

## LOCAL OPTION ELECTIONS

There were 51 local option elections reported to the Texas Liquor Control Board in 1940.

Twenty-eight of the elections were county wide, with the following results:

12 against legalizing beer: Angelina, Bosque, Cochran, Coleman, Eastland, Jasper, Mason, McCulloch, Mitchell, Runnels, Walker and Yoakum.

4 against legalizing 14% beverages: Eastland, Rusk, Smith and Tyler.

1 against legalizing all alcoholic beverages: Midland.

4 for prohibiting beer: Freestone, Navarro, Somervell and Titus.

2 for prohibiting all alcoholic beverages: Cochran and Hockley.

3 against prohibiting beer: Gaines, Midland and Montgomery.

2 against prohibiting alcoholic beverages: Howard and Shackelford.

There were 20 precinct elections and three elections in incorporated towns. The election in the town of Killeen in Bell County was an anachorism, however, inasmuch as Killeen is located in a dry precinct and the law provides that there can be no wet subdivision in a dry area.

The voting in 1940: (Note: In the following tabulations the first figure denotes the "wet" total, the second figure the "dry" total.)

Angelina County:

Angelina County voted (1701-2725)  
against legalizing beer April 27.

Atascosa County:

Precinct 2 (Somerset, Sand Branch, Ditto,  
Benton, Rossville, Lytle, Poteet) voted  
(233-216) against prohibiting alcoholic  
beverages Nov. 23.

Bell County:

Town of Killeen in Precinct 7 voted  
(66-306) against legalizing beer  
June 18.

Blanco County:

Precinct 3 (Round Mountain) voted  
(30-29) against prohibiting beer Sept. 9.

Bosque County:

Bosque County voted (1094-3089) against  
legalizing beer July 27.

Bowie County:

Precinct 4 (Sand Hill, College Hill,  
Bassetts, Old Union, Simms) voted  
(170-200) for prohibiting beer Sept. 21.



Callahan County:

Precinct 2 (Oplin, Dudley, Denton) voted (103-167) for prohibiting beer March 9.

Precinct 6 (Cross Plains, Dressy, Caddo Peak) voted (241-213) against prohibiting beer March 9.

Town of Putnam in Precinct 8 voted (90-89) against prohibiting beer Oct. 23.

Carson County:

Precinct 5 (Groom) voted (133-120) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages April 27.

Clay County:

Precinct 3 (Petrolia, Charlie, Deandale) voted (157-154) against prohibiting 14% beverages June 15.

Cochran County:

Cochran County voted (419-552) for prohibiting all alcoholic beverages Aug. 29.

Cochran County voted (311-533) against legalizing beer Oct. 2.

Coleman County:

Coleman County voted (863-2308) against legalizing beer Oct. 29.

Dallas County:

Town of Preston Hollow voted (49-97) for prohibiting all alcoholic beverages Feb. 24.

Eastland County:

Eastland County voted (2543-2661) against legalizing 14% beverages March 2.

Eastland County voted (2162-2633) against legalizing beer Oct. 23.

Freestone County:

Freestone County voted (1515-1604) for prohibiting beer Dec. 21.

Gaines County:

Gaines County voted (859-596) against prohibiting beer Aug. 28.

Hockley County:

Hockley County voted (232-1396) for prohibiting all alcoholic beverages Dec. 28.

Howard County:

Howard County voted (1852-1344) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages Nov. 23.



Jasper County:

Jasper County voted (804-1266) against legalizing beer March 30.

Kerr County:

Precinct 4 (Ingram, Hunt, Mountain Home) voted (354-258) against prohibiting beer March 30.

Precinct 2 (Center Point, Camp Verde) voted (163-81) against prohibiting beer Sept. 28.

Lamar County:

Precinct 4 (Blossom) voted (153-294) against legalizing beer Oct. 27.

Lipscomb County:

Precinct 2 (Booker, Darrouzett) voted (89-214) against legalizing beer May 31.

Mason County:

Mason County voted (639-1090) against legalizing beer Nov. 5.

McCulloch County:

McCulloch County voted (734-1478) against legalizing beer Sept. 23.

Midland County:

Midland County voted (510-706) against legalizing all alcoholic beverages May 11.

Midland County voted (1037-277) against prohibiting beer Aug. 8.

Mitchell County:

Mitchell County voted (681-1015) against legalizing beer June 1.

Montgomery County:

Precinct 4 (Montgomery, Dobbin, Dacus, Brantley, Arnold) voted (133-259) against legalizing beer April 27.

Precinct 8 (Fostoria, Splendora) voted (13-115) for prohibiting beer May 4.

Precinct 2 (New Caney, Porters) voted (108-102) against prohibiting beer Sept. 28.

Montgomery County voted (1605-1534) against prohibiting beer Nov. 2.

