

# The Lone Star Centennial

## Introduction

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The Lone Star State is also a major economic force. It is home to a number of Fortune 500 companies, including ExxonMobil, AT&T, and Dell. Texas is also a leading producer of oil, gas, and cotton.

The Texas government is a complex system of checks and balances. The state is governed by a governor, a lieutenant governor, and a legislature. Texas is also home to a number of federal agencies, including the Johnson Space Center and the Fort Worth Army Base.

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## Book Description

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# Chapter 1: Centennial Celebrations

## A Century of Progress

Texas has a rich and storied history, and its centennial celebration in 1936 was a major event that showcased the state's progress and achievements. The celebration was held in Dallas, and it attracted visitors from all over the world.

One of the highlights of the centennial celebration was the Texas Centennial Exposition, which was held on the grounds of Fair Park. The exposition featured exhibits from all over the state, as well as from other countries. Visitors could learn about Texas's history, culture, and industry, and they could also enjoy a variety of entertainment, including concerts, plays, and rodeos.

Another highlight of the centennial celebration was the Texas Centennial Train, which traveled across the state, stopping at major cities and towns. The train was decorated with flags and bunting, and it carried a

variety of exhibits, including a replica of the Alamo and a model of the state capitol.

The centennial celebration was a major success, and it helped to boost the state's morale during the Great Depression. It also helped to promote Texas to the rest of the world, and it played a role in the state's economic development.

The centennial celebration was a time of great pride for Texans, and it is still remembered today as a major milestone in the state's history. It is a reminder of how far Texas has come in its first 100 years, and it is a testament to the state's resilience and determination.

Texas has continued to progress in the years since the centennial celebration. It is now one of the largest and most prosperous states in the United States, and it is a leader in many industries, including energy, technology, and agriculture. Texas is also a major cultural center, and it is home to a number of world-class museums, theaters, and music venues.

The centennial celebration was a turning point in Texas's history, and it helped to set the stage for the state's future success.

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## Texas Statehood

Texas declared its independence from Mexico on March 2, 1836. After a brief war, Texas won its independence and became the Republic of Texas. The Republic of Texas lasted for nine years, during which time it fought off several Mexican invasions and established its own government and laws.

In 1845, Texas was annexed by the United States. This annexation was controversial, as many people in the United States opposed the expansion of slavery into new territories. However, Texas was eventually admitted to the Union as the 28th state.

Texas statehood was a major milestone in the history of the state. It marked the end of Texas's independence and its official entry into the United States. Statehood also brought with it a number of changes, including the



abolition of slavery and the establishment of a new state government.

The centennial of Texas statehood was celebrated in 1945. This celebration was a major event in Texas, and it was attended by people from all over the state. The centennial celebration included a number of events, including parades, concerts, and historical exhibits. It was a time for Texans to reflect on their state's history and culture and to celebrate the progress that had been made since statehood.

The centennial of Texas statehood is a reminder of the state's long and proud history. It is also a reminder of the importance of statehood, which has allowed Texas to chart its own course and to become one of the most prosperous and dynamic states in the United States.

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## The World's Fair

The Texas Centennial Exposition, also known as the World's Fair, was held in Dallas, Texas, in 1936. It was a celebration of the 100th anniversary of Texas's independence from Mexico. The fair was a huge success, attracting over 6 million visitors.

The fairgrounds were located on a 200-acre site in Fair Park. The fair featured over 100 exhibits from all over the world. There were also a number of rides, games, and food vendors.

One of the most popular exhibits at the fair was the Hall of Progress. This exhibit showcased the latest advances in science and technology. Visitors could see everything from the latest cars to the latest medical equipment.

Another popular exhibit was the Hall of Nations. This exhibit featured exhibits from over 50 countries.

Visitors could learn about the culture and history of different countries from around the world.

The World's Fair was a major event in the history of Texas. It was a celebration of the state's rich history and culture. The fair also helped to put Texas on the map as a major tourist destination.

The World's Fair was also a major economic boost for Dallas. The fair created thousands of jobs and helped to revitalize the city's economy. The fair also helped to put Dallas on the map as a major city.

The World's Fair was a success for many reasons. It was well-organized, it had a wide variety of exhibits, and it was affordable. The fair also had a lot of support from the local community.

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