The Roman Army

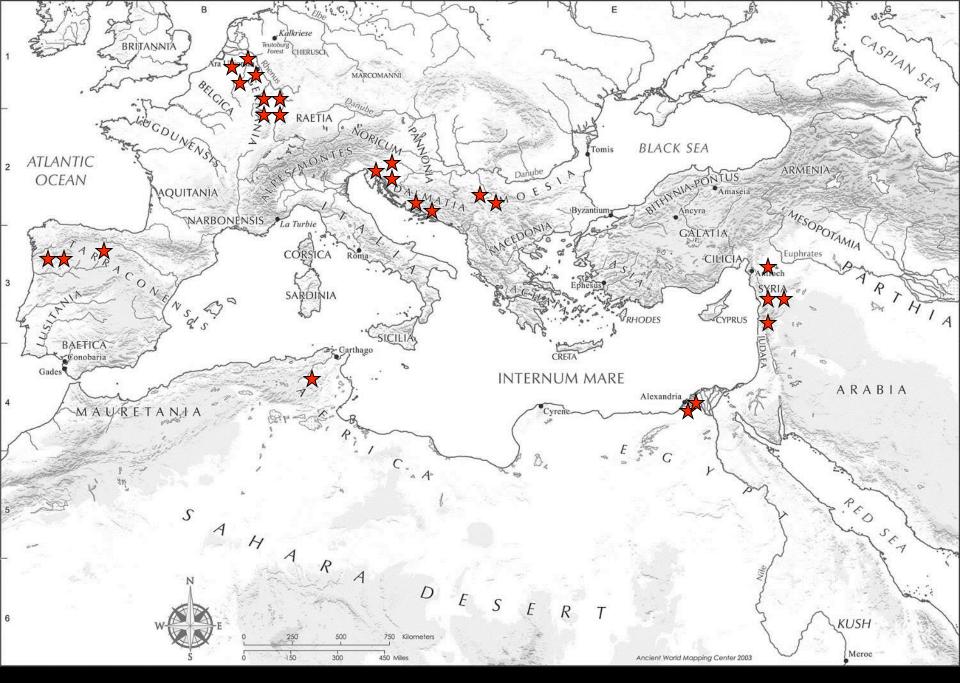
Professionalization of the Roman Army

• Length of service fixed at 16 to 20 years

- Military Treasury created in AD 6
 - Treasury fed by:
 - 5% estate tax on Roman citizens
 - 1% tax on sales at auction

Pension of 12,000 sesterces for discharged legionaries

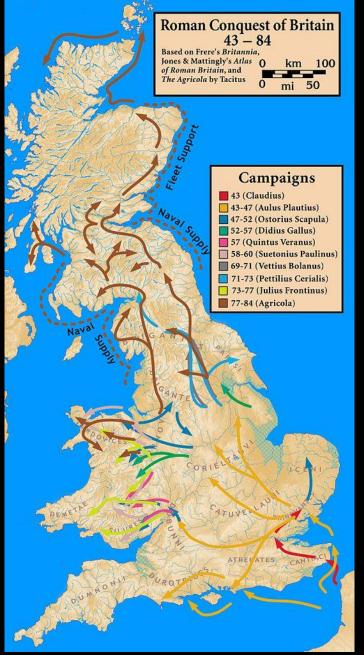
 Equal to 13 years' pay



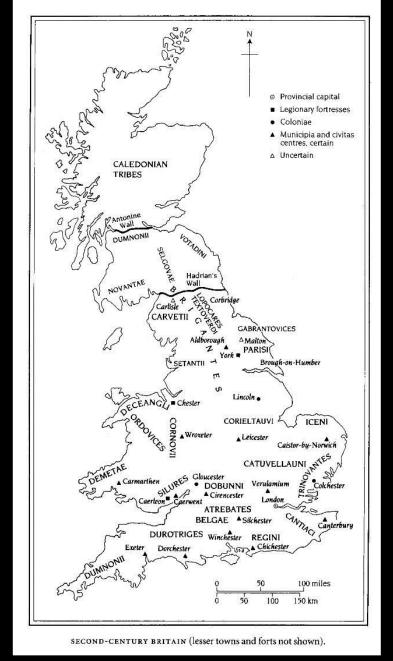
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Hadrian's Wall AD 122-128



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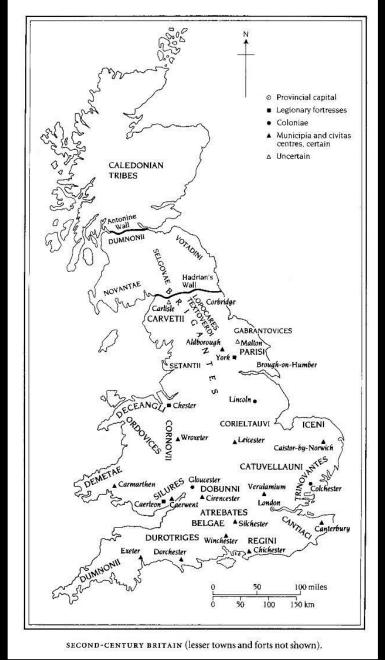
Banks East Turret 52A



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Roman Britain

Antonine Wall – 140s



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Reconstruction of palisade along the Limes Germanicus



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Century of 80 men

- Centurion
- Optio second in command
- Signifer standard bearer
- Tesserarius in charge of watchword
- 76 other infantrymen



Tombstone of a Centurion Colchester

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Marcus Favonius Facilis, son of Marcus, of the Pollian voting tribe, Centurion of the 20th Legion, lies buried here.

His freedmen Verecundus and Novicius his freedmen had this tombstone set up.

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Imperial Legion

- Legatus legionis Commander of the Legion x 1
- Senior Military Tribune x 1
- Camp Prefect x 1
- Junior Military Tribunes x 5

- Primus Pilus Centurion x 1
- Centurions x 59 (ish)
- Legionaries x 4,800 (approx.)

Legionary pay

- Under Augustus 225 denarii = 900 sest.
- Domitian 300 denarii = 1,200 sest.
- By Septimius Severus 600 denarii = 2,400 sest.
- Caracalla 900 denarii = 3,600 sest.

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