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SOURCE THREE

[Transcript](#) | [Useful notes](#)British East India Company document showing ships and trade in 1692
(PRO ref: CO 388/2 f41)

Ships designed to be sent forth by y^e East India Company this present Year 1692.

<i>Ships Names - -</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Men</i>
<i>Resolution - - - - -</i>	<i>650</i>	<i>130</i>
<i>Dofones - - - - -</i>	<i>730</i>	<i>146</i>
<i>Princoff of Denmark -</i>	<i>670</i>	<i>133</i>
<i>Royall James & Mary -</i>	<i>670</i>	<i>134</i>
<i>Armonian Merchant -</i>	<i>300</i>	<i>60</i>
<i>New Ship at Dofeford to be commanded by Cap: Ayler. l.</i>	<i>350</i>	<i>70</i>
<i>New Ship at Rothouff - to be commanded by Cap: Foster. l.</i>	<i>340</i>	<i>70</i>
<i>Flanke - - - - -</i>	<i>400</i>	<i>80</i>
	<i>4110</i>	<i>823</i>

*And also four ships more of these that are
daily exported from Indoa. l.*

How to use this source

Study this source carefully. Different parts of the source will contain clues about why the British became empire builders in India. As you study the source, ask yourself:

- How many ships was the British East India Company sending out in 1692?
- How many men were on the ships?
- What does this source tell you about the East India Company and the trade with the East?
- What does it tell historians about why the British became involved in India?

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