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SECRETARIES OF DEFENSE, 1947-1985

<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Appointing President</u>	<u>Dates of Service</u>	<u>Professional Background</u>	<u>Official National Security Experience</u>	<u>Length of Service in months</u>
Forrestal	Truman	17/9/47- 28/3/49	Investment Banker	Und. SecNav, 40-44 SecNav, 44-47	18
Johnson	Truman	28/3/49- 19/9/50	Lawyer	Asst. SecWr, 37-40	18
Marshall	Truman	21/9/50- 12/9/51	Military Officer	US Army, 1902-; Army COS, 39-45; SecState, 47-49	12
Lovett	Truman	17/9/51- 20/1/53	Investment Banker	Asst. SecWar for Air, 41-45; Und. SecState, 47-49; DepSecDef, 50-51	16
Wilson	Eisenhower	28/1/53- 8/10/57	Industrialist	None	56
McElroy	Eisenhower	9/10/57- 1/12/59	Industrialist	None	26
Gates	Eisenhower	2/12/59- 20/1/61	Investment Banker	Und. SecNav, 53-57; SecNav, 57-59; DepSecDef, 59	14
McNamara	Kennedy	21/1/61- 29/2/68	Industrialist	None	85
Clifford	Johnson	1/3/68- 20/1/69	Lawyer	None	11
Laird	Nixon	22/1/69- 29/1/73	Politician Govt	None	48
Richardson	Nixon	30/1/73- 24/5/73	Lawyer	Und. SecState, 69-70	4
Schlesinger	Nixon	2/7/73- 19/11/75	Economist	Chr. AEC, 71-73; Dir, CIA, 73	29
Rumsfeld	Ford	20/11/75- 20/1/77	Politician Govt	None	14
Brown	Carter	21/1/77- 20/1/81	Physicist	Dir, DRE, 61-65; SecAF, 65-69	48
Weinberger	Reagan	21/1/81-	Lawyer	None	