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Purpose

<https://nesri.commons.gc.cuny.edu/> or <http://nesri.us>

Provides free access through its website to 94,000 records of slavery in 9 northeastern states from Pennsylvania to Maine, including 45,000 records from New York State, viewable individually or in locality reports.

Locates and shares documentary information about enslavement and life events of enslaved people in the Northeast, supporting both academic and community histories of enslavement.

Documents the identities of many enslaved people and their families.

NESRI and New York Reparations

A deep understanding of slavery's many aspects is foundational to designing and implementing reparative programs. NESRI's mission aligns perfectly with the Commission's duty to document the capture, procurement, transport, sale, and treatment of enslaved Africa-descended people across New York, and to communicate this individualized information to inform community-level understanding and reparative projects in counties, cities and towns.

Records

NESRI's data is available now to assist the Commission's work, and together we could make it even more useful. For NY State there are

- 8,835 records naming individuals who were enslaved;
- 43,111 records naming enslavers, including 209 elected government officials;
- 1,042 records of advertisements for fugitives;
- 559 records of sales; and
- 3,660 records of New York slave ships.

Locally, for example, there are 4,896 records from Ulster County, and 903 records about Hempstead.

Dutch Records of New Amsterdam

324. LIST OF NEGROES CLAIMED BY JOAN GAILLARDO FERRARA, 1656.¹

Copy of the List of Blacks which your Honors demanded of me, saying that you intend to attach the Negroes aforesaid in the hands of their masters, so that the said Negroes may not be alienated nor sold out of this country until further order, as stated.

A. Francisco, who belonged to me, and is now in the possession of Thomas Hall.....	1
Gasinte, who belonged to the pilot, and is now the Company's	1
R. Antonio, who belonged to a Biscayan, and is now with the man who sells straw (<i>pajero</i>).....	1
Diego, or Jacob, was mine, and is now in the possession of Neeffies	1
Gr or John, was mine, and is now with Verbets.....	1
Barbara was the pilot's, and is now in the possession of Jan Martens	1
Christopher was the pilot's, and is now in the hands of Oloff Stevens	1
Bastiaen and Lucia were the pilot's; they are in the Bay, and now belong to Jaboce.....	2
Fernando was mine, and is now with Veesteman or Beeckman ...	1
Balthazar, who belonged to the pilot, is now the General's.....	1
Maria was the pilot's, and is now Augustine's or Verlet's.....	1
Juliana and Maria and the children were mine, and are now with Jacob, the Miller, in the fort.....	5
Mookinga was the pilot's, and is now at Fort Orange.....	1
John was the pilot's, and is now Govert's.....	1
Madelina, <i>ad idem</i> , and now with Govert, aforesaid.....	1
Catelina and 2 children, in the possession of Potter's son or daughter	3

Slaveship Records

369. NEGROES IMPORTED INTO NEW YORK, 1715-1765.¹

JUNE 24—DEC. 25, 1715.

Date	Ship	Master	Kind	Built	Registered	Owners	Negroes	From
July 21	<i>Marg't and Mary</i> of this Port	Philip Boyles	Sloop	This Prov. 1706	here 31 Oct. 1706	Jno. Vanbrough, Jno. Vanhorn and Abram Wendell of N. Y.	3	Barbados
Aug. 2	<i>Anne and Mary</i> of this Port	Tho. Jacobs	"	Prize Condemn'd here 1712	here 30 May 1712	Rip Vandam, Anthony Linch, Allex. Moore and Anthony Ruttgers of N. Y.	38	Coast of Africa
Aug. 9	<i>Success of Bar-</i> <i>bados</i>	Wm. Gibons	"	Rd. Island 1712	There 6 Aug. 1712	Benja. Dixon, John Smith, Wm. Martindale of Bar- bados	1	Surenham and Barbados
Aug. 16	<i>Nevis</i> of Nevis	Jos. Barker	"	N. Engl. 1714	Nevis July 13, 1715	James Emra of Nevis	5	Nevis
Sep. 28	<i>Jno. and Mary</i> of this Port	Hen. Couzins	"	This prov'c 1714	N. London 12 Nov. last	Jno. Bradick and John Conley of N. Y.	2	Barbados
Oct. 8	<i>Royall Anne</i> of London	Tho. Taylor	Ship	N. England 1714	Boston Sept. 20, 1714	Sd Master and James Gilbert of London and Jno. Gilbert of Boston	3	Madera and Jamaica
Nov. 7	<i>Hope</i> of this Port	Wm. Clarke	Barque	Prize Condemned at Boston 1712	here 10 Dec. 1712	Andr. Freneau, Chas. Crom- line, Abr. Vanhorn and Benjamin Funnel of N. Y.		Barbados

