

The History of Texas License Plates

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*This book is dedicated to all
the men and women who have
served in this division, and in
the titling, registration, and
license plate processes,
during the past 80 years.*



FOREWORD

One of the first functions of the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) was to administer a statewide vehicle registration program. That function began in 1917, just months after state lawmakers had created what was then known as the Highway Department. The money collected from registration fees started the Texas “highway user fee” concept, whereby vehicles using the roads paid for the roads. The resulting fund was to be used for building state roads to facilitate both public and commercial motor vehicle travel.

In 1997, TxDOT and the Vehicle Titles and Registration Division (VTR) observed their 80th anniversary. We are proud to have played such a responsible role in the development of one of the nation’s premier transportation agencies. The responsibilities and procedures we use to do our business have changed dramatically during the past eight decades, but our commitment to customer service remains a cornerstone of our operations.

Today, the Vehicle Titles and Registration Division registers more than 15 million vehicles annually – a marked increase from the 194,720 vehicles that were registered in 1917. Most of the transactions are processed through the 254 county tax assessor-collectors, who have been our statutory agents and our key partners in the vehicle title and registration business for almost all of the past 80 years. The titling and registration process now collects \$3 billion in revenue annually. The counties have a direct link to our office using the newly-implemented \$40 million Registration and Title System, which allows for point-of-sale data entry. The result is an updated registration record within 48 hours of a transaction; this automation system also enables the department to issue a motor vehicle title within five days of receiving the application.

There are other strong partnerships that have developed through the course of our 80-year existence. Our department is a very active member of the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA), a nonprofit educational organization that is responsible for coordinating many of the international standards that exist in our business today. We work closely with the Texas Department of Public Safety and other law enforcement agencies to ensure optimum license plate legibility. We also work with vehicle dealer associations, other agencies, related industries, and foreign governments. Our mission at all levels is to “provide accurate, efficient, and effective vehicle registration and title services.”

This book is a comprehensive look at our most noticeable product – license plates. The Texas Department of Criminal Justice, another one of our close partners, has produced most of our license plates and registration indicia during the past 80 years. License plates continue to serve the same primary purpose in Texas – to identify motor vehicles for law enforcement purposes. But their appearance has changed greatly over the years. These days you will find specialty plates that are personalized, have unique designs, are used to raise funds for causes as specified by legislation, and identify various organizations. With the wide variety of designs and categories, collecting license plates has become a hobby for many.

We hope you enjoy this book as an useful and historical publication.

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Evolution of Today's Current System

We've Come a Long Way

Today, license plates are still issued to register "horseless carriages," those self-propelled "monsters" of the roadways. But now, there's over 15 million of them! We have come a long way in eighty years. The methods are different but the madness is still the same! Stay tuned, the next eighty years promise to be as exciting and eventful as the first eighty years!

EVERYTHING YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT THE HISTORY OF TEXAS LICENSE PLATES

..AND THEN SOME!

Today, Just Like Yesterday...

In the early days, license plates were issued to register "horseless carriages." Registration fees were collected to help fund desperately needed highway improvements. In the name of progress, quiet country lanes and dusty cattle paths were transformed into modern thoroughfares to accommodate the increase in motor vehicle travel. Today, just like yesterday, Texas license plates serve two basic purposes. The plates identify the vehicle and the owner, and provide proof that the owner has paid registration fees for the privilege of using the State's roadways. The plates are designed so that they are visible during day or night. They also provide valuable assistance to law enforcement authorities in the recovery of stolen vehicles. The major portion of all motor vehicle registration fees collected today are designated for building and maintaining Texas highways.

The First Ones

Records reveal that the idea of requiring an automobile to display its own individual insignia originated in the state of New York in 1901. At that time, the owners of the 954 vehicles in that state were required to, "place the separate initials of the owner's name upon the back thereof in a conspicuous place." Some persons painted their initials and numbers on the body of the vehicle or on the headlamps. Others painted such information on a piece of wood or metal and fastened it to the vehicle "in a conspicuous place," which eventually evolved into our present-day license plate. When we refer to license plates as "tags," we are using a term which probably

originated in Michigan about 1905 where vehicle owners received their registration numbers stamped on small aluminum disks about the size of a silver dollar.

