

2021 Holiday Schedule

Date	Holiday
Friday, January 1	New Year's Day
Monday, January 18	Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.
Wednesday, January 20*	Inauguration Day
Monday, February 15**	Washington's Birthday
Monday, May 31	Memorial Day
Monday, July 5***	Independence Day
Monday, September 6	Labor Day
Monday, October 11	Columbus Day
Thursday, November 11	Veterans Day
Thursday, November 25	Thanksgiving Day
Friday, December 24****	Christmas Day

*This holiday is designated as "Inauguration Day" in section 6103(c) of title 5 of the United States Code, which is the law that specifies holidays for Federal employees. Federal employees in the Washington, DC area are entitled to a holiday on the day a President is inaugurated, January 20 for each fourth year after 1965. Though other institutions such as state and local governments and private businesses may use other names, it is our policy to always refer to holidays by the names designated in the law.

**This holiday is designated as "Washington's Birthday" in section 6103(a) of title 5 of the United States Code, which is the law that specifies holidays for Federal employees. Though other institutions such as state and local governments and private businesses may use other names, it is our policy to always refer to holidays by the names designated in the law.

***July 4, 2021 (the legal public holiday for Independence Day), falls on a Sunday. For most Federal employees, Monday, July 5, will be treated as a holiday for leave purposes. (See 5 U.S.C. 6103(b).)

****December 25, 2021 (the legal public holiday for Christmas Day), falls on a Saturday. For most Federal employees, Friday, December 24, will be treated as a holiday for leave purposes. (See section 3(a) of Executive order 11582, February 11, 1971.)