

Holidays 2010-2011

*(Exact dates may vary between traditions and communities within the same religion.
Only first day of multi-day festivals shown.)*

JUDAISM (All Jewish holidays begin at Sundown on the date shown.)

Jewish Year 5771

September 8 Rosh Hashanah (New Year)	January 19 Tu B'Shvat
September 17 Yom Kippur	March 19 Purim
September 22 Sukkot	April 18 Pesach (Passover)
September 30 Simhat Torah	May 8 Yom HaAtzma'ut
December 1 Chanukah (Hanukkah)	June 7 Shavuot

ISLAM (The Islamic calendar is based on sightings of the crescent moon; thus, these dates may vary by one or two days. Holidays begin at Sundown.)

In the year of the Hegira 1431-1432

August 10 Ramadan	December 15 Ashura
September 9 Eid al-Fitr	February 14 Mawlid-al-Nabi (Muhammad's birthday)
November 16 Eid al-Adha (Festival of Sacrifice)	
December 6 Al-Hijra / Muharram (New Year)	

HINDUISM

September 2 Krishna Jayanti (K's b'day)	February 8 Vasant Panchami
September 11 Ganesh Chaturthi (G's b'day)	March 3 Maha Shivaratri Vrat (fast)
October 17 Dussehra	March 19 Holi begins
October 25 Karva Chauth Vrat (fast)	April 4 Bikarami Samvat
November 5 Diwali (Festival of Lights)	April 12 Rama Navmi (Lord Rama's birthday)
January 14 Makar Sankranti	April 13 Vaisakhi (solar new year)

BUDDHISM

December 8 Bodhi Day (Enlightenment Day)
February 8 Nirvana Day
February 15 Nirvana Day (alternative date)
May 17 Wesak (Buddha Day)

CHINESE NEW YEAR (CONFUCIAN/DAOIST/BUDDHIST) – February 14, 2010

CHRISTIANITY

November 28 Advent begins	April 17 Palm Sunday
December 25 Christmas	April 22 Good Friday
March 8 Mardi Gras	April 24 Easter (Western & Orthodox)
March 9 Ash Wednesday (Lent begins)	June 12 Pentecost

EARTH-CENTERED SPIRITUALITY

September 23 Autumnal Equinox (Mabon)	March 20 Vernal Equinox (Eoster)
October 31 Samhain	May 1 Beltaine
December 21 Winter Solstice (Yule)	June 21 Summer Solstice (Litha)
February 2 Imbolc	August 1 Lughnasadh

USA CIVIL HOLIDAYS

November 24 Thanksgiving Day
January 17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 21 Presidents Day
April 22 Earth Day
May 8 Mothers Day