Holocaust

German Occupation

World War II

- Jan. 30, 1933 Hitler appointed Chancellor
- Sept. 15, 1935 Nuremberg Laws
- Nov. 9-10, 1938 Kristallnacht
- Sept. 1, 1939 Germany invades Poland
- 1940 Ghettos established
- June 22, 1941 Einsatzgruppen begins
- July 31, 1941 Final Solution order
- Jan. 20, 1942 Wannsee Conference
- Spring 1942 regular deportations to death camps
- May 1944 ramp built at Auschwitz
- May-July 1944 Hungarian Jews deported
- Winter 1944-1945 death marches
- Spring 1945 liberation
- August 3, 1945 Eisenhower moves to implement Harrison Report
- Dec. 22, 1945 Truman Directive
- July 4, 1946 Kielce
- May 14, 1948 Israel
- 1957 final DP camp closes

- March 13, 1938 Anschluss
- Sept. 1, 1939 Poland
- April 8, 1940 Norway
- April 9, 1940 Denmark
- May 14, 1940 Netherlands
- May 27, 1940 Belgium
- June 25, 1940 France
- June 22, 1941 Soviet Union
- Sept. 1943 Greece
- Sept. 1943 Italy
- March 19, 1944 Hungary

Camp Closings

- Dec. 1942 Belzec
- Oct. 14, 1943 Sobibor
- Nov. 1943 Treblinka
- July 1944 liberation of Majdanek
- Nov. 1944 gassing ends at Auschwitz
- Jan. 27, 1945 Auschwitz Liberated

- Sept. 30, 1938 Munich Agreement
- Aug. 23, 1939 Molotov-Ribbentrop
- Sept. 1, 1939 Invasion of Poland
- Sept. 7, 1940-May 10, 1941 Blitz
- March 11, 1941 Lend-Lease
- June 22, 1941 Barbarossa
- Dec. 7, 1941 Pearl Harbor
- Dec. 8, 1941 US declares war on Japan
- June 4-7, 1942 Battle of Midway
- July 17, 1942-Feb. 2, 1943 Stalingrad
- Aug. 7, 1942-Feb. 9, 1943 Guadalcanal
- June 6, 1944 D-Day
- Dec. 16, 1944-Jan. 25, 1945 Bulge
- Feb. 13-15, 1945 Dresden
- Feb. 19-March 26, 1945 Iwo Jima
- April 12, 1945 FDR dies/Truman president
- May 8, 1945 V-E Day
- Aug. 6 & 9, 1945 atomic bombs
- Sept. 2, 1945 V-J Day
- Nov. 20, 1945 IMT opens
- Jan. 20, 1953 Eisenhower president

Propaganda

- November 11, 1918 World War I ends
- June 28, 1919 Treaty of Versailles signed
- February 24, 1920 Hitler declares the 25 Points
- 1923 Hyperinflation peaks in Germany
- April 20, 1923 Der Stürmer begins publication
- November 9, 1923 Beer Hall Putsch
- March 13, 1933 Ministry of Propaganda established
- April 1, 1933 nationwide boycott of Jewish owned businesses
- May 10, 1933 Book burnings
- November 10, 1933 introduction of the People's Radio
- 1935 Der Giftpilz published
- 1936 Germany hosts Olypmics
- September 1, 1939 membership in the HJ and BDM becomes mandatory
- September 1, 1939 listening to foreign broadcasts or news is illegal
- 1940 *The Eternal Jew* is released in German theaters
- 1943 Polish language editions of *The Protocols of the Elders of Zion* published.
- June 1944 Red Cross visit to Terezin
- 1945-1946 Julius Streicher tried as a propagandist at the IMT

Additional Items

- October 29, 1929 American stock market crash
- February 27, 1933 Reichstag Fire
- August 2, 1934 Paul von Hindenburg dies
- Sept. 19, 1941 German Jews ordered to wear Star of David
- December 8, 1941 first group of Jews deported to a death camp (to Chelmno from Lodz)
- March 17, 1942 Belzec, the first Operation Reinhard camp to become operation, accepts its first transport for gassing
- March 22, 1943 Krema IV becomes the first of the modern, assembly-line killing machines at Auschwitz-Birkenau to begin operations.

Nazi Legislation

- Feb. 28, 1933 Decree for the Protection of People and the Reich.
- April 7, 1933 Law for the Restoration of the Professional Civil Service.
- April 25, 1933 Law against Overcrowding in Schools and Universities
- July 14, 1933 Law for the Repeal of Naturalization and Recognition of German Citizenship
- July 14, 1933 Law for the Prevention of Offspring with Hereditary
- Oct. 4, 1933 The Editors Law (Schriftleitergesetz)
- Nov. 24, 1933 Law against Dangerous Habitual Criminals
- May 1, 1935 Ban on Jehovah's Witness organizations.
- June 28, 1935 Revision of Paragraph 175.
- May 21, 1935 Army law expelled Jewish officers from the army.
- Sept. 15, 1935 Nuremberg Laws
- Oct. 18, 1935 Law for the Protection of the Hereditary Health of the German People
- Jan. 11, 1936 Executive Order on the Reich Tax Law
- April 3, 1936 Reich Veterinarians Law
- Oct. 15, 1936 Reich Ministry of Education banned Jewish teachers from public schools.
- April 22, 1938 Decree against the Camouflage of Jewish Firms
- April 26, 1938 Order for the Disclosure of Jewish Assets
- August 17, 1938 Executive Order on the Law on the Alteration of Family and Personal Names
- Oct. 3, 1938 Decree on the Confiscation of Jewish Property
- Oct. 5, 1938 Reich Ministry of the Interior invalidated all German Jewish passports. New passports were valid only after the letter "J" was stamped on them
- Nov. 12, 1938 Decree on the Exclusion of Jews from German Economic Life
- Nov. 15, 1938 Reich Ministry of Education expelled all Jewish children from public schools.
- Sept. 1, 1939
 - Curfew on Jewish individuals; Jews prohibited from specific zones of many German cities.
 - Jews received reduced rations; further decrees limited the time periods in which Jews could purchase food.
 - o German authorities also required Jews to relinquish property essential to the war effort such as radios, cameras, bicycles, electrical appliances, and other valuables, to local officials.
 - September 1, 1941 Decree required Jews over the age of six in Germany to wear a yellow star effective Sept. 19.
 - September 1941
 - o Decree prohibited Jews from using public transportation.
 - German issued residency regulations that forced Jews to live in designated areas of German cities, concentrating them in "Jewish houses"; ("Judenhäuser").
 - o German authorities issued ordinances requiring Jews fit for work to perform compulsory forced labor.
 - July 1943 Ordinance removing Jews entirely from the protection of German law and placing them under the direct jurisdiction of the Reich Security Main Office (RSHA).