The first Texas automobile license plate issued during the Summer of 1907 was not actually issued for a private car but for a motor bus owned by W.B. Chenoweth of Colorado City. Mr. Chenoweth owned two buses, which were six cylinder, chain driven, 14 passenger stagecoaches. The license allowed the stage to operate a 28 mile route from Colorado City to Snyder, now known as the first intercity bus line in Texas. The operation was a success, but soon after, Snyder residents decided to ban the vehicles from their town. Many people objected to the self-propelled “monsters” which frightened horses and children. Mr. Chenoweth was forced to move to Big Spring, where he formed a bus route between Big Spring and Lamesa. Apparently, his idea was ahead of his time, for Mr. Chenoweth was penniless at the time of his death. So much for the early days of mass transit!

Our Authority

On April 4, 1917, the 35th Texas Legislature approved House Bill No. 2, which established a State Highway Department. Enumerated among the department’s responsibilities was the requirement that, “on and after the first day of July, 1917, and annually thereafter on and after the first day of January, every owner of one or more motorcycles or motor vehicles in this State, shall file in the office of the State Highway Department, on a blank provided by the Department, application for registration for each motorcycle or motor vehicle owned or controlled by him.”

Today, our authority continues through state registration laws which are occasionally modified during legislative sessions. Chapter 502 of the Texas Transportation Code provides the authority and the direction under which the department currently administers registration laws. When reviewing this chapter, you’ll note there are many facets of vehicle registration laws and not all are addressed in this history.

The information in this book is meant to be informative and touch briefly on all topics of interest regarding Texas License Plates but it is by no means meant to replace legal text, published rules, and/or policies of the department. To understand specific laws regarding license plates, one should consult the actual legal publications or a legal advisor.

We hope you enjoy this information as much as we have enjoyed publishing it.

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Pre-State Issued Plates - 1919

Counties in Texas began registration of vehicles owned by residents of their respective counties in 1907. This authority was granted by the 30th Texas Legislature in Special Session. The bill was approved April 15, 1907 and became effective August 10th of the same year. Of interesting note, this bill had originally been presented and subsequently failed during the Regular Session of the 30th Legislative Session. The law required, "All owners of automobiles or motor vehicles shall before using such vehicles or machines upon the public roads, streets or driveways, register with the county clerk of the county in which he resides, his name, which name shall be registered by the county clerk in consecutive order in a book to be kept for that purpose, and shall be numbered in the order of their registration, and it shall be the duty of such owner or owners to display in a conspicuous place on said machine the number so registered, which number shall be in figures not less than six inches in height. The county clerk shall be paid by such owners a fee of fifty cents for each machine registered."

Mr. R. K. Wimberley, in his publication, The History of Automobile Registration in Texas published in 1959, further explains, "The license plate stipulation was very



simple in that only one plate was required and no date was affixed. One simply had to go to the saddle or blacksmith shop and have the license plate made. Some people made them themselves. Iron frames covered with leather were fast coming into use in the larger cities so that some Northern firms began

to retain these blanks in various stores

throughout the country. Numbers made of aluminum of a rather large size (probably apartment numbers) were attached to the leather by spread-type cotter pins. This was the earliest type of license plate in use and was used from 1907 through 1916. Some of the early ceramic plates were manufactured by the Stafford Illuminated Auto Lamp and Number Company of Chicago and the Gopher Stamp and Die Company of St. Paul, Minnesota, also furnished some of the early plates."

