

# TEXAS COUNTY NAMES

County	Created	Organized	Name type	Named	Note
<a href="#">Anderson</a>	1846		Statesman of the Republic of Texas	K. L. Anderson	Last Vice President of the Republic of Texas
<a href="#">Andrews</a>	1876	1910	Texas Revolution	Richard Andrews	Texas Revolutionary Soldier
<a href="#">Angelina</a>	1846		Indian	Angelina	Legendary Indian Maiden
<a href="#">Aransas</a>	1871		Spanish	Rio Nuestra Senora de Aranzazu	Derived for Spanish Palace
<a href="#">Archer</a>	1858	1880	Statesman of the Republic of Texas	Dr. B. T. Archer	Republic of Texas commissioner to the United States
<a href="#">Armstrong</a>	1876	1890	Pioneers		Honors Texas pioneer family
<a href="#">Atascosa</a>	1856		Spanish		Means boggy in Spanish
<a href="#">Austin</a>	1837		Texas Colonizer	Stephen F. Austin	Father of Texas
<a href="#">Bailey</a>	1876	1917	Texas Revolution	Peter J. Bailey	Died at the Alamo
<a href="#">Bandera</a>	1856		Geographical name	Bandera (Flag) mountains	
<a href="#">Bastrop</a>	1836		Texas Colonizer	Baron de Bastrop	Aided Moses Austin and colonist who settled in 1827
<a href="#">Baylor</a>	1858	1879	Texas Ranger	H.W. Baylor	Texas Ranger surgeon
<a href="#">Bee</a>	1857	1858	Statesman of the Republic of Texas	Gen Bernard Bee	Secretary of War, Secretary of State, RT
<a href="#">Bell</a>	1850		Texas Statesman	Peter Hansbrough Bell	Governor of Texas
<a href="#">Bexar</a>	1836			Duke de Bexar	A colonial capital of Texas
<a href="#">Blanco</a>	1858		Geographical name	Blanco (white) River	
<a href="#">Borden</a>	1876	1891	Statesman of the Republic of Texas	Gail Borden	patriot, inventor, editor
<a href="#">Bosque</a>	1854		Geographical name	Bosque (wood) River	
<a href="#">Bowie</a>	1840		Texas Revolution	Jim Bowie	Died at the Alamo
<a href="#">Brazoria</a>	1836		Geographical name	Brazos River	
<a href="#">Brazos</a>	1841		Geographical name	Brazos River	
<a href="#">Brewster</a>	1887		Statesman of the Republic of Texas	Henry P. Brewster	Republic of Texas secretary or war
<a href="#">Briscoe</a>	1876	1892	Texas Revolution	Andrew Briscoe	Republic of Texas soldiers
<a href="#">Brooks</a>	1911		Texas Ranger	J.A. Brooks	Texas Ranger, Legislator
<a href="#">Brown</a>	1856	1857	Pioneers	Henry S. Brown	Frontiersman
<a href="#">Burlison</a>	1846		Texas Revolution	Edward Burlison	Texas Revolution hero
<a href="#">Burnet</a>	1852	1854	Statesman of the Republic of Texas	David G. Burnet	Provisional president of the Republic of Texas
<a href="#">Caldwell</a>	1848		Pioneers	Matthew Caldwell	Frontiersman
<a href="#">Calhoun</a>	1846		American Statesman	John C. Calhoun	
<a href="#">Callahan</a>	1858	1877	Texas Ranger	J.H. Callahan	Texas Ranger
<a href="#">Cameron</a>	1848		Texas Revolution	Capt Ewing Cameron	Mier Expedition
<a href="#">Camp</a>	1874		Texas Jurist	John L. Camp	
<a href="#">Carson</a>	1876	1888	Statesman of the Republic of Texas	S.P. Carson	Republic of Texas, secretary of state
