

**president**[ˈprezɪd(ə)nt] *n*

1. 1) председатель  
honorary president - почётный председатель  
President of the Senate - **амер.** председатель сената (**обыкн.** вице-президент США)  
President Pro Tempore of the Senate - временный председатель сената (в случае, когда вице-президент становится президентом США)  
president of the jury - а) председатель жюри; б) **спорт.** председатель судейской коллегии
- 2) председатель (суда)  
President of the Court of Sessions - председатель сессионного суда (в Шотландии)
2. президент
3. 1) президент, председатель правления (банка, компании и т. п.)
- 2) директор, главный управляющий
4. глава ведомства, учреждения  
President of the Board of Trade - министр торговли (в Великобритании)
5. 1) ректор (университетского колледжа)
- 2) **амер.** ректор (университета)
6. **уст.** губернатор (колонии)

**president**

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**pres-i-dent** [president presidents] *BrE* [ˈprezɪd(ə)nt] \* *NAmE* [ˈprezɪd(ə)nt] \* **noun**

1. (also **President**) the leader of a ↑**republic**, especially the US
  - Several presidents attended the funeral
  - the President of the United States
  - President Obama is due to visit the country next month.
  - Do you have any comment, Mr President?
2. (also **President**) the person in charge of some organizations, clubs, colleges, etc
  - to be made president of the students' union
  - She travels extensively in her role as President for the Save the Children Fund.
3. (especially **NAmE**) the person in charge of a bank or a commercial organization
  - the bank president
  - the president of Columbia Pictures

Derived Word ↑**presidential**Word Origin:late Middle English: via Old French from Latin **praesident-** 'sitting before', from **praesidere** 'sit before', from **prae** 'before' + **sedere** 'sit'.Culture:**president**

The President is the **head of state** of the US and is part of the ↑**executive branch** of government. He (the President has so far always been a man) decides US policy on foreign affairs and is the **commander-in-chief** of the armed forces. He can appoint heads of government ↑**departments** and federal judges. ↑**Congress** must ask the President to approve new laws, although it is possible to pass a law without the President's approval. Each year, the President gives a ↑**State of the Union Address** to Congress. The President works in what may be the most famous office in the world, the ↑**Oval Office** in the ↑**White House** in Washington, DC.

The **Constitution** requires that a president should be at least 35 years old, and have been born in the US. It is often said that the President is **directly elected** by the people, and this is true in comparison with countries like Britain where the ↑**Prime Minister** is selected by **Members of Parliament**. In fact, although people vote for one of the candidates for President, an ↑**electoral college** makes the final choice (

**note at** ↑**elections**

- ) A president can serve a maximum of two **terms** (four years each).

Americans have a lot of respect for the office of President, and they are shocked when the president is believed to have done something wrong or illegal. In such a case it is possible for Congress to **impeach** the President (= remove him from his job). Congress attempted to impeach President Richard **Nixon** during the ↑**Watergate** scandal of the 1970s but he decided to resign before the impeachment process was completed. In 1999, President Bill Clinton was tried by the Senate after admitting that he had had a sexual relationship with Monica Lewinsky, having earlier denied it. Many Americans continued to support him and the Senate decided that he was not guilty of 'high crimes and misdemeanours' (= offences for which a person can be impeached).

Thesaurus:**president** (also President) **noun**

1. **C**
  - President Obama
  - head of state** • • **prime minister** • • **chancellor** • • **governor** • |journalism **premier** •
  - the **acting/deputy** president/head of state/prime minister/governor/premier
  - the **interim/incoming/outgoing** president/prime minister/governor
  - elect sb (as)/serve as/be sworn in (as)** president/head of state/prime minister/chancellor/governor

2. **C**

• She was elected president of the student union.

**head • leader • director • manager • chief executive • chairman / chairwoman • chair • |BrE managing director • governor • |informal boss • especially journalism chief •**

be **appointed (as)** president/head/leader/director/manager/chief executive/chairman/chair/managing director/governor/chief

be **elected (as)** president/head/leader/chairman/chair

**resign/stand down/step down as** president/head/leader/director/manager/chief executive/chairman/chair/managing director/governor/chief

**Which word? President** is a title given to the most senior person in some companies. The **chairman** is the most senior member of the board of directors of a company. The **chief executive** or **managing director** makes decisions about how a company is run and is often also the **chairman**.

