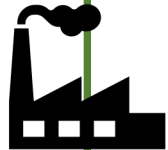


1700 AD  
(over 300 Years Ago)



C18th



C19th

1900 AD  
(over 100 Years Ago)

## Great Britain

1707 Scotland and England become the United Kingdom of Great Britain  
1727 War broke out between Spain & Britain  
1731 English factory workers prevented from emigrating to America  
1770 Captain James Cook claimed New South Wales (in Australia) for Britain  
1775 – 1783 American War of Independence  
1789 Olaudah Equiano published his own life story as major contribution towards campaign to end slavery in British colonies

1805 Battle of Trafalgar  
1807 Prohibition of shipment of slaves in British ships or to British colonies  
1813 English East India Company lost trading monopoly with India  
1821 Sierra Leone, Gambia and Gold Coast form British West Africa  
1833 Abolition of slavery throughout British Empire  
1839 Opium Wars began between China and Britain  
1843 Maori revolt against British rule in New Zealand  
1857 India Mutiny – India comes under direct British rule  
1876 QV took title of Empress of India  
1879 Anglo-Zulu War between British Empire and the Zulu Kingdom in Africa

## Isle of Wight\*

\*With thanks to <https://www.iwhistory.org.uk/timeline/>

1700 Cowes shipbuilding yards established  
1710 Appuldurcombe House built by Richard Worsley  
1760 Olaudah Equiano was stationed at Cowes (on board a Royal Navy ship) and befriended a local servant of African descent  
1774 One of first workhouses in Britain for the poor opened at Newport (House of Industry)  
1792 Island is major grain supplier to the navy  
1798 Parkhurst Barracks opened reflecting major military presence on Island

1809 Napoleonic War prison ships established at entrance to Medina river  
1810 Shanklin Chine drew visitors and promoted cottage lets  
1814 The 'White' shipbuilding family moved to Cowes and opened up shipyards  
1831 Broadlands lace factory employed nearly 800 people on 80 machines  
1840 Many poor took advantage of assisted emigration to Canada  
1845 Queen Victoria acquired Osborne Estate from slavery trading family, the Blachfords  
1861 National Hospital for Diseases of the Chest opened at Ventnor  
1863 Needles battery built for defence  
1891 Shanklin pier built  
1897 Marconi establishes wireless telegraph station at Alum Bay

## World History

1718 Ottoman Empire 'Tulip period' time of peace and the arts (Turkey and West Asia)  
1740 The local (indigenous) Bantu in central Africa established the Lunda Kingdom  
1750 Escaped enslaved African people settle on St. Vincent in the Caribbean (the Garifuna)  
1769 Great Famine of Bengal (India) killed over 10 million local people  
1780 Tupac Amaru II leads an uprising of indigenous local people against Spain in Peru  
1796 Catherine the Great is ruler of Russia

1816 Shaka Zulu became King of the Zulu Empire in southern Africa  
1837 The first peanuts were exported to the US and Europe from Sierra Leone  
1853 Mary Ann Shadd was the first woman of African ancestry to publish a newspaper  
1853-1856 The Crimean War involving Russia against Turkey, Britain and France  
1861 Czar Alexander II abolished 'serfdom' and allowed Russian peasants to buy land  
1861 – 1865 American Civil War  
1865 Freed (emancipated) enslaved people staged a revolt against the British in Jamaica  
1898 The Hawaiian Islands are made a US territory  
1899 The Boxer Rebellion – an uprising against British, Japanese and foreign influences in China