The Texas Parade magazine (February, 1942 issue) stated in an article, "Crude homemade plates were common in those days, if one can depend on the memory of

the old-timers. There were wooden plates (roof shingles were popular) with hand painted letters. A more expensive plate had individual porcelain letters to be inserted on a heavy steel frame. Also popular were large leather plates with tin numerals bradded on.” The use of leather plates in 1913 is substantiated in an article in the Ft. Worth Star Telegram, February, 1966, by Mr. Luther Roberts (Luther Roberts, 6616 Normandy Drive, Ft. Worth, Texas) who said, “It [leather license plate] was issued in 1913 to my wife’s father...who used it on a 1913 Model T Ford. It was made from a piece of raw leather with tin numerals bradded to it.”

Officials weren’t very fussy about drivers licenses in those days either. In most areas, when you registered your vehicle, you also received a drivers license.

As the number of automobile owners steadily increased in the early 1900s, cities joined in to regulate vehicle registration. A Fort Worth city ordinance dating back to June 6, 1908 read, “All car owners must register their car with the city secretary and receive a license number, which number must be attached to the rear of the car in figures at least six inches in height.”

A Kerrville auto dealer, Lee Mason, even went as far as to issue a brochure in 1916, advising prospective buyers, “Remember you can’t sell your license number when you buy a new car. Get a new license number, they cost 40 cents.” The pamphlet also included accepted rules of the road such as, “Keep to the right; don’t cut corners but circle all the way; use your horn; when you see a broken bottle in the road, stop and pick up the pieces.” Later, the Texas Legislature invalidated city ordinances so that only the state system prevailed.

The first official Texas license plates, manufactured by the Adams Stamp and Stationery Company of St. Louis, Missouri, were made of sheet iron with white numbers on a dark blue background. Twenty railroad cars were required to bring the 300,000 plates to Austin. This license plate design was used from 1917 through 1922 which depicted a vertically placed “TEX” abbreviation on the right end of the license plate.

Each year’s issuance of these plates required a different validation seal. The validation seal displayed on the radiator, bore the words “Registered Motor Vehicle, Texas” with the year of issuance shown and for obvious reasons became known as radiator seals. Radiator seals, beginning in 1917 and continuing to 1919 carried the Lone Star emblem. This emblem separated each of the letters of the word “TEXAS” in a circular pattern. The Lone Star emblem would be used almost continually on license plates in order to separate numbers and alpha characters where desired. The contract to furnish the 160,000 distinguishing seals was awarded to the Stafford Automobile Lamp and Number Company of Dallas. The department paid 39 cents for each plate and three cents for each seal. By the end of 1917, the department had registered 194,720 motor vehicles.

In 1917, the State Highway Department also became responsible for the issuance of the “Chauffeur” license that applied to “any person whose business or occupation is that he operates a motor vehicle for compensation, wages, or hire.” For a license fee of \$3, the department issued a metal badge to be worn at all times while operating

a motor vehicle or conducting related business. This may be the origin of the metal badge seen today on the caps of some truck drivers and bus drivers.

House Bill 2, which created the Highway Department, also created the first motor vehicle dealer's license, "...which may be attached to any motor vehicle or motorcycle he sends temporarily upon the road." The annual fee was set at \$15, and up to five additional dealer plates could be obtained for a fee of \$5.

The County Tax Assessor-Collectors became the official agents for the department in 1918 and began collecting all motor vehicle, motorcycle, dealer, and chauffeur registration and license fees. The registration fee from 1917 until 1923 was \$3 for each motorcycle and 35 cents per horsepower of the vehicle, with a minimum fee of \$7.50. The fees were deposited in the State Highway Fund for the purpose of building and maintaining highways. The counties retained 50% of the collection and the Highway Department received 50%. By the close of 1920, only three short years after the Texas Highway Department was created, 446,923 motor vehicles were registered in Texas.

During the same year that county tax assessor-collectors became the department's agents, shipments of license plates had arrived at the newly constructed Land Office Building which housed the State Highway Department at that time. The license plates were then laid out and sorted in the hallways for shipment to the counties. License plates could not be sent to some counties because a few of the counties were unorganized territories with no county officials. In fact, in 1918 there were only 249 counties in Texas compared to 254 counties today. Residents of the newly created counties had to travel to adjoining counties to purchase their plates.

