

SCOTCH IRISH IMMIGRATION TO AMERICA BEGAN IN 1718

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The Scotch-Irish immigration to America began in 1718, with an influx of immigrants settling in Chester, Pennsylvania from 1719-1722, which at that time encompassed the banks of the Susquehanna River to the north and south of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The majority of these early Scotch-Irish settlers of Chester County, Pennsylvania are thought to have come from the northwest of Ireland due to their naming conventions of Pennsylvania towns [such as **DERRY, DONEGAL** and **TOBOYNE**, all named for their respective towns in northern in northern Ireland to the west of the River Foyle] and it is believed that all of the early settlers of **AUGUSTA COUNTY, VIRGINIA**, came from these settlements in Pennsylvania.

The **RIVER FOYLE** is a river in West Ulster in the northwest of the island of Ireland, which flows from the confluence of the rivers of **FINN** and **MOURNE** at the towns of **LIFFORD** in **COUNTY DONEGAL, REPUBLIC OF IRELAND** and **COUNTY TYRONE** in Northern Ireland. From this point the river flows to the **CITY DERRY** and ultimately the Atlantic Ocean.