

Scotland & Caribbean Connections

What was the most significant link between
the Caribbean and the Scottish Economy?

Lesson 1



We have four lessons on the connections between Scotland and the Caribbean.





Discuss

Where did Sugar grow?

What is this?



What is this?



Sugar Cane



Discuss

Where does sugar come from?



Task

Examine Map 2

Use the QR code to research the following:



Scan Me

Answer these questions:

- 1) Where did sugar grow?
- 2) Where did it move to by the mid-15th century?





MAP 2

- Our map work has shown us that where sugar was grown changed over time.
- The plant was brought west and European powers started growing it in the New World.
- They needed massive numbers of people to harvest this type of crop.
- **European powers started enslaving huge numbers of people in order to grow, harvest and process this crop.**



Discuss

**How was the Scottish
economy connected to
sugar in the Caribbean?**

We will focus on one island:



Jamaica



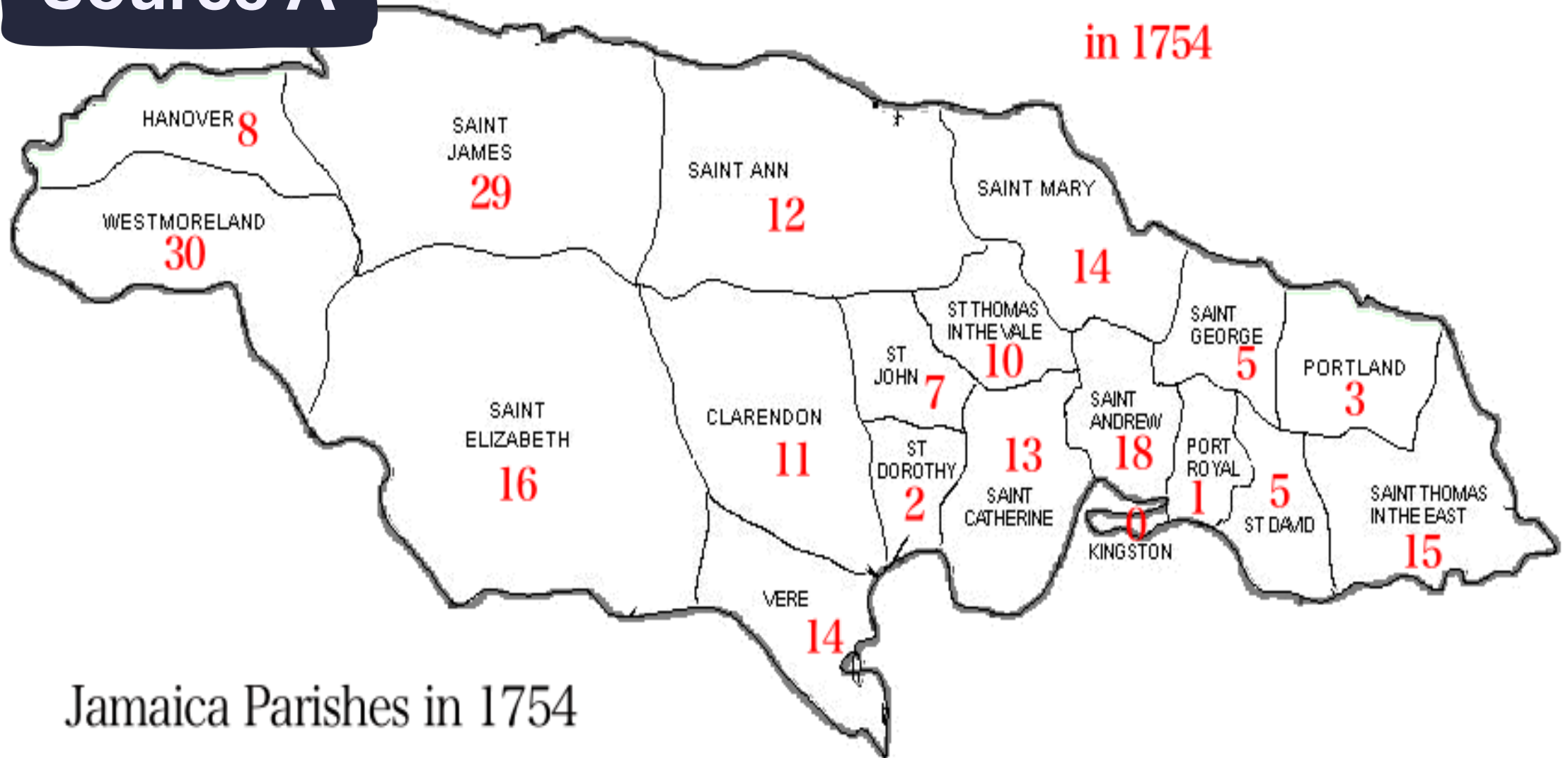
You will examine FOUR sources

Copy and complete this sentence for each source:

