



STATE OF TEXAS FACTS

Bird	Mockingbird, adopted in 1927
Fish	Guadalupe Bass, adopted in 1989
Flag	Lone Star Flag, adopted 1839
Flower	Bluebonnet, adopted in 1901
Fruit	Red Grapefruit, adopted in 1993
Insect	Monarch Butterfly, adopted in 1995
Nickname	The Lone Star State
Mammal	Texas Longhorn
Motto	Friendship, adopted in 1930
Tree	Pecan, adopted in 1919
Song	“Texas, Our Texas,” adopted in 1929 written by William J. Marsh
Gem	Blue Topaz
Dish	Chili, adopted in 1919
Entered the Union, 28th State	December 29, 1845
Land Area (Square miles 2000 census)	261,797
Rank in Nation	2nd
Population	24,782,302 (2009 projected population, 2010 census data not available at press time)
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Density per square mile	94 (approx.)
Number of U.S. Senators	2
Number of Representatives in Congress	32
Number of State Senators	31
Number of State Representatives	150
Capital City	Austin
Population	786,386
Ranked in State	4th
Largest City	Houston
Population (2009 Census Estimate)	2,257,926
Incorporated Cities in Texas	1,214