

**MILITARY & GOVERNMENT
HOLIDAYS | OBSERVANCES
As of April 14, 2022**



DATE	HOLIDAY	DESCRIPTION
JANUARY		
January 1	New Year's Day	Federal Holiday
January 6	World Day for War Orphans	Observance
January 17	MLK Jr. Birthday	Federal Holiday. Celebrated on 3rd Monday
FEBRUARY		
February 1	Black History Month	Observance
February 1	National Freedom Day	Observance
February 1	Chinese New Year	Public Holiday
February 2	Ground Hog Day	Observance
February 3	Four Chaplains Day	Observance
February 4	USO Birthday	Observance
February 12	Abraham Lincoln's Birthday	b. 1809
February 13	National Salute to Veteran Patients Week	Observance
February 14	Valentine's Day	Observance
February 19	Coast Guard Reserve Birthday	Observance
February 21	President's Day	Federal Holiday. 3rd Monday of February
February 21	George Washington's Birthday	b. 1732
MARCH		
March 1	National Women's History Month	Observance
March 2	Read Across America Day	Observance
March 3	Navy Reserve Birthday	Observance
March 3	National Anthem Day	Star-Spangled Banner officially became our national anthem on March 3, 1931.
March 4	Employee Appreciation Day	First Friday in March. Since 1995.
March 4	Hug a GI Day	Give a hug to the servicemen and women around you.
March 5	Seabee Birthday	Official Navy Seabee birthday
March 8	International (Working) Women's Day	Sponsored worldwide by the United Nations. Since 1911
March 13	Daylight Saving Time Starts	Clock change
March 13	K9 Veterans Day	Observance
March 15	American Legion's Birthday	Observance
March 17	St. Patrick's Day	Observance
March 21	Rosie the Riveter Day	Acknowledges the important roles women had in World War II
March 25	Medal of Honor Day	Observance
March 29	National Vietnam War Veterans Day	Observance
APRIL		
April 1	Month of the Military Child	Observance
April 1	Military Saves Month	Observance
April 5	Gold Star Spouses Day	Observance
April 14	Air Force Reserve Birthday	Observance
April 16	Emancipation Day	State Holiday, D.C.
April 18	Tax Day	Observance
April 27	National Devil Dog Day	Honors service members of the Marine Corps who held the nickname "Devil Dogs"
April 28	Take our Daughters and Sons to Work Day	Observance
MAY		
May 1	National Military Appreciation Month	Observance
May 1	Silver Star Service Banner Day	Observance
May 1	Loyalty Day	Observance
1st Week	Public Service Recognition Week	Observance
May 6	Military Spouse Appreciation Day	Observance
May 8	Mother's Day	Observance
May 8	Victory in Europe Day	The day that the Allied Forces accepted the Nazi's surrender from World War II
May 14	Armed Forces Week	Observance
May 21	Armed Forces Day	Observance, 3rd Saturday in May
May 30	Memorial Day	Federal Holiday
JUNE		
June 6	D-Day	Observance
June 14	Army Birthday	Observance
June 14	Flag Day	Observance
June 19	Father's Day	Observance
June 19	Juneteenth	Observance
June 23	Coast Guard Auxiliary Birthday	Observance
June 27	PTSD Awareness Day	Observance
JULY		
July 4	Independence Day	Federal Holiday
July 25	National Hire a Veteran Day	Observance
July 27	National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day	Observance
July 28	Buffalo Soldiers Day	Honors the formation of the first Army regiments made up of African American soldiers
July 29	Anniversary of the Army Chaplain Corps	Observance
AUGUST		
August 1	Air Force Day	Observance
August 4	Coast Guard Birthday	Observance
August 6	Hiroshima Day	Observance
August 7	Purple Heart Day	Observance
August 10	U.S. Department of Defense Birthday	Observance

August 10	Agent Orange Awareness Day	Marks the day when the U.S. began aerial spray toxic herbicides over Vietnam
August 14	National Spirt of '45 Day	Celebrates the generation affected by the hardships of World War II and their can-do attitudes
August 14	Military Marriage Day	Observance
August 14	Navajo Code Talkers Day	Honors Navajo Code Talkers who assisted the U.S. Marines
August 14	V-J Day	Victory over Japan
August 16	National Airborne Day	Observance
August 19	National Aviation Day	Observance
August 26	Women's Equality Day	Observance
August 29	Marine Corps Reserve Birthday	Observance
SEPTEMBER		
September 6	Labor Day	Federal Holiday
September 11	Patriot Day (9/11 Remembrance Day)	Observance
September 11	Grandparents' Day	Observance
September 16	National POW/MIA Recognition Day	Observance
September 17	Constitution Day and Citizenship Day	Observance
September 18	Air Force Birthday	Observance
September 18	Office of the Secretary of Defense Birthday	Observance
September 18	Air National Guard Birthday	Observance
September 23	Native American Day	Observance
September 25	Gold Star Mother's Day	Observance
September 26	Family Day	Observance
September 29	VFW Day	*VFW = Veterans of Foreign Wars, Observance
OCTOBER		
October 1	Cybersecurity Awareness Month	Observance
October 11	Columbus Day	Federal Holiday
October 11	U.S. Indigenous People's Day	Observance
October 13	Navy Birthday	Observance
October 16	Boss's Day	Observance
October 21	National Pets for Veterans Day	Observance
October 26	Day of the Deployed	Observance
October 27	Navy Day	Observance
October 31	Halloween	Observance
NOVEMBER		
November 1	Military Family Appreciation Month	Observance
November 7	Daylight Savings Time Ends	Clock change
November 8	Election Day	State Holiday, Virginia
November 10	Marine Corps Birthday	Observance
November 11	Veterans Day	Federal Holiday
November 11	Veteran Owned Businesses Anniversary	Observance
November 11	Armistice Day	Observance
November 24	Thanksgiving Day	Federal Holiday
November 25	Black Friday	Observance
November 28	Cyber Monday	Observance
November 29	#GivingTuesday	Observance
DECEMBER		
December 1	Air Force Auxiliary Birthday	Observance
December 7	Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day	Observance
December 18	National Wreaths Across America Day	Observance
December 18	First day of Hanukkah	Jewish Holiday
December 13	National Guard Birthday	Observance
December 26	Last day of Hanukkah	Jewish Holiday
December 24	Christmas Eve	Observance, Christian
December 25	Christmas Day	Federal Holiday
December 26	Kwanzaa (until Jan. 1)	Observance
December 31	New Year's Eve	Observance