

# A Guide to the Botetourt County (Va.) Tithables, 1770-1790

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## Historical Information

Botetourt County was formed Augusta County in 1769. Part of Rockbridge County was added in 1785.

In seventeenth- and eighteenth-century Virginia, the term "tithable" referred to a person who paid (or for whom someone else paid) one of the taxes imposed by the General Assembly for the support of civil government in the colony. In colonial Virginia, a poll tax or capitation tax was assessed on free white males, African American slaves, and Native American servants (both male and female), all age sixteen or older. Owners and masters paid the taxes levied on their slaves and servants. For a more detailed history of tithables, consult "Colonial tithables" found on the Library of Virginia's web site.

## Scope and Content

Botetourt County (Va.) Tithables, 1770-1790. Consists of a photostat images of the list of tithable heads of household in the county for the years 1770-1790.

## Index Terms

**Corporate Names:**

Botetourt County (Va.) Circuit Court.

**Subjects:**

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Botetourt County--History--18th century.

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