

AP US HISTORY - TIMELINE

1800s

- 1800 Convention of 1800; peace with France
Jefferson defeats Adams for presidency
"Midnight Judges"
Second Great Awakening Begins
- 1801 Judiciary Act of 1801
- 1801-05 Naval war with Tripoli
- 1802 Revised naturalization law
Judiciary Act of 1801 repealed
- 1803 *Marbury v. Madison*
Louisiana Purchase
- 1804 Jefferson re-elected
Impeachment of Justice Chase
- 1804-06 Lewis and Clark Expedition
- 1805 Peace Treaty with Tripoli
- 1806 Burr treason trial
- 1807 *Chesapeake* affair
Embargo Act
Fulton's First Steamboat
- 1808 Madison elected president
Congress outlaws slave trade
- 1809 Non-Intercourse Act replaces Embargo Act
- 1810 Macon's Bill No. 2
Fletcher v. Peck (SC can invalidate unconstitutional state laws)
- 1811 Battle of Tippecanoe
Cumberland Road construction begins
- 1812 U.S. declares war with Britain
Madison re-elected
- 1812-13 Failed invasion of Canada
- 1813 Battle of Thames/Battle of Lake Erie
- 1814 British burn Washington
Battle of Horseshoe Bend
Treaty of Ghent signed
- 1814-15 Hartford Convention
- 1815 Battle of New Orleans

- 1816 2nd BUS founded
Protectionist Tariff of 1816
Monroe elected President
- 1817 Rush-Bagot agreement limits naval armament on Great Lakes
American Colonization Society formed
- 1818 Treaty of 1818 with Britain
Jackson invades Florida
- 1819 Panic of 1819
Adams-Onis Treaty
Jefferson founds Univ. of VA
McCulloch v. Maryland
Dartmouth College v. Woodward case
- 1820 Missouri Compromise (MO and ME admitted to Union)
Land Act of 1820
Monroe re-elected
New England missionaries in Hawaii
- 1821 *Cohens v. Virginia case*
J. Fenimore Cooper - *The Spy*
- 1822 Vesey slave conspiracy in S.C.
- 1823 Sec. Adams proposes Monroe Doctrine
Mexico opens TX to American settlers
- 1824 Russo-American Treaty of 1824
Gibbons v. Ogden case
Lack of electoral majority pushes election to House
- 1825 Erie Canal completed
"Corrupt Bargain"/J. Q. Adams win over Jackson for President
- 1826 American Temperance Society founded
- 1828 Tariff of 1828 ("Tariff of Abominations")
First railroad in United States
Jackson elected President
The South Carolina Exposition published
- 1830 Indian Removal Act
Cyrus McCormick invents mechanical mower-reaper
Joseph Smith founds Mormon Church
Godey's Lady's Book first published
- 1831 Nat Turner slave rebellion in VA
William Lloyd Garrison begins publishing *The Liberator*

- 1832 "Bank War" - Jackson vetoes re-charter for BUS
Tariff of 1832
Black Hawk War
Jackson defeats Clay for Presidency
- 1832-33 S.C. nullification crisis
- 1833 Compromise Tariff of 1833
Jackson removes federal deposits from BUS
American Anti-Slavery Society founded
- 1836 BUS expires
Specie Circular issued
Bureau of Indian Affairs established
Battle of the Alamo
Battle of San Jacinto
TX wins independence from Mexico
Van Buren elected President
House passes "Gag Resolution"
- 1837 Seminoles defeated and removed from FL
John Deer develops steel plow
US recognizes TX Republic, refuses annexation
Panic of 1837
- 1838-39 Cherokee Indians removed on "Trail of Tears"
- 1840 Independent Treasury established
"Log Cabin, Hard Cider" campaign
Harrison defeats Van Buren for Presidency
Liberty Party organized (Abolitionist party)
- 1841 Brook Farm Commune established
Pres. Harrison dies, Tyler sworn in
- 1843 Dorothea Dix petitions MA legislature for the insane
- 1844 Polk defeats Clay in "Manifest Destiny" election
- 1845 F. Douglass publishes *Narrative of the life of Frederick Douglass*
U.S. annexes TX
- 1846 U.S. settles Oregon dispute with Britain
U.S. and Mexico clash over TX boundary
Kearny takes Santa Fe
Fremont conquers California
Wilmot Proviso passes House

- 1846-48 Mexican American War
Mormon migration to Utah
- 1848 Treaty of *Guadalupe Hidalgo*
Seneca Falls Women's Rights Convention
Oneida Community established
Free Soil Party organized
Taylor defeats Cass and Van Buren for President
- 1849 California Gold Rush
- 1850 Fillmore assumes Presidency upon Taylor's death
Compromise of 1850 w/Fugitive Slave Law
Hawthorne - *The Scarlet Letter*
- 1851 Melville - *Moby Dick*
Maine passes first prohibition law
- 1852 Pierce elected President
Stowe - *Uncle Tom's Cabin*
- 1853 Gadsden Purchase from Mexico
- 1854 Commodore Perry opens Japan
Ostend Manifesto proposes seizure of Cuba
Kansas-Nebraska Act
Republican Party organized
- 1855 Whitman - *Leaves of Grass*
- 1856 Buchanan elected President
Sumner beaten by Brooks in Senate Chamber
Brown's Pottawatomie Massacre
- 1856-60 "Bleeding Kansas" strife in the state
- 1857 *Dred Scott v. Sandford* decision
Lecompton Constitution rejected
Panic of 1857
Tariff of 1857
- 1858 Lincoln-Douglas debates
Pike's Peak Gold Rush
- 1859 Brown raids at Harpers Ferry
Nevada Comstock Lode discovered
Darwin - *On the Origin of Species*
- 1860 Lincoln wins four-way race for presidency
S.C. secedes from Union
Crittenden Compromise fails

