

Mitt Romney

The former governor of Massachusetts kicks off his second bid for the White House as the front-runner of a wide-open Republican field



■ **Born:** 1947, Detroit, Michigan

■ **Education**

1971: Graduates from Brigham Young University, law degree and MBA from Harvard

■ **Professional experience**

1978-84: Vice president of Bain & Company, Inc., management consulting firm

1984-98: Founds and runs Bain Capital private equity investment firm

1999-2002: Heads 2002 Salt Lake City Olympic Games Organizing Committee

■ **Political experience**

2003-07: Governor of Massachusetts

2008: Falls to **John McCain** in race to win Republican nomination

■ **Family:** Married **Ann Davies** in 1969, five sons. **Religion:** Mormon