

Texas Foreign-Trade Zones

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Overview

U.S. and Texas Foreign-Trade Zones

U.S. foreign-trade zones (FTZs) are sites administered by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officials located in or near a U.S. Customs Port of Entry, where foreign and domestic merchandise is considered to be outside the country, and therefore outside of U.S. Customs territory for purposes of duty payment.

FTZs promote the international competitiveness of U.S.-based businesses, facilitate their international trade, and encourage manufacturing and logistics within the U.S. FTZ operations primarily involve domestic operations combining foreign inputs with significant domestic inputs.

Within FTZs, companies are able to manufacture, assemble, test, sample, process, and repackage. Some of the primary manufacturing industries benefitting from FTZs are consumer electronics, automotive, and energy (primarily oil refining). Logistics firms and others also benefit, as companies can utilize FTZs for warehousing, inspection, labeling, salvaging, and distribution.

Some FTZs contain Subzones, which are special-purpose zones approved for use by one company for a specific activity, usually at manufacturing plants.

The latest fiscal year 2009 FTZ statistics published in November 2010 by the U.S. Department of Commerce's International Trade Administration (ITA) indicate that the combined value of shipments entering all U.S. FTZs totaled \$430.6 billion, down from the record breaking figure of \$692 billion in fiscal year 2008.

Texas leads the nation with 31 FTZs, more than any other state. The map on the next page provides details on FTZs and Subzones.

U.S. Foreign-Trade Zones By the Numbers

- U.S. communities with FTZs (zones): 253
- States with zone projects: 50
- Value of merchandise handled by zones: \$430.6 billion
- Employment at active zone facilities: over 330,000
- Firms operating under FTZ procedures: approximately 2,500
- Exports: \$28.2 billion
- Of incoming zone shipments, over 58 percent, or \$248.6 billion, involve domestic status merchandise

The ITA's latest fiscal year 2009 FTZ statistics indicate that Texas had four of the nation's top ten ranked FTZs, in terms of the value of foreign goods admitted into the U.S.: FTZ No. 68 El Paso ranked No. 1 with \$10.96 billion in foreign goods admitted, FTZ No. 196 Fort Worth ranked No. 2 at \$2.96 billion, FTZ No. 84 Harris County (Houston) ranked No. 3 at \$2.87 billion, and FTZ No. 62 Brownsville ranked No. 6 at \$1.45 billion.

The National Association of Foreign Trade Zones' (NAFTZ) latest data from 2008 show that Texas FTZs nationally ranked No. 1 in the following areas:

For more information on FTZs, check the [FTZ Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#) or contact the U.S. Department of Commerce's FTZ Board at:

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By the Numbers**

- \$226.58 billion in FTZ merchandise receipts
- 55,525 employed at FTZs
- \$7.5 billion in FTZ-related exports
- 441 firms actively engaged in FTZs

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For general importing/exporting questions, contact U.S. Customs and Border Protection at 877-CBP-5511.

Texas Foreign-Trade Zone Locations



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FOREIGN TRADE ZONE	SUBZONE	PORT
FTZ No. 12 McAllen Grantee/Operator: McAllen Economic Development Corporation 6401 South 33rd Street, McAllen, TX 78501 Joyce Dean (956) 682-2875 Fax (956) 682-9111 www.mftz.org		Hidalgo/Pharr
FTZ No. 36 Galveston Grantee: Board of Trustees of the Galveston Wharves Operator: Port of Galveston P.O. Box 328, Galveston, TX 77553 Diane Falcioni (409) 766-6121 Fax (409) 766-6107	36A Deepsea Flexibles 36B M-I L.L.C.	Houston
FTZ No. 39 Dallas/Fort Worth Grantee/Operator: Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport Board P.O. Drawer 619428, DFW Airport, TX 75261 Michael Pyles (972) 973-4653 Fax (972) 574-8069	39B GM 39C Sanden 39E Fossil Partners 39F Zale Corporation 39G Exel Global Logistics, Inc. 39H American Eurocopter LLC 39I Turbomeca U.S.A. 39J The Apparel Group 39K Dal-Tile Corporation	Dallas/Fort Worth
FTZ No. 62 Brownsville Grantee/Operator: Brownsville Navigation District 1000 Foust Road, Brownsville, TX 78521 Jo Lynne Saban (956) 831-4592 Fax (956) 831-5353		Brownsville/Los Indios
FTZ No. 68 El Paso Grantee: City of El Paso 501 George Perry, Suite i, El Paso, TX 79906 Jose Quinonez (915) 771-6016 Fax (915) 772-2491 Quinonezji@elpasotexas.gov www.elpasotexas.gov/ftz		El Paso