*Texas License Plates
1907-1919*

1911



1917



1918



1919



Texas License Plates
1907-1919

Not Pictured:

1917

Visitor Plate
Motorcycle Seal

1918

Visitor Plate
Motorcycle Seal

1919

Visitor Plate
Motorcycle Seal

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1920 – 1929

In the Highway Commission's Second Biennial Report, dated January 1921, the Registration Division's responsibilities consisted of auditing registration receipts, (which were written from ledger books in the county) as well as reports from the Tax Collectors, typing and proofing receipts, classifying, filing and maintaining records. A special note stated that, "Attention is invited to the importance and usefulness of this identification system of records and the service which it renders in tracing stolen cars. The Department has been instrumental in the past two years of assisting in the recovery of about 200 stolen cars." It's safe to say that history really seems to repeat itself. The times have changed, but the responsibilities have not.

In 1920, it was necessary to replenish the supply of license plates for issuance to the new registrants, so the department began to issue a slightly shorter size plate. The American License Plate Collector's Association (ALPCA) found this decrease in the size of the license plates to have, "occurred somewhere between plate number 405058 and plate number 417833." Also brought to light in the April 1990 ALPCA newsletter is that the longer plate, "reappeared somewhere between number 525531 and 547029." (pg. 41)

The Texas Legislature called for the re-registration of all motor vehicles so that accurate record keeping could begin. 1923 saw new regular license plates issued in pairs and were distinguishable by the word "Texas" on each end of the plate. The increase in registrations for 1923 over 1922 was 164,214. A large amount of this increase was attributed to the fact that all previously issued plates were declared void and new plates were issued.

In June of 1923, the registration fee was reduced by the Legislature to 17-1/2 cents per horsepower. A graduated weight fee was placed on all vehicles. The county retained the entire horsepower fee, and the state received the graduated weight fees, together with the miscellaneous transfer fees and chauffeur licenses which were deposited in the State Highway Fund. Additionally, for the first time in 1923, each vehicle was required to display two license plates. Consequently with the new license plate distribution of 1923 there were no seals issued for that year. The 1923 license plate was validated by a rectangular radiator seal for the year 1924.

The year 1925 brought in the first regular Texas license plate bearing the year of issuance. The embossing of the issuance year on license plates would continue well into the future of license plate manufacturing.

The department soon found that by changing the color and date of license plates each year, one could easily identify a car that was currently registered. The plates were used as valuable tools in recovering stolen cars. Additionally, the department began assigning distinguishing numbers and color combinations for the different vehicle classifications, as well. It's hard to imagine the rainbow of colors used through the years for different license plate combinations. Green, yellow, purple, gold, orange, blue and carmine were only a few from the wide array of colors. At one time, even the colors of major universities were used.

Beginning January 1, 1928, the counties were awarded 30% of the weight fees collected, in addition to the horsepower fees. The maximum amount allowed any county as its portion of weight fees was \$50,000. The Highway Department received the remaining 70% of the weight fees together with the transfer fees and chauffeur fees.

With the enactment of additional legislation, 1928, 1929 and 1930 license plates were manufactured in pairs with one plate bearing the word "Front" and the other plate bearing the word "Rear."

According to Western Union messages between the Highway Department and the Kittle Manufacturing Company (contractor for the manufacturing of license plates for 1928), emergency receipt of license plates caused part of a 1928 shipment of license plates to arrive at the Port of Houston from Los Angeles, via the Panama Canal, on the S.S. Edgar F. Luckenbach. The plates were then sent to Austin on the Southern Pacific Railroad where the license plates were unloaded from the train and taken to the Land Office Building.

