

# CRASH COURSE: U.S. History

## TIME-STAMPED EPISODE 36: THE WORLD WAR II HOMEFRONT

1. The War Production Board and the Office of Price Administration are examples of how during WWII, the federal government exercised a huge amount of control over the \_\_\_\_\_. (1:13)
2. Proof that WWII brought an end to the \_\_\_\_\_ can be found in unemployment rates, which dropped to just \_\_\_\_\_ by 1943. (1:50)
3. War production went through the roof, with the U.S. making one ship per \_\_\_\_\_ and an airplane every \_\_\_\_\_ minutes. (2:05)
4. The huge federal spending during the war (more than had been spent in the entire previous history of the nation!) was paid for in two ways: \_\_\_\_\_ money and raising \_\_\_\_\_. (2:26)
5. To encourage production, the government offered “ \_\_\_\_\_ ” contracts to defense industries. These contracts guaranteed companies a profit. (2:58)
6. Spending patterns meant that the \_\_\_\_\_ became a center of industry, with \_\_\_\_\_ specifically receiving one-tenth of war spending. (3:18)
7. To keep production flowing, the government forced businesses to allow their workers to \_\_\_\_\_. (3:50)
8. By 1944, about 33% of all non-military workers were actually \_\_\_\_\_, with an additional 1/3 million of them serving in the U.S. armed forces. After the war, these workers were generally \_\_\_\_\_. (4:28)
9. President Roosevelt wanted to see an America that provided both civil \_\_\_\_\_ and economic \_\_\_\_\_. (5:39)
10. FDR’s famous “Four Freedoms” speech advocated freedom of speech and \_\_\_\_\_, along with freedom from want and \_\_\_\_\_. (5:53)
11. FDR’s vision of an Economic Bill of Rights that would guarantee full employment, housing, and medical benefits to all failed in Congress mainly because of \_\_\_\_\_ opposition. (6:25)
12. Returning military men received money for college along with low-cost house loans thanks to the \_\_\_\_\_. (6:42)
13. Conservative thinking after the war regarded government economic control as both fascist and \_\_\_\_\_, thanks in part to thinkers like Friedrich Hayek. (7:37)
14. The U.S. did little to help prevent the Holocaust, admitting only \_\_\_\_\_ Jews during the war years. (8:23)
15. The \_\_\_\_\_ Program brought in agricultural workers from Mexico; meanwhile, about half a million Mexican Americans served in the U.S. military, along with 25,000 \_\_\_\_\_ Americans. (8:53)
16. FDR’s Executive Order 9066 ordered people of \_\_\_\_\_ descent away from the West Coast and resulted in the imprisonment of more than 100,000 people, many of them American \_\_\_\_\_. (9:23)
17. More than one million \_\_\_\_\_ served in segregated units in the U.S. military. (9:56)
18. After civil rights leader A. Philip \_\_\_\_\_ demanded better treatment for African Americans, FDR issued Executive Order 8802, banning discrimination in \_\_\_\_\_ industries. (10:37)
19. The “Double V” campaign advocated for victory on two fronts: against the Axis overseas, and against \_\_\_\_\_ in America. (11:07)
20. At the Bretton Woods conference, the \_\_\_\_\_ replaced the pound as the main international currency. (12:02)
21. The United States helped to found a new organization to replace the failed League of Nations: the \_\_\_\_\_, whose main goal would be to promote world \_\_\_\_\_. (12:26)
22. Back in 1941, the U.S. and Britain had declared in the \_\_\_\_\_ that all people should be free to select their own government. (13:04)