

DYNASTIES OF ANCIENT EGYPT*

Predynastic Period	c. 3500-c.3100 BC
Early Dynastic Period	c. 3100-2686 BC
1st dynasty	c. 3100-2890 BC
2d dynasty	c. 2890-2686 BC
Old Kingdom	c. 2686-2181 BC
3d dynasty	c. 2686-2613 BC
4th dynasty	c. 2613-2494 BC
5th dynasty	c. 2494-2345 BC
6th dynasty	c. 2345-2181 BC
First Intermediate Period	c. 2181-2040 BC
7th dynasty	c. 2181-2173 BC
8th dynasty	c. 2173-2160 BC
9th dynasty	c. 2160-2130 BC
10th dynasty	c. 2130-2040 BC
Middle Kingdom	c. 2133-1786 BC
11th dynasty	c. 2133-1991 BC
12th dynasty	1991-1786 BC
Second Intermediate Period	1786-1567 BC
13th dynasty	1786-1633 BC
14th dynasty	1786-c.1603 BC
15th dynasty	1674-1567 BC
16th dynasty	1684-1567 BC
17th dynasty	c. 1650-1567 BC
New Kingdom	1570-1085 BC
18th dynasty	1570-1320 BC
19th dynasty	1320-1200 BC
20th dynasty	1200-1085 BC
Late Dynastic Period	1085-332 BC
21st dynasty	1085-945 BC
22d dynasty	945-c. 730 BC
23d dynasty	c. 817-730 BC

*Exact dating of the Egyptian dynasties is impossible;
the chronology shown here is one of several used by historians.