

1826.....	Jewish enfranchisement.
1827, Feb. 28.....	Baltimore and Ohio Railroad chartered.
1828–1848.....	Chesapeake and Ohio Canal constructed (to Cumberland by 1848).
1837, May 17.....	The Baltimore <i>Sun</i> began publication.
1838, Oct. 3.....	Governor and State senators first elected by voters rather than by legislature.
1844, May 24.....	Samuel F. B. Morse demonstrated telegraph line from Washington, D.C., to Baltimore.
1845, Oct. 10.....	U.S. Naval Academy founded.
1850, Nov. 4–1851, May 13	Constitutional Convention of 1850–1851.
1851, June 14.....	Second State Constitution adopted.
1854–1859.....	Rise of Know Nothing Party. Baltimore riots named city “Mobtown.”
1859, Oct. 6.....	Maryland Agricultural College opened at College Park.
1859, Oct. 16.....	John Brown launched raid from Maryland on federal arsenal, Harper’s Ferry.
1861, April 19.....	Sixth Massachusetts Union Regiment attacked by Baltimore mob.
1861, April 26.....	General Assembly met in special session at Frederick while federal troops occupied Annapolis.
1861, May 13.....	Gen. Benjamin F. Butler’s Union forces occupied Baltimore.
1862, Sept. 17.....	Battle of Antietam.
1863, June.....	Confederates invaded Maryland en route to Gettysburg.
1864, April 27–Sept. 6.....	Constitutional Convention of 1864.
1864, July 6.....	Hagerstown held for ransom by Confederates.
1864, July 9.....	Frederick held for ransom by Confederates.
1864, July 9.....	Battle of Monocacy.
1864, Oct. 12–13, 29.....	Gov. Bradford declared Third State Constitution adopted after soldiers’ vote was added to election totals. A test oath was required of all voters.
1864, Nov. 1.....	Maryland slaves emancipated by State Constitution of 1864.
1867, May 8–Aug. 17.....	Constitutional Convention of 1867.
1867, Sept. 18.....	Fourth State Constitution adopted.
1876, Oct. 3.....	The Johns Hopkins University opened in Baltimore.
1877, Jan. 16.....	Maryland-Virginia boundary demarcated by Jenkins-Black Award.
1877, July 20–22.....	Baltimore and Ohio Railroad strike riot at Baltimore.
1886, Jan. 5.....	Enoch Pratt Free Library opened in Baltimore.
1888–1889.....	Oyster Wars; Maryland and Virginia watermen fought on Chesapeake Bay.
1890.....	Australian secret ballot in elections adopted.
1894.....	First child labor law passed.
1902.....	Workmen’s compensation law enacted, first such law in U.S.
1902.....	Compulsory school attendance law passed.
1904, Feb. 7.....	Baltimore fire.
1909, April 6.....	Matthew Henson, of Charles County, reached North Pole with Robert Peary.
1915, Nov. 2.....	Referendum and County Home Rule amendments adopted.
1916, Nov. 7.....	Executive budget process established by Constitutional amendment mandating balanced State budgets.
1920.....	Merit system established for State employees.
1931, March 3.....	“Star-Spangled Banner” adopted as national anthem.
1937.....	State income tax instituted.
1937, June 1.....	City of Greenbelt chartered, a New Deal model community.
1941, Dec. 7.....	U.S.S. <i>Maryland</i> among naval ships attacked at Pearl Harbor.
1947, July 1.....	State sales tax instituted.
1948.....	Montgomery became first county to adopt charter form of government.
1950, June 24.....	Friendship International Airport (later BWI) began operation.
1952, July 31.....	Chesapeake Bay Bridge opened.