Navarro County:

Navarro County voted (2334-3034) for prohibiting beer September 28.

Runnels County:

Runnels County voted (1427-1681) against legalizing beer Aug. 31.



Rusk County:	Rusk County voted (3147-3770) against legalizing 14% beverages March 1.
San Patricio County:	Precinct 8 (Taft) voted (129-267) for prohibiting all alcoholic beverages Jan. 30.
	Precinct 4 (Portland, Gregory) voted (21-232) against legalizing beer March 30.
Shackelford County:	Shackelford County voted (719-626) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages May 11.
Smith County:	Smith County voted (3993-4168) against legalizing 14% beverages March 2.
Somervell County:	Somervell County voted (229-236) for prohibiting beer November 23.
Titus County:	Titus County voted (1310-2080) for prohibiting beer November 29.
Tyler County:	Tyler County voted (603-966) against legalizing 14% beverages July 20.
Walker County:	Walker County voted (595-1355) against legalizing beer August 31.
Wheeler County:	Precinct 1 (Wheeler, Stanley, Corn Valley, McBee, Allison) voted (124-349) against legalizing beer October 26.
Wichita County:	Precinct 4 (Electra, Kamay) voted (766-523) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages July 8.
	Precinct 2 (Burkburnett) voted (326-668) for prohibiting all alcoholic beverages Aug. 19.
Wilbarger County:	Precinct 2 (Oklaunion, Harrold, Elliott, Guyer) voted (67-223) against legalizing beer May 11.
Yoakum County:	Yoakum County voted (277-382) against legalizing beer April 27.



TEXAS COUNTIES IN WHICH DISTILLED SPIRITS ARE LEGAL: 98

(Asterisk indicates counties wholly wet; all others dry in part.)  
 (Tabulation as of December 31, 1940)

*Aransas	Fayette	*King	*Reeves
Atascosa	Fort Bend	*Kinney	Refugio
*Austin	Galveston	*La Salle	San Patricio
Bastrop	Gillespie	Lavaca	Shackelford
*Bee	Goliad	Lee	*Starr
*Bexar	Gonzales	Liberty	*Sutton
Blanco	Gray	Live Oak	Tarrant
*Brewster	Gregg	Llano	*Terrell
Burleson	Guadalupe	*Loving	Tom Green
Calhoun	Hardin	Marion	Travis
Cameron	Harris	Matagorda	*Trinity
Carson	*Hartley	Maverick	*Upton
Chambers	*Hidalgo	McLennan	Uvalde
Colorado	*Howard	McMullen	*Val Verde
*Comal	*Hudspeth	Medina	Victoria
*Crane	Hutchinson	*Menard	Waller
*Culberson	Jackson	Milam	Ward
Dallam	Jefferson	*Moore	*Washington
Dallas	*Jim Hogg	Nueces	*Webb
DeWitt	Jim Wells	Orange	*Wharton
*Duval	Karnes	Pecos	Wichita
*Ector	*Kendall	*Potter	Williamson
Edwards	*Kenedy	*Presidio	Wilson
*El Paso	Kerr	*Reagan	*Winkler
Falls			*Zapata

TEXAS COUNTIES IN WHICH ONLY 4% BEER IS LEGAL: 30 Plus 3 which permit sale of 14% beverages

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 (Tabulation as of December 31, 1940)

*Archer	Callahan	*Kimble	Nolan
Bandera	Concho	*Kleberg	Robertson
Bell	*Frio	Lamar	San Jacinto
Bowie	*Gaines	Limestone	Stephens
*Brazoria	Grayson	Lipscomb	*Sterling
Brazos	*Hemphill	Midland	Wilbarger
*Brooks	Jeff Davis	Montgomery	Willacy
Caldwell			*Zavala

Clay, Palo Pinto and Wheeler counties permit sale of 14% beverages.



TEXAS COUNTIES TOTALLY DRY: 123  
 (Tabulation as of December 31, 1940)

Anderson	Denton	Hunt	Polk
Andrews	Dickens	Irion	Rains
Angelina	Dimmitt	Jack	Randall
Armstrong	Donley	Jasper	Real
Bailey	Eastland	Johnson	Red River
Baylor	Ellis	Jones	Roberts
Borden	Erath	Kaufman	Rockwall
Bosque	Fannin	Kent	Runnels
Briscoe	Floyd	Knox	Rusk
Brown	Fisher	Lamb	Sabine
Burnet	Foard	Lampasas	San Augustine
Camp	Franklin	Leon	San Saba
Cass	Freestone	Lubbock	Schleicher
Castro	Garza	Lynn	Scurry
Cherokee	Glasscock	Madison	Shelby
Childress	Grimes	Martin	Sherman
Cochran	Hale	Mason	Smith
Coke	Hall	McCulloch	Somervell
Coleman	Hamilton	Mills	Stonewall
Collin	Hansford	Mitchell	Swisher
Collingsworth	Hardeman	Montague	Taylor
Comanche	Harrison	Morris	Terry
Cooke	Haskell	Motley	Throckmorton
Coryell	Hays	Nacogdoches	Titus
Cottle	Henderson	Navarro	Tyler
Crockett	Hill	Newton	Upshur
Crosby	Hockley	Ochiltree	Van Zandt
Dawson	Hood	Oldham	Walker
Deaf Smith	Hopkins	Panola	Wise
Delta	Houston	Parker	Wood
		Parmer	Yoakum
			Young

