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| Warren G. Harding | 1921 | Senate |
| Calvin Coolidge | 1923 | Vice President\* |
| Herbert Hoover | 1929 | Cabinet |
| Franklin D. Roosevelt | 1933 | Governor |
| Harry S. Truman | 1945 | Vice President\* |
| Dwight Eisenhower | 1953 | General |
| John F. Kennedy | 1961 | Senate |
| Lyndon B. Johnson | 1963 | Vice President\* |
| Richard Nixon | 1969 | Vice President |
| Gerald Ford | 1974 | Vice President\* |
| Jimmy Carter | 1977 | Governor |
| Ronald Reagan | 1981 | Governor |
| George Bush | 1989 | Vice President |
| Bill Clinton | 1993 | Governor |
| George W. Bush | 2001 | Governor |
| Barack Obama | 2009 | Senate |
| Donald Trump | 2017 | No political or military experience |

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**Highest previous position of all U.S. presidents**

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| **President** | **First took office** | **Highest previous position** |