Treaty of Paris Records

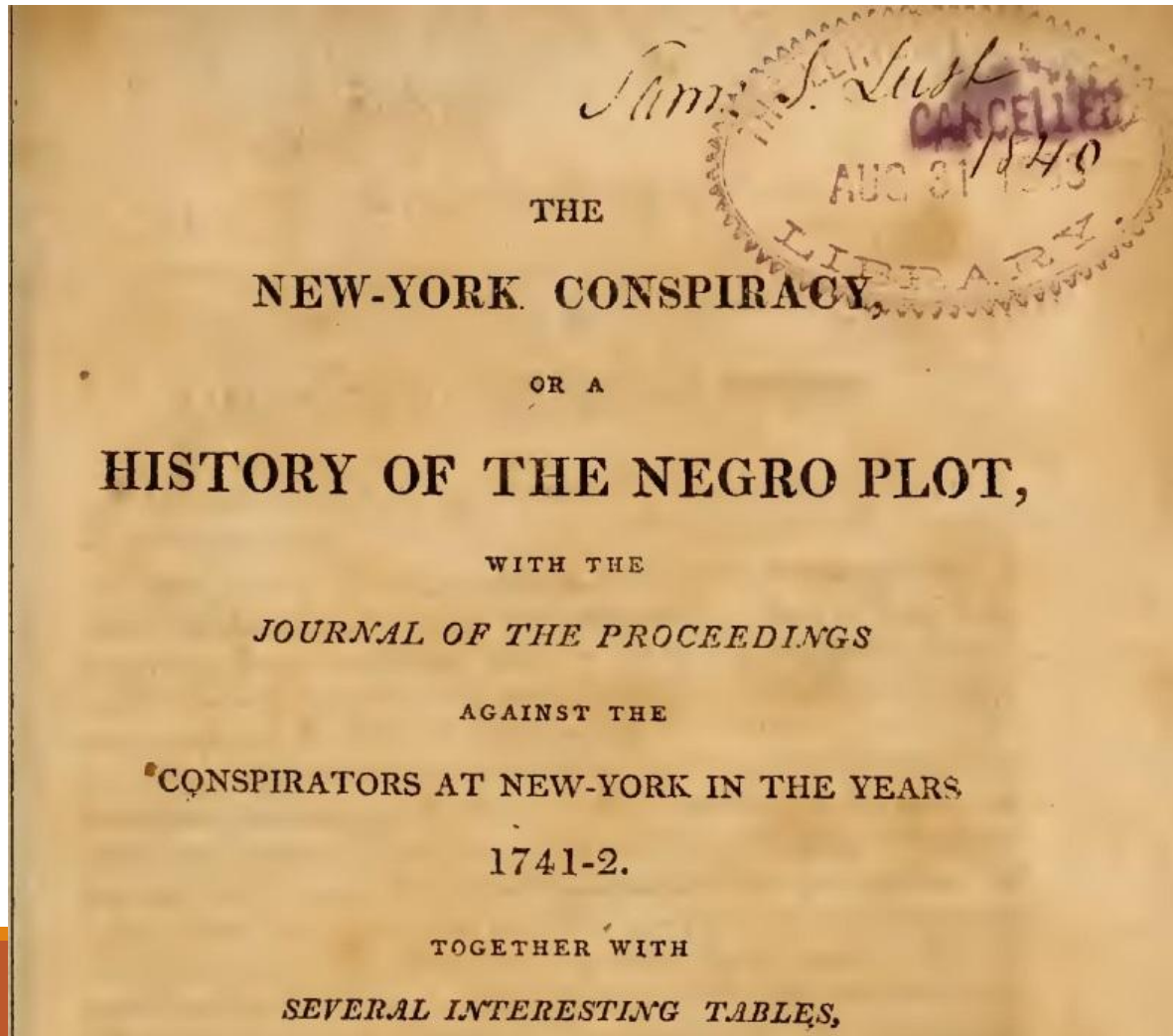
Negro's Names	age	Descriptions	Statements		Names of the Persons in whose Possession they now are
			Names	Residence	
	(139)				
Daniel Pearson	15	Scout fellow			M. M. J. D. D. D.
Wm. Perkins	56	ditto			ditto
John Longstreet	45	ditto			ditto
Quaker Shepherd	29	ditto			ditto
James Longley	22	ditto			ditto
Thomas Wylie	26	ditto			ditto
Benjamin Wenzon	20	ditto			ditto
Colin Morris	23	ditto			ditto
Charles Wilson	31	ditto			ditto
Larry Hunt	35	ditto			ditto
Amelia Cooper	17	ditto			ditto
Sally 16 Months					ditto
Tom Wilson	54	Scout fellow			ditto
Sally Dismal	21	ditto			ditto
Nancy	5				ditto
George 11 Months					ditto
Mary	22				ditto

