

# New York Colony Facts For Children



The British addressed the New York colony as the Province of New York. The Dutch later took over and named it New Netherlands.

The colony covered an area that included present-day New York State, New Jersey, Vermont, and Delaware, and parts of Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Maine, and Connecticut.



Wheat was an important crop cultivated in the area, and the New York colony was nicknamed the 'breadbasket colony.'

The inhabitants included people of British, Dutch, French, and German descent, along with Native Americans and African Americans.



The New York colony was declared independent on July 9, 1776.

It signed the Articles of Confederation on July 9, 1778 and officially became a part of the US.

