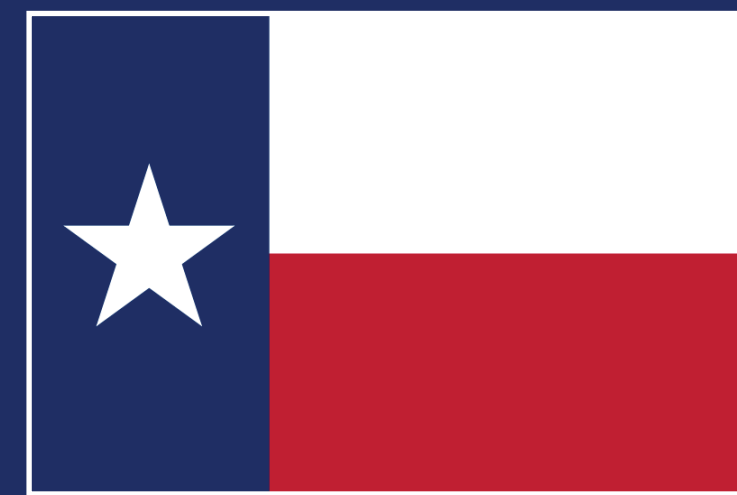
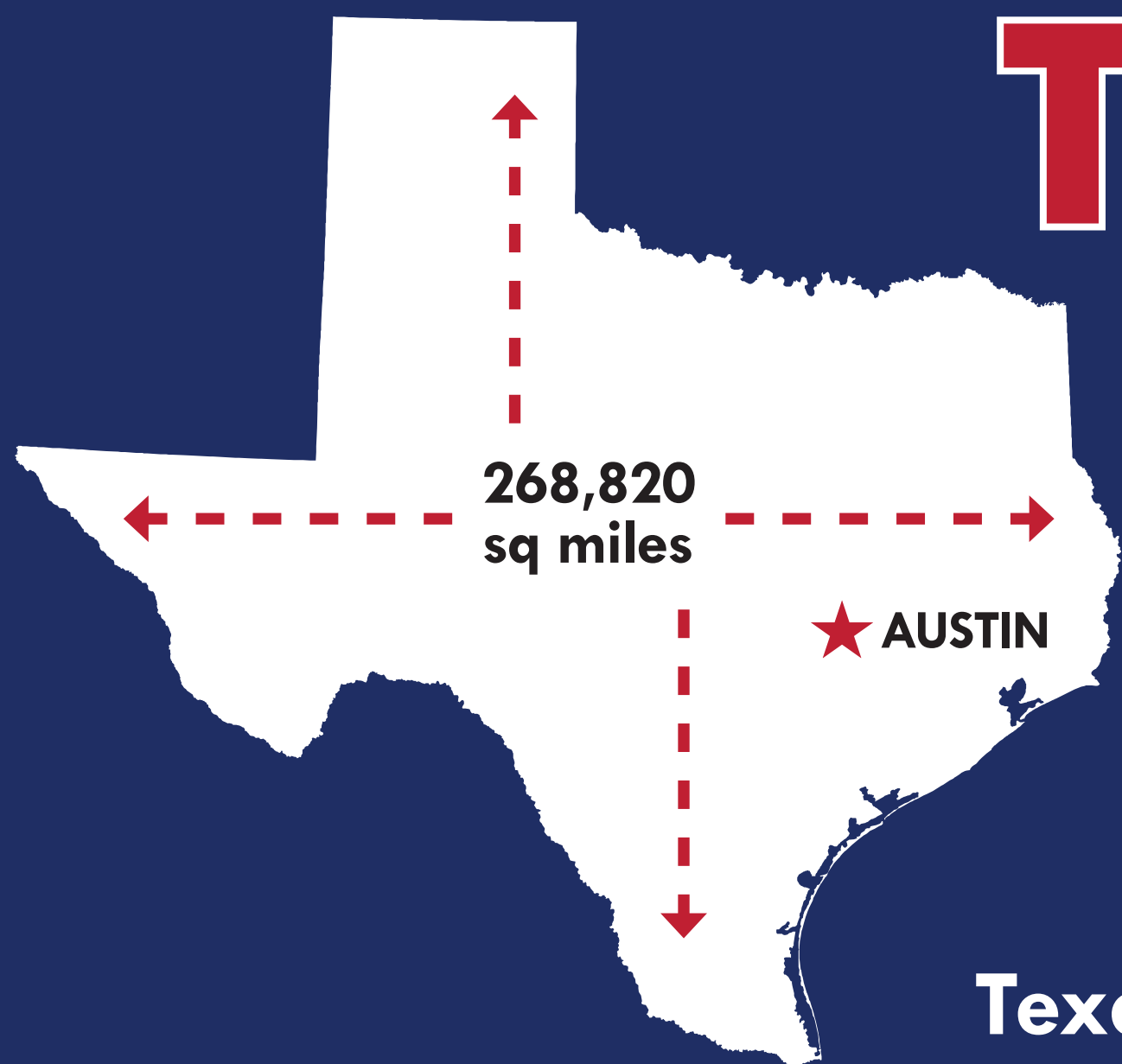


