

## 248th Independence Day of US

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Recently, the US has celebrated its 248th anniversary of its Independence Day on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

- The US was declared as a sovereign nation after the adoption of the Declaration of Independence by the Second Continental Congress on 4th July 1776.
  - This day marked the separation of British colonies from Great Britain.
- The struggle for independence began in 1775 when the 13 American colonies sought freedom from British rule under **King George III**.
  - This conflict sparked the American Revolutionary War (1775-1783), fueled by the colonies desire for self-governance and freedom from oppressive British policies.
- The American colonies voted to declare independence on 2nd July 1776, two days before the Declaration was approved and 12 of the 13 colonies officially decided to sever political ties with Great Britain.
- Causes of the American Revolutionary War included British trade restrictions hindering
  economic development, the ban on westward expansion, influence of Enlightenment
  thinkers, British attempts to tax the colonies, lack of representation in British
  Parliament, and harsh measures like the Coercive Acts intensifying colonial discontent.

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