**According to the source,
Scots in Jamaica were involved
in _____.**

Source A

Number of Scottish Land Owners in 1754

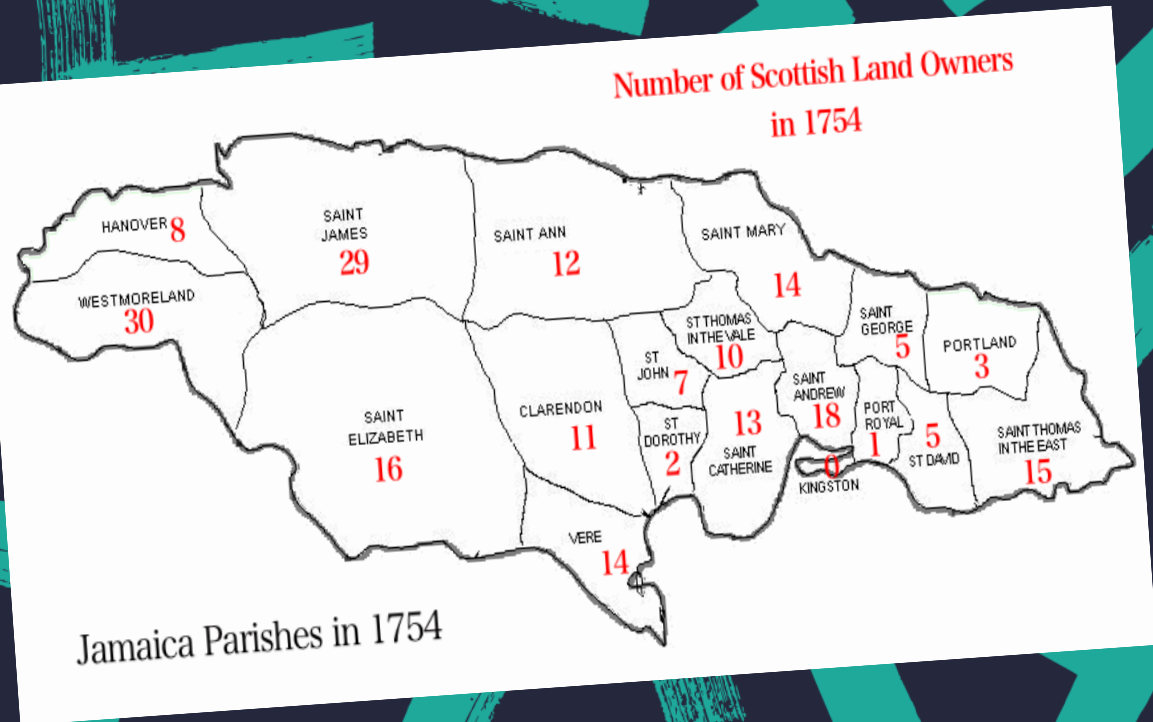


Jamaica Parishes in 1754



Task

What did you understand from source A?



According to the source, Scots in Jamaica were involved in _____

Source B

Map from B. W. Higman in *J of Historical Geography* 1987.

