

Elections of U.S. Senators from Texas

Following is given a compilation of past U.S. senatorial elections in Texas insofar as information is available to the Texas Almanac. Prior to 1916, U.S. senators were appointed by the Legislature.

1906

Democratic Primary

J.W. Bailey (unopposed)..... 283,315

1910

Democratic Primary

C.A. Culberson (unopposed)..... 359,939

1912

Democratic Primary

Morris Sheppard 182,907
Jacob F. Wolters 146,214
Choice B. Randall..... 40,693
Matthew Zollner 3,960
Total vote..... 373,774

1916

Democratic Primary

Charles A. Culberson..... 87,421
Robert L. Henry 37,726
O.B. Colquitt 119,598
S.P. Brooks 78,641
T.M. Campbell..... 65,721
John Davis..... 9,924
*G.W. Riddle 335
Total vote..... 399,366
**Had withdrawn*

Democratic Runoff

Charles A. Culberson..... 163,182
O.B. Colquitt 94,098
Total Vote 257,280

General Election

Charles A. Culberson (Democrat)..... 301,905
Alex W. Acheson (Republican) 48,775
E.H. Conibear (Prohibitionist) 2,313
T.A. Hickey (Socialist)..... 18,616
Total Vote 371,609

1918

Democratic Primary

Morris Sheppard (unopposed)..... 649,876

General Election

Morris Sheppard (Democrat) 155,158
J. Webster Flanagan (Republican) 22,183
M.A. Smith (Socialist) 1,587
Total vote..... 178,928

1922

Democratic Primary

C.A. Culberson	99,635
Earle B. Mayfield	153,538
Cullen F. Thomas.....	88,026
James E. Ferguson	127,071
Clarence Ousley	62,451
R.L. Henry	41,567
Sterling P. Strong.....	<u>1,085</u>
Total vote.....	573,373

Democratic Runoff

Earle B. Mayfield	273,308
James E. Ferguson	<u>228,701</u>
Total vote.....	502,009

General Election

Earle B. Mayfield (Democrat)	264,260
George E.B. Peddy (Republican)	<u>130,744</u>
Total vote.....	395,004

1924

Democratic Primary

Morris Sheppard.....	440,511
Fred W. Davis	159,663
John F. Maddox	<u>80,070</u>
Total vote.....	680,244

General Election

Morris Sheppard (Democrat)	592,059
T.M. Kennerly (Republican)	<u>101,252</u>
Total vote.....	693,331

1928

Democratic Primary

Thomas L. Blanton	126,758
Tom Connally.....	178,091
Minnie Fisher Cunningham.....	28,944
Earle B. Mayfield	200,246
Jeff McLemore.....	9,244
Alvin Owsley	<u>131,755</u>
Total vote.....	675,038

Democratic Runoff

Tom Connally.....	320,071
Earle B. Mayfield	<u>257,747</u>
Total vote.....	577,818

General Election

Tom Connally (Democrat).....	566,139
T.M. Kennerly (Republican)	129,910
David Curran (Socialist).....	690
John Rust (Communist).....	<u>114</u>
Total vote.....	696,853

1930

Democratic Primary

Morris Sheppard..... 526,293
C.A. Mitchner..... 40,130
Robert L. Henry..... 174,260
Total vote..... 740,683

Republican Primary

(158 counties reporting)

Doran John Haesly..... 3,645
*Harve H. Haines..... 2,568
*C.O. Harris..... 2,784
Total vote..... 8,997
**No runoff; candidates withdrew.*

General Election

Morris Sheppard (Democrat)..... 265,054
D.J. Haesly (Republican)..... 38,910
Guy L. Smith (Socialist)..... 808
W.A. Berry (Communist)..... 294
Total vote..... 305,066

1934

Democratic Primary

Joseph W. Bailey..... 355,963
Tom Connally..... 567,139
Guy B. Fisher..... 41,421
Total vote..... 964,523

General Election

Tom Connally (Democrat)..... 439,375
U.S. Goen (Republican)..... 12,895
W.B. Starr (Socialist)..... 1,828
L.C. Keel (Communist)..... 310
Total vote..... 454,408

1936

Democratic Primary

Morris Sheppard..... 616,293
Guy B. Fisher..... 89,215
Richard C. Bush..... 37,842
Joseph H. Price..... 45,919
Joe H. Eagle..... 136,718
J. Edward Glenn..... 28,641
Total vote..... 954,628

General Election

Morris Sheppard (Democrat)..... 774,975
Carlos G. Watson (Republican)..... 59,491
W.B. Starr (Socialist)..... 958
Gertrude Wilson (Union)..... 1,836
Total Vote..... 837,260