In addition, license plates for commercial vehicles were first issued in 1925. The 41st Texas Legislature provided the department with the authority to manufacture and issue commercial plates in 1929. Truck plates for 1928 were stamped with the tonnage of the vehicle to which the plates were issued. The practice of stamping the tonnage on commercial vehicle license plates was discontinued the following registration year due to the confusion with the numbering system across each classification. Stamping the tonnage on commercial license plates made the accurate identification of many commercial vehicles extremely difficult, if the tonnage embossed on the plate was not copied along with the plate number. These plates were once again embossed with "C-M" to denote a "Commercial Vehicle."

Prior to the establishment of plate manufacturing facilities at the Huntsville Prison Tag Plant, the Texas license plates were purchased on the open market from the lowest bidder. At one time, plates were furnished by companies in Missouri, Minnesota, and California.

Texas License Plates of the 1920s

1920



Motor Vehicle License Seal



Dealer License Plate

1921



Motor Vehicle License Seal



Dealer License Plate

1922



Motor Vehicle License Seal

1924



Motor Vehicle License Seal

1925



Passenger



Dealer License Plate



Commercial Vehicle

Texas License Plates of the 1920s

1926



Passenger Plate



Motor Bus

1927



Passenger Plate



Commercial Vehicle



Motor Bus

1928



Rear Passenger Plate



1-Ton Commercial Vehicle Plate

1929



Rear Passenger Plate



Tractor / Trailer Plate



Rear Commercial Vehicle

Texas License Plates of the 1920s

Not Pictured:

1920

Visitor Plate
Motorcycle Plate

1921

Visitor Plate
Motorcycle Plate

1922

Visitor Plate
Dealer Plate
Motorcycle Plate

1923

Passenger Plate
Dealer Plate
Motorcycle Plate

1924

Passenger Plate
Dealer Plate
Motorcycle Seal

1925

Tractor / Trailer Plate
Dealer Plate
Motorcycle Plate

1926

Motorcycle Plate
Dealer Plate
Commercial Plate
Tractor / Trailer Plate

1927

Motorcycle Plate
Dealer Plate
Tractor / Trailer Plate

1928

Front Passenger Plate
Dealer Plate
Bus Plate
Motorcycle Plate
1-Ton Rear Comm. Plate
2-Ton Front Comm. Plate
2-Ton Rear Comm. Plate
3-Ton Front Comm. Plate
3-Ton Rear Comm. Plate
4-Ton Front Comm. Plate
4-Ton Rear Comm. Plate
5-Ton Front Comm. Plate
5-Ton Rear Comm. Plate
6-Ton Front Comm. Plate
6-Ton Rear Comm. Plate
7-Ton Front Comm. Plate
7-Ton Rear Comm. Plate
8-Ton Front Comm. Plate
8-Ton Rear Comm. Plate
Tractor Plate
Trailer Plate "CL-1"
Trailer Plate "CL-3"
Trailer Plate "CL-4"
Trailer Plate "CL-5"
Trailer Plate "CL-6"
Trailer Plate "CL-7"
Trailer Plate "CL-8"

1929

Front Passenger Plate
"MB" Motorbus Plate
"D" Dealer Plate
Front Comm. Vehicle Plate
Motorcycle Plate

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1930 – 1939

Contract specifications for 1930 passenger license plates called for the front plate dimensions to be 5" X 14" as well as 5" X 15". The plates sized 5" X 14" were to be for plates numbered 1 to 999,999 and for plates sized 5" X 15" were to be for plates numbered 1,000,000 to 1,300,000. These plates would continue to bear the words "Front" and "Rear."

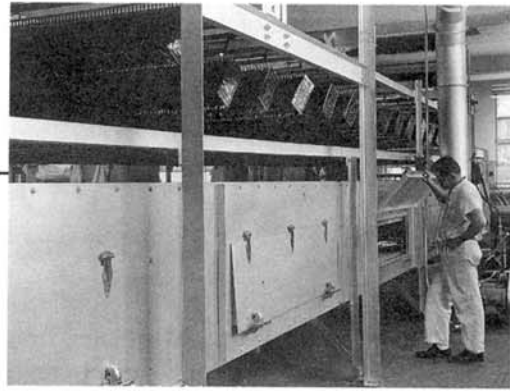
The first license plates produced in Texas that included both numerical and alpha characters appeared in 1931. The letters had no particular significance, that is, certain letters were not assigned to certain counties. Several different single-letter prefixes were used in 1931 with the letter "A" representing 100,000, "B" for 200,000 and so forth with the numbering system gradually settling down in later years to the use of "A" for 1,000,000 and "F" for 1,100,000. Whereas the specifications in the beginning of the decade called for the above mentioned sizes, 1932 plates would be reduced in size. The 1932 contract called for dimensions of 5" X 13" for license plates.

