

TABLE 4.1
The Governors, 2018

State or other jurisdiction	Name and party	Length of regular term in years	Date of first service	Present term ends	Number of previous terms	Term limits	Joint election of governor & lieutenant governor (a)	Official who succeeds governor	Birthdate	Birthplace
Alabama	Kay Ivey (R) (j)	4	4/2017	1/2019	...	2-4	No	LG	10/15/1944	AL
Alaska	Bill Walker (I)	4	12/2014	12/2018	...	2-4	Yes	LG	4/16/1951	AK
Arizona	Doug Ducey (R)	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	2-4	(b)	SS	4/9/1964	OH
Arkansas	Asa Hutchinson (R)	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	2A	No	LG	12/3/1950	AR
California	Edmund Gerald "Jerry" Brown (D)	4	1/1975 (c)	1/2019	2 (c)	2A (c)	No	LG	4/7/1938	CA
Colorado	John Hickenlooper (D)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	2-4	Yes	LG	2/7/1952	PA
Connecticut	Dan Malloy (D)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	...	Yes	LG	7/21/1955	CT
Delaware	John Carney Jr. (D)	4	1/2017	1/2021	...	2A	No	LG	5/20/1956	DE
Florida	Rick Scott (R)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	2-4	Yes	LG	12/2/1952	IL
Georgia	Nathan Deal (R)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	2-4	No	LG	8/25/1942	GA
Hawaii	David Ige (D)	4	12/2014	12/2018	...	2-4	Yes	LG	6/26/1938	NY
Idaho	C.L. "Butch" Otter (R)	4	1/2007	1/2019	2	...	No	LG	5/3/1942	ID
Illinois	Bruce Rauner (R)	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	...	Yes	LG	12/16/1948	IL
Indiana	Eric Holcomb (R)	4	1/2017	1/2021	...	2-12	Yes	LG	5/2/1968	IN
Iowa	Kim Reynolds (R) (d)	4	5/2017 (d)	1/2019	...	...	Yes	LG	8/4/1959	IA
Kansas	Jeff Colyer (R)	4	1/2018 (l)	1/2019	...	2-4	Yes	LG	6/3/1960	KS
Kentucky	Matt Bevin (R)	4	12/2015	12/2019	...	2-4	Yes	LG	1/9/1967	NH
Louisiana	John Bel Edwards (D)	4	1/2016	1/2020	...	2-4	No	LG	9/16/1966	LA
Maine	Paul LePage (R)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	2-4	(b)	PS	10/9/1948	ME
Maryland	Larry Hogan (R)	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	2-4	Yes	LG	1/18/1963	MD
Massachusetts	Charlie Baker (R)	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	...	Yes	LG	7/31/1956	IL
Michigan	Rick Snyder (R)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	2A	Yes	LG	8/19/1958	MI
Minnesota	Mark Dayton (D)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	...	Yes	LG	1/26/1947	MN
Mississippi	Phil Bryant (R)	4	1/2012	1/2020	1	2A	Yes	LG	12/9/1954	MS
Missouri	Mark Parson (R)	4	6/2018 (m)	1/2021	...	2A	No	LG	9/17/1955	MO
Montana	Steve Bullock (D)	4	1/2013	1/2021	1	2-16	Yes	LG	4/11/1966	MT
Nebraska	Pete Ricketts (R)	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	2-4	Yes	LG	5/12/1948	NE
Nevada	Brian Sandoval (R)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	2A	No	LG	8/5/1963	CA
New Hampshire	Chris Sununu (R)	2	1/2017	1/2019	...	...	(b)	PS	11/5/1974	NH
New Jersey	Phil Murphy (D)	4	1/2018	1/2022	...	2-4	Yes	LG	8/16/1957	MA
New Mexico	Susana Martinez (R)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	2-4	Yes	LG	7/14/1959	TX
New York	Andrew Cuomo (D)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	...	Yes	LG	12/6/1957	NY
North Carolina	Roy Cooper (D)	4	1/2017	1/2021	...	2-4	No	LG	6/13/1957	NC
North Dakota	Doug Burgum (R)	4	12/2016	12/2020	...	...	Yes	LG	8/1/1956	ND
Ohio	John Kasich (R)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	2-4	Yes	LG	5/13/1952	PA
Oklahoma	Mary Fallin (R)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	2-A	No	LG	12/9/1954	MO
Oregon	Kate Brown (D)	4	2/2015 (f)	1/2019	... (f)	2-12	(b)	SS	3/5/1947	WA
Pennsylvania	Tom Wolf (D)	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	2-4	Yes	LG	11/17/1948	PA
Rhode Island	Gina Raimondo (D)	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	2-4	No	LG	3/26/1953	RI
South Carolina	Henry McMaster (R)	4	1/2017 (e)	1/2019	...	2-4	No	LG	5/27/1947	SC
South Dakota	Dennis Daugaard (R)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	2-4	Yes	LG	6/11/1953	SD
Tennessee	Bill Haslam (R)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	2-4	No	SpS (g)	8/23/1952	TN
Texas	Greg Abbott (R)	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	...	No	LG	3/4/1950	TX
Utah	Gary Herbert (R)	4	8/2009 (h)	1/2021	3	...	Yes	LG	5/7/1947	UT
Vermont	Phil Scott (R)	2	1/2011	1/2019	...	...	No	LG	8/4/1958	VT
Virginia	Ralph Northam (D)	4	1/2018	1/2022	...	1-4	No	LG	9/13/1959	VA
Washington	Jay Inslee (D)	4	1/2013	1/2021	1	...	No	LG	2/9/1951	WA
West Virginia	Jim Justice (R) (k)	4	1/2017	1/2021	...	2-4	(b)	PS (g)	4/27/1951	WV
Wisconsin	Scott Walker (R)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	...	Yes	LG	11/2/1967	CO
Wyoming	Matt Mead (R)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	2-16	(b)	SS	3/11/1962	WY
American Samoa	Lolo Matalasi Moliga (I)	4	1/2013	1/2021	1	2-4	Yes	LG	1949	AS
Guam	Eddie Calvo (R)	4	1/2011	1/2019	1	2-4	Yes	LG	8/29/1961	Guam
CNMI*	Ralph Torres (R)	4	12/28 (j)	1/2019	...	2A	Yes	LG	11/27/1945	CNMI
Puerto Rico	Ricardo Roselló (PNP)	4	1/2017	1/2021	(b)	SS	3/7/1979	PR
U.S. Virgin Islands	Kenneth Mapp (I)	4	1/2015	1/2019	...	2-4	Yes	LG	11/13/1957	USVI