1940

Democratic Primary

Tom Connally..... 923,219
A.P. Belcher..... 66,962
Guy B. Fisher..... 98,125
Total vote..... 1,088,306

General Election

Tom Connally (Democrat)..... 978,095
George Shannon (Republican)..... 59,340
Homer Brooks (Communist)..... 408
Total vote..... 1,037,843

1941 Special Election

*Held on June 28 to replace Sen. Morris Sheppard,
who had died in office.*

W. Lee O'Daniel.....	175,590
Lyndon B. Johnson.....	174,279
Gerald C. Mann.....	140,807
Martin Dies.....	80,551
*Others.....	<u>4,459</u>
Total vote.....	575,786

**The total number of candidates was 25 Democrats, 2
Republicans, 1 independent and 1 Communist.*

1942

Democratic Primary

James V. Allred.....	317,501
Dan Moody.....	178,471
W. Lee O'Daniel.....	475,541
Floyd E. Ryan.....	<u>12,213</u>
Total vote.....	983,726

Democratic Runoff

James V. Allred.....	433,203
W. Lee O'Daniel.....	<u>451,359</u>
Total vote.....	884,562

General Election

W. Lee O'Daniel (Democrat).....	260,629
Dudley Lawson (Republican).....	12,064
Charles L. Somerville (People's Unity Party).....	<u>1,934</u>
Total vote.....	274,627

1946

Democratic Primary

Tom Connally.....	823,818
Cyclone Davis.....	74,252
Floyd E. Ryan.....	85,292
Terrell Sledge.....	66,947
Laverne Somerville.....	<u>42,290</u>
Total vote.....	1,092,599

General Election

Tom Connally (Democrat).....	336,931
Murray C. Sells (Republican).....	43,750
Write-in.....	<u>5</u>
Total vote.....	380,686

1948

Democratic Primary

Otis C. Myers.....	15,330
F.B. Clark.....	7,420
Roscoe H. Collier.....	12,327
Coke R. Stevenson.....	477,077
Cyclone Davis.....	10,871
Frank G. Cortez.....	13,344
Jesse C. Saunders.....	7,401
George E.B. Peddy.....	237,195
Lyndon B. Johnson.....	405,617
Terrell Sledge.....	6,692
James F. Alford.....	9,117
Write-in.....	<u>1</u>
Total vote.....	1,202,392

Democratic Runoff

Lyndon B. Johnson 494,191
Coke R. Stevenson..... 494,104
Total vote..... 988,295

General Election

Lyndon B. Johnson (Democrat) 702,985
Jack Porter (Republican) 349,665
Sam Morris (Prohibitionist) 8,913
Total vote..... 1,061,563

1952

Democratic Primary

Price Daniel 940,770
Lindley Beckworth 285,842
E.W. Napier 70,132
Total vote..... 1,296,744

General Election

Price Daniel (Democrat) 1,425,007
Price Daniel (Republican)..... 469,494
Price Daniel (No Party)..... 591
Total vote..... 1,895,192

1954

Democratic Primary

Lyndon B. Johnson 883,264
Dudley T. Dougherty 354,188
Total vote..... 1,237,452

General Election

Lyndon B. Johnson (Democrat) 538,417
Carlos G. Watson (Republican) 95,033
Fred T. Spangler (Constitution)..... 3,025
Total vote..... 636,475

1957 Special Election

*Held on April 2. Price Daniel had
resigned to run for governorship.*

Elmer Adams 2,228
H.J. Antoine Sr..... 576
M.T. Banks..... 2,153
Jacob Bergolofsky 890
Searcy Bracewell..... 33,384
John C. Burns Sr. 600
*H.Frank Connally Jr..... 514
Frank G. Cortez 1,350
*J.Cal Courtney 879
*R.W. (Waire) Currin 646
Martin Dies 290,803
C.O.Foerster Jr. 776
Curtis Ford..... 767
Ralph W. Hammonds..... 2,372
James P. Hart 19,739
*Charles W. (Jack) Hill..... 1,025
Thad Hutcheson 219,591
Walter Scott McNutt..... 500
Clyde R. Orms 356
John C. White 11,876
J.Perrin Wills..... 817
Hugh Wilson 851
Ralph W. Yarborough 364,605
Total vote..... 957,298

**Withdraw after ballots printed.*

1958

Democratic Primary

William A. Blakley	535,418
Ralph W. Yarborough	761,511
Write-in	<u>4</u>
Total vote.....	1,296,933