<a href="#">Cass</a>	1846		American Statesman	Lewis Cass	U.S. Senator
<a href="#">Castro</a>	1876	1891	Texas Colonizer	Henri Castro	
<a href="#">Chambers</a>	1858		Gen. T.J. Chambers	Surveyor	
<a href="#">Cherokee</a>	1846		Indian		
<a href="#">Childress</a>	1876	1887	Statesman of the Republic of Texas	George C. Childress	Author of the Texas Declaration of Independence
<a href="#">Clay</a>	1857	1873	American Statesman	Henry Clay	
<a href="#">Cochran</a>	1876	1924	Texas Revolution	Robert Cochran	Died at the Alamo
<a href="#">Coke</a>	1889		Texas Statesman	Richard Coke	Governor of Texas
<a href="#">Coleman</a>	1858	1864	Texas Revolution	R.M. Coleman	Aid to Sam Houston
<a href="#">Collin</a>	1846		Pioneers	Collin McKinney	Pioneer Settler
<a href="#">Collingsworth</a>	1876	1890	Statesman of the Republic of Texas	James Collingsworth	Republic of Texas first chief Justice (Name misspelled in law)
<a href="#">Colorado</a>	1836	1837	Geographical name	Colorado river	
<a href="#">Comal</a>	1846		Geographical name	Comal river	
<a href="#">Comanche</a>	1856		Indian		
<a href="#">Concho</a>	1858	1879	Geographical name	Concho river	
<a href="#">Cooke</a>	1848		Texas Revolution	Capt. W.G. Cooke	
<a href="#">Coryell</a>	1854		Pioneers	James Coryell	Local Pioneer
<a href="#">Cottle</a>	1876	1892	Texas Revolution	James Cottle	Died at the Alamo
<a href="#">Crane</a>	1887	1927		William Carey Crane	Baptist Minister, Baylor University President
<a href="#">Crockett</a>	1875	1891	Texas Revolution	David Crockett	Died at the Alamo
<a href="#">Crosby</a>	1876	1886		Stephen Crosby	Texas Land Commissioner
<a href="#">Culberson</a>	1911	1912	Texas Statesman	D. B. Culberson	Texas Congressman
<a href="#">Dallam</a>	1876	1891	Prominent Texas Citizen	James W. Dallam	Lawyer, editor
<a href="#">Dallas</a>	1846		American Statesman	George Mifflin Dallas	U.S. Vice President
<a href="#">Dawson</a>	1876	1905	Texas Revolution	Nicholas M. Dawson	San Jacinto veteran
<a href="#">Deaf Smith</a>	1876	1890	Texas Revolution	Eratus (Deaf) Smith	Famed scout
<a href="#">Delta</a>	1870		Geographical name		Named for the shape of the county
<a href="#">Denton</a>	1846		Pioneers	John B. Denton	Pioneer Methodist minister
<a href="#">DeWitt</a>	1846		Texas Colonizer	Green DeWitt	
<a href="#">Dickens</a>	1876	1891	Texas Revolution	James R. Demkins or Dimpkins or J. Dickens	Died at the Alamo
<a href="#">Dimmit</a>	1858	1880	Texas Revolution	Philip Dimitt	Name misspelled in law
<a href="#">Donley</a>	1876	1882		S.P. Donley	Texas Supreme Court Justice
<a href="#">Duval</a>	1858	1876	Texas Revolution	Burr H. Deval	Victim of Goliad Massacre
<a href="#">Eastland</a>	1858	1873	Texas Revolution	W.M. Eastland	Mier Expedition
<a href="#">Ector</a>	1887	1891		M.D. Ector	Jurist
<a href="#">Edwards</a>	1858	1883	Texas Colonizer	Hayden Edwards	
<a href="#">Ellis</a>	1849	1850	Texas Revolution	Richard Ellis	President of the convention that declared Texas Independence