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<p>FTZ No. 80 San Antonio Grantee: City of San Antonio Economic Development Department P.O. Box 839966, San Antonio, TX 78283 Carmelina Davis (210) 207-6529 Fax (210) 207-8151 carmelinad@sanantonio.gov www.saftz.com</p>	<p>80A Bausch & Lomb 80B Colin Medical Instruments 80C Friedrich Air Conditioning 80D R. G. Barry</p>	<p>San Antonio</p>
<p>FTZ No. 84 Harris County Grantee: Port of Houston Authority 111 East Loop North Houston, TX 77029 Jack Beasley (713) 670-2604 Fax (713) 670-2564</p>	<p>84C DuPont 84E Gulf Coast Maritime 84F Valero Refining 84H Shaffer, Inc. 84I Tuboscope Vetco Int'l 84J Shell Oil Co. 84K Dril-Quip 84L Tadiran Microwave Networks 84M Hydril USA Manufacturing LLC 84N Pasadena Refining System, Inc. 800 EXXON Mobil 84P Houston Refining LP 84Q Equistar Chemicals 84R Michelin North America, Inc. 84S Academy Sports & Outdoors</p>	<p>Houston</p>
<p>FTZ No. 94 Laredo Grantee: City of Laredo Operator: Laredo International Airport Operator of Foreign-Trade Zone No. 94 5210 Bob Bullock Loop, Laredo, TX 78041 Humberto Garza (956) 795-2000 Fax (956) 795-2572</p>		<p>Laredo</p>
<p>FTZ No. 95 Starr County Grantee/Operator: Starr County Industrial Foundation P.O. Box 502, Rio Grande City, TX 78582 Hector Soliz (956) 487-2709 Fax (956) 716-8560</p>		<p>Rio Grande City</p>

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<p>FTZ No. 96 Eagle Pass Grantee: City of Eagle Pass Operator: Maverick Co. Dev. Corp. P.O. Box 3693, Eagle Pass, TX 78853 Raul E. Perez (830) 773-6166 Fax (830) 773-6287 raul.perez@eaglepassmcdc.com</p>		Eagle Pass
<p>FTZ No. 113 Ellis County Grantee: Ellis County Trade Zone Corporation Operator: Trade Zone Operations, Inc. P.O. Box 788, Midlothian, TX 76065 L. Randall Denton (972) 723-5523</p>		Dallas/Fort Worth
<p>FTZ No. 115 Beaumont Grantee: Foreign-Trade Zone of Southeast Texas, Inc. P.O. Drawer 2297, Beaumont, TX 77704 David C. Fisher (409) 835-5367 Fax (409) 835-0512</p>	<p>115A BASF Corporation 115B EXXON Mobil</p>	Port Arthur
<p>FTZ No. 116 Port Arthur Grantee: Foreign-Trade Zone of Southeast Texas, Inc. P.O. Drawer 2297, Beaumont, TX 77704 David C. Fisher (409) 835-5367 Fax (409) 835-0512</p>	<p>116A Motiva Enterprises 116B Total Petrochemicals USA 116C Premcor Refining Group 116D US DoE Strategic Petroleum Reserve</p>	Port Arthur
<p>FTZ No. 117 Orange Grantee: Foreign-Trade Zone of Southeast Texas, Inc. P.O. Drawer 2297, Beaumont, TX 77704 David C. Fisher (409) 835-5367 Fax (409) 835-0512</p>		Port Arthur

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<p>FTZ No. 122 Corpus Christi Grantee/Operator: Port of Corpus Christi Authority 1305 N. Shoreline Blvd. Corpus Christi, TX 78401 Sonya Lopez-Sosa (361) 885-6187 Fax (361) 881-5162 sonya@pocca.com www.portofcorpuschristi.com/ftzdefined.htm</p>	<p>122C BTB Refining, LLC 122D Gulf Marine Fabricators 122E Bay Ltd. 122H TOR Minerals Intl 122I Citgo Refining & Chemicals 122J Valero Refining Co. 122K Sherwin Alumina Co. 122L Flint Hills Resources LP 122M Valero Three Rivers Refinery 122N Equistar Chemicals 122O International Resistive Company 122P Kiewit Offshore Services 122Q Baker Hughes, Inc. 122R Haliburton Energy Services, Inc.</p>	<p>Corpus Christi</p>
<p>FTZ No. 149 Freeport Grantee: Port Freeport P.O. Box 615, Freeport, TX 77542-0615 Phyllis Saathoff (979) 233-2667 x4258 Fax (979) 233-5625 saathoff@portfreeport.com www.portfreeport.com</p>	<p>149A BASF 149B DSM Nutritional Products, Inc. 149C ConocoPhillips 149D Seaway Crude Pipeline 149E BP Products North America 149F Equistar Chemicals 149G Dow Chemical</p>	<p>Freeport</p>
<p>FTZ No. 150 El Paso Grantee: Westport Economic Development Corporation 1865 Northwestern Dr., El Paso, TX 79912 Brent Harris (915) 877-4300</p>		<p>El Paso</p>
<p>FTZ No. 155 Calhoun/Victoria Counties Grantee: Calhoun-Victoria Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc. P.O. Drawer 397, Point Comfort, TX 77978 Charles Hausmann (361) 987-2813 Fax (361) 987-2189</p>	<p>155C Alcoa</p>	<p>Port Lavaca-Point Comfort</p>
<p>FTZ No. 156 Weslaco Grantee: City of Weslaco 255 S. Kansas Ave., Weslaco, TX 78596 Bernard Rodriguez (956) 968-3181 Fax (956) 968-6672</p>		<p>Progreso</p>

