





Period 8 Timeline of Major Events (1945-1980)

President:	Event and Significance:
 <p>Harry S. Truman Democrat (1945-1953)</p>	Servicemen's Readjustment Act or GI Bill (1944)
	Formation of the United Nations (1945)
	Iron Curtain (1946)
	Employment Act of 1946
	Committee on Civil Rights (1946)
	Levittown (1947)
	Taft-Hartley Act (1947)
	National Security Act (1947) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department of Defense • National Security Council (NSC) • Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) • Selective Service System (1948)

 <p>Harry S. Truman Democrat (1945-1953)</p>	Truman Doctrine (1947)
	Loyalty Review Board (1947) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• McCarran Internal Security Act (1950)• <i>Dennis et al v. United States</i> (1951)• HUAC<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Hiss Case (1948-50)○ Rosenberg Case (1951-53)
	Executive Order 9981 (1948)
	Marshall Plan (1948) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Molotov Plan (1947)
	Berlin Airlift (1948-49)
	Truman's <i>Fair Deal</i> (1949)
	Sino-Soviet Pact (1950)
	McCarthyism (1950s)

 <p>Harry S. Truman Democrat (1945-1953)</p>	<p>Korean War (1950-1953)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• June 25, 1950• Counterattack• Truman v. MacArthur• Armistice
	<p>22nd Amendment (1951)</p>
	<p>U.S.-Japanese Security Treaties (1951)</p>
	<p>Hydrogen Bomb (1952)</p>
 <p>Dwight D. Eisenhower Republican (1953-1961)</p>	<p>Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) (1953)</p>
	<p>Operation Wetback (1954)</p>
	<p>Geneva Conference (1954)</p>
	<p>Domino Theory (1954)</p>



Dwight D.
Eisenhower
Republican
(1953-1961)

SEATO, South-east Asia Treaty Organization (1954)

Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka (1954)

Montgomery Bus Boycott (1955)

Little Rock Nine (1956)

Suez Crisis (1956)


Highway Act (1956)

Civil Rights Act of 1957

Formation of SCLC, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (1957)

Eisenhower Doctrine (1957)

Sputnik (1957)

 <p>Dwight D. Eisenhower Republican (1953-1961)</p>	<i>Yates v. United States</i> (1957)
	NDEA, National Defense and Education Act (1958)
	NASA, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (1958)
	Civil Rights Act of 1960
	Formation of SNCC, The Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (1960)
	OPEC, Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (1960)
	U-2 Incident (1960)
	“Military-Industrial Complex” (1961)
	“Beatniks” (1950s-1960s)
	Kennedy/ Nixon Debates (1960s)



John. F. Kennedy
Democrat
(1961-1963)

New Frontier (1960)

Bay of Pigs Invasion (1961)

Berlin Wall (1961)

Mapp v. Ohio (1961)

Cuban Missile Crisis (1962)



Baker v. Carr (1962)


Engel v. Vitale (1962)


SDS, Students for a Democratic Society (1962)


“Letter from Birmingham Jail” (1963)



March on Washington (1963)

 <p>John. F. Kennedy Democrat (1961-1963)</p>	<p><i>Gideon v. Wainwright</i> (1963)</p>
	<p>Equal Pay Act of 1963</p>
	<p>Kennedy Assassination (November 22, 1963)</p>
 <p>Lyndon B. Johnson Democrat (1963-1969)</p>	<p>War on Poverty (1964)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO)• Head Start• Job Corps
	<p>Great Society (1963-1966)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Food Stamp Act (1964)• National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities (1965)• Medicare (1965)• Medicaid (1965)• Elementary and Secondary Education Act (1965)• Immigration Act (1965)• Child Nutrition Act (1966)

 <p>Lyndon B. Johnson Democrat (1963-1969)</p>	Free Speech Movement (1964)
	Civil Rights Act of 1964
	24 th Amendment (1964)
	<i>Escobedo v. Illinois</i> (1964)
	Tonkin Gulf Resolution (1964)
	Department of Housing and Urban Development (1965)
	March to Montgomery (1965)
	Voting Rights Act of 1965
	Watts Riots (1965) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kerner Commission
	<i>Griswold v. Connecticut</i> (1965)

 <p>Lyndon B. Johnson Democrat (1963-1969)</p>	Black Panthers (1966)
	<i>Miranda v. Arizona</i> (1966)
	NOW, National Organization for Women (1966) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Campaign for the ERA
	Department of Transportation (1967)
	MLK Jr. Assassination (1968)
	Tet Offensive (1968)
	Election of 1968
	My Lai Massacre (1968)
	Counterculture (1960s)
	Sexual Revolution (1960s) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Birth Control (1960)

 <p>Richard Nixon Republican (1969-1974)</p>	"Vietnamization" (1969)
	SALT I (1969)
	Pentagon Papers (1970)
	Nixon's Visit to China (1972)
	Title IX (1972)
	Watergate Scandal (1972-1974) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CREEP• <i>United States v. Nixon</i> (1974)• Resignation & Pardon
	Paris Accords of January 1973
	<i>Roe v. Wade</i> (1973)

	War Powers Act (1973)
	October War and Oil Embargo (1973)
 Gerald Ford Republican (1974-1977)	Fall of Saigon (1975)
	Genocide in Cambodia (1975)
 Jimmy Carter Democrat (1977-1981)	Panama Canal (1978)
	Camp David Accords (1978)
	Iran Hostage Crisis (1979-1981)
	SALT II (1979)
	Soviet Invasion of Afghanistan (1979)