<a href="#">El Paso</a>	1849	1850	Geographical name	Paso del Norte	Lowest all-weather pass through the Rocky Mountains
<a href="#">Erath</a>	1856		Texas Revolution	George B. Erath	
<a href="#">Falls</a>	1850		Geographical name		Brazos River falls
<a href="#">Fannin</a>	1837	1838	Texas Revolution	James W. Fannin	Victim of Goliad Massacre
<a href="#">Fayette</a>	1837	1838		Marquis de Lafayette	Hero of the American Revolution
<a href="#">Fisher</a>	1876	1886	Statesman Republic of Texas	S.R. Fisher	Republic of Texas secretary of the navy
<a href="#">Floyd</a>	1876	1890	Texas Revolution	Dolphin Ward Floyd	Died at the Alamo
<a href="#">Foard</a>	1891			Maj. Robert L. Foard	Confederate Army
<a href="#">Fort Bend</a>	1837	1838	Geographical name		Bend in Brazos River
<a href="#">Franklin</a>	1875			B.C Franklin	Jurist
<a href="#">Freestone</a>	1850	1851	Geographical name		Indigenous stone
<a href="#">Frio</a>	1871		Geographical name		Frio (cold) River
<a href="#">Gaines</a>	1876	1905	Texas Revolution	James Gaines	Signer of the Texas Declaration of Independence
<a href="#">Galveston</a>	1838	1839		Count Bernardo de Galvez	Spanish Governor of Louisiana
<a href="#">Garza</a>	1876	1907	Pioneers		Early Texas family
<a href="#">Gillespie</a>	1848			Capt. R.A. Gillespie	Texas Ranger
<a href="#">Glasscock</a>	1887	1893	Pioneers	George W. Glasscock	Texas Pioneer
<a href="#">Goliad</a>	1836	1837	Spanish		Anagram of (H)ildago

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Gonzales	1836	1837		Rafael Gonzales	Governor of Coahuila / Texas
Gray	1876	1902	Texas Statesman	Peter W. Gray	Member of first legislatures
Grayson	1846		Texas Statesman	Peter W. Grayson	Republic of Texas Attorney General
Gregg	1873			Gen. John Gregg	Confederate Army
Grimes	1846		Texas Statesman	Jesse Grime	Signer of the Texas Declaration of Independence
Guadalupe	1846		Geographical name		Guadalupe River
Hale	1876	1888	Texas Revolution	Lt J.C. Hale	Died in the Battle of Jacinto
Hall	1876	1890	Texas Statesman	W.C.D. Hall	Republic of Texas secretary of war
Hamilton	1842	1858	American Statesman	James Hamilton	Governor of South Carolina
Hansford	1876	1889		J.M Handford	Jurist
Hardeman	1876	1884	Pioneers	Bailey and T.J. Hardeman	
Hardin	1858		Texas Revolution	William Harden	
Harris	1836	1837	Pioneers	John J. Harris	Founder of Harrisburg 1821
Harrison	1839	1842	Texas Revolution	Jonas Harrison	Eloquent advocate of the Texas Revolution
Hartley	1876	1891	Pioneers	O.C. and R.K. Hartley	
Haskell	1858	1885	Texas Revolution	C.R. Haskell	Victim of Goliad Massacre
Hays	1843			Capt. Jack Hays	Texas Ranger
Hemphill	1876	1887	Statesman of the Republic of Texas	John Hemphill	Republic of Texas Justice
Henderson	1846		Texas Statesman	J. Pinckney Henderson	Texas Governor
Hildigo	1852			Father Miguel Hidalgo y Costillo	Leader of Mexico's Independence Movement.
