

A panoramic view of the Houston skyline at dusk. The sky is a mix of deep blue and orange, with scattered clouds. Numerous skyscrapers are illuminated with warm yellow and white lights, creating a vibrant cityscape. The buildings vary in height and architectural style, with some featuring glass facades and others more solid structures. The overall atmosphere is one of a bustling, modern metropolis.

Houston

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The history of Houston begins almost exactly at the same time as Texas Independence. The Texas Revolution, which resulted in Texas' independence from Mexico and established the Republic of Texas, began with a rebellion in 1835. In August 1836, two New York real estate promoters, J.K. and A.C. Allen, purchased 6,642 acres of unimproved land for \$9,428. They named their future city after the hero of the revolution, the president of Texas Republic, Sam Houston.



With a land area of 599.59 square miles (1,552.9km²). Houston is the ninth most expansive city in the United States.





□ Houston is the most populous city in the U.S. state of Texas and the fourth most populous city in the United States. The population is 2,3mln people.



Geography_Houston lies near the Gulf of Mexico and sprawls westward from the shores of Galveston Bay on the coastal prairie of eastern Texas. Major waterways include the San Jacinto River, part of which is encompassed by the man-made Houston Ship Channel, and an intricate network of meandering creeks and bayous, the largest of which are Buffalo Bayou and Bray's Bayou.

Climate_The climate is humid and semitropical in the summertime, with an average annual temperature of about 20,5 degrees. Houston's winters are mild, although freezing sometimes occurs, and its summers are potent. The threat of severe weather, especially hurricanes is taken seriously by the local population. Houston has been directly hit by two hurricanes in the last forty years, Carla in 1960 and Alicia in 1983, and has been threatened by many others.





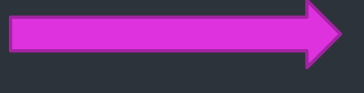
Houston features _____ -- Home to the Houston Texans, to the clutch Rockets, to NASA and to Queen Bey herself. There's a lot interesting about Houston. For instance, did you know that Houston has a very diverse community? In 2012, Houston surpassed Los Angeles and New York as the most ethnically diverse metropolitan area in the nation. This is just one of many facts Houstonians pride themselves on. Here are 5 more unique facts about Space City.



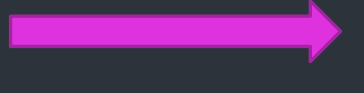
1. Residents in Houston eat out more times a week than in any other city in America



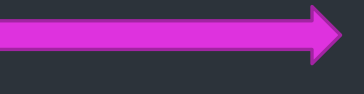
2. Houston has one of the best culinary scenes in the country



3. It is home to the largest medical center in the world



4. Houston has an underground pedestrian tunnel system



5. More than 145 different languages are spoken in Houston





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