

U.S. History	Arizona History	Maricopa County History
Early Civilizations		
	<p>c. 10,000 BC – migrations of Paleoindian and Archaic hunters and gatherers in Tucson valley</p> <p>200 – 1450 AD Hohokam culture thrives</p>	<p>0-1400 AD – Hohokam culture construct extensive irrigation system throughout the Salt and Gila River valleys</p>
Exploration & Colonization		
<p>1541 – Hernando de Soto 1st European to see the Mississippi River</p> <p>1620 – <i>Mayflower</i> landed at Cape Cod</p> <p>1630 – Boston founded</p> <p>1636 – Harvard founded</p>	<p>c. 1540 – Coronado Expedition crosses Arizona in search of the "Seven Cities of Gold"</p> <p>1691 – Missions established at Tubac and Tumacacori</p> <p>1692 – Father Kino travels in southern Arizona</p>	<p>1690s – Padre Kino in southern Maricopa County</p>

<p>1754-1763 – French and Indian War</p>	<p>1752 – Presidio at Tubac founded</p> <p>1770s – San Agustín del Tucson church constructed</p>	<p>1740s – Padre Sedelmeyr in southern Maricopa County</p>
<p>Revolution & A New Nation</p>		
<p>1775 – Battles of Lexington, Concord & Bunker Hill</p> <p>1776 – Declaration of Independence written; San Francisco founded by de Anza</p> <p>1783 – Peace of Paris</p> <p>1788 – Constitution ratified</p> <p>1791 – Bill of Rights adopted (amendments 1-10)</p> <p>1793 – Eli Whitney patents the cotton gin.</p>	<p>1775 – Tucson presidio established</p> <p>1783 – Present day San Xavier del Bac started</p>	<p>1775-1776 – Juan Bautista de Anza led thirty soldiers and their families from Sonora, through southern Arizona (southern Maricopa County) in the settlement of San Francisco</p>
<p>Westward Expansion</p>		
<p>1803 – Louisiana Purchase</p> <p>1804-1806 – Lewis and Clark Expedition</p> <p>1812 – War of 1812</p> <p>1838-1839 – Cherokee Trail of Tears</p> <p>1845-48 – War with Mexico</p> <p>1848 – Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo</p>	<p>1821 – Mexican Independence from Spain; flag of Mexico flies over Tucson presidio</p> <p>1848 – Land north of the Gila River now part of the US</p>	<p>1820s – Mountain men in Maricopa County trapping beaver along the Salt, Gila, and Verde Rivers</p>

<p>1849 – California Gold Rush</p> <p>1853 – Gadsden Purchase</p>	<p>1850 – Territory of New Mexico formalized, capital at Santa Fe (includes Arizona) 1851—Fort Defiance established</p> <p>1853 – Gadsden Purchase reconfigures southern boundary of Territory of New Mexico 1854 – Copper discovered in Arizona</p> <p>1858 – Butterfield Overland stage begins operation across Arizona; gold discovered 24 miles east of Yuma at Gila City 1859 – Gila River Indian Reservation created by Congress</p>	<p>1849-1850 – “49ers” travel through southern Maricopa County to California</p>
<p>Civil War & Reconstruction</p>		
<p>1861 – Civil War begins 1862 – Homestead Act</p> <p>1863 – Organic Act to split Territory of New Mexico into two</p> <p>1865 – Civil War ends; 13th Amendment outlaws slavery</p>	<p>1862 – Confederate Territory of Arizona proclaimed; skirmish at Picacho Peak 1862 – Apache Wars begin 1863 – Territory of Arizona created; First Territorial Legislature creates four counties: Mohave, Yavapai, Yuma, and Pima</p> <p>1864 – Territorial capital moved to Prescott 1865 – Pah-Ute County created from northern Mohave County</p> <p>1867 – Territorial capital moved to Tucson; Nevada given northwest corner of Arizona Territory, most of Pah-Ute County.</p>	<p>1863 – Gold discovered by Henry Wickenburg (Vulture Mine); Wickenburg founded</p> <p>1865 – Fort McDowell established</p> <p>1867 – Cadastral survey begins in Maricopa County, facilitating homesteads in central Arizona.</p> <p>1867-1868 – Jack Swilling begins</p>

