

AMERICAN CIVIL WAR: CHRONOLOGICAL BATTLE TIMELINE

DATE	BATTLE NAME	LOCATION	KEY OUTCOME / SIGNIFICANCE
Apr 12, 1861	Fort Sumter	South Carolina	Opening engagement of the war; Confederate victory.
July 21, 1861	First Bull Run	Virginia	First major land battle; ended hopes of a short war.
Apr 6, 1862	Shiloh	Tennessee	Highest casualties in American history to that date.
Sept 17, 1862	Antietam	Maryland	Bloodiest single day; led to Emancipation Proclamation.
July 1-3, 1863	Gettysburg	Pennsylvania	Turning point in the East; Lee's second invasion fails.
July 4, 1863	Vicksburg	Mississippi	Union gains control of the Mississippi River.
Sept 2, 1864	Atlanta	Georgia	Critical victory for Lincoln's re-election campaign.

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Apr 9, 1865	Appomattox	Virginia	Lee surrenders to Grant; effective end of the war.
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