General Election

Ralph W. Yarborough (Democrat).....	587,030
Roy Whittenburg (Republican)	185,926
Bard A. Logan (Constitution)	<u>14,172</u>
Total vote.....	787,128

1960

Democratic Primary

Lyndon B. Johnson	1,407,109
Write-in	<u>145</u>
Total vote.....	1,407,254

General Election

Lyndon B. Johnson (Democrat).....	1,306,625
John G. Tower (Republican)	926,653
Bard A. Logan (Constitution)	<u>20,506</u>
Total vote.....	2,253,784

1961 Special Election

Held April 4 to replace Lyndon B. Johnson, who had resigned to assume office of Vice President.

John G. Tower	327,308
William A. Blakley	190,818
Jim Wright.....	171,328
Will Wilson.....	121,961
Maury Maverick Jr.	104,992
Henry B. Gonzalez	97,659

The remaining 71 candidates were: Dr. G.H. Allen, 849; Jim W. Amos, 527; Dale Baker, 612; Dr. Mali Jean Rauch Barraco, 434; Tom E. Barton, 395; R.G. Becker, 462; Jacob Bergolofsky, 377; Dr. Ted Bisland, 831; G.E. Blewett, 474; Lawrence S. Bosworth Jr., 410; Joyce J. Bradshaw, 352; Chester D. Brooks, 711; W.L. Burlison, 1,695; Ronald J. Byers, 175; Joseph M. Carter, 185; George A. Davisson, 897; Mrs. Winnie K. Derrick, 327; Harry R. Diehl, 293; Harvill O. Eaton, 178; Rev. Jonnie Mae Eckman, 342; Paul F. Eix, 317; Ben H. Faber, 363; Dr. H.E. Fanning, 293; Charles Otto Foerster Jr., 133; Harold Franklin, 196; George N. Gallagher Jr., 985; Richard J. Gay, 939; Van T. George Jr., 307; Arthur Glover, 1,528; Delbert E. Grandstaff, 2,959; Curtis E. Hill, 389; Willard Park Holland, 669; John N. Hopkins, 490; Mary Hazel Houston, 726; Ben M. Johnson, 681; Guy Johnson, 748; Morgan H. Johnson, 334; C.B. Kennedy, 770; H. Springer Knoblauch, 186; Hugh O. Lea, 651; V.C. Logan, 314; Frank A. Matera, 599; Brown McCallum, 323; James E. McKee, 762; Steve Nemecek, 1,017; George E. Noyes, 174; Floyd Payne, 227; Cecil D. Perkins, 773; W.H. Posey, 592; George Red, 99; Wesley Roberts, 386; D.T. Sampson, 417; Eristus Sams, 4,490; A. Dale Savage, 400; Carl A. Schrade, 283; Albert Roy Smith, 341; Homer Hyrim Stalarow, 735; Frank Stanford, 240; John B. Sypert, 252; Mrs. Martha Tredway, 1,227; S.S. Vela, 241; Bill Whitten, 350; Hoyt G. Wilson, 2,165; Hugh Wilson, 2,997; Marcos Zertuche, 442; Write-ins, 42.

Total vote.....	1,058,124
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***Runoff Election held May 27**

William A. Blakley 437,874
John G. Tower 448,217
Total vote..... 886,091

**Change in state law following 1957 special election re-
quired runoff.*

1964

Democratic Primary

Ralph W. Yarborough 905,001
Gordon McLendon..... 672,573
Write-in 23
Total vote..... 1,577,607

Republican Primary

George Bush 62,985
Jack Cox..... 45,561
Milton V. Davis 6,067
Robert Morris..... 28,279
Total vote..... 142,892

Republican Runoff

George Bush 49,751
Jack Cox..... 30,333
Total vote..... 80,084

General Election

Ralph Yarborough (Democrat)..... 1,463,958
George Bush (Republican) 1,134,337
Jack Carswell (Constitution) 5,542
Write-in 19
Total vote..... 2,603,856

1966

1st Democratic Primary

John R. Willoughby..... 226,598
Waggoner Carr 899,523
Total vote..... 1,126,121

General Election

Waggoner Carr (Democrat) 643,855
John G. Tower (Republican) 842,501
Jas. Barker Holland (Constitution)..... 6,778
Total vote..... 1,493,134

1970

Democratic Primary

Lloyd Bentsen 814,316
Ralph Yarborough..... 726,447
Total vote..... 1,540,763

Republican Primary

George Bush 96,806
Robert Morris..... 13,659
Total vote..... 110,465

General Election

Lloyd Bentsen (Democrat)..... 1,226,568
George Bush (Republican) 1,071,234
Other..... 1,808
Total vote..... 2,299,610

