

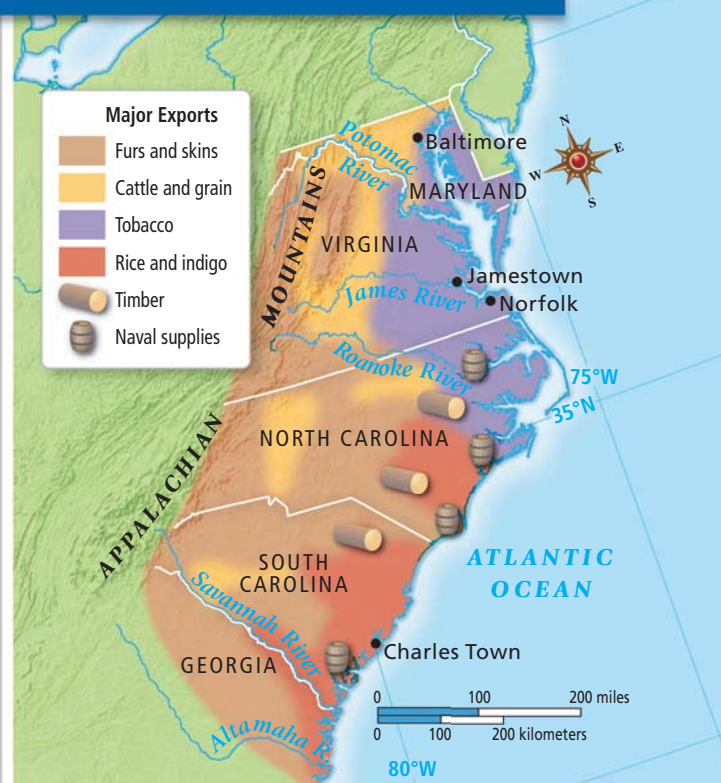
Stono and similar revolts led planters to make slave codes even stricter. Slaves were now forbidden from leaving plantations without written permission. The laws also made it illegal for slaves to meet with free blacks. Such laws made the conditions of slavery even more inhumane.

Economy of the South The Southern Colonies' plantation economy and large slave population helped create a unique Southern identity. In northern colonies, with their diverse economies, wealth was more evenly distributed. Southern economies were less diverse, based on crops such as tobacco, rice, and indigo. The wealth from these crops was concentrated in the hands of an elite.

The different economic systems of Northern and Southern Colonies were reflected in the landscape: the north had smaller farms and larger, more numerous towns. The South had scattered settlements, few towns, and self-sufficient plantations. The contrast between northern and southern landscapes, settlement patterns, and economic systems emerged very early in American history. Distinct regionalisms were developing that continue to influence American culture and politics.

SUMMARIZE Describe how African Americans resisted their enslavement.

The Southern Colonies 1750



Connect Geography & History

- Place** Which Southern Colonies grew both rice and indigo?
- Draw Conclusions** Where would planters have built their plantations if they wanted to keep transportation costs low?

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Section Assessment



ONLINE QUIZ

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TERMS & NAMES

- Explain the importance of
 - Bacon's Rebellion
 - Stono Rebellion
 - Eliza Lucas

USING YOUR READING NOTES

- Compare and Contrast** Complete the diagram you started at the beginning of this section.

Tidewater
wealthy planters

Western
Frontier

KEY IDEAS

- Where were most of the early plantations located?
- How did planters meet their labor needs?

CRITICAL THINKING

- Make Inferences** Why did South Carolina's colonists live in fear of a slave revolt?
- Summarize** How did the House of Burgesses strengthen colonists' rights after Bacon's Rebellion?
- Writing** **Research Report** Use the internet to research the Virginia House of Burgesses. Write a paragraph on the importance of the House of Burgesses in the history of American democracy.