

Thomas Jefferson

2 terms 1801-1809

Election Results

Jefferson won his first election 73-65 electoral votes and defeated John Adams. In the second election Jefferson won the election 162-14 electoral votes and defeated Charles Pinckney.

Events during his Presidency

- Repealed Sedition Act (1801)
- First Barbary War (1801-1805)
- Louisiana Purchase (1803)
- Marbury v. Madison (1803)
- Creation of the Orleans Territory (1804)
- The Burr Conspiracy (1805)
- Land Act of 1804
- Twelfth Amendment to the United States Constitution is ratified (1804)
- Lewis and Clark expedition (1804-1806)
- Creation of the Louisiana Territory (later renamed the Missouri Territory) (1805)
- Tertium quids create a divide in the Democratic-Republican Party
- Embargo Act of 1807, an attempt to force respect for U.S. neutrality by ending trade with the belligerents in the Napoleonic War
- Outlawing of the external slave trade (1808)

Cabinet:

Secretary of State

 James Madison (1801-1809)

Secretary of the Treasury

Samuel Dexter (1801)

Albert Gallatin (1801-09)

Secretary of War

Henry Dearborn (1801-1809)

Attorney General

Levi Lincoln (1801-04)

John Breckinridge (1805-06)

Caesar A. Rodney (1807-09)

Secretary of the Navy

Benjamin Stoddert (1801)

Robert Smith (1801-09)

Problems Encountered

- The Burr conspiracy
- The Embargo act of 1807

Trivia

- Jefferson died on July 4th 1826 50 years after the Declaration of Independence was accepted.
- Jefferson and John Adams were the only signers of the Declaration of Independence to become Presidents.