1972

Democratic Primary

Thomas M. Cartlidge 66,240
Barefoot Sanders..... 787,504
Alfonso Veloz..... 53,938
Hugh Wilson 125,460
Ralph Yarborough..... 1,032,606
Total vote..... 2,065,748

Democratic Runoff

Barefoot Sanders..... 1,008,499
Ralph Yarborough..... 928,087
Total vote..... 1,936,586

Republican Primary

John G. Tower (unopposed) 107,648

General Election

John G. Tower (Republican) 1,822,877
Barefoot Sanders (Democrat)..... 1,511,985
Flores Amaya (La Raza Unida) 63,543
Tom Leonard (Socialist Workers) 14,464
Other..... 1,034
Total vote..... 3,413,903

1976

Democratic Primary

Lloyd Bentsen..... 970,983
Leon Dugi 19,870
Phil Gramm..... 427,597
Hugh Wilson 109,715
Other..... 1,003
Total vote..... 1,529,168

Republican Primary

Louis Leman 40,651
Alan Steelman 251,252
Hugh Sweeney 64,404
Total vote..... 356,307

General Election

Lloyd Bentsen (Democrat)..... 2,199,956
Alan Steelman (Republican)..... 1,636,370
Marjorie P. Gallion (American)..... 17,355
Pedro Vasques (Socialist Workers) 20,549
Total vote..... 3,874,230

1978

Democratic Primary

Joe Christie..... 701,892
Robert Krueger 853,485
Total vote..... 1,555,377

Republican Primary

John G. Tower (unopposed) 142,202

General Election

John G. Tower (Republican) 1,151,376
Robert Krueger (Democrat) 1,139,149
Luis A. Diaz de Leon (La Raza Unida) 17,869
Miguel Pendas (Socialist Workers)..... 4,018
Other..... 128
Total vote..... 2,312,540

1982

Democratic Primary

Lloyd Bentsen..... 987,985
Joe Sullivan 276,453
Total vote..... 1,264,438

Republican Primary

Don I. Richardson..... 18,616
Jim Collins 152,469
Walter H. Mengden Jr..... 91,780
Total vote..... 262,865

General Election

Lloyd Bentsen (Democrat)..... 1,818,223
Jim Collins (Republican)..... 1,256,759
John E. Ford (Libertarian)..... 23,494
Lineaus H. Lorette (Constitution)..... 4,564
Darryl Anderson (Write-in)..... 39
Other..... 88
Total vote..... 3,103,167

1984

Democratic Primary

Lloyd Doggett 456,173
Kent Hance..... 456,446
Robert Krueger..... 454,886
Harley Schlanger 14,149
Robert Sullivan 34,733
David Young 47,062
Total vote..... 1,463,449

Democratic Runoff

Lloyd Doggett 491,251
Kent Hance..... 489,906
Total vote..... 981,157

Republican Primary

Phil Gramm..... 246,716
Henry Grover 8,388
Robert Mosbacher 26,279
Ron Paul..... 55,431
Total vote..... 336,814

General Election

Phil Gramm (Republican) 3,111,348
Lloyd Doggett (Democrat) 2,202,557
Other..... 273
Total vote..... 5,314,178

1988

Democratic Primary

Lloyd Bentsen..... 1,365,736
Joe Sullivan 244,805
Total vote..... 1,610,541

Republican Primary

Beau Boulter..... 228,676
Milton E. Fox..... 138,031
Wes Gilbreath..... 275,080
Ned Snead..... 107,560
Total vote..... 749,347

Republican Runoff

Beau Boulter..... 111,134
Wes Gilbreath..... 73,573
Total vote..... 184,707

General Election

Lloyd Bentsen (Democrat)..... 3,149,806
Beau Boulter (Republican) 2,129,228
Other..... 43,989
Total vote..... 5,323,023

1990

Democratic Primary

Hugh Parmer 766,284
Harley Schlanger..... 249,445
Total vote..... 1,015,729

Republican Primary

Phil Gramm (unopposed) 687,170

General Election

Phil Gramm (Republican) 2,302,357
Hugh Parmer (Democrat) 1,429,986
Gary Johnson (Libertarian)..... 89,089
Other..... 725
Total vote..... 3,822,157

1993 Special Election

Held on May 1. Lloyd Bentsen had resigned to assume post as U.S. Secretary of Treasury.

