



The War's Leaders



North

- President Lincoln: little military experience, but a strong leader and good war planner
- Difficulty finding excellent generals

South

- President Davis: military experience but didn't like to have others help with planning
- Excellent army officers

Strategies for Victory

North:

- naval blockade of Southern ports
- Seize Richmond (capital)
- Control the Mississippi

South:

- fight defensively until the North wears out
- Depend on money from cotton sales to Europe