Time Period: 1870s

- Clothing tailored to be close-fitting
  - Double-breasted morning frock coats and vests
  - Looser-fit styles single breasted
  - Pants: medium-width and close-fitting in the legs
Time Period: 1890s

- **Sack Suit** – forerunner of the modern business suit
  - Vests – single breasted, matching coat with pants to contrast, or contrasted with pants matching coat.

- **Sporting** – Single-breasted Norfolk jacket, belt or half belt, knickerbockers, and ankle-high boots

- **Working Class** – Durable fabric/roomy fit for mobility
Time Period: 1920s

- Suits – Slimmer fit (looser again by 1930s)
  - Jackets – single- or double-breasted with 3 or 4 buttons and notch lapels
  - Pants – always match jacket with thick cuff
  - Vest – also matched

- Casual wear – knit pullover vest instead of formal vest; jacket optional
Time Period: 1940s

- Vests not sold during the war and they didn't make comeback after rationing
- Trousers flat-fronted or single pleat, wide at ankle
- Collared dress shirt
- Choice of belt or suspenders
- Single-breasted coats
  - Wide shoulders
  - Patch or slit pockets
  - Tapered waist