DRY AREAS IN "PARTLY WET" TEXAS COUNTIES WHICH HAVE LEGALIZED DISTILLED SPIRITS

(Tabulation as of December 31, 1940)

Atascosa County:	Christine.
Bastrop County:	Only beer legal in High Gorge, Cedar Creek, Kenton, McDade, Watterson, Red Rock, East Elgin, McDuff.
Blanco County:	East Blanco, Herwig, Sandy, Post Oak, Cypress Mill, Wilson.
Burleson County:	Chriesman, Fraimville.



Calhoun County:	Cross Bay.
Cameron County:	Santa Rosa.
Carson County:	White Deer, Conway.
Chambers County:	Cedar Bayou, Cove.
Colorado County:	Rock Island Independent School District.
Dallam County:	Conlen, Kerrick.
Dallas County:	Farmers Branch, Carrollton, Richardson, Sachse, Garland, Rose Hill, New Hope, Mesquite, Seagoville, Lawson, Kleburg, Hutchins, Wilmer, Lancaster, Duncanville, Cedar Hill, Wheatland, De Soto, Dalworth Park, University Park, Preston Hollow. Only beer legal in Oak Cliff, Grand Prairie, Arcadia, Florence Hill, Irving.
DeWitt County:	Concrete, Thomaston.
Edwards County:	Barksdale.
Falls County:	Chilton, Blevins, Cego, Satin, Mooresville, Dott, Eddy.
Fayette County:	West Point, Muldoon.
Fort Bend County:	Only beer legal in Needville, Beasley, Gay, Kendleton, Missouri City, Stafford, Hobby, Dewalk, Fresno, Arcola, Juliff, Howden.
Galveston County:	Part of Texas City Independent School District outside limits of Texas City.
Gillespie County:	Willow City Independent School District.
Goliad County:	Charco.
Gonzales County:	Belmont, Oak Forest, St. James, Leesville, Monthalia, Dewville, Bebe, Nixon, DeWet, Smiley, Sedan, Teas, School Land, Sample Wrightsboro, Hamon, Pilgrim, Cheapside, Five Miles, Waelder; 14% beverages legal in Cedar Springs, Saturn, Thomsonville.
Gray County:	Alanreed, McLean, Groom, Jericho.



Gregg County	Judson.
Guadalupe County:	Staples, Bear Hollow, East Redwood.
Hardin County:	Village Mills, Honey Island, Votaw, White Oak.
Harris County:	Houston Heights, Sunset Heights, Huffman, Katy, Pasadena.
Hutchinson County:	Holt, Plemons.
Jackson County:	Red Bluff, LaWard, Carancahua, Lolita, Rich Square.
Jefferson County:	Pear Ridge. 14% beverages legal in Voth, Rosedale. Only beer legal in Hamshire, La Belle, Cheek, Fannett.
Jim Wells County:	Sandia.
Karnes County:	Helena, Brieger School.
Kerr County:	Only beer legal in Center Point, Ingram, Hunt, Sunset, Divide, Live Oak, Reservation, Camp Verde, Mountain Home.
Lavaca County:	Koerth, Hope, Ezzell.
Lee County:	Tanglewood.
Liberty County:	Only beer legal in Clark, Rye, Romayor, Milvid, Fuqua, Cleveland, Dolen, Rayburn, Tarkington, Hightower.
Live Oak County:	La Garto.
Llano County:	Dimen School, Sandy Mountain, Click, Sand Creek, Gainesville, Six Mile, Kingsland.
Marion County:	Jefferson, Prospect, Lassiter, Liberty, Kelleyville. Only beer legal in Mims, Smithhead, Grays.
Matagorda County:	Clemville, Buckeye, Markham.
Maverick County:	Quemado, Normandy.
McLennan County:	Moody, Crawford. Only beer legal in McGregor.



