## AMERICAN HOLIDAYS

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# PRESIDENTS' DAY

## PRESIDENTS' DAY OR WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

is a United States federal holiday celebrated on the third Monday of February in honor of George Washington, the first President of the United States. The holiday is also commonly referred to as Presidents Day (sometimes spelled Presidents' Day or President's Day)



#### **IN MASSACHUSETTS**

the state officially celebrates
"Washington's Birthday" on the same
day as the Federal holiday. State law
also directs the governor to issue an
annual "Presidents Day" proclamation
on May 29 (John F. Kennedy's birthday)
honoring the presidents with
Massachusetts roots: Kennedy, John
Adams, John Quincy Adams, and Calvin
Coolidge. [5]



### **ALABAMA**

uniquely observes the day as "Washington and Jefferson Day", even though Thomas Jefferson's birthday is in April



IN CONNECTICUT,
MISSOURI AND ILLINOIS

while Washington's Birthday is a federal holiday, Abraham Lincoln's birthday is still a state holiday, falling on February 12 regardless of the day of the week.







## **VIRGINIA**

In Washington's home state of <u>Virginia</u>, the holiday is legally known as "George Washington Day."



## OBSERVANCE AND TRADITIONS

- Today, the February holiday has become well known for being a day in which many stores, especially car dealers, hold sales.
- Until the late 1980s, corporate businesses generally closed on this day, similar to present corporate practices on Memorial Day or Christmas Day.
- With the late 1980s advertising push to rename the holiday, more and more businesses are staying open on the holiday each year, and, as on Veterans Day and Columbus Day, most delivery services outside of the U.S. Postal Service now offer regular service on the day as well.
- Some public transit systems have also gone to regular schedules on the day. Many colleges and universities hold regular classes and operations on Presidents Day.



## INDEPENDENCE DAY

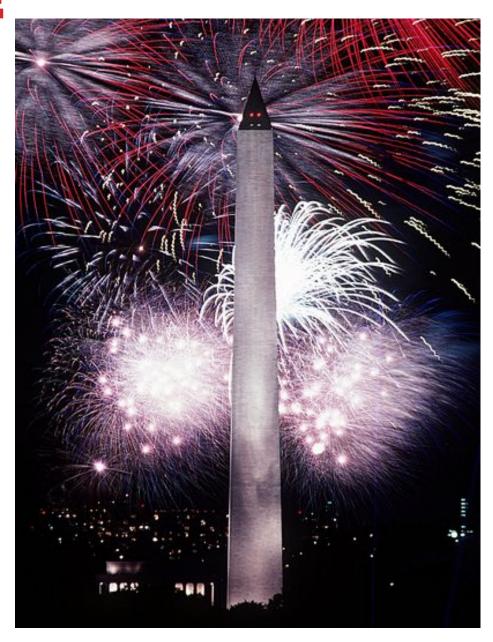
### INDEPENDENCE DAY

Independence Day, commonly known as the Fourth of July, is a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, declaring independence from the Kingdom of Great Britain.



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Independence Day is commonly associated with fireworks, parades, barbecues, carnivals, fairs, picnics, concerts, baseball games, family reunions, and political speeches and ceremonies, in addition to various other public and private events celebrating the history, government, and traditions of the United States. Independence Day is the national day of the United States.





Independence Day is a national holiday marked by patriotic displays. Similar to other summer-themed events, Independence Day celebrations often take place outdoors. Independence Day is a federal holiday, so all non-essential federal institutions (like the postal service and federal courts) are closed on that day. Many politicians make it a point on this day to appear at a public event to praise the nation's heritage, laws, history, society, and people.















# THANK YOU!