

State	Governor	Party	Education (Highest Degree Obtained)	First Elected In ^a	Previous Political Life
Nebraska	Pete Ricketts	Republican	University of Chicago, MBA	2014	Started at the top as governor; previously a businessman
Nevada	Brian Sandoval	Republican	Ohio State University	2010	District judge for the District of Nevada
New Hampshire	Maggie Hassan	Democrat	Northeastern School of Law (JD)	2012	President pro tempore and majority leader of New Hampshire State Senate
New Jersey	Chris Christie	Republican	Seton Hall University (JD)	2009	U.S. attorney for New Jersey
New Mexico	Susana Martinez	Republican	University of Oklahoma (JD)	2010	Elected district attorney
New York	Andrew Cuomo	Democrat	Albany Law School (JD)	2010	New York attorney general
North Carolina	Pat McCrory	Republican	Catawba College	2012	Appointed to Homeland Security Advisory Committee
North Dakota	Jack Dalrymple	Republican	Yale University	—	Lieutenant governor
Ohio	John Kasich	Republican	Ohio State University	2010	Member, U.S. House of Representatives
Oklahoma	Mary Fallin	Republican	University of Oklahoma	2010	Member, U.S. House of Representatives
Oregon	John Kitzhaber	Democrat	University of Oregon Medical School	1994	President, Oregon State Senate
Pennsylvania	Tom Wolf	Democrat	MIT, PhD	2014	State secretary of revenue
Rhode Island	Gina Raimondo	Democrat	Yale, J.D.	2014	State treasurer
South Carolina	Nikki Haley	Republican	Clemson University	2010	Member, South Carolina House of Representatives
South Dakota	Dennis Daugaard	Republican	Northwestern University (JD)	2010	Lieutenant governor
Tennessee	Bill Haslam	Republican	Emory University	2010	Mayor of Knoxville
Texas	Greg Abbott	Republican	Vanderbilt University, J.D.	2014	State attorney general
Utah	Gary Herbert	Republican	Brigham Young University (no degree)	—	Lieutenant governor
Vermont	Peter Shumlin	Democrat	Wesleyan University	2010	Member, Vermont House of Representatives
Virginia	Terry McAuliffe	Democrat	Georgetown University Law Center	2013	Started at the top as governor; previously a businessman
Washington	Jay Inslee	Democrat	Willamette University (JD)	2012	Member, U.S. House of Representatives
West Virginia	Earl Ray Tomblin	Democrat	University of Charleston	—	President, West Virginia Senate
Wisconsin	Scott Walker	Republican	Marquette University	2010	County executive of Milwaukee
Wyoming	Matthew Mead	Republican	University of Wyoming College of Law (JD)	2010	U.S. attorney for Wyoming

Source: National Governors Association, *Governors of the American States, Commonwealths and Territories, 2014* (Washington, DC: National Governors Association), <http://www.nga.org/files/live/sites/NGA/files/pdf/BIOBOOK.PDF>.

^aThose individuals with no dates shown in this column (—) were not elected to the governorship when they first took that office; rather, each was elevated to the position after the elected governor left office for some reason.