- 1861
- Seven states secede and form Confederate States of America
 - Lincoln takes office
 - Fort Sumter fired upon
 - Four upper southern states secede
 - Morrill Tariff Act passed
 - Lincoln suspends writ of habeas corpus
 - Battle of Bull Run
- 1862
- Confederacy enacts conscription
 - Homestead Act
 - Morrill Act - land for public education
 - McClellan's Peninsula Campaign
 - Naval battles of the *Merrimack/Monitor*
 - Battle of Antietam
 - Congress authorizes transcontinental RR
- 1863
- Union enacts conscription
 - NYC draft riots
 - Emancipation Proclamation
 - National Banking System established
 - Battle of Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Vicksburg
 - Fall of Port Hudson
 - Lincoln announces "10 percent" Reconstruction Plan
- 1864
- Alabama* sunk by Union warship
 - Sherman march through *GA*
 - Lincoln defeats McClellan for President
 - Lincoln vetoes Wade-Davis Bill
 - NV admitted to the Union
- 1865
- Lee surrenders to Grant at Appomattox
 - Lincoln assassinated
 - A. Johnson sworn in as President
 - Reconstruction proclamation announced
 - Freedmen's Bureau established
 - 13th Amendment ratified
 - Southern states pass Black Codes
- 1866
- Congress passes Civil Rights Bill over Johnson veto
 - Congress passes 14th Amendment
 - Ex parte Milligan* case
 - Ku Klux Klan founded
 - National Labor Union organized

- 1867 ASPCA created - Prevention of Cruelty to animals
Reconstruction Act
National Grange organized
Tenure of Office Act
U.S. purchases Alaska from Russia
- 1868 Johnson impeached and acquitted
Johnson pardons Confederate leaders
Grant wins Presidential election
- 1869 Fisk and Gould corner the gold market
Transcontinental RR joined in Utah
Knights of Labor organized
WY gives women right to vote
- 1870 15th Amendment ratified
Standard Oil Co. organized
- 1870-71 Force Acts
- 1871 Tweed scandal in NY
- 1872 Freedmen's Bureau ended
Credit Mobilier scandal
Liberal Republicans break with Grant
Grant wins re-election
- 1873 Panic of 1873
Comstock Law passed
- 1874 Women's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU) organized
- 1875 Whiskey Ring scandal
- 1876 Hayes-Tilden election standoff and crisis
Bell invents the telephone
- 1877 Compromise of 1877
Reconstruction ends
Railroad strike
- 1879 Edison invents the electric light
Dumbbell tenement introduced
Mary Baker Eddy established Christian Science
- 1880 Garfield wins presidency
- 1881 Garfield assassinated/Arthur becomes President
Booker T. Washington head of Tuskegee Institute
American Red Cross founded
- 1882 Chinese Exclusion Act - first immigration-restriction law

- 1883 *Civil Rights Cases*
Pendleton Act
Brooklyn Bridge completed
MET Opera House built in NY
- 1884 Cleveland wins Presidency
Twain - *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*
- 1885 Louis Sullivan builds first skyscraper in Chicago
- 1886 Haymarket Square bombing
Statue of Liberty erected in NY Harbor
American Federation of Labor formed
- 1887 Interstate Commerce Act
Dawes Severalty Act
American Protective Association (APA) formed
Hatch Act supplements Morrill Act
- 1888 B. Harrison defeats Cleveland for Presidency
- 1889 Jane Addams founds Hull House in Chicago
Oklahoma opened to settlement
Pan-American Conference
- 1889-90 N.D., S.D. MT, WA, ID, and WY admitted to Union
- 1890 "Billion Dollar" Congress
Emergency of People's Party (Populists)
Mahan - *The Influence of Sea Power upon History*
Battle of Wounded Knee
National American Woman Suffrage Association formed
McKinley Tariff Act
Sherman Anti-Trust Act
Sherman Silver Purchase Act (repealed 1893)
- 1891 Basketball formed
- 1892 Homestead Steel Strike
Cleveland wins Presidency (again)
- 1893 Depression of 1893 begins
F. Jackson Turner - *The Significance of the Frontier in American History*
Lillian Wald opens Henry Street Settlement in NY
Anti-Saloon League formed
White planter revolt in Hawaii
Cleveland refuses Hawaii annexation

- 1894 Republicans regain House
 "Coxey's Army" marches on Washington
 Pullman Strike
- 1895 J. P. Morgan's bank loans \$65 million in gold to fed
 Cubans revolt against Spain
- 1895-96 Venezuelan boundary crisis with Britain
- 1896 *Plessy v. Ferguson* "separate but equal"
 UT Admitted to Union
 McKinley wins the presidency
- 1897 Library of Congress opens
- 1898 *Maine* explosion in Havana Harbor
 Spanish-American War
 Teller Amendment
 Dewey's victory at Manila Bay
 Hawaii annexed
- 1899 Kate Chopin - *The Awakening*
 Senate ratifies treaty acquiring the Philippines
 First American Open Door note