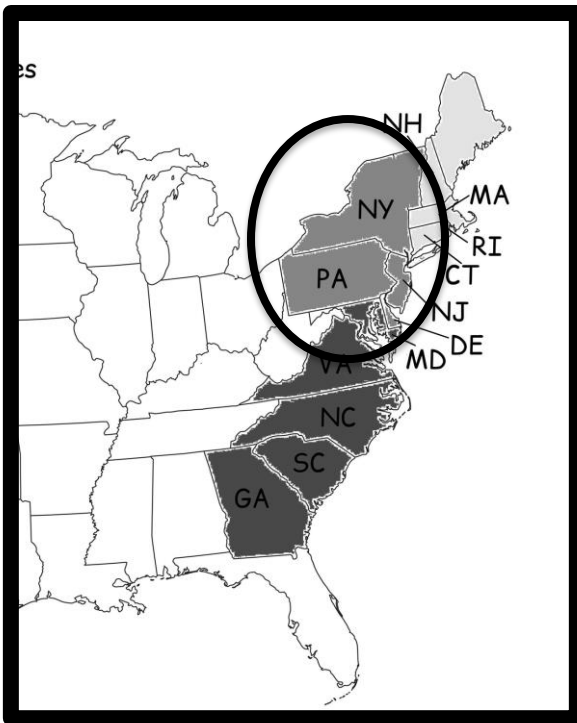




## U.S. History

# Middle Colonies

## Economic Activity and Trade



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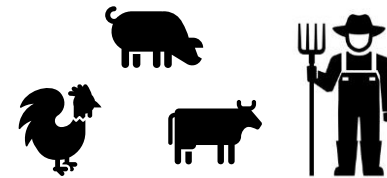
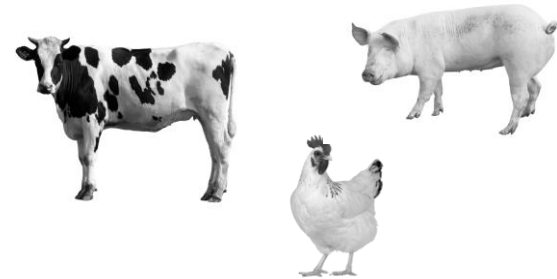


The **Middle Colonies** were part of the 13 colonies. The land was good.

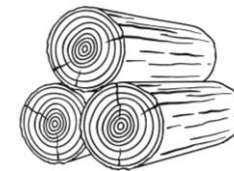
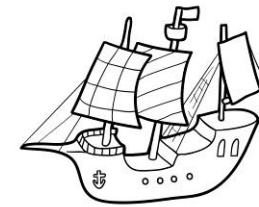
The land was good for farming. Farmers grew a lot of wheat and corn.



The wheat was used to make bread. The Middle Colonies were called the **breadbasket** colonies.



Farmers also had livestock. They had cows, pigs, and chickens.



There were **forests**. Lumberjacks cut down trees in the forests.

Wood from trees is lumber. Lumber was used to build ships.



There were big rivers for boats. People put wood and food on boats. The boats took them to other places to sell.

There were ports for shipping things in the Atlantic Ocean. Ships carried food and wood to other places to sell.



The Middle Colonies had **resources**.  
They had good land for farming,  
forests, rivers, and ports for boats.



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