### Collocations:

#### **Politics**

##### *Power*

**create/form/be the leader** of a political party

**gain/take/win/lose/regain** control of Congress

**start/spark/lead/be on the brink of** a revolution

**be engaged/locked in** an internal power struggle

**lead/form** a rival/breakaway faction

**seize/take** control of the government/power

**bring down/overthrow/topple** the government/president/regime

**abolish/overthrow/restore** the monarchy

**establish/install** a military dictatorship/a stable government

**be forced/removed/driven from office/power**

**resign/step down as** party leader/an MP/president/prime minister

**enter/retire from/return to** political life

##### *Political debate*

**spark/provoke** a heated/hot/intense/lively debate

**engage in/participate in/contribute to** (the) political/public debate (on/over sth)

**get involved in/feel excluded from** the political process

**launch/start/lead/spearhead** a campaign/movement

**join/be linked with** the peace/anti-war/feminist/civil rights movement

**criticize/speak out against/challenge /support** the government

**lobby/put pressure on** the government(to do sth)

**come under fire/pressure from** opposition parties

##### *Policy*

**call for/demand/propose/push for/advocate** democratic/political/land reform(s)

**formulate/implement** domestic economic policy

**change/influence/shape/have an impact on** government/economic/public policy

**be consistent with/be in line with/go against/be opposed to** government policy

**reform/restructure/modernize** the tax system

**privatize /improve/deliver /make cuts in** public services

**invest (heavily) in/spend sth on** schools/education/public services/(the) infrastructure

**nationalize** the banks/the oil industry

**promise/propose/deliver /give** (\$80 billion in/significant/substantial/massive) tax cuts

**a/the budget is approved / (especially NAmE) passed** by parliament/congress

##### *Making laws*

**have a majority in/have seats in** Parliament/Congress/the Senate

**propose/sponsor** a bill/legislation/a resolution

**introduce/bring in/draw up/draft/adopt/pass** a bill/a law/legislation/measures

**amend /repeal** an act/a law/legislation

**veto/vote against/oppose** a bill/legislation/a measure/a proposal/a resolution

**get/require/be decided by** a majority vote

more collocations at [↑economy](#), [↑voting](#)

### Example Bank:

- He was sworn in as President on August 31.
- In 2007 Raymonds was appointed (as) president of PSWA.
- She is president of the Irish Olympic Council.
- the president elect, Michael Roberts
- He was appointed as vice president of business development the following year.
- He was presented with an award by the local branch president.
- President Bush is due to visit the country next month.
- She is expected to have a meeting with the French president in Paris tomorrow.
- She travels extensively in her role as President of the Save the Children Fund.
- She was elected president of the student's union.
- The figures were announced by the Central Bank president.

- The new constitution provides for a directly elected president.
- The term of the outgoing president expires in March.
- There have been moves to impeach the president.

## president

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**president** **S2 W2** /'prezədənt, 'prezɪdənt/ *BrE* " *AmE* " *noun* [countable]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: French; Origin: président, from Latin, present participle of praesidere; ⇒ ↑preside]

1. the official leader of a country that does not have a king or queen ⇒ **vice president**

**president of**

" the President of France

" President Bush

2. the person who has the highest position in a company or organization ⇒ **vice president**

**president of**

" the president of General Motors

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## THESAURUS

- **boss** the person who is in charge of you at work. **Boss** sounds rather informal. The usual word to use in more formal English is **manager**: Does your boss know you're looking for another job?
- **manager** the person in charge of a business such as a shop, a bank, or a hotel, or of a part of a business: I'd like to speak to the hotel manager. | the sales manager | the manager of an Italian restaurant
- **head** the person who is in charge of an organization or a department within that organization: the head of the CIA | My wife's head of the French department at the university. | He was the former head of the American Cancer Society.
- **chief** the most important person or one of the most important people in an organization such as the police, the fire department, or the army: the chief of police | police/army/fire chiefs | Health chiefs have secured cash to build two new hospitals.
- **president** *especially American English* the person who is in charge of a large company or a department within a company: the president of CBS news | Angry shareholders called for the resignation of the company president.
- **managing director** *British English* the person who is in charge of the daily management of a company or organization: He's the managing director of a small printing firm.
- **chief executive** (also **chief executive officer, CEO**) the person who is in charge of the daily management of a company: the CEO of General Motors | Universal Studios is looking for a new chief executive.
- **supervisor** someone who is in charge of a group of workers, whose job is to make sure that the workers do what the manager wants: He was employed as a warehouse supervisor.
- **line manager** the manager who is directly in charge of you in a company: If you want to take a holiday, first ask your line manager.
- **report to somebody** if you report to someone in a company, that person is directly in charge of you: Jan is based in Birmingham and reports to the Head of Marketing.

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15000 **171**<sup>COCA</sup>

RANGE: **4k** **PRESIDENT** 243592

president 203051

presidents 8210

presidential 25110

pres 7221

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

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11722 **1020**<sup>39693</sup> *nnb*

869 **13641**<sup>1966</sup> *np1*

134 **60976**<sup>153</sup> *jj*

87 **64803**<sup>136</sup> *nnu*