



The Modern Era

Timeline Cards

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Chapter 1: Domestic Issues of the Modern Era



Bill Clinton served as president from 1993 to 2001. As president, he signed NAFTA (1994) and TANF (1996) into law.

Framing Question: What are the most pressing questions facing the United States in the years ahead?



Chapter 1: Domestic Issues of the Modern Era

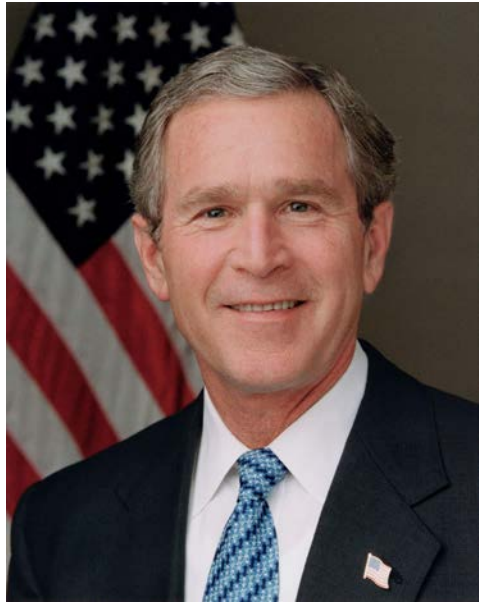


Since 2000, technologies such as personal computers, smartphones, and the Internet have transformed everyday life.

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George W. Bush served as president from 2001 to 2009. As president, he supported the No Child Left Behind Act (2002) and legislation that expanded federal funding for prescription drugs for elderly Americans (2003).

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Hurricanes Katrina and Rita helped make 2005 the most active hurricane season in U.S. history up to that time.

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Between 2007 and 2009, the United States experienced the Great Recession. During the recession, the federal government bailed out many large banks because they were “too big to fail.”

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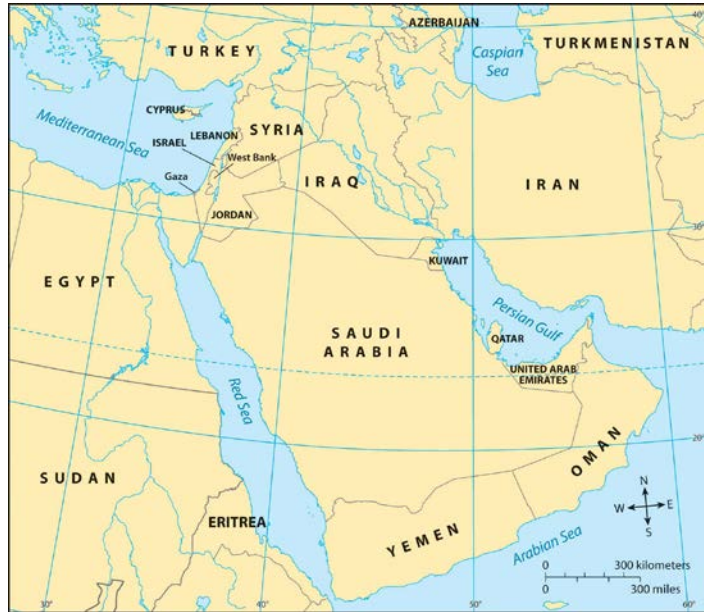


In 2010, the Affordable Care Act became law, providing comprehensive reform to the U.S. health care system.

Framing Question: What are the most pressing questions facing the United States in the years ahead?



Chapter 2: Foreign Issues of the Modern Era



Under President George H. W. Bush, the United States fought the Gulf War (1990–91) to free Kuwait from Iraqi invasion.

Framing Question: Which conflicts that occurred at the end of the twentieth century and beginning of the twenty-first affected the United States most significantly?



Chapter 2: Foreign Issues of the Modern Era



During President Clinton's administration (1993–2001), the United States became involved in Somalia and the Balkans. It also experienced attacks on a parking garage in New York City, embassies in East Africa, and the *USS Cole*.

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On September 11, 2001, terrorists launched one of the deadliest attacks on the United States in the nation's history.

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In October 2001, the United States launched an invasion of Afghanistan in retaliation for the attacks on September 11.

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In 2003, the United States went to war against Iraq and its leader, Saddam Hussein.

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Chapter 2: Foreign Issues of the Modern Era



In 2002, as part of President Bush’s “war on terrorism,” the United States created the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Among other things, the DHS strengthened airport security.

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In 2007, Louisiana's state government launched the Coastal Master Plan to address the threats of rising sea levels and shoreline destruction.

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