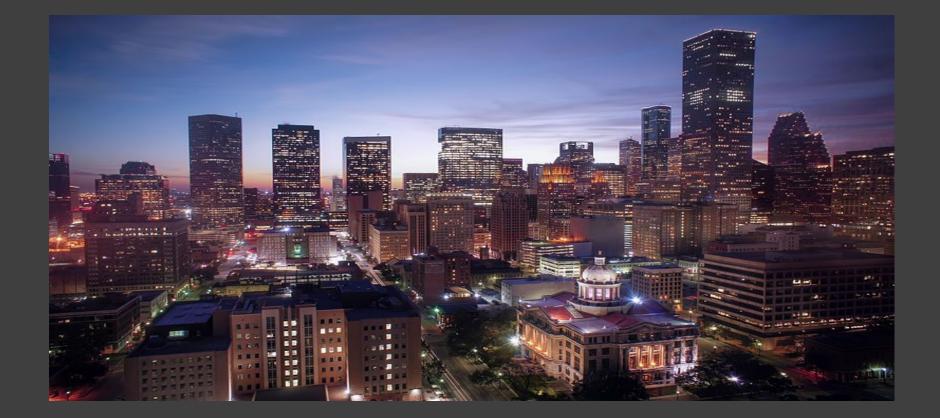
# Houston





# **Houston State of Texas**

Houston, one of the largest cities in Texas, Allen brothers founded in 1836. This town is part of the metropolitan area of Houston-Sugarland-Baytown, and is its economic center. The total number of associations population of about 6 million people, of which Houston accounted for just over two million



### Downtown Houston

Houston is a city with a developed diversified economies. The basis of prosperity - the energy sector, which is based on oil and gas production, refineries and petrochemical production. In addition to the energy an important share of the economy takes a high-tech manufacturing, medical engineering, aeronautics and others.



# Monuments, buildings and parks

The oldest place of Houston is Allens Landing. Here, the city emerged in 1837. The territory of the historic district is 27 km<sup>2</sup>. Now at this point it is Allen Park and Dauntaunsky University of Houston.

Houston is Trinity Church in the Midtown area. Date of construction of this building -1919. The church was built in neo-Gothic style by "Cram and Ferguson." This company is also known for his work several buildings at Rice University and the Houston Public Library. It is also a monument to the Texas Revolution.



#### Houston Attractions

Houston Skyscrapers tower JP Morgan Chase - the highest building in Houston and Texas since 1981. Its height is 305 meters. On the 60th floor there is a public viewing platform. Williams Tower - the third tallest building in Houston with a huge lantern in 7000 W on the roof and an observation deck on the 51 floor. It is the only skyscraper downtown.



#### Weather in Houston

Houston is located in the humid subtropical regions, which are characterized by mild winters and sweltering hot summer. The average annual precipitation 1263 mm of precipitation (700 mm in Moscow), the maximum is in June and October (150 and 144 mm, respectively). Snow falls very rarely. In winter, the average temperature is 12 ° C, at about 20 days of the year can fall below zero. Spring and summer is very hot and humid, the average temperature of -29 ° C in August (in Moscow in the hottest July only 20 ° C). Often in the afternoon showers and thunderstorms occur. Low-lying position of the city (the average height is 15 m and the maximum 38 m) in combination with frequent rains create problems of the city in the form of regular flooding.

## Houston Holidays

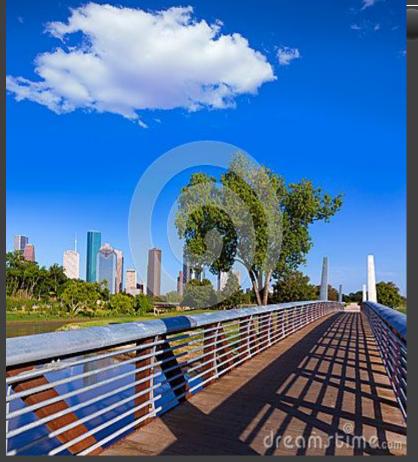
Houston Livestock and Rodeo Festival takes place in February and March for 20 days at Reliant Park. During the holiday spend runners competition, riders, pig races and other events. At the concerts of the festival were Kiss, Elvis Presley and Bob Dylan. Gay parade in memory of the events of 1969 gave rise to the modern movement for the protection of rights of sexual minorities, held at night at the end of June to Westheimer Road. Parade participants illuminate your way lanterns of fantastic shapes.

### Houston Museum

Children's Museum opened in Houston in 1984. It is located in a huge colorful building. The museum offers fun and educational programs for children of different ages. There is also a hall of computer games, a climbing wall and ecological station. Fine Arts Museum has a large collection of paintings by **European painters, especially French Impressionists.** There are collections of photographs and decorative arts of ancient Africa and America. Exhibitions are held in several buildings. Museum also owns two garden sculptures. Museum of Modern Art has its own collection, and presents exhibitions of various trends in contemporary art and conducts educational programs. The museum shop has an extensive literature on contemporary art and original gifts and souvenirs.



#### Houston Entertainment



Memorial Park - one of the largest parks in the United States, frustrated at the site of the military camp Logan in memory of the soldiers killed in the First World War. The park has a golf course and cricket ground, tennis courts, basketball and volleyball courts, swimming pools.



#### Space center

Houston - a city of NASA. Lyndon
B. Johnson Space Center, which
houses all the famous Mission
Control Center is located just in
the city of cowboys and rodeo.
One of the most interesting
places for tourists is the Houston
Space Center (Space Center
Houston).

