1777

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Millennium:	2nd millennium
Centuries:	17th century – **18th century** – 19th century
Decades:	1740s 1750s 1760s – 1770s – 1780s 1790s 1800s
Years:	1774 1775 1776 – **1777** – 1778 1779 1780

1777 (MDCCLXXVII) was a common year starting on Wednesday (dominical letter E) of the Gregorian calendar and a common year starting on Sunday (dominical letter A) of the Julian calendar, the 1777th year of the Common Era (CE) and *Anno Domini* (AD) designations, the 777th year of the 2nd millennium, the 77th year of the 18th century, and the 8th year of the 1770s decade. Note that the Julian day for 1777 is 11 calendar days difference, which continued to be used from 1582 until the complete conversion of the Gregorian calendar was entirely done in 1929.

1777 by topic:

Arts and Sciences

Archaeology – Architecture – Art – Literature (Poetry) – Music – Science

Countries

Canada –Denmark – France – Great Britain – Ireland – Norway – Scotland –Sweden – United States

Lists of leaders

Colonial governors – State leaders

Birth and death categories

Births – Deaths

Establishments and disestablishments categories

Establishments – Disestablishments

Works category

Works

Events

January–June

- January 2 – American Revolutionary War – Battle of the Assunpink Creek: American general George Washington's army defeats the British under Lieutenant General Charles Cornwallis in a second battle at Trenton, New Jersey.
- January 3 – American Revolutionary War – Battle of Princeton: American general George Washington's army again defeats the British.
- January 12 – Mission Santa Clara de Asís is founded in what is now Santa Clara, California.
- January 15 – Vermont declares its independence from New York, becoming the Vermont Republic, an independent country, a status it retains until it joins the United States as the 14th state in 1791.
- March – Third voyage of James Cook: English explorer Captain Cook discovers Mangaia and Atiu in the Cook Islands.
- February 24 – King Joseph I of Portugal dies & is succeeded by his brother & son in law Peter III of Portugal
- April 1 – Friedrich Maximilian Klinger's play *Sturm und Drang* is premiered by the Seyler Theatre Company in Leipzig, giving its name to the whole *Sturm und Drang* movement in German literature.
- April 13 – American Revolutionary War: Battle of Bound Brook: A British and Hessian force led by Charles Cornwallis surprises a Continental Army outpost in New Jersey commanded by Major General Benjamin Lincoln.

1777 in other calendars

Gregorian calendar	1777 *MDCCLXXVII*
Ab urbe condita	2530
Armenian calendar	1226 ԹՎ ՌՄԻԶ
Assyrian calendar	6527
Bengali calendar	1184
Berber calendar	2727
British Regnal year	17 Geo. 3 – 18 Geo. 3
Buddhist calendar	2321

- May 8 – First performance of Richard Brinsley Sheridan's comedy of manners *The School for Scandal* at the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane in London.[1]
- May 16 – Lachlan McIntosh and Button Gwinnett shoot each other during a duel near Savannah, Georgia. Gwinnett, a signer of the United States Declaration of Independence, dies 3 days later.
- June 13 – American Revolution: The Marquis de Lafayette lands near Georgetown, South Carolina, to help the Continental Congress train its army.
- June 14 – The Stars and Stripes is adopted by the Continental Congress as the flag of the United States.

July–December

- July 8 – Constitution of Vermont (1777) is signed, officially abolishing slavery.
- July 6 – American Revolutionary War – Siege of Fort Ticonderoga: After a bombardment by British artillery under General John Burgoyne, American forces retreat from Fort Ticonderoga, New York.
- August 6 – American Revolutionary War – Battle of Oriskany: Loyalists gain a tactical victory over Patriots; Iroquois fight on both sides.
- August 16 – American Revolutionary War – Battle of Bennington: British and Brunswicker forces are decisively defeated by American troops.
- September 3 – American Revolutionary War – Battle of Cooch's Bridge: British and Hessian forces defeat American militia in a minor skirmish in New Castle County, Delaware.
- September 11 – American Revolutionary War – Battle of Brandywine: The British gain a major victory in Chester County, Pennsylvania.
- September 19 – American Revolutionary War – First Battle of Saratoga: Battle of Freeman's Farm: Patriot forces withstand a British attack at Saratoga, New York
- September 26 – American Revolutionary War – British troops occupy Philadelphia; members of the Continental Congress flee to Lancaster, Pennsylvania.
- October 4 – American Revolutionary War – Battle of Germantown: Troops under George Washington are repelled by British troops under Sir William Howe.
- October 6 – American Revolutionary War – Battle of Forts Clinton and Montgomery: British troops capture Fort Clinton and Fort Montgomery (Hudson River) and are able to dismantle the Hudson River Chain.
- October 7 – American Revolutionary War – Second Battle of Saratoga: Battle of Bemis Heights: British

