

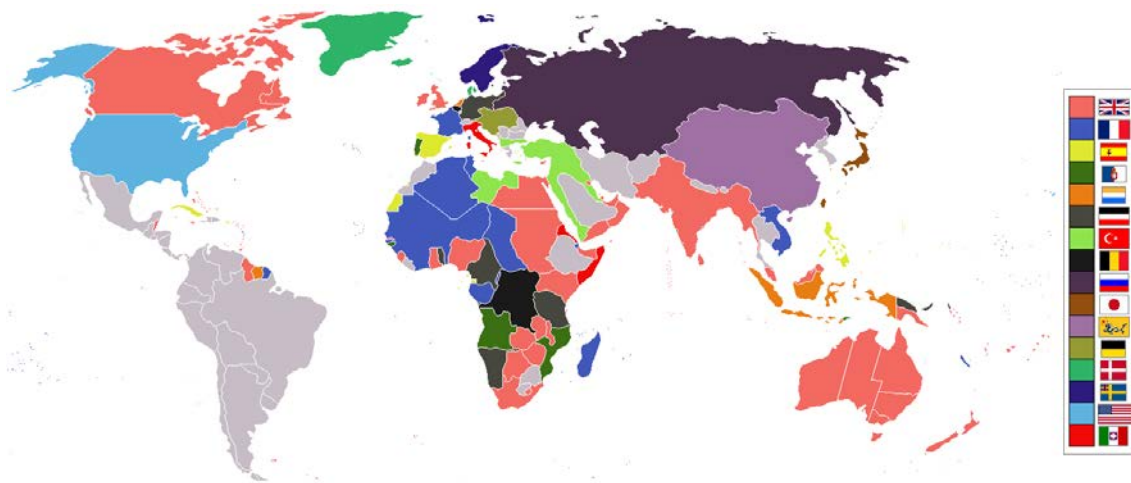


## Introduction lesson

### Lesson 5.2: Colonies

#### Colony

A colony is an area that is ruled by another country. The country that rules the colony makes a profit with the sale of natural resources and products from the colony. Dutch colonies were, amongst others, Dutch East Indies (current Indonesia), Dutch New Guana, Dutch Antilles, Surinam and other areas in what was then Dutch Guyana. The Netherlands had colonies in Africa and the America's for some time. Other countries also had colonies too. This map is an overview of the (former) colonies worldwide.



Source: Wikipedia

#### Dutch Guyana

Captain Menkenveld conducted business in three of the Dutch area's in Dutch Guyana: Berbice, Essequibo and Demerary. The Unity did not sail to Surinam, also part of Dutch Guyana, because the captain heard a surplus of slaves was on offer there, which resulted in low prices. The largest slave market in the Caribbean was on Curaçao. Captain Menkenveld was instructed to go there if he was unable to sell all the Africans in Dutch Guyana.

#### Waiting for return cargo in Demerary

The delivery of the return cargo was awaited on the river Demerary. The slave quarters were taken down, the ship was cleaned and loaded with products from the plantations: sugar, coffee, cacao, cotton or tobacco.

#### More information

The Caribbean: <http://eenigheid.slavenhandel.mcc.nl/trajecten-van-de-reis-en/west-indie-en/?lang=en>

The colony Berbice: <http://eenigheid.slavenhandel.mcc.nl/trajecten-van-de-reis-en/west-indie-en/kolonie-berbice/?lang=en>

The colony Essequibo: <http://eenigheid.slavenhandel.mcc.nl/trajecten-van-de-reis-en/west-indie-en/kolonie-essequibo/?lang=en>

Return cargo: <http://eenigheid.slavenhandel.mcc.nl/trajecten-van-de-reis-en/west-indie-en/wachten-in-demerary/?lang=en>