

Political Parties		Major Goals / Policies	Demographic Support	Major Figures / Leaders
FEDERAL PERIOD TO EARLY NATIONAL PERIOD: 1787 - 1824				
Federalist				
Democratic Republican				
Faction	National Republican			
JACKSONIAN ERA: 1828-1856				
Democrats				
Whigs				
Minor Parties	Anti-Masonic			
	Know Nothing			
	Liberty			
	Free Soil			
CIVIL WAR PERIOD: 1856-1868				
Democrats				
Republicans				

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GILDED AGE: 1868-1896				
Republicans				
Democrats				
Minor	Greenback			
	Populist			
	Socialist			
PROGRESSIVE ERA thru 1920s				
Republicans <small>(note change over this period)</small>				
Democrats				
Minor	Progressive			
NEW DEAL thru 1960s				
Republicans				
Democrats				
Minor	Dixiecrat			

Political Parties		Major Goals / Policies	Demographic Support	Major Figures / Leaders
1960s to PRESENT				
Republicans				
Democrats				
Minor	American Independent			
	Reform			
	Green			