Lone Star State Texas

State Motto: *Friendship*



State Flag



268,820
sq miles

AUSTIN



36



Nickname: **The Lone Star State**
Capital: **Austin**
State postal code: **TX**
U.S. Representatives: **36**
Entered Union: **Dec. 29, 1845**

Texas' State Symbols



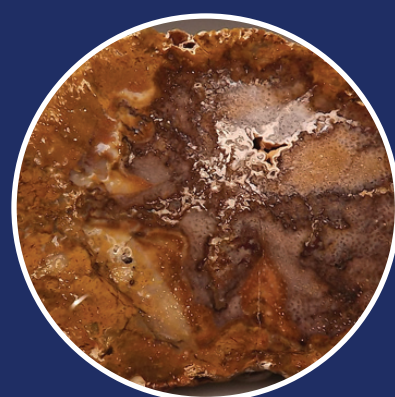
Flower:
Bluebonnet



Bird:
Mockingbird



Tree:
Pecan



Rock:
Petrified Palm



Gemstone:
Blue Topaz



State Seal




State Quarter

Historic Dates

1821 Americans, led by Stephen F. Austin, began to settle along the Brazos River while Texas was controlled by Mexico.

Brazos River Basin



1836  Following a brief war between the American settlers in Texas and the Mexican government, the Independent Republic of Texas was proclaimed with Sam Houston as president. This war was famous for the battles of the Alamo and San Jacinto.

1900 The worst natural disaster in United States history was caused by a hurricane that hit Galveston. More than 8000 deaths were recorded.



1969  The first word spoken from the moon on July 20, 1969 was "Houston."

2011 A drought gave Texas its hottest and driest 12 months on record prompting the state to begin researching new water sources.



4th **Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport**
busiest airport in the United States
The largest airport in Texas...
so big it has it's own post office & zip code!



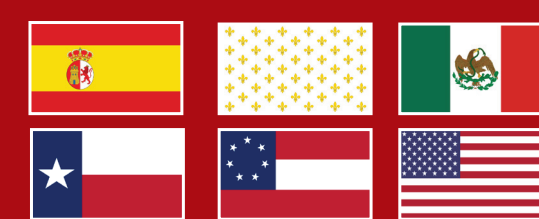
Odd Laws

- It is illegal to dust any public building with a feather duster.
- It is illegal to sell Limburger cheese on Sunday.
- It is illegal to milk another person's cow.



- The entire Encyclopedia Britannica is banned in Texas because it contains a formula for making beer at home.

DID YOU KNOW?



6 flags have flown over Texas with a total of eight changes of government:
Spanish 1519-1685 ★ French 1685-1690
Spanish 1690-1821 ★ Mexican 1821-1836
Republic of Texas 1836-1845 ★ United States 1845-1861 ★ Confederate States 1861-1865 and United States 1865-present.