

## WASHINGTON COUNTY, TEXAS

Washington County is a county in Texas. As of the 2020 census, the population was 35,805.

<sup>[1]</sup> Its county seat is Brenham, which is located along U.S. Highway 290, 72 miles northwest of Houston.

<sup>[2]</sup> The county was created in 1835 as a municipality of Mexico and organized as a county in 1837.

It is named for George Washington, the first president of the United States.

Washington County comprises the Brenham, TX Micropolitan Statistical Area, which is also included in the Houston-The Woodlands, TX Combined Statistical Area.

Washington-on-the-Brazos in the county is notable as the site of the signing of the Texas Declaration of Independence during the Convention of 1836.

Reflecting the county's history as a destination of mid-19th-century German immigrants who came after the 1848 German revolutions, in the 2000 US Census, more than one third of residents identified as being of German ancestry.

### Geography

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According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the county has a total area of 622 square miles (1,610 km<sup>2</sup>), of which 604 square miles (1,560 km<sup>2</sup>) is land and 18 square miles (47 km<sup>2</sup>) (2.9%) is water.<sup>[5]</sup>

# Communities

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## Cities

- Brenham (county seat)
- Burton
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## Unincorporated communities

- Berlin
- Chappell Hill
- Greenvine
- Independence
- Latium
- Phillipsburg
- Prairie Hill
- Quarry
- Rehburg
- Salem
- Washington-on-the-Brazos
- William Penn

United States presidential election results for Washington County, Texas

Year	<u>Republican</u>		<u>Democratic</u>		<u>Third party</u>	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<a href="#">2020</a>	12,959	74.27%	4,261	24.42%	229	1.31%
<a href="#">2016</a>	10,945	73.79%	3,382	22.80%	505	3.40%
<a href="#">2012</a>	10,857	75.41%	3,381	23.48%	159	1.10%
<a href="#">2008</a>	10,176	70.78%	4,034	28.06%	167	1.16%
<a href="#">2004</a>	9,597	73.47%	3,389	25.94%	77	0.59%
<a href="#">2000</a>	8,645	73.21%	2,996	25.37%	168	1.42%
<a href="#">1996</a>	6,319	60.65%	3,460	33.21%	640	6.14%
<a href="#">1992</a>	5,817	53.60%	3,283	30.25%	1,753	16.15%
<a href="#">1988</a>	6,041	66.85%	2,960	32.75%	36	0.40%
<a href="#">1984</a>	6,506	72.32%	2,483	27.60%	7	0.08%
<a href="#">1980</a>	4,821	64.32%	2,518	33.60%	156	2.08%
<a href="#">1976</a>	3,820	58.77%	2,635	40.54%	45	0.69%
<a href="#">1972</a>	3,862	74.30%	1,323	25.45%	13	0.25%
<a href="#">1968</a>	3,244	57.86%	1,686	30.07%	677	12.07%

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<a href="#">1964</a>	2,019	40.69%	2,938	<b>59.21%</b>	5	0.10%
<a href="#">1960</a>	2,613	<b>58.21%</b>	1,864	41.52%	12	0.27%
<a href="#">1956</a>	2,975	<b>75.83%</b>	933	23.78%	15	0.38%
<a href="#">1952</a>	3,519	<b>72.17%</b>	1,354	27.77%	3	0.06%
<a href="#">1948</a>	1,904	<b>50.88%</b>	1,647	44.01%	191	5.10%
<a href="#">1944</a>	534	13.27%	1,387	34.46%	2,104	<b>52.27%</b>
<a href="#">1940</a>	1,868	<b>56.32%</b>	1,449	43.68%	0	0.00%
<a href="#">1936</a>	176	8.10%	1,993	<b>91.72%</b>	4	0.18%
<a href="#">1932</a>	99	2.79%	3,443	<b>97.12%</b>	3	0.08%
<a href="#">1928</a>	275	9.94%	2,491	<b>90.06%</b>	0	0.00%
<a href="#">1924</a>	496	11.99%	3,568	<b>86.25%</b>	73	1.76%
<a href="#">1920</a>	684	21.24%	796	24.72%	1,740	<b>54.04%</b>
<a href="#">1916</a>	1,306	<b>53.72%</b>	1,119	46.03%	6	0.25%
<a href="#">1912</a>	546	29.43%	1,111	<b>59.89%</b>	198	10.67%

# Demographics

Historical population		
Census	Pop.	%±
<a href="#">1850</a>	5,983	—
<a href="#">1860</a>	15,215	154.3%
<a href="#">1870</a>	23,104	51.9%
<a href="#">1880</a>	27,565	19.3%
<a href="#">1890</a>	29,161	5.8%
<a href="#">1900</a>	32,931	12.9%
<a href="#">1910</a>	25,561	-22.4%
<a href="#">1920</a>	26,624	4.2%
<a href="#">1930</a>	25,394	-4.6%
<a href="#">1940</a>	25,387	0.0%
<a href="#">1950</a>	20,542	-19.1%
<a href="#">1960</a>	19,145	-6.8%
<a href="#">1970</a>	18,842	-1.6%
<a href="#">1980</a>	21,998	16.7%
<a href="#">1990</a>	26,154	18.9%
<a href="#">2000</a>	30,373	16.1%
<a href="#">2010</a>	33,718	11.0%
<a href="#">2020</a>	35,805	6.2%

U.S. Decennial Census<sup>[6]</sup>  
1850–2010<sup>[7]</sup> 2010<sup>[8]</sup> 2020<sup>[9]</sup>

**Washington County, Texas - Demographic Profile  
(NH = Non-Hispanic)**

<b>Race / Ethnicity</b>	<b>Pop 2010<sup>[8]</sup></b>	<b>Pop 2020<sup>[9]</sup></b>	<b>% 2010</b>	<b>% 2020</b>
<a href="#">White</a> alone (NH)	22,394	22,023	66.42%	61.51%
<a href="#">Black or African American</a> alone (NH)	5,861	5,555	17.38%	15.51%
<a href="#">Native American</a> or <a href="#">Alaska Native</a> alone (NH)	61	75	0.18%	0.21%
<a href="#">Asian</a> alone (NH)	432	547	1.28%	1.53%
<a href="#">Pacific Islander</a> alone (NH)	7	14	0.02%	0.04%
<a href="#">Some Other Race</a> alone (NH)	34	140	0.10%	0.39%
<a href="#">Mixed Race/Multi-Racial</a> (NH)	288	1,026	0.85%	2.87%
<a href="#">Hispanic or Latino</a> (any race)	4,641	6,425	13.76%	17.94%
<b>Total</b>	<b>33,718</b>	<b>35,805</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>