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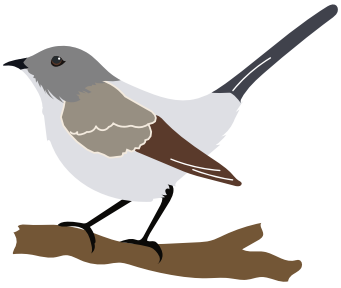
State Nickname: The Lone Star State

The Capitol of Texas is Austin.

The state tree is the Pecan Tree.



The state bird is the Northern Mockingbird.

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FUN FACTS:

Dr Pepper was invented in Waco, Texas, in 1885.

Texas has more than 16 million cattle, the most of any U.S. state.

The King Ranch in Texas is bigger than the entire state of Rhode Island.

The Texas state motto is "Friendship." This word was chosen because the name "Texas" comes from the Caddo word taysha, which means "friends" or "allies."

The state flower is the Bluebonnet.

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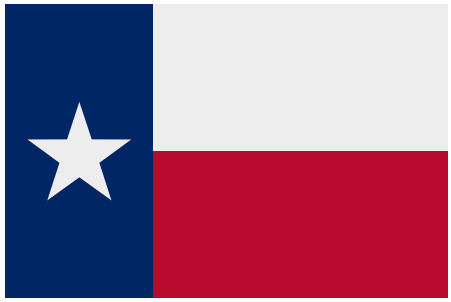
Established: December 29, 1845

The Texas state flag is called the "Lone Star Flag." It has one white star, which stands for independence, and its colors—red, white, and blue—stand for bravery, purity, and loyalty.



STATE FACTS:

- **Square Miles: 268,597**
- **2nd Largest State**
- **Largest City: Houston**
- **89 State Parks**
- **Highest Point: 8,751 feet, Guadalupe Peak**

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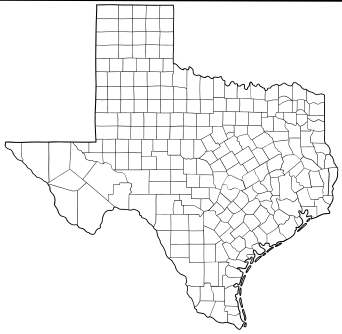
TEXAS HIGHLIGHTS:

Six different nations have ruled over Texas: Spain, France, Mexico, the Republic of Texas, the Confederate States, and the United States

Bats fly out from under Austin's Congress Avenue Bridge every evening — the largest urban bat colony in the world!

Texas has more farms than any other state, with over 127 million acres of farmland.



Texas is so big that you could fit 15 states the size of West Virginia inside it! It stretches over 800 miles across, which means driving from El Paso to Orange (both in Texas) takes longer than driving from El Paso to California!