Kay Bailey Hutchison..... 593,338
Robert Krueger 593,239
Joe Barton 284,135
Jack Fields..... 277,560
Richard Fisher 165,564

Others: Billy Brown, 2,187; Louis C. Davis, 1,548; Rick Draheim, 5,677; Rose Floyd, 2,301; Jose Angel Gutierrez, 52,103; Lottie Bolling Hancock, 2,242; Rober Henson, 3,092; Stephen Hopkins, 14,753; Charles Ben Howell, 3,866; Gene Kelly, 11,331; C. (Sonny) Payne, 6,782; Don Richardson, 6,209; Chuck Sibley, 2,406; Thomas D. Spink, 2,281; Herbert Spiro, 4,459; Maco Stewart, 1,260; James Vallaster, 2,124; Clymer Wright, 5,111; Lou Zaeske, 2,191.

Total vote..... 2,045,759

Runoff Election held June 5

Robert Krueger 576,538
Kay Bailey Hutchison..... 1,188,716
Total vote..... 1,765,254

1994

Democratic Primary

Michael A. Andrews 159,828
Richard Fisher 387,989
Evelyn K. Lantz 63,517
Jim Mattox 416,342
Total vote 1,027,676

Democratic Runoff

Richard Fisher 400,227
Jim Mattox 346,414
Total vote 746,641

Republican Primary

James C. Curry 15,625
Roger Henson 14,021
Stephen Hopkins 34,703
Kay Bailey Hutchison 467,975
M. Troy Mata 8,632
Ernest J. Schmidt 8,690
Tom Spink 5,692
Total vote 555,338

General Election

Kay Bailey Hutchison (Republican) 2,604,218
Richard Fisher (Democrat) 1,639,615
Pierre Blondeau (Libertarian) 36,107
Total vote 4,279,940

1996

Democratic Primary

John Bryant 267,545
Jim Chapman 239,427
Victor Morales 322,218
John Will Odam 61,433
Total vote 890,623

Democratic Runoff

John Bryant 235,281
Victor Morales 246,614
Total vote 481,895

Republican Primary

Phil Gramm 838,339
Henry C. Grover 72,400
David Young 75,463
Total vote 986,202

General Election

Phil Gramm (Republican) 3,027,680
Victor M. Morales (Democrat) 2,428,776
Michael Bird (Libertarian) 51,516
John Huff (Natural Law Party) 19,469
Total vote 5,527,441

2000

Democratic Primary

H. Gerald Bintliff 33,979
Don Clark 139,243
Charles Gandy 140,636
Gene Kelly 220,531
Bobby Wightman 83,643
Total vote 618,032

Democratic Runoff

Charles Gandy..... 101,984
Gene Kelly..... 143,366
Total vote..... 245,350

Republican Primary

Kay Bailey Hutchison (unopposed) 955,033

General Election

Kay Bailey Hutchison (Republican) 4,082,091
Gene Kelly (Democrat) 2,030,315
Mary J. Ruwart (Libertarian) 72,798
Douglas S. Sandage (Green) 91,448
Total vote..... 6,276,652

2002

Democratic Primary

Ken Bentsen..... 255,501
Ed Cunningham..... 22,016
Gene Kelly..... 44,038
Ron Kirk..... 316,052
Victor Morales..... 317,048
Total vote..... 954,655

Democratic Runoff

Ron Kirk..... 370,878
Victor Morales..... 249,423
Total vote..... 620,301

Republican Primary

John Cornyn 478,825
Lawrence Cranberg 17,757
Douglas G. Deffenbaugh 43,711
Bruce Rusty Lang 46,907
Dudley F. Mooney..... 32,202
Total vote..... 619,302

General Election

John Cornyn (Republican)..... 2,496,243
Ron Kirk (Democrat)..... 1,955,758
Scott Lanier Jameson (Libertarian) 35,538
Roy H. Williams (Green)..... 25,051
James W. (Jim) Wright (Write-in)..... 1,422
Total vote..... 4,514,012

2006

Democratic Primary

Darrel Reece Hunter..... 93,609
Gene Kelly..... 191,400
Barbara Ann Radnofsky..... 215,776
Total vote..... 500,785

Democratic Runoff

Barbara Ann Radnofsky..... 124,663
Gene Kelly..... 82,589
Total vote..... 207,252

Republican Primary

Kay Bailey Hutchison (unopposed) 627,163

General Election

Kay Bailey Hutchison (Republican) 2,661,789
Barbara Ann Radnofsky (Democrat)..... 1,555,202
Scott Lanier Jameson (Libertarian) 97,672
Total vote..... 4,314,663