

By 1720, English settlers in North America had begun to move inland from the coast. They took over all the Dutch colonies in the area that would become New York. As they tried to settle more land, the English colonists got into more conflict with indigenous groups living in North America.

More and more people moved to the North American colonies from England. By 1720, there were over 450,000 colonists living in English settlements.

There were cities in the colonies, too. Boston was the biggest city — 12,000 people lived there! There were also about 70,000 enslaved people living in the English colonies.

