

# EUROPEAN COLONIES IN NORTH AMERICA 1660

The **French** were looking for a way to get to Asia across the northern part of the world. They explored lots of area in the northern part of the continent. Their first colony was built in 1608 and they called it Quebec.

The **Dutch** started settling colonies in North America later than the French, English, and Spanish. They built their first colony in North America in 1615. They lost all their colonies to England during a war in 1667.

The **English** were determined to build colonies on as much as the North American continent as possible. They built their first colony at Jamestown (in today's Virginia) in 1607. They built settlements up and down the coast quickly so they could get more colonies than the French.

The **Spanish** were the first Europeans to have any colonies in the New World. They had colonies in the Caribbean first. In 1513, they built their first settlement in what is now Florida.

## KEY

-  French Colonies
-  English Colonies
-  Dutch Colonies
-  Spanish Colonies
-  Indigenous Land