ear
1691	Virginia prohibits interracial sexual contact	1740–48	King George's War
1698	Britain opens the slave trade to all its merchants	1741	Africans executed in New York for conspiracy
1699	Spanish declare Florida a refuge for escaped slaves	1752	Georgia officially opened to slavery
1702	South Carolinians burn St. Augustine	1770s	Peak period of the English colonies' slave trade
1705	Virginia Slave Code established	1808	Importation of slaves into the United States ends
1706	French and Spanish navies bombard Charleston		