<p>1877 – Desert Land Act passed</p> <p>1879 – Off-reservation boarding schools become federal policy</p>	<p>1868 – Chinese arrive to work as laborers on railroad, cooks and launderers</p> <p>1871 – 1st public school for boys opened in Tucson; Pah-Ute County becomes part of Mohave County</p> <p>1872 – 1st public school for girls opened in Tucson</p> <p>1875 – First major copper production in Arizona; Pinal County created from portions of Maricopa and Pima counties.</p> <p>1877 – Territorial capital moves to Prescott</p>	<p>construction of canal system based on ancient Hohokam system</p> <p>1870 – Phoenix townsite surveyed and platted</p> <p>1871 – County of Maricopa formed from Yavapai County; Phoenix county seat</p> <p>1872 – 1st school opens in Phoenix</p> <p>1878—Grand Canal started; Mesa founded</p>
<p>Emergence of Modern U.S.</p>		
	<p>1880 – Southern Pacific Railroad completed across Arizona</p> <p>1882-83 – Atlantic & Pacific (Santa Fe) built across northern Arizona</p> <p>1885 – University awarded to Tucson</p> <p>1886 – Apache Wars end with surrender of Geronimo</p> <p>1889 – Territorial capital moves to Phoenix</p>	<p>1880 – Peoria founded</p> <p>1881 – Phoenix incorporated</p> <p>1883 – Arizona Canal started</p> <p>1885 – Normal school (now ASU) awarded to Phoenix</p> <p>1888 – Buckeye founded</p>

<p>1898 – Spanish-American War</p> <p>1901 – President McKinley assassinated; Teddy Roosevelt became president</p> <p>1902 – Handsbrough-Newlands Act (National Reclamation) passed</p> <p>1903 – Wright Brothers fly first successful airplane</p> <p>1910 – Arizona Enabling Act passed by Congress</p> <p>1917-1918 – World War I (American involvement only)</p>	<p>1898 – Arizonans join the Rough Riders</p> <p>1901 – Territorial Capitol building dedicated; El Tovar Lodge at Grand Canyon built</p> <p>1910—Constitutional Convention convenes</p> <p>1912 – Arizona becomes a state; Arizona women gain the right to vote; Ak-Chin Reservation established by presidential executive order</p> <p>1917-1918 – 127 Arizonans die during WWI</p> <p>1917 – Tucson opens 1st municipal airport in US</p>	<p>1891 – Phoenix Indian School opens; Gilbert founded</p> <p>1892 – Kibbey Decision (<i>Wormser et al vs. Salt River Valley Canal Co. et al</i> -- water rights attached to the land)</p> <p>1892 – Glendale founded</p> <p>1900 – Avondale founded</p> <p>1903 – Salt River Valley Water Users founded (predecessor to SRP)</p> <p>1904 – Guadalupe founded by Yaquis escaping persecution in Mexico</p> <p>1906 – Cornerstone of Tonto (Roosevelt) Dam laid</p> <p>1910 – Kent Decree affirms and refines Kibbey Decision</p> <p>1911 – Roosevelt Dam completed and dedicated</p> <p>1912 – Chandler founded; Tolleson founded.</p> <p>1916 – Goodyear and Litchfield Park founded</p>
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<p>1920 – 19th Amendment passed giving women the right to vote</p> <p>1924 – Congress declares that Indians are citizens of the US</p>		<p>1922 – Radio Station KFAD (KTAR) began</p>
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Great Depression & WWII

