



Notable events in recent American history

When Americans celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States in the summer of 2026, they're sure to look back on the humble beginnings of the nation and the Founding Fathers who risked everything to gain independence from Great Britain.

While it's important to recognize and honor the brave individuals who played integral roles in the founding of the United States, more recent American history also is worth noting when the nation celebrates its 250th birthday in 2026. It's only been 26 years, but the twenty-first century has already produced some noteworthy moments in American history.

• 2000: The Supreme Court stops the Florida recount. The first presidential election after the 1990s proved to be a memorable one, as George W. Bush narrowly defeated Al Gore in a hotly contested affair. Neither candidate conceded defeat on election night, and the United States Supreme Court ultimately decided the election when the justices issued a landmark decision in Bush v. Gore that stopped a recount in Florida and awarded the state's electoral votes to Bush, who then became the 43rd president of the United States.

• 2001: The 9/11 attack on America shocks the world. Nearly 3,000 Americans and international citizens were killed in the terrorist attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001. Four airliners were hijacked that morning, and the nineteen hijackers flew three of the planes into the twin towers of the World Trade Center in lower Manhattan and the Pentagon in Arlington, Virginia. The fourth plane crashed in rural Pennsylvania after a passenger revolt. In the aftermath of the attacks, which American government officials soon identified as the work of al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden, the United States launched a worldwide war on terror.

• 2008: Barack Obama becomes America's first Black president. Barack Obama was a junior senator from Illinois

when he secured the Democratic nomination for president in June 2008. That nomination was historic, as it marked the first time an African American was designated as a major political party presidential nominee in U.S. history. Obama continued making history during the election, which proved to be a decisive victory over Arizona Senator John McCain on November 4, 2008. With that victory, Obama became the first African American president in American history.

• 2008: Bernie Madoff is arrested for running a massive Ponzi scheme. Roughly five weeks after Obama won the presidential election in November 2008, financier Bernie Madoff was arrested in New York City for running a massive Ponzi scheme that he had begun in the early 1990s. Sixty-five billion dollars was reportedly missing from client accounts at the time of Madoff's arrest, though much of that was gains fabricated by Madoff. Later estimates suggested direct losses to unknowing investors in Madoff's scheme totaled roughly \$18 billion. Less than a year after his arrest, Madoff pleaded guilty to a wide range of financial crimes and was sentenced to 150 years in prison, where he died in 2021.

• 2016: The Chicago Cubs win the World Series. A 108-year championship drought finally ended for the Cubs and their faithful fans shortly after midnight on November 3, 2016. In a thrilling, seven-game World Series, the Cubs defeated the Cleveland Indians 8-7 to secure the franchise's first World Series title since 1908. The game was widely recognized as an instant classic, as Cleveland outfielder Rajai Davis hit a game-tying, two-run homer in the bottom of the eighth inning. The game ultimately ended up going into extra innings, and was even interrupted by a brief rain delay. The Cubs promptly scored two runs in the top of the tenth inning and survived another Cleveland rally in the home half of the frame to secure the historic victory.

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ABSTRACT OF STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025	
of the	
Allstate Vehicle And Property Insurance Company	
In the state of IL	
Total Assets	96,417,147
Total Liabilities	46,561,301
Aggregate write-ins for special surplus funds	0
Common Capital Stock	4,375,000
Preferred Capital Stock	0
Aggregate Write-ins for Other Than Special Surplus Funds	0
Surplus Notes	0
Gross Paid in & Contributed Surplus	45,742,676
Unassigned funds (surplus)	-261,830
Total Capital & Surplus	49,855,846
Total Liabilities, Capital & Surplus	96,417,147

NORTH DAKOTA BUSINESS ONLY FOR THE YEAR 2025	
Total Direct Premiums Earned	0
Total Direct Losses Incurred	0
Total Accident & Health Direct Premiums Earned	0
Total Accident & Health Direct Losses Incurred	0

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of this office at Bismarck, the first day of March, A.D. 2026 (SEAL).

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ABSTRACT OF STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025	
of the	
Amex Assurance Company	
In the state of IL	
Total Assets	189,612,619
Total Liabilities	69,142,234
Aggregate write-ins for special surplus funds	0
Common Capital Stock	4,597,875
Preferred Capital Stock	0
Aggregate Write-ins for Other Than Special Surplus Funds	0
Surplus Notes	0
Gross Paid in & Contributed Surplus	111,712,628
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	50,266,845
Total Capital & Surplus	166,577,348
Total Liabilities, Capital & Surplus	235,719,582

NORTH DAKOTA BUSINESS ONLY FOR THE YEAR 2025	
Total Direct Premiums Earned	98,063
Total Direct Losses Incurred	18,505
Total Accident & Health Direct Premiums Earned	18,517
Total Accident & Health Direct Losses Incurred	-2,798

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of the	
Cronus Insurance Company	
In the state of Texas	
Total Assets	67,917,342
Total Liabilities	13,907,992
Aggregate write-ins for special surplus funds	0
Common Capital Stock	5,000,000
Preferred Capital Stock	0
Aggregate Write-ins for Other Than Special Surplus Funds	0
Surplus Notes	0
Gross Paid in & Contributed Surplus	15,000,000
Unassigned funds (surplus)	34,009,350
Total Capital & Surplus	54,009,350
Total Liabilities, Capital & Surplus	67,917,342

