

### LOCAL OPTION ELECTIONS

There were nineteen local option elections reported in 1943. Twelve were county-wide, and seven were precinct elections.

The voting in 1943:

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

Archer County: Precinct 8 voted (42-68) against legalizing the sale of beer on December 4.

Chambers County: Precinct 7 voted (88-81) to prohibit the sale of all alcoholic beverages on December 8.

Concho County: Concho County voted (495-487) to continue the sale of beer on November 6.

Precinct 5 (Lowake) voted (38-49) to prohibit the sale of beer on March 27.

Dallas County: Precinct 8 (including Irving) voted (453-689) against legalizing 14% beverages on February 13.

Gaines County: Gaines County voted (677-663) to continue the sale of beer on February 27.

Kinney County: Kinney County voted (342-109) against prohibiting all alcoholic beverages on January 23.

Lamar County: Lamar County voted (1526-3667) against legalizing the sale of 14% beverages on March 23.

Nolan County: Nolan County voted (863-1738) against legalizing the sale of 14% beverages on February 27.

Reeves County: Precinct 3 (Balmorhea and Saragosa) voted (139-58) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages on March 27.

The voting in 1943: (Continued)

Runnels County: Runnels County voted (909-1357) against legalizing the sale of beer on May 29.

Shackelford County: Shackelford County voted (431-517) to prohibit the sale of all alcoholic beverages on September 4.

Somervell County: Somervell County voted (251-346) against legalizing all alcoholic beverages on May 29.  
Voted (265-347) against legalizing 14% beverages on May 29.

Stephens County: Stephens County voted (1224-849) against prohibiting the sale of beer on October 9.

Ward County: Precinct 3 (Grandfalls-Royalty) voted (65-118) for prohibiting the sale of all alcoholic beverages on January 26.

Wharton County: Precinct 3 voted (398-161) against prohibiting alcoholic beverages on April 17.

Wichita County: Wichita County voted (4946-5006) against legalizing beer on March 13.

Wilbarger County: Wilbarger County voted (1234-1527) against legalizing beer on May 29.

WET-DRY STATUS OF TEXAS COUNTIES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1943

(Asterisk indicates counties wholly wet; all others dry in part.)

COUNTIES IN WHICH DISTILLED SPIRITS ARE LEGAL: 94

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

COUNTIES IN WHICH ONLY 4% BEER IS LEGAL: 22

Archer	*Brooks	*Kimble	Robertson
Bandera	Caldwell	*Kleberg	Stephens
Bell	Concho	Limestone	*Sterling
Bowie	Frio	Lipscomb	*Zavala
*Brazoria	*Gaines	Midland	
Brazos	*Hemphill	Montgomery	

COUNTIES IN WHICH 14% BEVERAGES ARE LEGAL: 2

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COUNTIES WHOLLY DRY: 136

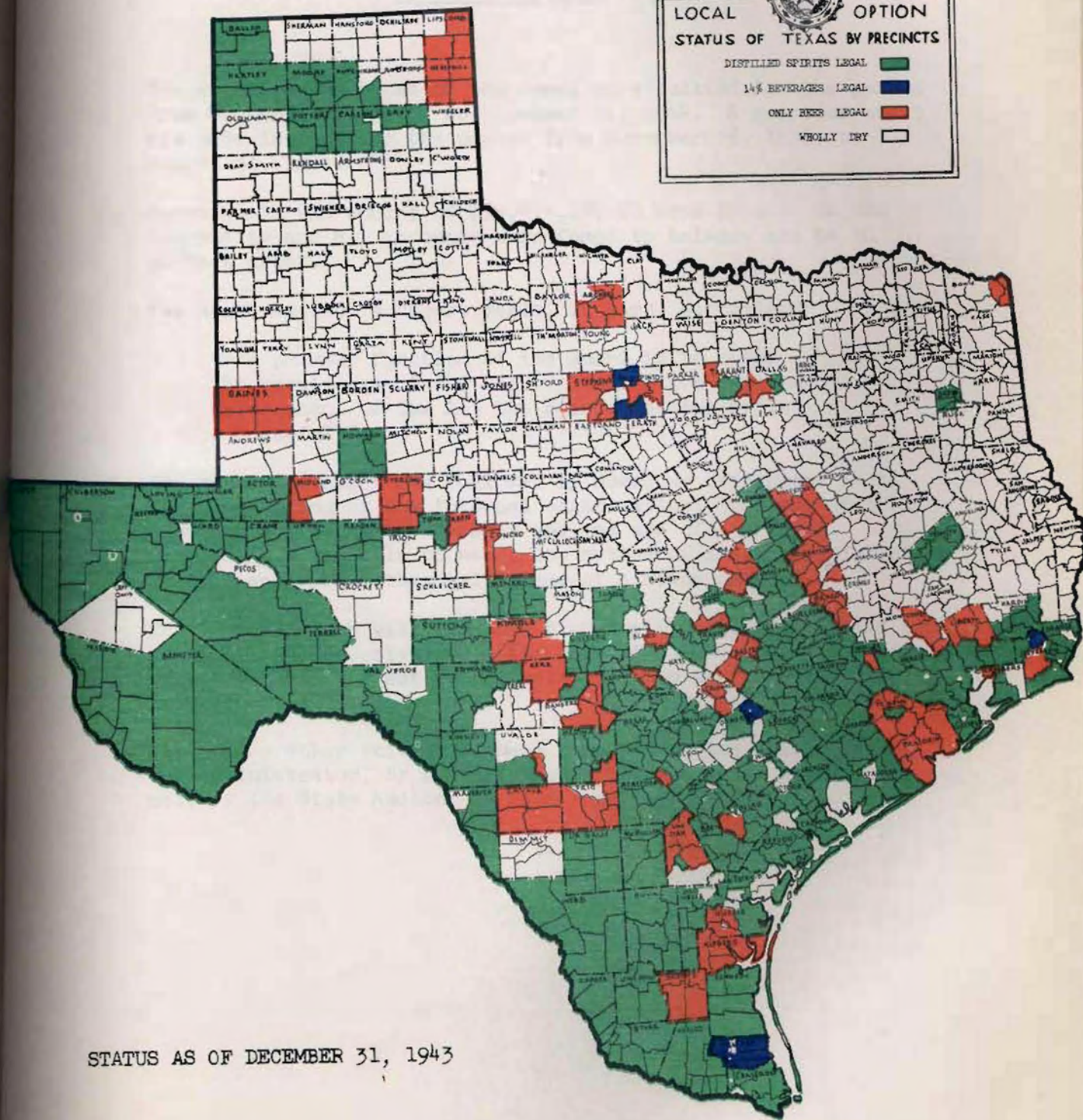
Anderson	Dimmitt	Johnson	Real
Andrews	Donley	Jones	Red River
Angelina	Eastland	Kaufman	Roberts
Armstrong	Ellis	Kent	Rockwall
Bailey	Erath	King	Runnels
Baylor	Fannin	Knox	Rusk
Borden	Floyd	Lamar	Sabine
Bosque	Fisher	Lamb	San Augustine
Briscoe	Foard	Lampasas	San Jacinto
Brown	Franklin	Leon	San Saba
Burnet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

The map on the following page gives a visual outline of the local option status of the entire state.



LOCAL OPTION  
STATUS OF TEXAS BY PRECINCTS

- DISTILLED SPIRITS LEGAL ■
- 14% BEVERAGES LEGAL ■
- ONLY BEER LEGAL ■
- WHOLLY DRY



STATUS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1943

The sale of wine and beer not exceeding 14% has been legalized in Gaines County instead of beer only as shown herein.