Plague

I. Demographic decline
- Famine 1315-17
- Plague 1347-49, recurring waves into the 1400s

II. Consequences
- Prato, 1310-1427
  - Impact on peasants? Urban workers?
    - A. 1381 Revolt in England
      - Statute of Laborers 1351
      - 100 Years’ War (1328-1453)
      - Tax burden--1381 poll tax
      - Program (abolish serfdom, labor services, poll tax)
      - Wat Tyler vs. Richard II
    - B. Ciompi Revolt in Florence (1378)
      - Structure of cloth industry
      - Structure of guilds
      - Tax burden (War of the Eight Saints)
      - Ciompi program
      - Planned revolt and takeover
    - C. Comparison: why did the Ciompi fail?