

Jump start the nomination

Winners and contenders
in the Iowa caucus:

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Iowa caucus winners shown in **bold**

● Presidential nominee

■ Elected president

Democrat

Republican

Outcome

1976
Jimmy Carter ● ■
Birch Bayh
Fred Harris

Gerald Ford ●
Ronald Reagan

Carter's surprise (although finishing behind "uncommitted") and Scoop Jackson's last place finish determines the Dems' campaign; GOP goes for incumbent

1980
Jimmy Carter ●
Edward Kennedy

George H.W. Bush
Ronald Reagan ● ■
Howard Baker

Teddy Kennedy would make it closer later; Bush ends up as vice president

1984
Walter Mondale ●
Gary Hart
George McGovern

Ronald Reagan ● ■
(unopposed)

Hart established as only true challenger to former Vice President Mondale; astronaut John Glenn's poor showing grounds his bid

1988
Richard Gephardt
Paul Simon
Michael Dukakis ●

Bob Dole
Pat Robertson
George H.W. Bush ● ■

Sitting vice president falls third behind a televangelist as Iowa's Christian conservatives flex their muscle; Gephardt's bump gets overshadowed

1992
Tom Harkin
Paul Tsongas
Bill Clinton ● ■

George H.W. Bush ●
(unopposed)

Favorite-son Democrat and incumbent Republican make Iowa irrelevant

1996
Bill Clinton ● ■
(unopposed)

Bob Dole ●
Pat Buchanan
Lamar Alexander

Midwesterner Dole's unimpressive victory means a fight with the right wing; big-money boys Phil Gramm and Steve Forbes drop out and disappoint, respectively

2000
Al Gore ●
Bill Bradley

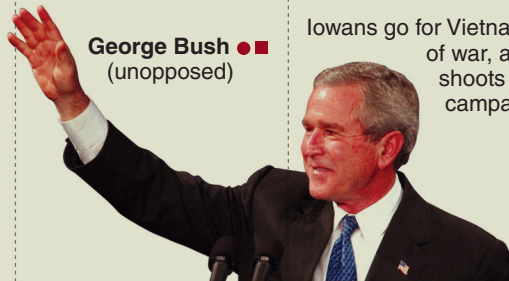
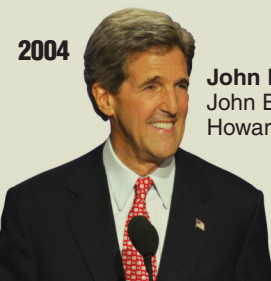
George Bush ● ■
Steve Forbes
Alan Keyes

Vice president begins sprint past lackluster hoop star; Bush fundraising and endorsement train builds steam quickly out of the station

2004
John Kerry ●
John Edwards
Howard Dean

George Bush ● ■
(unopposed)

Iowans go for Vietnam veteran in a time of war, and Dean's scream shoots down his upstart campaign



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