<p>1929 – Great Depression begins</p> <p>1934—The Johnson O’Malley Act enables Indians to attend public schools</p> <p>1937—Housing Act of 1937, first public housing law</p> <p>1939 – Television introduced at New York World’s Fair</p> <p>1941 – Pearl Harbor bombed, beginning of WWII for the US</p> <p>1945 – The United States drops atomic</p>	<p>1930 – The discovery of Pluto announced at Lowell Observatory</p> <p>1938 – Parker Dam completed and creates Lake Havasu</p> <p>1891 Arizonans die during WWII</p> <p>1942 – First Navajo Code Talkers recruited by the Marines; Japanese Relocation Centers established at Poston and Sacaton</p> <p>1944 – Arizona Legislature ratifies Colorado River Basin Compact</p> <p>1945 – Ira Hayes helps raise the American</p>	<p>1929 – Heard Museum opens; the Biltmore opens; Sky Harbor Airport dedicated; new County Courthouse/City Hall built; Surprise founded; Tonopah founded</p> <p>1937 – El Mirage founded</p> <p>1939 – Frank Lloyd Wright built Taliesin West</p> <p>1940 – Matthew Henson project (public housing) started</p> <p>1944 – 25 German POWs escape from Papago Park prisoner of war camp</p>
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bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.	flag on Iwo Jima	
Postwar U.S.		
<p>1948 – Television begins to emerge</p> <p>1949 – Housing Act of 1949, financed 810,000 public housing units</p> <p>1950 – US pledges \$15M to aid French in war in Indochina</p> <p>1950-1953 – Korean Conflict</p> <p>1952 – 1st American hydrogen bomb test</p> <p>1954 – <i>Brown vs Board of Education</i></p> <p>1956 – Federal Highway Act passed</p>	<p>1948 – Native Americans given the right to vote in Arizona</p> <p>239 Arizonans die during the Korean Conflict</p> <p>1952 – Barry Goldwater elected to US Senate</p> <p>1953 – Arizona desegregates schools</p> <p>1957 – Construction begins on Glen Canyon Dam</p>	<p>1947 – Motorola builds several facilities in Phoenix</p> <p>1949 – KPHO, Channel 5, Arizona’s 1st television station</p> <p>1950s – Maryvale built, 1st planned community in valley</p> <p>1954 – Wallace & Ladmo show starts; Youngtown founded</p>
Contemporary U.S.		
<p>1961-1975 – Vietnam War</p> <p>1963 – March on Washington; John F. Kennedy assassinated.</p> <p>1964 – Civil Rights Act</p> <p>1965 – Housing Act of 1965</p> <p>1968 – Martin Luther King assassinated; Fair Housing Act of 1968 passed; Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968 adopted; President Lyndon Johnson signed Colorado River basin project which authorized construction of CAP</p>	<p>616 Arizonans die during Vietnam War</p> <p>1964 – Barry Goldwater accepts Republican nomination for President; loses to Lyndon B. Johnson</p>	<p>1960 – Sun City founded</p> <p>1968 – Phoenix Suns founded; Jerry Colangelo general manager</p> <p>1970 – Fountain Hills founded</p>

<p>1978 – Congress passed the Native American Religious Freedom Act</p> <p>1988 – Congress passed the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act</p> <p>1990 –Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) signed into law</p> <p>1990-91 – Operation Desert Storm</p> <p>2001 – World Trade Center destroyed</p> <p>2003 – Operation Iraqi Freedom</p>	<p>1976 – Raul Castro elected 1st Hispanic governor of Arizona</p> <p>1981 – Sandra Day O’Connor appointed to the US Supreme Court</p> <p>1986 – Arizona Water Quality Act passed</p> <p>1987 – 1st water delivered to Ak-Chin Community via the CAP</p> <p>1988 – Impeachment charges brought against Governor Evan Mecham; Rose Mofford becomes Arizona’s first female governor</p> <p>5 Arizonans die during Operation Desert Storm</p> <p>1997 – Governor Fife Symington forced to resign office; Jane D. Hull becomes governor</p> <p>1998 – Arizona Diamondbacks start play</p> <p>2001 – Arizona Diamondbacks World Champions</p> <p>50+ Arizonans die during Operation Iraqi Freedom</p>	<p>1972 – Sun Lakes founded</p> <p>1978 – Sun City West founded</p> <p>1998 – 1st Salt River Pima-Maricopa community casino opens</p>
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