Hill	1853		Statesman of the Republic of Texas	G.W. Hill	Republic of Texas official
Hockley	1876	1921	Statesman of the Republic of Texas	Gen. G.W. Hockley	Republic of Texas secretary of war
Hood	1866			Gen. John B. Hood	Confederate Army
Hopkins	1846		Pioneers		Hopkins Family
Houston	1837		Statesman of the Republic of Texas	Sam Houston	Governor of Tennessee, President of the Republic of Texas, Governor of Texas, Senator for Texas
Howard	1876	1882		V.E. Howard	Texas Legislator
Hudspeth	1917			Claude B. Hudspeth	
Hunt	1846		Statesman of the Republic of Texas	Mernican Hunt	Republic of Texas secretary of navy
Hutchinson	1876	1901	Pioneers	Anderson Hutchinson	Jurist
Irion	1889		Statesman of the Republic of Texas	R.A. Irion	
Jack	1856	1857	Texas Revolution	P.C. W.H. Jack	
Jackson	1835		American Statesman	Andrew Jackson	U.S. President
Jasper	1836	1837		Sgt. William Jasper	American Revolution Solder
Jeff Davis	1887			Jefferson Davis	U.S. Secretary of War, President of the Confederacy
Jefferson	1837		American Statesman	Thomas Jefferson	U.S. President
Jim Hogg	1913		Texas Statesman	James Stephen Hogg	Governor of Texas
Jim Wells	1911	1912		J.B. Wells, Jr.	Developer
Johnson	1854			Col M.T. Johnson	Mexican War, Confederacy
Jones	1876	1881	Statesman of the Republic of Texas	Anson Jones	Last President of the Republic of Texas
Karnes	1854		Texas Revolution	Henry W. Karnes	
Kaufman	1848		Texas Statesman	D.S. Kaufman	Member of Texas and U.S. Congress
Kendall	1862		Pioneers	George W. Kendall	Journalist - sheep man, early contributor to the Texas Almanac.
Kenedy	1921		Pioneers	Capt. Mifflin Kenedy	Steamboat operator, cattleman - Last Texas county organized
Kent	1876	1892	Texas Revolution	Andrew Kent	Part of the immortal 32 from Gonzales, Died at the Alamo
Kerr	1856		Pioneers	James Kerr	Member of Austin's colony
Kimble	1858	1876	Texas Revolution	George C. Kimble	Part of the immortal 32 from Gonzales, Died at the Alamo
King	1876	1891	Texas Revolution	William P. King	Part of the immortal 32 from Gonzales, Died at the Alamo
Kinney	1850	1874	Pioneers	H.L. Kinney	Founder of Corpus Christi
Kleberg	1913		Texas Revolution	Robert Kleburg	Veteran, Battle of San Jacinto
Knox	1876	1886	American Statesman	Henry Knox	U.S. Secretary of War
Lamar	1840	1841	Statesman in the Republic of Texas	Mirabeau B. Lamar	Second President of the Republic of Texas
Lamb	1876	1908	Texas Revolution	Lt. G.A. Lamb	Died at the battle of San Jacinto
Lampasas	1856		Geographical name		Thought to be named for the city of Lampazos, Mexico
La Salle	1858	1880	French Explorer	Robert Cavalier Sieur de la Salle	
Lavaca	1846		Geographical name		Lavaca (cow) River
Lee	1874			Gen Robert E. Lee	Confederate Army
Leon	1846		Pioneers	Martin de Leon	Founder of Victoria
Liberty	1836	1837	Geographical name		Named for Spanish municipality, Libertad
Limestone	1846		Geographical name		Named for indigenous rock
Lipscomb	1876	1887	Statesman Republic of Texas	A.S. Lipscomb	Republic of Texas leader
Live Oak	1856		Tree		
Llano	1856		Spanish		Spanish for plains
Loving	1887	1931	Pioneers	Oliver Loving	Trail driver
Lubbock	1876	1891		Col. Tom S. Lubbock	Confederate Terry's Ranger organizer
Lynn	1876	1903	Texas Revolution	W. Lynn	Died at the Alamo
Madison	1853	1854	American Statesman	James Madison	U.S. President
Marion	1860		American Revolution	Gen Francis Marion	
Martin	1876	1884	Statesman Republic of Texas	Wylie Martin	Republic of Texas Senator
Mason	1858		Fort	Fort Mason	
Matagorda	1837		Spanish		Cane break
Maverick	1856	1871		Sam A. Maverick	His name became a synonym for unbranded cattle
McCulloch	1856	1876	Texas Revolution	Gen. Ben McCulloch	Veteran, Battle of San Jacinto
McLennan	1850		Pioneers	Neil McLennan, Sr.	