Remarks			
Kennedy Slave to	Thomas Pusfelt	Maryland	left him in 1779
ditto	to Alexander Athins	New Castle County	ditto in 1778
ditto	to Derrick Longstreet	Prince Town New Jersey	ditto in 1776
ditto	to William Shepherd	Manassas Virginia	ditto in 1778
ditto	to Timothy Corbie	Charles Co. Maryland	ditto in 1778
ditto	to Adam Boyle	Sevier Co. Maryland	ditto in 1777
ditto	to John Warden	Northampton Co. Virginia	ditto in 1780
ditto	to John Allen	Swainsboro Virginia	ditto in 1780
ditto	to William Gault	Northampton Co.	ditto in 1778
ditto	to Sampson Levy	Philadelphia who gave her freedom	
ditto	to James Barber of Charles Co. S. Carolina		left him 1780
	Born within the lines		
ditto	to William Gault	Northampton Virginia	ditto in 1778
ditto	to B. Guy	Northampton Co.	ditto in 1778
	} her children		
ditto	to John Jay	Engl.	ditto in 1778

U.S. Census Records

154 West. Chester					County, 155				
Township of Seaside, continued.					Township of Nomanoneck continued				
Names of Heads of Families.	Under 16 years of age.	Under 16 years of age.	Under 16 years of age.	Under 16 years of age.	Names of Heads of Families.	Under 16 years of age.	Under 16 years of age.	Under 16 years of age.	Under 16 years of age.
Brought Over	35	25	61	9 19	Brought Over	39	33	62	4 39
Charles Lawrence	2	2	2		Peter Lawrence	1	4	3	
James Lawrence	2	2	1		Isaac Gidney senr.	3	1	2	1
Leise Adams	2		1		Thomas Robinson	2		1	
Nathan G. Tompkins Sr.	4	1	3	1 4	Nathan Palmer	2	7	3	
James Angerwise	2	3	6		Mary Palmer	3		6	2
William Popham Sr.	2	2	2	3	Peter Allaire	1	1	3	4
						4	1	1	

