

Chronology of Egyptian Civilization

NB: all dates are approximate and subject to revision.

Prehistoric Era:		250,000 BP*-4800 BC
Lower Paleolithic Age	250,000 - 90,000 BP	
Middle Paleolithic Age	90,000 - 30,000 BP	
Late Paleolithic Age	30,000 BP - 7000 BC	
Neolithic Age	7000 - 4800 BC	
*BP = Before Present (i.e., years ago)		
Predynastic Period		4800 - 3050
Upper Egypt:		
Badarian Period	4800 - 4200	
Nagada I Period (Amratian)	4200 - 3700	
Nagada II Period (Early Gerzean)	3700 - 3250	
Nagada III Period (Late Gerzean)	3250 - 3050	
(Dynasty 0 ("Terminal Nagada"))		
Lower Egypt:		
Fayum A Culture	4800 - 4250	
Merimde Culture	4500 - 3500	
Archaic Period		3050 - 2705
Dynasties 1-2		
Old Kingdom		2705 - 2213
Dynasties 3-8		
First Intermediate Period		2213 - 1991
Dynasties 9-11		
Middle Kingdom		1991 - 1668
Dynasties 12-13		
Second Intermediate Period		1668 - 1570
Dynasties 14-17		
New Kingdom		1570 - 1070
<i>Egyptian Empire</i>		
Dynasties 18-20		
Third Intermediate Period		1070 - 656
Dynasties 21-24		
Dynasty 25 (Kushite conquest)	767-656	
Assyrian conquest	671-663	
Late Period		685 - 525
Dynasty 26 (Saite era)	685-525	
Dynasty 27 (1 st Persian conquest)	525-332	
Dynasties 28-30	404-343	
Dynasty 31 (2 nd Persian conquest)	343-332	
Greek and Roman Period		332 - AD 395
Macedonian Dynasty	332-304	
Ptolemaic Dynasty	304-30	
Roman Era	30-AD 395	