McMullen County:	Only beer legal in Tilden.
Medina County:	Only beer legal in Devine.
Milam County:	Lilac, Tracy, San Gabriel, Crush, Friendship.
Nueces County:	Calallan, Driscoll. Only beer legal in Bishop, Robstown, Petronila, Agua Dulce, Banquete.
Orange County:	West Orange, Bancroft.
Pecos County:	Buenavista, Imperial.
Refugio County:	Bayside.
San Patricio County:	Odem, Gregory, Portland, Mathis, Taft.
Shackelford County:	Berryhill, Hastings. Only beer legal in Moran, Sedwick.
Tarrant County:	Watuga, Saginaw, Rendon, Crowley, Oak Grove, Everman, and area on Highway No. 2 between Fort Worth and Burleson. Only beer legal in Arlington, Littles, Johnson Station, Haltom City, Birdwell, Grapevine, Smithfield, Keller, Webb City.
Tom Green County:	Wall, Glenmore, Veribest, Fairview, Knickerbocker, Christoval. Only beer legal in San Angelo.
Travis County:	Sprinkle, New Sweden, Decker, Lund, Kimbro, Carlson, Govalle, Fiskville, Pecan Springs, Ridgetop, Creedmoor, Carl, Colton, Garfield, Del Valle, Bluff Springs, East St. Elmo, Elroy, Webberville, Hornsby Bend.
Uvalde County:	Sabinal, Utopia, Con Can, Bear Creek, Montell, Reagan Wells, Alding, Leguna. Only beer legal in Knippa.
Victoria County:	Anaqua, Nursery, Bloomington.
Waller County:	Waller.
Ward County:	Barstow.
Wichita County:	Burkburnett. Only beer legal in Iowa Park.



Williamson County: Beaukiss, Rock House, Hopewell, Gano, Mager, Woodrow, Berry's Creek, Jonah, Gabriel Mills, Georgetown, Leander, Liberty Hill, Andice, Florence, Weir. Only beer legal in Hutto, Round Rock, Cedar Park, Pond Springs, Laneport, Pleasant Hill, Hare.

Wilson County: Sutherland Springs, Pandora, Stockdale.

DRY AREAS IN "PARTLY WET" COUNTIES WHICH HAVE LEGALIZED BEER.  
(Tabulation as of December 31, 1940.)

Bandera County: Medina, Lima, Tuff, Blackett, Vanderpool, Taylor School.

Bell County: Kolls, Salado, Summers Mill, Troy, Prairie Dell, Wilkerson Valley, Moffatt, Bland, Stampede, Killeen, Nolanville, Sparta, Brookhaven, Youngsport, Cedar Valley, Maxdale, Okay.

Bowie County: New Boston, De Kalb, Maud, Dalby Springs, Wards Creek, College Hill, Sand Hill, Old Union, Bassetts, Simms.

Brazos County: Kurten.

Caldwell County: McNeal, Oakland, Fentress, Martindale, Lytton Springs, Dale, Rock Water Hole, McMinn.

Callahan County: Clyde, Eula, Oplin, Dudley, Denton.

Concho County: Paint Rock, Millersview.

Grayson County: Van Alstyne, Howe, Elmont, Farmington, Jameson, Whitewright, South Bells, Tom Bean, Pilot Grove, Collinsville, Gunter, Tioga, Whitesboro, Satler, South Maid, Gordonville, Pottsboro.

Jeff Davis County: Fort Davis.

Lamar County: Deport, Hopewell, Hinkley, Amherst, Marvin, Mansfield, Petty, Roxton, High, Brookston, Harmon, Milford, Ambia, Broadway, Howland, Atlas, Glory, Bairdston, Sylvan, Reno, Faught, Medill, Faulkner, Emerson, Caviness, Garrets Bluff, Chicota, Direct, Sumner, Maxey, Minter, Cunningham, Milton, Pattonville, Powderly, Arthur City, Blossom.



Limestone County:	Coolidge, Munger, Hancock, Datura.
Lipscomb County:	Booker, Darrouzett.
Midland County:	Germania.
Montgomery County:	Montgomery, Dobbin, Dacus, Brantley, Arnold, Magnolia, Pinehurst, Fostoria, Splendora.
Nolan County:	Roscoe, Champion, Wastella, Divide, Hylton, Blackwell.
Robertson County:	Wheelock.
San Jacinto County:	Shepherd.
Stephens County:	Caddo, Harpersville.
Wilbarger County:	Oklunion, Harrold, Elliot, Guyer, Odell, Lockett, Five-in-One.
Willacy County:	East Raymondville, Lyford.

DRY AREAS IN "PARTLY WET" TEXAS COUNTIES WHICH HAVE LEGALIZED 14% BEVERAGES  
(Tabulation as of December 31, 1940.)

Clay County:	Newport, Shannon, Vashti, Joy.
Palo Pinto County:	Palo Pinto, Posedion, Lone Camp, Grayford, Salesville, Oran, Gordon, Brazos, Santo, Brad.
Wheeler County:	Mobeetie, Wheeler, Allison, Briscoe, Stanley, McBee, Corn Valley.