Texas is the second largest state in the United States by both land area and population. It is located in the south central region of the country with Mexico and the Gulf of Mexico along its southern border. The physical geography of the state encompasses plains, forests, and mountains with climates ranging from wet coastal areas to dry and barren deserts. The state has significant reserves of oil and natural gas, both on dry land and in the Gulf of Mexico. The GDP of Texas is over $1 trillion, a figure larger than that of most developed nations. Texas is the leading U.S. producer of oil and natural gas. Many of the state’s manufacturing companies are located along the Gulf Coast in close proximity to gas and oil resources. Texas leads the country in cattle and cotton production and is home to more farmland, sheep, and lambs than any other state.

Abbreviation: TX  
Capital: Austin  
Nick Name: Lone Star State  
Time Zone-Standard: GMT -6  
Time Zone-Daylight Saving: GMT -5  
Sales Tax Rate: 6.25%  
Motto: Friendship  
Web Site: https://www.texas.gov/  

Government  
Governor: Greg Abbott (R)  
Senator: John Cornyn (R)  
Senator: Ted Cruz (R)  
Entered Union: December 29, 1845  

Statistics  
Total GDP (Billions): $1,630,082.00 (2015)  
Per Capita Real GDP: $54,964 (2015)  
Population: 27,862,596 (2016)  
% of People under Poverty Level: 15.90%  
Per Capita Personal Income: $47,636  
Unemployment Rate: 4.60% (2016)  
% of Population with a Bachelor’s Degree: 28.40%  
Total Exports: $288,048,985,741.00 (2014)  

Top 5 Export Partner Countries  
Country | Exports  
--------- | --------  
Mexico | $100,993,929,765  
Canada | $25,885,319,789  
Brazil | $10,830,168,235  
China | $10,737,057,925  
Netherlands | $9,583,097,538  

Top 5 Export Merchandise  
Segment | Exports  
--------- | --------  
Petroleum & Coal Products | $60,955,279,987  
Computers & Electronic Prod. | $48,169,901,389  
Chemical Manufactures | $47,854,304,053  
Machinery Manufactures | $29,877,712,299  
Transportation Equipment | $24,402,427,683  

Major Cities  
City | Population  
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Houston | 2,296,224  
San Antonio | 1,469,845  
Dallas | 1,300,092  

Main Airports  
Code | Name | City  
-------- | ------ | -------  
AUS | Austin-Bergstrom International Airport | Austin  
DFW | Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport | Fort Worth  
HOU | William P. Hobby Airport | Houston  
IAH | George Bush Intercontinental Airport | Houston  
SAT | San Antonio International Airport | San Antonio  

Main Ports  
Port of Brownsville, Port of Corpus Christi, Port of Galveston, Port of Houston, Port of Port Arthur, Port of Texas City  

Corporations  
| Company | Fortune 1000 Rank | Revenue | City  
|--------- |------------------ |-------- |------  
| Exxon Mobil | 3 | $264,938 | Irving  
| McKesson | 8 | $214,319 | Irving  
| AT&T | 9 | $181,193 | Dallas  
| Phillips 66 | 27 | $109,559 | Houston  
| Valero Energy | 32 | $102,729 | San Antonio  
| Dell Technologies | 34 | $92,154 | Round Rock  
| Sysco | 56 | $60,113 | Houston  
| Energy Transfer | 59 | $54,213 | Dallas  
| American Airlines Group | 70 | $45,768 | Fort Worth  
| ConocoPhillips | 93 | $36,670 | Houston  

Corporate Marginal Income Tax Rate: None  
Individual Income Tax Rate: None  

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