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# IT'S YOUR WAR, TOO

Using what you know about women's rights and their place in society around World War II, answer the following questions:

1. Do you think women were allowed to serve in the military before World War II?
2. Do you think women were allowed to serve in the military during World War II?
3. Which service branches do you think allowed women to serve? – the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard?
4. Do you think women of color were allowed to serve in the military?
5. What kind of jobs do you think women were allowed to have in the military?
6. Do you think it was hard to find women who wanted to serve in the military?
7. How many women do you think served in the military during WWII?
8. Do you think women were allowed to keep serving in the military after the war ended?

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# WOMEN'S ROLES AND RIGHTS TIMELINE

**April 17, 1775-October 19, 1781:** Revolutionary War

**June 18, 1812-February 18, 1815:** War of 1812

**April 25, 1846-February 2, 1848:** Mexican-American War

**July 19-20, 1848:** \_\_\_\_\_

**April 12, 1861-April 9, 1865:** Civil War

**June 10, 1861:** Dorothea Dix appointed Superintendent of Women Nurses for the U.S. (Union) Army.

**December 10, 1869:** \_\_\_\_\_

**April 21, 1898-December 10, 1898:** Spanish-American War

**April 28, 1898:** Congress grants Surgeon General the authority to recruit women contract nurses for the U.S. Army.

**March 15, 1901:** Army Nurse Corps created, marking the first time women would serve as official members of the U.S. Army.

**May 13, 1908:** Navy Nurse Corps created.

**July 28, 1914-November 11, 1918:** World War I. U.S. enters war April 6, 1917.

**March 21, 1917:** Loretta Perfectus Walsh becomes the first woman to enlist in the U.S. military, as part of the Naval Reserve.

**August 24, 1920:** \_\_\_\_\_

**January 12, 1932:** \_\_\_\_\_

**September 1, 1939-September 2, 1945:** World War II. U.S. enters war December 8, 1941

**1942:** Creation of the WAAC, WAVES, Marine Corps Women's Reserve, and SPAR. WAAC became the WAC on July 1, 1943.

**June 12, 1948:** \_\_\_\_\_

**June 25, 1950-July 27, 1953:** Korean War



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**March 15, 1962-March 29, 1973: Formal U.S. participation in the Vietnam War**

**June 10, 1963:** \_\_\_\_\_

**July 2, 1964:** \_\_\_\_\_

**November 8, 1967:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1968:** \_\_\_\_\_

**June 23, 1972:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1975:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1976:** \_\_\_\_\_

**October 31, 1978:** \_\_\_\_\_

**September 25, 1981:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1982:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1989:** \_\_\_\_\_

**August 2, 1990-February 28, 1991: Gulf War**

**1994:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1994:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1996:** \_\_\_\_\_

**September 14, 2001-August 30, 2021: Wars in Afghanistan and Iraq**

**January 24, 2013:** \_\_\_\_\_

**August 21, 2015:** \_\_\_\_\_

**January 29, 2016:** \_\_\_\_\_

**January 20, 2021:** \_\_\_\_\_