Burmese calendar	1139
Byzantine calendar	7285–7286
Chinese calendar	丙申年 (Fire Monkey) 4473 or 4413 — *to* — 丁酉年 (Fire Rooster) 4474 or 4414
Coptic calendar	1493–1494
Discordian calendar	2943
Ethiopian calendar	1769–1770
Hebrew calendar	5537–5538
Hindu calendars	
- *Vikram Samvat*	1833–1834
- *Shaka Samvat*	1699–1700
- *Kali Yuga*	4878–4879
Holocene calendar	11777
Igbo calendar	777–778
Iranian calendar	1155–1156
Islamic calendar	1190–1191
Japanese calendar	An'ei 6 (安永6年)
Julian calendar	Gregorian minus 11 days
Korean calendar	4110
Minguo calendar	135 before ROC 民前135年
Thai solar calendar	2319–2320

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June 14: US Flag (had various star patterns)

General John Burgoyne is defeated by American troops.
- October 17 – American Revolutionary War – Battle of Saratoga: British General John Burgoyne surrenders to the American troops.
- November 15 – American Revolution: After 16 months of debate, the Continental Congress approves the Articles of Confederation in the temporary American capital at York, Pennsylvania.
- November 17 – American Revolution: The Articles of Confederation are submitted to the states for ratification.
- November 29 – San Jose, California is founded. It is the first *pueblo* in Spanish Alta California.
- December 19 – American Revolutionary War: George Washington's Continental Army goes into winter quarters at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.
- December 24 – Third voyage of James Cook: English explorer Captain Cook discovers Kiritimati (Christmas Island).
- December 30 – Maximilian III Joseph, Elector of Bavaria dies & is succeeded by his distant cousin Charles Theodore, Elector of Bavaria.

Date unknown

- The 2nd edition of *Encyclopædia Britannica* is published.
- The code duello is adopted at the Clonmel Summer Assizes as the form for pistol duels in Ireland. It is quickly denounced but nevertheless widely adopted throughout the English-speaking world.
- Kunsthochschule Kassel is founded.

Births

January–March

- January – William Barton, English cricketer (d. 1825)
- January 2 – Christian Daniel Rauch, German sculptor (d. 1857)
- January 7 – Lorenzo Bartolini, Italian sculptor (d. 1850)
- January 11 – Vincenzo Borg, Maltese merchant and rebel leader (d. 1837)
- January 13 – Elisa Bonaparte, Grand Duchess of Tuscany, sister of Napoleon Bonaparte (d. 1820)
- January 25 – Karoline Jagemann, German actor (d.1848)
- February 3 – John Cheyne (physician), British physician, surgeon and author (d. 1836)
- February 10 – Amable Berthelot, Quebec lawyer, author and political figure (d. 1847)
- February 12
  - Friedrich de la Motte Fouqué, French poet (d. 1843)
  - Bernard Courtois, French chemist (d. 1838)
- February 18 – Andreas Arntzen, Norwegian politician (d. 1837)
- February 20 – Zacheus Burnham, Canadian farmer, judge and public figure (d. 1857)
- March 3 – Adolphe Dureau de la Malle, French geographer, naturalist, historian and artist (d. 1857)
- March 10 – Robert Allison (Pennsylvania), U.S. Representative (d. 1840)
- March 13 – Charles Lot Church, Nova Scotia politician (d. 1864)
- March 17
  - Roger Taney, Chief Justice of the United States (d. 1864)
  - Patrick Brontë, Irish Anglican curate and writer; father of writers Charlotte, Emily and Anne Brontë (d. 1861)
- March 19 – José María Bustamante, Mexican composer (d. 1861)

- March 28 – Antoine Germain Labarraque, French chemist (d. 1850)

April–June

Carl Friedrich Gauss

- April 11 – William Addams, United States Congressman (d. 1858)
- April 12 – Henry Clay, American statesman (d. 1852)
- April 16 – John Alexander (Ohio politician), U.S. Representative (d. 1848)
- April 30 – Carl Friedrich Gauss, German mathematician, astronomer, and physicist (d. 1855)
- May 4 – Richard Bourke, Australian governor (d. 1855)
- May 11 – Samuel Bridger, English cricketer
- May 18 – John George Children, British chemist, mineralogist and zoologist (d. 1852)
- June 12 – Robert Clark, American politician (d. 1837)
- June 14 – Heman Allen (of Milton), U.S. Representative (d. 1844)
- June 15 – David Daniel Davis, British physician (d. 1841)
- June 22
  - Andrzej Alojzy Ankwicz, Roman Catholic archbishop (d. 1838)
  - William Brown (admiral), Irish-born first admiral of Argentina (d. 1857)
- June 23 – Frederick Bates, American politician (b. 1825)