NORTH DAKOTA BUSINESS ONLY FOR THE YEAR 2025	
Total Direct Premiums Earned	571,891
Total Direct Losses Incurred	0
Total Accident & Health Direct Premiums Earned	0
Total Accident & Health Direct Losses Incurred	0

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of the	
Eastern Atlantic Insurance Company	
In the state of PA	
Total Assets	105,795,701
Total Liabilities	55,295,116
Aggregate write-ins for special surplus funds	0
Common Capital Stock	4,155,552
Preferred Capital Stock	0
Aggregate Write-ins for Other Than Special Surplus Funds	0
Surplus Notes	0
Gross Paid in & Contributed Surplus	10,519,432
Unassigned funds (surplus)	35,825,603
Total Capital & Surplus	50,500,587
Total Liabilities, Capital & Surplus	105,795,703

NORTH DAKOTA BUSINESS ONLY FOR THE YEAR 2025	
Total Direct Premiums Earned	132,755
Total Direct Losses Incurred	94,057
Total Accident & Health Direct Premiums Earned	0
Total Accident & Health Direct Losses Incurred	0

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of the	
Frankenmuth Insurance	
In the state of Michigan	
Total Assets	2,247,865,007
Total Liabilities	1,335,643,946
Aggregate write-ins for special surplus funds	250,000
Common Cap. Stock	100,000,000
Preferred Capital Stock	0
Aggregate Write-ins for Other Than Special Surplus Funds	0
Surplus Notes	0
Gross Paid in & Contributed Surplus	2,300,100
Unassigned funds (surplus)	809,670,961
Total Capital & Surplus	912,221,061.00
Total Liabilities, Cap. & Surplus	2,247,865,007.00

NORTH DAKOTA BUSINESS ONLY FOR THE YEAR 2025	
Total Direct Premiums Earned	48,513
Total Direct Losses Incurred	679
Total Accident & Health Direct Premiums Earned	0
Total Accident & Health Direct Losses Incurred	0

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of the	
Funeral Directors Life Insurance Company	
In the state of Texas	
Total Assets	2,695,371,260
Total Liabilities	2,682,261,447
Aggregate write-ins for special surplus funds	0
Common Capital Stock	2,500,000
Preferred Capital Stock	0
Aggregate Write-ins for Other Than Special Surplus Funds	0
Surplus Notes	0
Gross Paid in & Contributed Surplus	3,031,000
Unassigned Funds	193,078,234
Total Capital & Surplus	198,609,234
Total Liabilities, Capital & Surplus	2,682,261,447

NORTH DAKOTA BUSINESS ONLY FOR THE YEAR 2025	
Total Life & Annuity Premiums Written	6,636,205
Total Life & Annuity Direct Losses Paid	2,219,728
Total Accident & Health Direct Premiums Written	0
Total Accident & Health Direct Losses Paid	0

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of the	
Protective Property & Casualty Insurance Company	
In the state of Missouri	
Total Assets	465,018,526
Total Liabilities	247,148,171
Aggregate write-ins for special surplus funds	0
Common Capital Stock	4,000,000
Preferred Capital Stock	0
Aggregate Write-ins for Other Than Special Surplus Funds	0
Surplus Notes	0
Gross Paid in & Contributed Surplus	81,942,999
Unassigned funds (surplus)	131,927,356
Total Capital & Surplus	217,870,355
Total Liabilities, Capital & Surplus	465,018,526

NORTH DAKOTA BUSINESS ONLY FOR THE YEAR 2025	
Total Direct Premiums Earned	34,225
Total Direct Losses Incurred	0
Total Accident & Health Direct Premiums Earned	0
Total Accident & Health Direct Losses Incurred	0

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of the	
Pruco Life Insurance Company	
In the state of AZ	
Total Assets	216,273,657,699
Total Liabilities	210,452,207,322
Aggregate write-ins for special surplus funds	189,569,023
Common Capital Stock	2,500,000
Preferred Capital Stock	0
Aggregate Write-ins for Other Than Special Surplus Funds	0
Surplus Notes	0
Gross Paid in & Contributed Surplus	5,218,910,533
Unassigned Funds	410,470,821
Total Capital & Surplus	5,821,450,377
Total Liabilities, Cap. & Surplus	216,273,657,699

NORTH DAKOTA BUSINESS ONLY FOR THE YEAR 2025	
Total Life & Annuity Premiums Written	39,765,134
Total Life & Annuity Direct Losses Paid	54,172,000
Total Accident & Health Direct Premiums Written	0
Total Accident & Health Direct Losses Paid	0

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of the	
Prudential Insurance Company Of America	
In the state of NJ	
Total Assets	325,813,063,405
Total Liabilities	309,903,780,159
Aggregate write-ins for special surplus funds	1,411,367,207
Common Capital Stock	2,500,000
Preferred Capital Stock	0
Aggregate Write-ins for Other Than Special Surplus Funds	0
Surplus Notes	287,000,000
Gross Paid in & Contributed Surplus	10,426,206,021
Unassigned Funds	3,782,210,