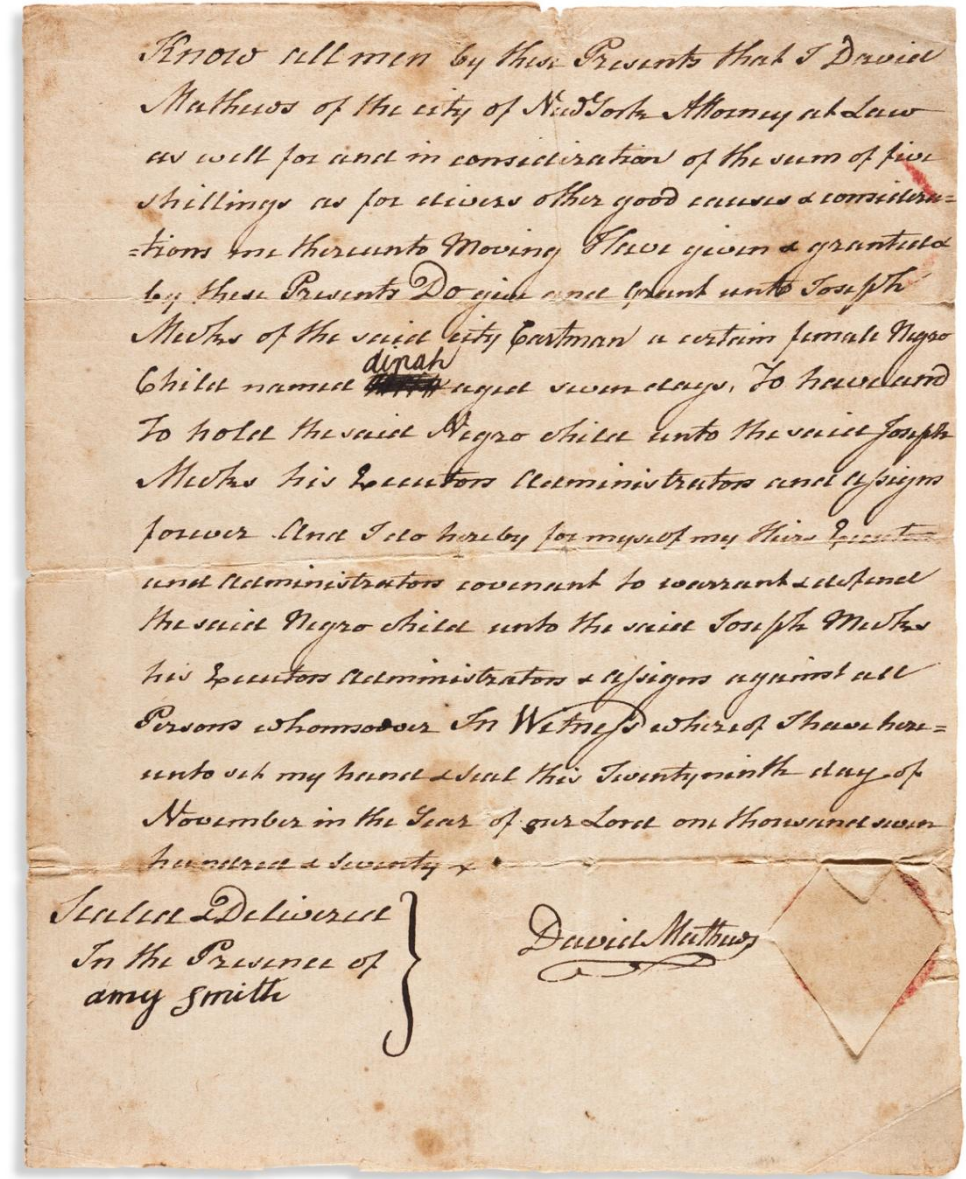
Records of Trials



Records of Purchases and Sales

David Mathews. Deed of a newborn girl sold by the future mayor of New York.

"I David Mathews of the city of New York, attorney at law as well for and in consideration of the sum of five shillings . . . do give and grant unto Joseph Meeks of the said city, cartman, a certain female negro child named Dinah aged seven days."



Runaway Notices

Forty Shillings Reward,

RUN AWAY on Wednesday the 15th inst. from the Subscriber, living at Marmaroneck, in the county of Westchester, a NEGRO MAN, named JAMES, about five feet nine or ten inches high; aged forty-five years. Had on when he went away, a shirt and a pair of trowsers; has a scar on his left cheek, is lantern jawed, and somewhat grey.

BENJAMIN GRIFFEN.

N. B. All masters of vessels are forbid taking him away.

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104. JAMES OF WESTCHESTER COUNTY

Ran Away: 1784-07-15

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The New-York Packet and the American Advertiser: 1784-07-26

Birth Registration and Abandonment

I Elias Haines of the City of New York Merchant Do
Certify that a certain Female Child named Phoebe was born
on the fourth day of August last past of my Negro Woman
Slave named Nettie, which Child I Retain according to
Law
Elias Haines
New York May 5th 1801

I John B Coles of the City of New York
Merchant Do Certify that a certain Female Child
named Isabella was born on the fourteenth day of
August last past of my Negro Woman Slave
named Peggy which Child I abandon according
to Law
John B Coles
New York June 14th 1803

Financial Records

Account of the Overseers of the poor of the Town of Orange in Rockland County for Support and Maintenance of all the Children of Slaves in said town the right to whose service has been Abandoned by the Masters of these Mothers and now at the Charge of the Overseers Agreeably to the Act for the Gradual Abolition of Slavery

Names of the Masters of the Mothers of the Children who are also their present keepers	Names of the Children	Sex	When born	Commencement of maintenance	time maintained from the 1 st April 1802 to the 31 st March 1803 inclusive Yrs. Mo. Days	Amount of Support of each at 34 c per Month until the 26 th of April and the remainder of time at 29 c per Month as agreed with these keepers Drs Cents
✓ Philip Dubey	Phebe	female	July 16 th 1799	April 5 th 1802	1 -- 0 -- 0	24 -- 75
✓ Jacob Blawett	Susan	female	Sept 7 th 1799	April 5 th 1802	1 -- 0 -- 0	24 -- 75
✓ Hendrick Blawett	Susan	female	Dec: 4 th 1799	April 5 th 1802	1 -- 0 -- 0	24 -- 75
✓ John Vandakorn	Henry	Male	Feb: 16 th 1800	April 5 th 1802	1 -- 0 -- 0	24 -- 75
✓ James Edwards	Will	Male	June 26 th 1800	April 5 th 1802	1 -- 0 -- 0	24 -- 75
✓ Peter Lewis	Hannah	female	Sept 9 th 1800	April 5 th 1802	1 -- 0 -- 0	24 -- 75

Louisiana Slave Trade Database

The Louisiana Slave Trade Database consists of more than 100,000 records of slave trade transactions from 1719 through about 1820.

