

Primary Research Question: What was the most important cause of the American Revolution?

Focus Question: Which British political policy caused the most wide-spread outrage among American colonists?

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| <p><i>In response to the Intolerable Acts, the First Continental Congress created a program of retaliation called the Continental Association, which was a system of boycotting British goods.</i></p> | <p><i>Gross – p. 58</i></p> |
| <p><i>The Continental Association became the primary leadership in the colonies. The Association also helped start new local organizations which helped to end any remaining royal authority.</i></p> | <p><i>www.america.gov – "The Road to Independence"</i></p> |
| <p><i>The acts backfired. "Instead of restoring royal authority, the acts united the colonists behind the Boston radicals...."</i></p> | <p><i>Thorpe – p. 325</i></p> |
| <p><i>The colonists viewed the acts as tyranny and called the acts intolerable or coercive. Besides the closing of the port of Boston, it was the replacement of the Massachusetts governor that truly angered the Massachusetts colonists.</i></p> | |
| <p><i>The British "miscalculated." Rather than merely punish Massachusetts for the Tea Party, the acts caused wide-spread concern throughout the colonies.</i></p> | <p><i>Ferling</i></p> |