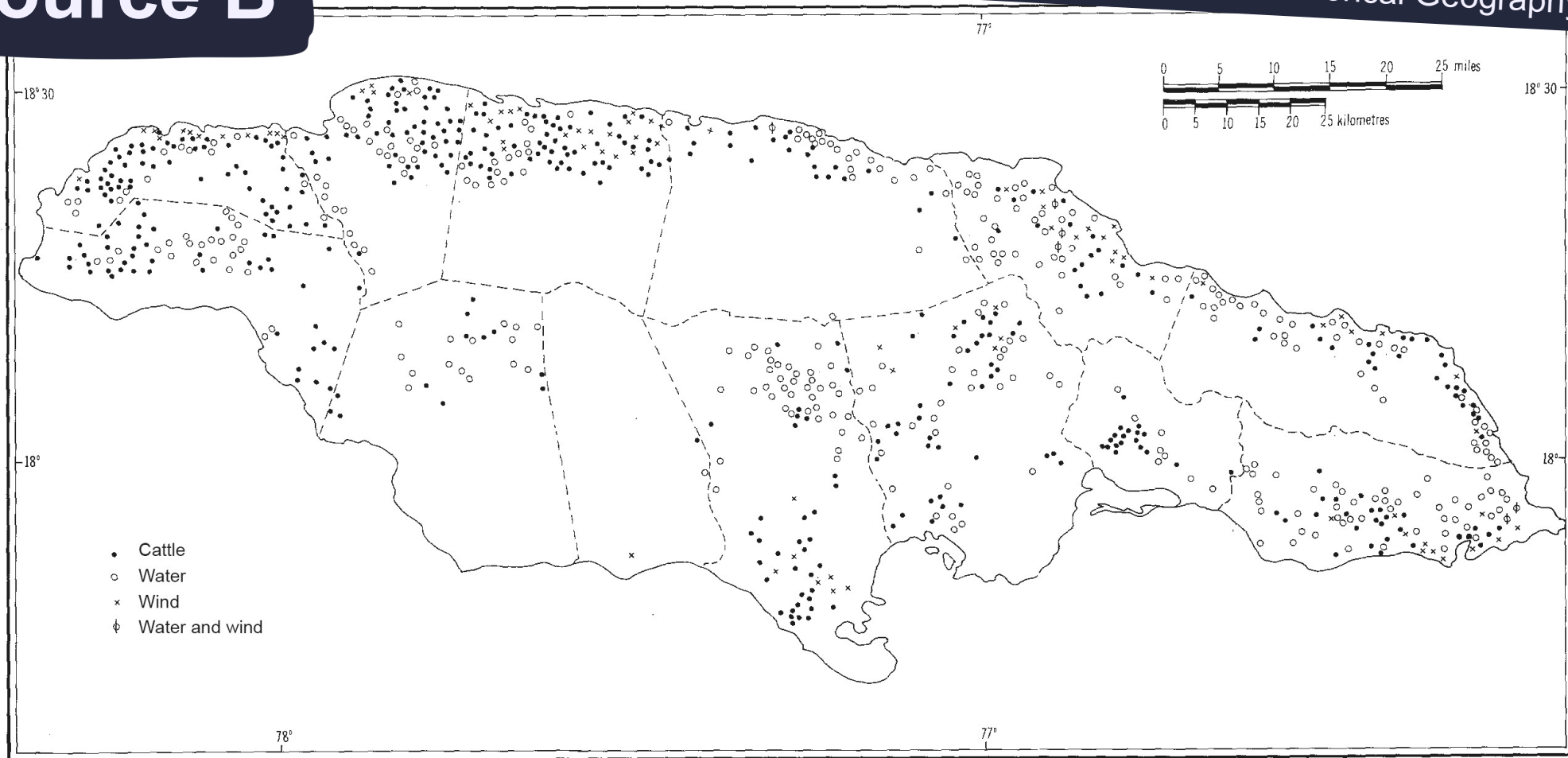


Figure 1. Jamaica: distribution of sugar estates by type of mill, 1804.

Source: James Robertson, *Map of... the island of Jamaica, constructed from actual surveys, under the authority of the Hon. House of Assembly* (London 1804)

Source C

**From The History of Jamaica, Vol 2,
Edward Long, 1774 (Google Books)**

“The offspring of this part of Britain [Scotland] are extremely numerous and flourishing in Jamaica. I have heard a computation of no fewer than one hundred of the name of Campbel only actually resident in it, all claiming alliance with the Argyle family...

...Jamaica indeed, is greatly indebted to North-Britain, as very near one third of the inhabitants are either natives of that country, or descendants from those who were.

The natives of Scotland and Ireland seem to thrive here much better than the European English”

Source D

Compensation lists after abolition of slavery in 1833

Jamaica Westmoreland 130

AWARDEE

£58 12S 6D [3 Enslaved]

Stephen Campbell

Jamaica Westmoreland 131

(Glen Islay)

£973 3S 7D [54 Enslaved]

AWARDEE [MORTGAGEE]

Alexander Stewart

AWARDEE [MORTGAGEE]

Isaac Westmorland

Jamaica Westmoreland 165

(Amity Estate)

BENEFICIARY DECEASED

AWARDEE [EXECUTOR OR EXECUTRIX]

£1685 6S 8D [88 Enslaved]

Archibald Campbell of Culloden Estate

James Grant



Discuss

How closely was/is Scotland connected to the Caribbean according to these sources?



Plenary Exercise

Final Thoughts:

- Do most people who enjoy sugar in Scotland **know the history of this crop?**
- Would people enjoy sugar **if they knew** it first came to Scotland because millions were enslaved to produce it?



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