In 1933, the Texas Legislature passed a law authorizing the Texas Prison System in Huntsville to manufacture our license plates. The acquisition and installation of the manufacturing equipment began and the first state manufactured license plates were issued in 1935. That year, Texas ranked sixth in the nation for the total number of vehicle registrations. Pictured on the facing page are some archival photos of Texas prison inmates making plates to be issued to Texas motorists. This series was taken at the Huntsville License Plate Plant in 1963. While three decades span the time of license plate manufacture implementation in Huntsville and the date these photos were taken, one is given an idea of the process.

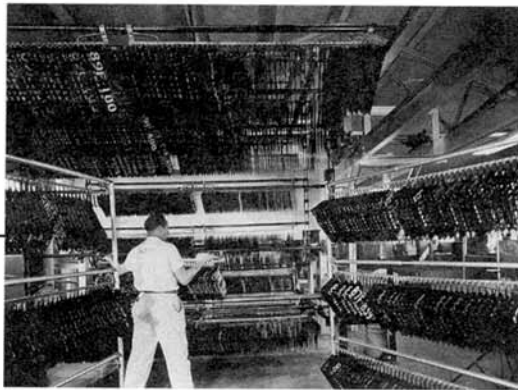
The "Depression" contributed to changing the yearly registration period. Until then, the registration year was based on the calendar year from January 1 through December 31. The Legislature realized that due to financial hardships people were not able to meet the December 31 deadline, so the purchase deadline was extended to April 1, 1933. Citizens were still suffering financial difficulties in 1934 so the Texas Legislature responded once again and passed a law declaring that if a person purchased 1934 license plates by April 1, 1934, a penalty would not be charged and the license plates would not expire until March 31, 1935. The term "Motor Vehicle Registration Year" was defined in the law at this time, officially beginning the April 1 through March 31 registration year. This would remain in effect for over forty years until staggered registration was implemented in 1978.



Raw plates are placed in a rimmer press where the edges are crimped and "Texas" and date are stamped on bottom.



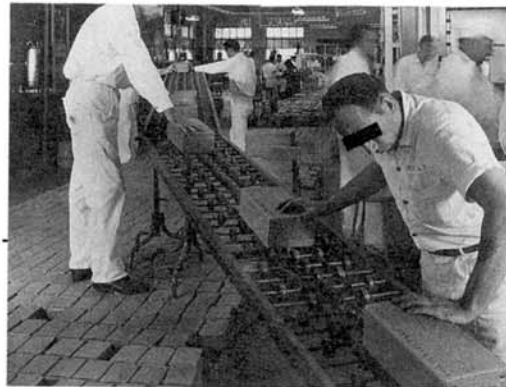
The plates are dipped in black paint, then baked in ovens at 400°F. Oven shown here will handle 60,000 plates in a 10-hour day, the normal shift at the prison plant.



The license plates are hanging on racks to be placed in the oven for final drying, after the white inking has occurred.



Raised numbers and letters on the plates are painted white in this inking machine.



The finished plates are shipped downstairs (Operations is on the second floor) to be sent to the warehouse for storage or to the district offices.

To honor the 100th birthday of Texas, 1936 license plates were manufactured displaying the word "CENTENNIAL." The centennial plate was dark blue-on-cream with the abbreviation "TEX" separating the alpha/numerals on the plate in the place of the embossed "Lone Star" that had originally appeared. Across the bottom portion of the plate the registration year and the word "Centennial" appears.