McMullen	1858	1877	Colonizer	John McMullin	Nueces River pioneer-empresario
Medina	1848		Geographical name		Medina river
Menard	1858	1871	Pioneers	Michel Menard	Founder of Galveston
Midland	1885		Geographical name		Named for midway between Ft Worth and El Paso on the T&P Railroad
Milam	1836		Texas Revolution	Ben Milam	Died at the Battle for San Antonio, December 1835
Mills	1887		Pioneers	John T. Mills	Pioneer jurist
Mitchell	1876	1881	Pioneers	Asa and Eli Mitchell	Pioneer Brothers
Montague	1857	1858	Pioneers	Daniel Montague	
Montgomery	1837		American Revolution	Gen. Richard Montgomery	
Moore	1876	1892	Republic of Texas	E.W. Moore	Commander Republic of Texas Navy
Morris	1875		Texas	W.W. Morris	Legislator Jurist
Motley	1876	1891	Texas Revolution	J.W. Motley	Signer of the Texas Declaration of Independence. (Name misspelled in law)
Nacogdoches	1836	1837	Indian		Nacogdoches tribe lived here in the early 1700
Navarro	1846		Republic of Texas	Jose Antonio Navarro	Republic of Texas leader
Newton	1846		American Revolution	John Newton	

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Nolan	1876	1881		Phillip Nolan	Adventurer
Nueces	1846		Geographical name		Nueces River
Ochiltree	1876	1889	Republic of Texas	W.B. Ochiltree	Republic of Texas leader
Oldham	1876	1880		O.S. Oldham	Senator, Confederate States of America
Orange	1852		Tree		
Palo Pinto	1856	1857	Geographical name		Palo Pinto Creek (Palo Pinto Spanish for painted stick)
Panola	1846		Indian		Panola, Indian for cotton
Parker	1855		Pioneers	Isaac Parker	
Parmer	1876	1907	Republic of Texas	Martin Parmer	
Pecos	1871	1872	River		Pecos River
Polk	1848		American Statesman	James K. Polk	U.S. President
Potter	1876	1887	Republic of Texas	Robert Potter	
Presidio	1850	1875	Fort		Presidio del Norte (fort of the North)
Q (none)					
Rains	1870		Republic of Texas	Emory Rains	Republic of Texas leader
Randall	1876	1889		Gen. Horace Randal	Confederate Army (name misspelled in statute)
Reagan	1903			Sen. John H. Reagan	First chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission
Real	1913			Julius Real	Legislator ranchman
Red River	1837		River		Red River
Reeves	1883	1884		Col. George R. Reeves	Confederate Army
Refugio	1836	1837	Spanish		Spanish mission Our Lady of Refuge
Roberts	1876	1889	Texas	John S. and Gov. O.M. Roberts	
Robertson	1837	1838	Pioneers	Sterling Clack Robertson	
Rockwall	1873		Geographical name		Wall like rock formations
Runnels	1858	1880		H.G. Runnels	Legislator, planter
Rusk	1843		Republic of Texas	Thomas J. Rusk	Republic of Texas leader
Sabine	1836	1837	Spanish		Sabine, Spanish for cypress
San Augustine	1836	1837			Named for Mexican Municipality
San Jacinto	1869	1870	Battle		Battle of San Jacinto
San Patricio	1836	1847	Spanish		San Patricio, Spanish for San Patrick
San Saba	1856		River		San Saba river
Schleicher	1887	1901	Colonizer	Gustav Schleicher	Founder of a German colony
Scurry	1876	1884		Gen. W.R. Scurry	Confederate Army
