

### Introduction



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### THE REPUBLIC OF TEXAS 1836-1845



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### THE BIG QUESTION:

Why did Texas go from



An Independent Nation TO



An American State

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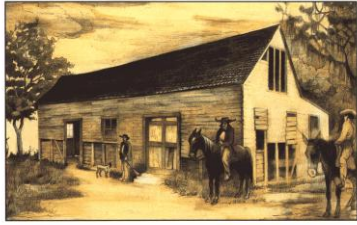
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### The Constitutional Convention 1836



Washington on the Brazos  
March 1836

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### THE FIRST REPUBLIC OF TEXAS ELECTION

September 5<sup>th</sup>, 1836

PRESIDENT



Houston  
5,119



Austin  
587

V.PRESIDENT



Lamar  
*unanimous*

ANNEXATION

3277- 291 IN FAVOR

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### 1<sup>st</sup> ANNEXATION ATTEMPT



U.S. President  
Andrew Jackson



Texas Minister  
Anson Jones

### TWO MAIN ISSUES

SLAVERY  
RELATIONS WITH MEXICO

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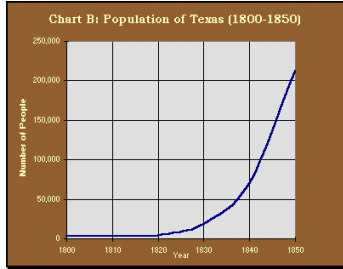
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### CHANGING DEMOGRAPHICS



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### THE RISE OF THE NATIONALISTS



HOUSTON



LAMAR

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### THE NATIONALIST AGENDA



1. Expand Texas Westward to the Pacific Ocean
2. War with Mexico
3. Expulsion of Indian Tribes
4. Obtain Recognition and Money from Europe

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### THE CAPITAL MOVES TO AUSTIN

HOUSTON



AUSTIN



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### THE NATIONALIST AGENDA CRUMBLES



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### HOUSTON RETURNS TO POWER

Autumn, 1841



Houston  
7,915



Burnet  
3,619

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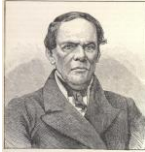
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## Mexico Invades



Antonio Lopez De Santa Ana



City of San Antonio

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## THE REVIVAL OF THE NATIONALISTS

The Snively Affair , Spring 1842



British Negotiate Texas-Mexico Peace, 1843



Rejection of Annexation Petition, June 1844



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## ELECTION OF 1844



Anson Jones  
7,037



Edward Byleson  
5,668

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### THREE CHOICES



Second War for Independence



British Economic Colony



Join the United States

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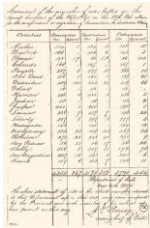


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### ANNEXATION



Popular Vote  
October 13, 1845



Texas Joins United States  
December 31, 1845

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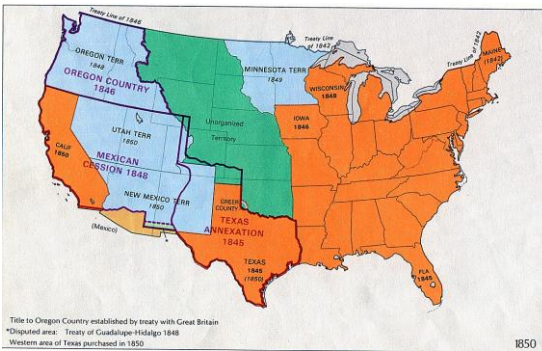


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### CONCLUSION




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