



Today in History

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▲ Scientists announced they had finally detected gravitational waves, the ripples in the fabric of space-time that Einstein predicted a century ago

1962: The Beatles recorded their first album, *Please Please Me*

1997: Archaeologists in Chile discovered evidence of human presence dating back 12,500 years

2001: Scientists published the first complete map of the human genome. It found that humans are made up of only 30,000 genes, far fewer than originally thought

2013: Pope Benedict XVI became the first pontiff to retire since 1415