

CHRONOLOGY

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| <p>1861 March: Morrill Tariff Act
 April: Fort Sumter falls; war begins
 April: Mobilization begins
 April–May: Virginia, Arkansas, Tennessee, and North Carolina secede
 June: United States Sanitary Commission established
 July: First Battle of Bull Run
 December: French troops arrive in Mexico, followed by British and Spanish forces in January.</p> <p>1862 February: Legal Tender Act
 February: Battles of Fort Henry and Fort Donelson
 March: Battle of Pea Ridge
 March: Battle of the <i>Monitor</i> and the <i>Merrimack</i> (renamed the <i>Virginia</i>)
 March–August: George B. McClellan's Peninsular campaign
 March: Battle of Glorieta Pass
 April: Battle of Shiloh
 April: Confederate Conscription Act
 April: David Farragut captures New Orleans
 May: <i>Cinco de Mayo</i>: Mexican troops repel French invaders
 May: Homestead Act
 June–July: Seven Days Battles
 July: Pacific Railway Act
 July: Morrill Land Grant Act
 August: Santee Sioux Uprising, Minnesota
 September: Battle of Antietam
 December: Battle of Fredericksburg</p> <p>1863 January: Emancipation Proclamation
 February: National Bank Act</p> | <p> March: Draft introduced in the North
 March: Colonel Kit Carson sends 8,000 Navajos on the "Long Walk" to Bosque Redondo, New Mexico Territory
 April: Richmond bread riot
 May: Battle of Chancellorsville
 June: French occupy Mexico City
 July: Battle of Gettysburg
 July: Surrender of Vicksburg
 July: New York City Draft Riots
 November: Battle of Chattanooga
 November: Union troops capture Brownsville, Texas</p> <p>1864 March: Ulysses S. Grant becomes general in chief of Union forces
 April: Fort Pillow massacre
 May: Battle of the Wilderness
 May: Battle of Spotsylvania
 June: Battle of Cold Harbor
 June: Maximillian becomes Emperor of Mexico
 September: Atlanta falls
 October: St. Albans incident
 November: Abraham Lincoln reelected president
 November–December: William Tecumseh Sherman's March to the Sea</p> <p>1865 April: Richmond falls
 April: Robert E. Lee surrenders at Appomattox
 April: Lincoln assassinated
 December: Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution becomes law</p> |
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