In the NY Slavery Records Index we include the records of trades of 32 persons who are identified in the record as having been born in New York.

To see their records, access a Search Page and select “LSTD” in the tag dropdown menu at the bottom of the page.

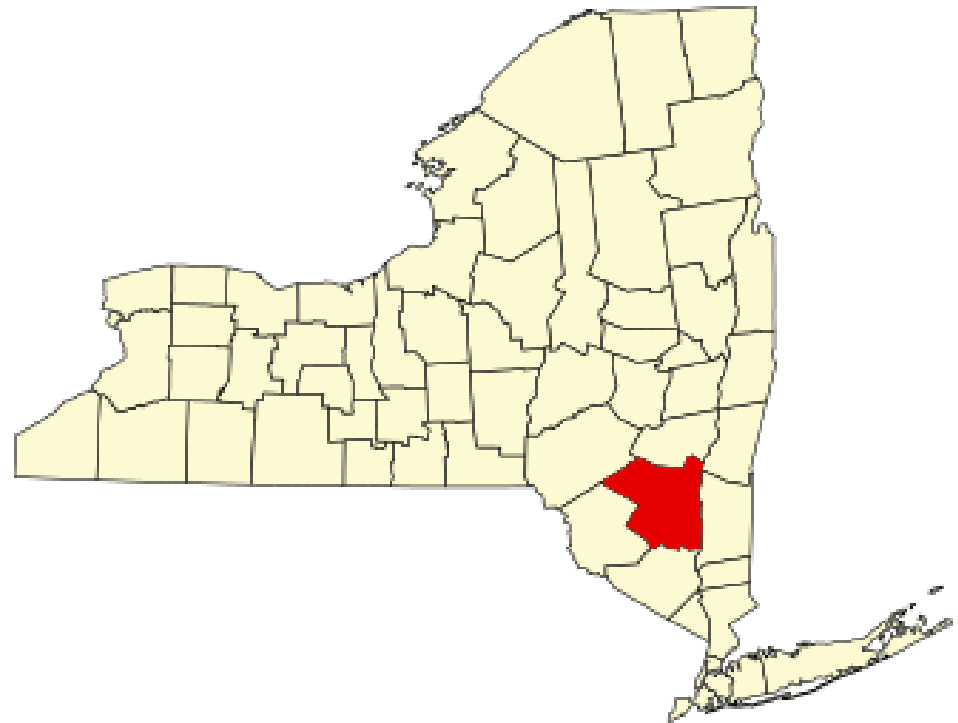
The eighteen most frequent African ethnicities in Louisiana (1719-1820).

Ethnicities	Gender		Total
	Male	Female	
Greater Senegambia			2,756
Bamana/Bambara	413	53	466
Mandinga	617	305	922
Nar/Moor	101	35	136
Poulard/Fulbe	160	50	210
Senegal/Wolof	363	234	597
Kisi	51	35	86
Kanga	210	129	339
Bight of Benin			1,777
Chamba	276	139	415
Mina	430	198	628
Fon/Arada	126	117	243
Hausa	122	11	133
Nago/Yoruba	247	111	358
Bight of Biafra			819
Edo	38	28	66
Igbo	287	237	524
Ibibio/Moko	61	21	82
Calabar	88	59	147
West-Central Africa			2,988
Congo	2,064	924	2,988
East Coast			102
Makwa	67	35	102
Total	5,721	2,721	8,442

Presentation: Ulster County NY

NESRI reports are available for any County and town or city in New York State and the Northeast U.S.

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NESRI and New York Reparations: IDEAS

1. Expand and enhance NESRI's records of enslavement of Black and Indigenous people across New York State. We know we can find additional records to continue to build the most complete collection extant.
2. Expand NESRI's documentation of family relationships among the enslaved people to support genealogical research by descendants.
3. Share names of the enslaved people with the 10MillionNames project, further enhancing the ability of descendants to discover their family histories.
4. Develop an Enslavement Intensity Measure that will score the intensity of enslavement taking place in each locality based on measures like the percent of the population enslaved, and the numbers of political and religious leaders who were enslavers This index will assist the Commission in designing slavery reparation initiatives that focus on places where slavery was most intensive.
5. Expand NESRI's coding of enslavement by colonial era university alumni, donors and staff.
6. Design ways for K-12 teachers and college faculty to use NESRI in the classroom.
7. Initiate continuing State support for NESRI as a unique free resource for individuals and communities studying slavery and designing reparation programs.