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<p>FTZ No. 165 Midland Grantee: City of Midland c/o Midland International Airport 9506 Laforce Blvd., P.O. Box 60305, Midland, TX 79711 Tommy Martin (432) 560-2200 Fax (432) 560-2237</p>	<p>165A WRB Refining LLC</p>	<p>Midland</p>
<p>FTZ No. 168 Dallas/Fort Worth Grantee: Metroplex International Trade Development Corporation Operator: Foreign Trade Zone Operating Co. of Texas P.O. Box 742916, Dallas, TX 75374-2916 (Ms.) Lou Thomas (972) 915-0083 Fax (972) 929-7228</p>	<p>168A B&F Systems 168B Ultrak</p>	<p>Dallas/Fort Worth</p>
<p>FTZ No. 171 Liberty County Grantee: Liberty County Economic Development Corporation Foreign-Trade Zone 171 P.O. Box 857, Liberty, TX 77575 John Hebert (936) 336-7311 Fax (936) 336-9285</p>		<p>Houston</p>
<p>FTZ No. 183 Austin Grantee: Foreign Trade Zone of Central Texas, Inc. City of Round Rock 301 W. Bagdad Ave. # 210 Round Rock, TX 78664-5835 Joe Vining (512) 255-5805 Fax (512) 218-3286</p>	<p>183A Dell Computer Corporation 183B Samsung Austin Semiconductor, LLC</p>	<p>Austin</p>
<p>FTZ No. 196 Fort Worth Grantee: Alliance Corridor, Inc. c/o Hillwood Development Corporation 13600 Heritage Pkwy., Suite 200 Fort Worth, TX 76177 Steve Boecking (817) 224-6050 Fax (817) 224-6060</p>		<p>Dallas/Fort Worth</p>
<p>FTZ No. 199 Texas City Grantee: Texas City Foreign-Trade Zone Corporation P.O. Box 2608, Texas City, TX 77592 Nicholas Finan (409) 643-5927 Fax (409) 942-1073</p>	<p>199A BP Products North America 199B Marathon Petroleum Company LLC 199C Valero Refining 199D Seaway Crude Pipeline Co. 199E ISP Technologies</p>	<p>Houston</p>

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FTZ No. 234 Gregg County Grantee: Gregg County, Texas 269 Terminal Circle, Longview, TX 75603 Shelby Keys (903) 643-3031 Fax (903) 643-7371	234A Eubank Manufacturing Enterprises, Inc. 234B Letourneau, Inc.	Shreveport-Bossier City
FTZ No. 246 Waco Grantee: City of Waco, Texas c/o Economic Development Division Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce P.O. Box 1220, Waco, TX 76703 Kris Collins (254) 752-6551 Fax (254) 752-6618 kcollins@wacochamber.com		Dallas/Fort Worth
FTZ No. 252 Amarillo Grantee: City of Amarillo c/o Amarillo Economic Development Corporation 801 South Fillmore Street, Suite 205 Amarillo, TX 79101 Alan Taylor (806) 379-6411 Fax (806) 371-0112		Amarillo
FTZ No. 260 Lubbock Grantee: City of Lubbock 1500 Broadway, 6th Floor Lubbock, TX 79401 Warren Warner (806) 723-8234 Fax (806) 749-4501 warren.warner@lubbockeda.org		Lubbock
FTZ No. 265 Conroe (Montgomery County) Grantee: City of Conroe P.O. Box 3066, Conroe, TX 77305 Jerry S. McGuire (936) 539-4431	265A WLS Drilling Products, Inc. 265B Sondex, L.P.	Houston
FTZ No. 269 Athens Grantee: Athens Economic Development Corporation 100 W. Tyler St., Athens, TX 75751 Chris Potter (903) 675-4617 Fax (903) 675-4830 cpotter@athensedc.com www.athensedc.com		Dallas/Fort Worth



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