"State Official" License Plates first appeared in 1939. The governor of Texas received SO1, the lieutenant governor received SO2, and so on through the elected officials. That same year, Texas registered 1,702,507 passenger and commercial vehicles. In addition, license plates were redesigned with turned edges to make the plate more rigid which helped to prevent warping. And believe it or not, another main reason for the new design was to eliminate the danger of cutting your hands while washing a vehicle.

*Texas License Plates
of the 1930s*

1930



Rear Motor Bus Plate



Rear Passenger Plate



Front Commercial Vehicle Plate

1931



Passenger Plate



Trailer Plate



Commercial Vehicle Plate

1932



Passenger Plate



Commercial Vehicle Plate



Motor Bus Plate

Texas License Plates of the 1930s

1933



Passenger Plate



Trailer Plate



Commercial Vehicle Plate



Motor Bus Plate

1934



Passenger Plate



Trailer Plate



Commercial Vehicle Plate



Motor Bus Plate

1935



Passenger Plate



Commercial Vehicle Plate



Farm Plate

Texas License Plates of the 1930s

1936



Passenger Plate



Commercial Vehicle Plate



Motorbus Plate



Dealer Plate

1937



Passenger Plate



Trailer Plate



Farm Truck Plate

1938



Passenger Plate



Commercial Vehicle Plate



Farm Truck Plate



Farm Truck Plate

Texas License Plates of the 1930s

1939



Passenger Plate



Trailer Plate



Commercial Vehicle Plate



Commercial Vehicle Plate



Farm Truck Plate

Texas License Plates of the 1930s

Not Pictured:

1930

Front Motor Bus
Dealer
Rear Commercial Vehicle
Front Passenger
Tractor / Trailer
Motorcycle

1931

Dealer
Motor Bus
Motorcycle
Motor Freight
RR Commission

1932

Motorcycle
Motorcycle Side Car
Tractor / Trailer
Dealer
Bus

1933

RR Commission Contract Carrier
Dealer
Exempt
Motorcycle

1934

Motorcycle
Common Carrier RR Commission
RR Commission Contract Carrier
Dealer
Exempt
Farm

1935

Common Carrier RR Commission
Dealer
Exempt
Motor Bus
Motorcycle
Trailer

1936

Common Carrier RR Commission
Trailer
Exempt
Farm
Motorcycle

1937

Common Carrier RR Commission
Motorcycle Side Car
Dealer
Bus
Exempt
Exempt Motorcycle
Motorcycle
Commercial

1938

State Official
Exempt
Motorcycle Plate
Trailer
Dealer
Motor Bus
Exempt Motorcycle
Motorcycle Side Car

1939

State Official
Dealer
Motorbus
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Side Car
Exempt "HX"
HX=Highway Dept. Exempt
Exempt "SX"
SX=State Agencies Exempt
Exempt "X"
X=Other Exempt
Exempt Motorcycle
"X" License Plate

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1940 – 1949

With the dawning of America's entry into World War II, the public felt the effects of the metal shortage. The department solicited other means of manufacturing license plates, unsuccessfully. Among consideration by administrators was alternate forms for vehicle registration validation other than using steel for license plates. One such consideration was the production of a soybean based license plate but was abandoned because cattle kept eating the plates! Because of the metal shortage, officials in Washington imposed restrictions on the amount of metal that each state could use for the registration of vehicles. The War Production Board restricted the production of license plates not to exceed 4" square [steel material].

To address these imposed restrictions, the department actively worked on alternatives to validate registration as well as community efforts that would ease the burden of the metal shortage.

One such community effort coordinated by the Highway Department through the Registration Division, was to collect 1941 license plates. The American Association of Motor Vehicles (AAMVA) during 1942 issued a call to Motor Vehicle Administrators to assist in the war effort by collecting expired 1941 license plates when the 1942 plates were issued to owners. After careful review and consideration of statute requirements, the department orchestrated the following press release that was issued by then, Governor Coke Stevenson:

“...announced today that the Texas Highway Department has delivered motor vehicle license plates for 1942 and these plates will be available at the office of each County Tax Collector on February 1, 1942. They may be legally placed on vehicles previously registered in Texas on March 1st with April 1st as the last day upon which plates may be purchased without penalty.

