

## LOCAL OPTION ELECTIONS

There were twenty local option elections held in 1949. Eight were county wide, ten were justice precinct elections, and two were city elections.

The voting in 1949:

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

- ATASCOSA COUNTY: Atascosa County voted on November 8, 1949, (1925-1114) against prohibiting the sale of all alcoholic beverages.
- BELL COUNTY: Justice Precinct No. 4, Bell County, voted December 13, 1949, (476-334) against prohibiting the sale of beer.
- CHAMBERS COUNTY: Justice Precinct No. 2, Chambers County, voted February 19, 1949, (43-78) against legalizing the sale of all alcoholic beverages.
- CRANE COUNTY: Justice Precinct No. 2, Crane County, voted September 3, 1949, (15-44) to prohibit the sale of all alcoholic beverages.
- CROSBY COUNTY: Crosby County voted on May 7, 1949, (442-1416) against legalizing the sale of beer.
- HARRIS COUNTY: The City of Galena Park in Harris County voted on December 3, 1949, (152-629) to prohibit the sale of all alcoholic beverages.
- HILL COUNTY: Hill County voted on April 9, 1949, (1252-4032) against legalizing the sale of beer.
- HOWARD COUNTY: Justice Precinct No. 4, Howard County, voted November 8, 1949, (11-111) to prohibit the sale of all alcoholic beverages.
- MATAGORDA COUNTY: Justice Precinct No. 7, Matagorda County, voted on September 10, 1949, (38-20) against prohibiting the sale of all alcoholic beverages.
- MENARD COUNTY: Justice Precinct No. 6, Menard County, voted October 15, 1949, (11-41) to prohibit the sale of all alcoholic beverages.

MOORE COUNTY: Moore County voted on May 7, 1949, (1088-828) against prohibiting the sale of all alcoholic beverages.

PALO PINTO COUNTY: Palo Pinto County voted on March 12, 1949, (3091-2744) to legalize the sale of beer.

NUECES COUNTY: Nueces County voted on November 8, 1949, (14,328-5493) against prohibiting the sale of all alcoholic beverages.

REEVES COUNTY: Justice Precinct No. 2, Reeves County, voted on March 8, 1949, (69-107) against legalizing the sale of all alcoholic beverages.

SOMERVELL COUNTY: Somervell County voted on August 6, 1949, (261-431) against legalizing the sale of beer.

STEPHENS COUNTY: Stephens County voted on October 8, 1949, (1909-1247) against prohibiting the sale of beer.

TARRANT COUNTY: The City of Benbrook in Tarrant County voted on November 8, 1949, (32-35) to prohibit the sale of all alcoholic beverages.

WILLACY COUNTY: Justice Precinct No. 3 of Willacy County voted on June 4, 1949, (258-102) against prohibiting the sale of malt and vinous beverages containing alcohol not exceeding 14% by weight.

WILLACY COUNTY: Justice Precinct No. 6, Willacy County, voted on October 6, 1949, (56-96) to prohibit the sale of beer.

WILLACY COUNTY: Justice Precinct No. 4, Willacy County, voted on December 10, 1949, (188-131) against prohibiting the sale of all alcoholic beverages.

WET-DRY STATUS OF TEXAS COUNTIES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1950

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

COUNTIES IN WHICH DISTILLED SPIRITS ARE LEGAL: 91

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

COUNTIES IN WHICH ONLY 4% BEER IS LEGAL: 19

Bandera	Caldwell	Limestone	Palo Pinto
Bell	Concho	Lipscomb	Robertson
*Brazoria	Frio	McLennan	Stephens
Brazos	*Kimble	Midland	*Zavala
*Brooks	*Kleberg	Montgomery	

