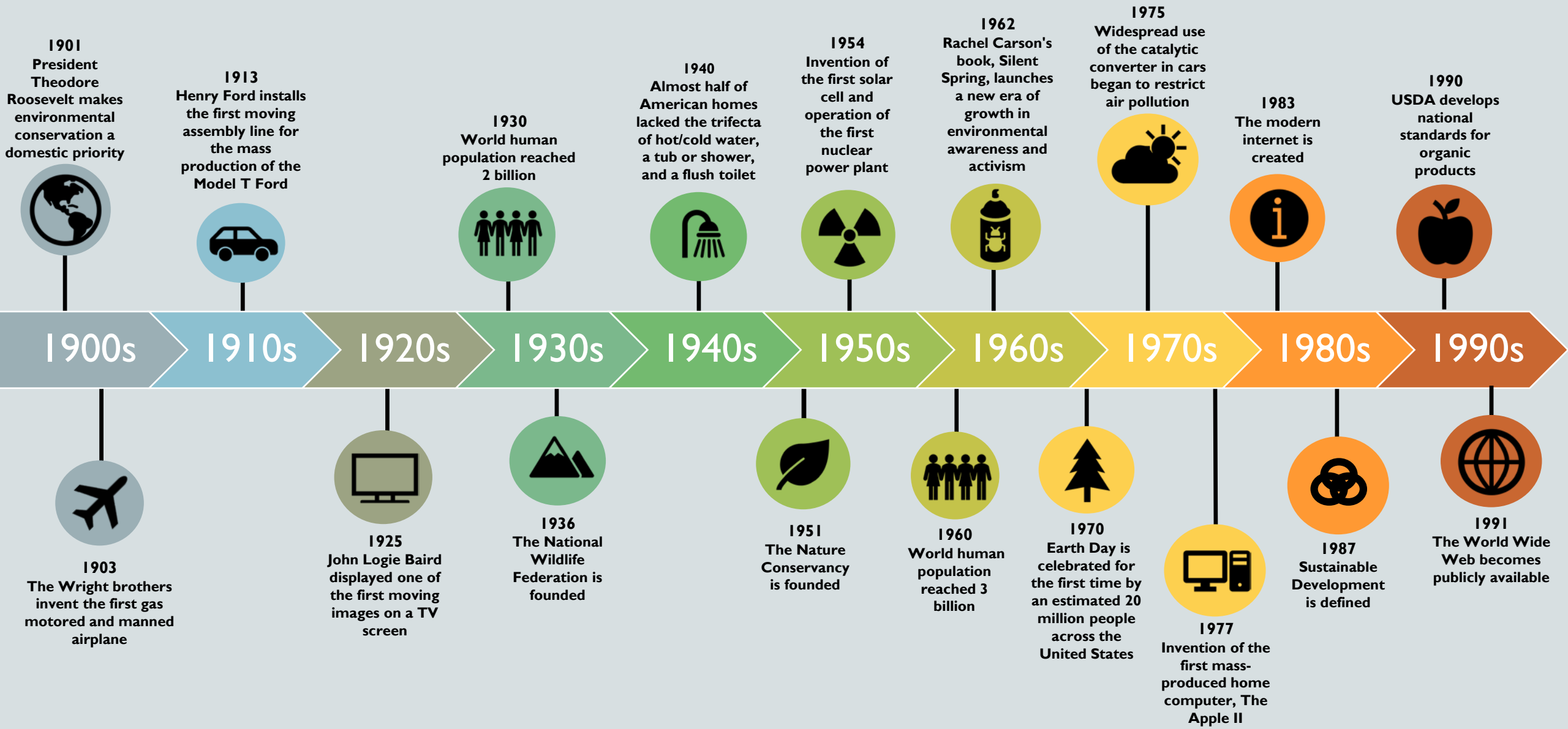
1900s
1901 President Theodore Roosevelt makes environmental conservation a domestic priority
1903 The Wright brothers invent the first gas motored and manned airplane
1910s
1913 Henry Ford installs the first moving assembly line for the mass production of the Model T Ford
1920s
1925 John Logie Baird displayed one of the first moving images on a TV screen
1930s
1930 World human population reached 2 billion
1936 The National Wildlife Federation is founded
1940s
1940 Almost half of American homes lacked the trifecta of hot/cold water, a tub or shower, and a flush toilet
1950s
1954 Invention of the first solar cell and operation of the first nuclear power plant
1951 The Nature Conservancy is founded
1960s
1960 World human population reached 3 billion
1962 Rachel Carson's book, Silent Spring, launches a new era of growth in environmental awareness and activism
1970s
1970 Earth Day is celebrated for the first time by an estimated 20 million people across the United States
1975 Widespread use of the catalytic converter in cars began to restrict air pollution
1977 Invention of the first mass-produced home computer, The Apple II
1980s
1983 The modern internet is created
1987 Sustainable Development is defined
1990s
1990 USDA develops national standards for organic products
1991 The World Wide Web becomes publicly available