

## History of Sugar by Country Timeline

### France

1691 - King Louis XIV makes slavery legal in the France's sugar islands, but not in France.(72)



1714 - Pauline, an enslaved woman from the Caribbean is brought to France and left there by her mistress. Pauline stayed in a convent and asked to become a nun, but her mistress went to a judge to demand her "property" back. This set off a debate in France.(71-72)



### United States

1733-English Parliament enacts the Molasses Act, which adds a tax to molasses that does not come from England. The Americans protest and smuggle molasses from other places.(75)



1763 - Parliament enacts the Sugar Act to stop the Americans from smuggling. This causes the Americans to start organizing against the English. (76)



### England

1785-Thomas Clarkson wins a prize for best essay from Cambridge University for writing against slavery. This starts the abolitionist movement in England. (77-80)



1806-A bill to limit England's role in the slave trade is introduced. It helps raise awareness of the brutality and inhumanity of slavery.(90)



### Saint Domingue

1779 - A group of free blacks from Saint Domingue fight in the American Revolution. When they returned, they brought ideas of freedom.(84)



1790-Leaders among the slaves join together to form a rebellion against the white slave owners.(83)



## France

1716 - Pierre Lemerre the Younger declares that "All men are equal" in support of freedom for slaves. (72)



1789 - People in France "storm" the Bastille, a prison where the King holds people. The National Assembly also issues the Declaration of the Rights of Man and the Citizen.(80-81)



## United States

1765 - A group of Americans in Rhode Island take molasses cargo from a British ship to protest the Sugar Act.



## England

1807-Parliament passes a bill that bans all involvement in the slave trade.(91)



## Saint Domingue

1793-The slave rebellion succeeds and all sugar workers on the island are freed, however, England fears the newly freed slaves and sends troops to reenslave them. (84-86)



1798-England gives up on trying to fight against freedom for black people in Saint Domingue.(87)



### France

1791-France passes a law that made the people on the sugar islands who were black or of mixed background equal to all other Frenchmen. (82)

### United States



### England



### Saint Domingue

1799 - Napoleon seizes power and reenacts slavery in Saint Domingue leading to a war between the people of Saint Domingue and the French. (88)



1804-The former slaves defeat the French and form the Republic of Haiti, but other countries,including the United States, refused to recognize the new country.(88-90)