COUNTIES IN WHICH 14% BEVERAGES ARE LEGAL: 2

Liberty

Willacy

COUNTIES WHOLLY DRY: 142

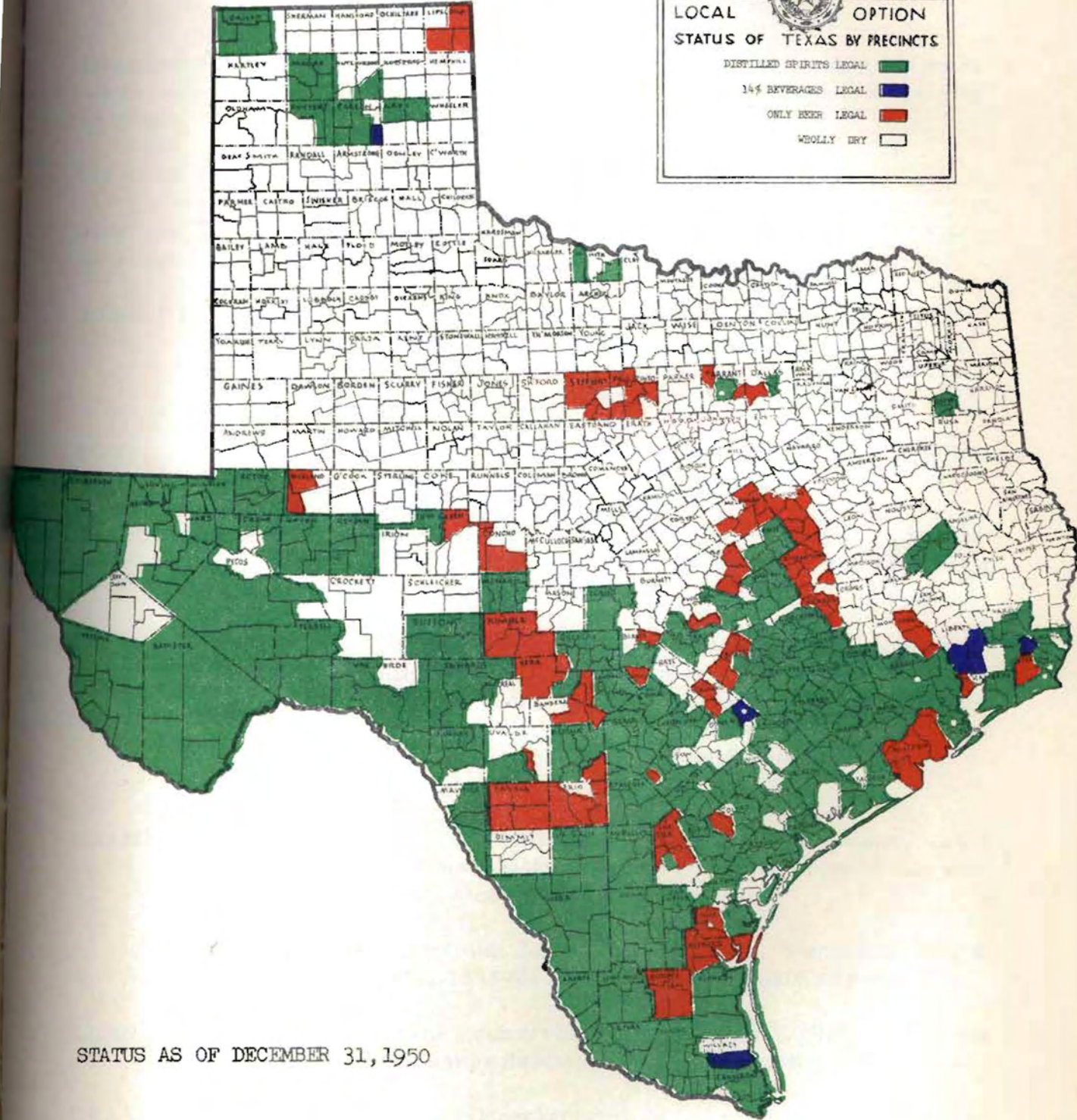
Anderson	Dimmit	Jack	Rains
Andrews	Donley	Jasper	Randall
Angelina	Eastland	Jeff Davis	Real
Archer	Ellis	Johnson	Red River
Armstrong	Erath	Jones	Roberts
Bailey	Fannin	Kaufman	Rockwall
Baylor	Fisher	Kent	Runnels
Borden	Floyd	King	Rusk
Bosque	Foard	Knox	Sabine
Bowie	Franklin	Lamar	San Augustine
Briscoe	Freestone	Lamb	San Jacinto
Brown	Gaines	Lampasas	San Saba
Burnet	Garza	Leon	Schleicher
Callahan	Glasscock	Lubbock	Scurry
Camp	Grayson	Lynn	Shackelford
Cass	Grimes	Madison	Shelby
Castro	Hale	Marion	Sherman
Cherokee	Hall	Martin	Smith
Childress	Hamilton	Mason	Somervell
Clay	Hansford	McCulloch	Sterling
Cochran	Hardeman	Mills	Stonewall
Coke	Harrison	Mitchell	Swisher
Coleman	Hartley	Montague	Taylor
Collin	Haskell	Morris	Terry
Collingsworth	Hays	Motley	Throckmorton
Comanche	Hemphill	Nacogdoches	Titus
Cooke	Henderson	Navarro	Tyler
Coryell	Hill	Newton	Upshur
Cottle	Hockley	Nolan	Van Zandt
Crockett	Hood	Ochiltree	Walker
Crosby	Hopkins	Oldham	Wheeler
Dawson	Houston	Panola	Wilbarger
Deaf Smith	Howard	Parker	Wise
Delta	Hunt	Parmer	Wood
Denton	Irion	Polk	Yoakum
Dickens			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, 1950