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TABLE 4.1

The Governors, 2018 (continued)

Sources: The Council of State Governments, November 2017.

Key:

*Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

C—Covenant

D—Democrat

I—Independent

PDP—Popular Democratic Party

R—Republican

LG—Lieutenant Governor

SS—Secretary of State

PS—President of the Senate

SpS—Speaker of the Senate

...—Not applicable

2A—Two terms, absolute.

2-4—Two terms, re-eligible after four yrs.

2-12—Two terms, eligible for eight out of 12 yrs.

2-16—Two terms, eligible for eight out of 16 yrs.

1-4—One term, re-eligible after four years.

(a) The following also choose candidates for governor and lieutenant governor through a joint nomination process: Florida, Kansas, Maryland, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, Ohio, Utah, American Samoa, Guam, No. Mariana Islands and U.S. Virgin Islands.

(b) No lieutenant governor.

(c) Gov. Brown previously served two terms as governor of California from 1975–1983. He was elected again in November 2010 and in November 2014 and is now serving his fourth and final term. California instituted absolute term-limits of two four year terms for the office of governor in 1990. Those who served as governor prior to that date are eligible for re-election. Gov. Brown is now limited to completing his current term.

(d) Lt. Gov. Kim Reynolds was sworn in as governor on May 24, 2017 when Gov. Branstad accepted the U.S. Ambassadorship to China.

(e) Gov. McMaster was sworn in on January 24, 2017 after Gov. Nikki Haley resigned to become the United State ambassador to the United Nations.

(f) Oregon Secretary of State Kate Brown became governor on February 18, 2015, following Gov. John Kitzhaber's resignation. Brown won in a November 2016 special gubernatorial election to officially fill the position for the final two years of Gov. Kitzhaber's term.

(g) Official bears the additional title of "lieutenant governor."

(h) Lt. Gov. Gary Herbert was sworn in as Governor on August 10, 2009 after Gov. Huntsman resigned to accept President Obama's appointment as ambassador to China. Utah law states that a replacement governor elevated in a term's first year will face a special election at the next regularly scheduled general election, November 2010, instead of serving the remainder of the term. Gov. Herbert was elected to serve a full term in Nov. 2012.

(i) Torres became governor on Dec. 28, 2015 after Gov. Inos passed away. His term will end 1/19.

(j) Lt. Gov. Kay Ivey was sworn in as governor on April 10, 2017 after Gov. Robert Bentley resigned to avoid being impeached.

(k) Gov. Jim Justice switched parties in August 2017.

(l) Lt. Gov. Colyer was sworn in as governor on Jan. 31, 2018 following Gov. Sam Brownback's appointment as U.S. ambassador-at-large for international religious freedom.

(m) Lt. Gov. Mark Parson was sworn in as governor in June 2018 after Eric Greitens resigned.