Shackelford	1858	1874	Texas Revolution	Dr. Jack (John) Shackelford	Texas Revolution hero
Shelby	1836	1837	American Revolution	Isaac Shelby	
Sherman	1876	1889		Gen. Sidney Sherman	Battle of San Jacinto
Smith	1846		Texas Revolution	Gen. James Smith	
Somervell	1875	1876	Republic of Texas	Gen. Alexander Summervell	
Starr	1848		Republic of Texas	Dr. J.H. Starr	Republic of Texas secretary of the treasury
Stephens	1858	1876		Alexander H. Stephens.	CSA Vice President
Sterling	1891		Pioneers	W.S. Sterling	Famed buffalo hunter
Stonewall	1876	1888		Gen T.J. (Stonewall) Jackson	Confederate Army
Sutton	1887	1890		Col John S. Sutton	Confederate Army
Swisher	1876	1890	Texas Revolution	J.G. Swisher	
Tarrant	1849	1850		Gen Edward H. Tarrant	U.S. Army - Drove Indians for the area
Taylor	1858	1878	Texas Revolution	Edward, James and George Taylor	Died at the Alamo (brothers)
Terrell	1905			Gen. A.W. Terrell	Confederate Army
Terry	1876	1904		Col B.F. Terry	Terry's Rangers
Throckmorton	1858	1879		Dr. W.E. Throckmorton	Father of Texas Governor J.W. Throckmorton
Titus	1846		Pioneers	A.J. Titus	
Tom Green	1874		Texas Revolution	Gen. Tom Green	
Travis	1843		Texas Revolution	Col William B. Travis	Alamo commander, died at the Alamo
Trinity	1850		River		Trinity River
Tyler	1846		American Statesman	John Tyler	U.S. President
Upshur	1846		American Statesman	A.P. Upshur	U.S. Secretary of State
Upton	1887	1910		Colonels John and William Upton	Confederate Army
Uvalde	1850	1856	Mexican Statesman	Juan de Ugalde	1778 Governor of the State of Coahuila (name Anglicized)
Val Verde	1885		Battle		Named for Civil War Battle (means green valley)
Van Zandt	1848		Republic of Texas	Isaac Van Zandt	Republic of Texas leader
Victoria	1836		Mexican Statesman	Guadalupe Victoria	President of Mexico
Walker	1846			R.J. Walker	Texas Ranger?
Waller	1873		Republic of Texas	Edwin Waller	Republic of Texas leader
Ward	1887	1892	Republic of Texas	Thomas W. Ward	Republic of Texas leader
Washington	1836	1837	American patriots		1st President of the United States
Webb	1848		Republic of Texas	James Webb	Republic of Texas leader
Wharton	1846		Texas Revolution	John A. and William H. Wharton	Texas Revolution leaders
Wheeler	1876	1879	Pioneers	R.T. Wheeler	Pioneer jurist
Wichita	1858	1882	Indian		Indian tribe
Wilbarger	1858	1881	Pioneers	Josiah and Mathias Wilbarger	
Willacy	1911	1921	Texas	John G. Willacy	Texas Legislator
Williamson	1848		Pioneers	Robert M. Williamson	"Three Legged Willie"
Wilson	1860		Texas Revolution	James C. Wilson	Mier Expedition
Winkler	1887	1910		Col C.M. Winkler	Confederate Army
Wise	1856		American Statesman	Henry A. Wise	U.S. Senator
Wood	1850		Texas Statesman	George T. Wood	Governor of Texas
X (none)					
Yoakum	1876	1907	Pioneers	Henderson Yoakum	Pioneer historian
Young	1856	1874		Col. W.C. Young	
Zapata	1858			Col. Antonio Zapata	
Zavala	1858	1884	Texas Revolution	Lorenzo de Zavala	Texas Revolutionary leader