July–September

Hans Christian Ørsted

- July – Thomas Clayton, American lawyer and politician (d. 1854)
- July 9 – Henry Hallam, English historian (d. 1859)
- July 23 – Philipp Otto Runge, German painter (d. 1810)
- July 26 – Robert Hamilton Bishop, Scottish-American educator and minister (d. 1855)
- July 27
  - Heinrich Wilhelm Brandes, German physicist (d. 1834)
  - Thomas Campbell, Scottish poet (d. 1844)
  - Henry Trevor, 21st Baron Dacre, British peer and soldier (d. 1853)
- July 31 – Pedro Ignacio de Castro Barros, Argentine statesman and priest (d. 1849)
- August 11 – Giuseppe Bossi, Italian painter (d. 1815)
- August 14 – Hans Christian Ørsted, Danish physicist and chemist (d. 1851)
- August 23 – Princess Adélaïde of Orléans, French princess (d. 1847)
- August 29 – Nikita Bichurin (Hyacinth), Russian monk (d. 1853)
- August 31 – Alexander Bashilov, Russian general (d. 1847)
- September 9 – James Carr (Massachusetts politician), U.S. Congressman (d. 1818)
- September 12 – Henri Marie Ducrotay de Blainville, French zoologist and anatomist (d. 1850)
- September 25 – Joseph Badeaux, Canadian politician (d. 1835)

October–December

- October 1 – Zaro Aga (claimed to have been born this year or 1774; d. 1934)
- October 5 – Guillaume Dupuytren, French anatomist and military surgeon (d. 1835)
- October 16

    - Lorenzo Dow, American Methodist preacher (d. 1834)
    - Levi Barber, surveyor, court administrator, banker and legislator (d. 1833)
- October 18
    - Auguste François-Marie de Colbert-Chabanais, French general (d. 1809)
    - Heinrich von Kleist, German poet, dramatist, novelist and short story writer (d. 1811)
- November 7 – Richard Bassett (clergyman), Welsh cleric (d. 1852)
- November 14 – Nathaniel Claiborne, U.S. politician (d. 1859)
- November 24 – Samuel Butts, militia officer (d. 1814)
- December 1 – Thomas Bradford, British Army officer (d. 1853)
- December 4 – Juliette Récamier, French writer (d. 1849)
- December 14 – Du Pré Alexander, 2nd Earl of Caledon, Irish peer, landlord and colonial administrator (d. 1839)
- December 15 – Agostino Aglio, Italian painter, decorator and engraver (d. 1857)
- December 21 – John Campbell, 7th Duke of Argyll, Scottish peer and Whig politician (d. 1847)
- December 23 – Emperor Alexander I of Russia (d. 1825)
- December 24 – Barbara Spooner Wilberforce, wife of English abolitionist William Wilberforce (d. 1847)

Heinrich von Kleist

Alexander I of Russia

Date unknown

- Suleiman al-Halabi, Syrian student and assassin (d. 1800)
- Carlos Anaya, Uruguayan politician (d. 1862)
- Charles James Apperley, English sportsman and sporting writer (d. 1843)
- Carlo Armellini, Italian politician, activist and jurist (d. 1863)
- Mevlana Halid-i Bagdadi, Ottoman mystic (d. 1826)
- Connell James Baldwin, Irish soldier and civil servant (d. 1861)
- Karl Friedrich Becker, German educator and historian (d. 1806)
- Vicente Benavides, Chilean soldier (d. 1822)
- John Bennett (Hampshire cricketer) (d. 1857)
- William Bellinger Bulloch, U.S. Senator (d. 1852)
- Sophia Campbell, Australian artist (d. 1833)
- Abiel Chandler, U.S. philanthropist (d. 1851)
- John Claiborne, U.S. politician (d. 1808)
- Charles Othon Frédéric Jean-Baptiste de Clarac, French artist, scholar and archaeologist (d. 1847)
- Thomas Cochran (judge), Canadian judge (d. 1804)
- William Conner, American trader and politician (d. 1855)
- Anselmo de la Cruz, Chilean political figure (d. 1833)
- Thomas Day (Connecticut), American judge (d. 1855)
- Benjamin D'Urban, British general and colonial administrator (d. 1849)
- Tu'i Malila, the longest living animal (a tortoise) on record (d. 1965)

Deaths

- January 10 – Spranger Barry, Irish actor (b. 1719)
- January 12 – Hugh Mercer, American Revolutionary War officer (mortally wounded in battle) (b. 1726)

- February 9 – Seth Pomeroy, American gunsmith and soldier (b. 1706)
- February 24 – King Joseph I of Portugal (b. 1714)
- March 1 – Georg Christoph Wagenseil, Austrian composer (b. 1715)
- March 20 – Jean-François-Joseph de Rochechouart, French Roman Catholic Cardinal (b. 1708)
- March 23 – Sir Hugh Paterson, 2nd Baronet, Baronet of Bannockburn (b. 1685)
- May 11 – George Pigot, 1st Baron Pigot, British governor of Madras (b. 1719)
- May 19 – Button Gwinnett, American signer of the Declaration of Independence (b. 1735)
- September 22 – John Bartram, American botanist (b. 1699)
- September 25 – Johann H. Lambert, mathematician, physicist and astronomer (b. 1728)
- October 4 – Francis Nash, Brigider general killed at the Battle of Germantown
- October 7 – Simon Fraser, British general during the American Revolutionary War (b. 1729)
- October 21 – Samuel Foote, English dramatist and actor (b. 1720)
- November 10 – Cornstalk, Shawnee chief
- November 13 – William Bowyer (printer), English printer (b. 1699)
- December 30 – Maximilian III Joseph, Elector of Bavaria (b. 1727)
- December – Dolly Pentreath, claimed to be the last speaker of the Cornish language

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