

Chapter 24 Key Terms and Dates

Key Terms:

- Levittown
- Baby boom
- Urban renewal
- "In God We Trust"
- Interstate highway system
- *Sputnik*
- National Defense Education Act
- Social contract
- Massive retaliation
- Geneva Accords
- The Beats
- League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC)
- *Brown v. Board of Education*
- Montgomery Bus Boycott
- Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)
- Southern Manifesto
- Missile gap
- Military-industrial complex

Focus Questions:

1. What were the main characteristics of the affluent society of the 1950s?
2. How were the 1950s a period of consensus in both domestic policies and foreign affairs?
3. What were the major thrusts of the civil rights movement in this period?
4. What was the significance of the presidential election of 1960?

Key Dates:

- 1946- *Mendez v. Westminster*
- 1947- Levittown development starts
- 1950- David Riesman's *The Lonely Crowd*
- 1952- United States detonates first hydrogen bomb
- 1953- Soviet Union detonates hydrogen bomb
- 1953- CIA led Iranian coup
- 1954- *Brown v. Board of Education*
- 1954- CIA led Guatemalan coup
- 1954- Geneva Accords for Vietnam
- 1955- AFL and CIO merge
- 1955- Allen Ginsberg's *Howl*
- 1955-1956- Montgomery Bus Boycott
- 1956- "Southern Manifesto"
- 1956- Federal Highway Act
- 1956- Suez Crisis
- 1957- Eisenhower Doctrine
- 1957- Southern Christian Leadership Conference organized (SCLC)
- 1957- Integration of Little Rock's Central High School
- 1957- *Sputnik* launched
- 1957- Jack Kerouac's *On the Road*
- 1958- National Defense Education Act
- 1959- Nixon-Khrushchev "kitchen-debate"
- 1960- John F. Kennedy elected President
- 1962- Milton Friedman's *Capitalism and Freedom*