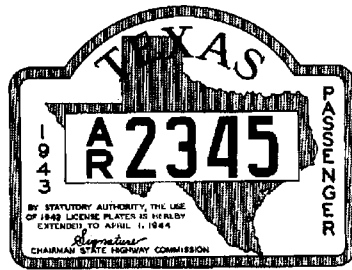
The Governor has received many letters from public spirited and defense minded citizens suggesting that all motorists turn in their 1941 plates as scrap steel to be reclaimed for National Defense. In many localities the Boy Scouts, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Salvation Army have been recommended as possible collection agencies.

Governor Stevenson heartily endorses collection of 1941 license plates as a contribution to National Defense. He believes that with properly marked receptacles located at filling stations, garages, Tax Collectors' offices, etc. a majority of 1941 plates would be turned in. Federal Authorities have

stated that scrap metals should be sold to scrap metal and junk dealers as the most direct method of reclaiming metal, and should collection be made by the Highway Department all money received from the sale of scrap metals must under the Texas statutes, be deposited in the State Treasury and would not be available for National Defense. The Governor, therefore, suggest that in every city and town in Texas a collection of 1941 plates be undertaken by the above or other interested agencies in order that all revenue received from the sale of 1941 plates may be devoted to National Defense.”

This press release truly expressed the commitment and support of the department during the war effort at a time when all were being called upon to contribute in various ways.

Another alternative to production of full size license plates included the development of a windshield validation sticker for 1943 registration. The owner of the vehicle would keep their 1942 license plates and be issued a windshield validation sticker to prove that they had paid registration fees for 1943. Below is a picture of the windshield sticker that was developed but would never be used due to circumstances beyond the control of the department.



Instead of the windshield validation sticker, smaller versions of metal license plates (small metal tabs) were designed to validate registration. Therefore, 1942 license plates were to remain on vehicles for 1943 and 1944 registration and were validated with the small metal tabs. The tabs were numbered and issued to the counties in numerical sequence and had two letters followed by two to four numeric figures. The size of the small metal tabs were 1" X 4" rectangular for 1943 and 2" X 2" square for 1944. The legend was to be gold and the background black. The metal tab was then placed in the lower right bolt hole of the 1942 license plate. With the 1943 registration year ending in March 1944, the department saw an actual decrease in the number of registered vehicles compared to the previous years.



Beginning in 1943, the rectangular metal tabs appeared with the two letter prefix being “stacked” to the left of the numbers. This style of stacked letter prefixes on the 1943 metal tabs and subsequent license plates would continue until the first half of 1955 when the letters were “unstacked” and appeared horizontally across the plate prefixing the numbers.

All decisions affecting the operations of the Registration Division surely were made considering the war and the times that administrators found themselves in, when conducting business. This is evident by the following excerpt taken from a March 17, 1942 memorandum from Mr. E. J. Amey, (who in 1945 became Director of the Motor Vehicle Division) to Mr. D. C. Greer, State Highway Engineer of the Department, when discussing the purchase of enamel for license plates. This statement from Mr. Amey epitomized business situations across the state. He stated, "I recommend...we utilize the paint [enamel] now on hand...and lastly, we are at war and lucky to have any enamel at all."

Although the manufacture of new automobiles had been suspended since early 1942 and vehicle registration had decreased in 1943-44, the traffic volume on Texas highways soared during the first year after the close of the war. With their involvement and support of the war effort, people began to migrate to different areas of the country. By January of 1945, under the provisions of Senate Bill 43, Texas had entered into motor vehicle reciprocity agreements involving nonresident privileges with 30 other states. Out of state vehicles were afforded privileges when traveling in Texas similar to those afforded to Texas vehicles traveling in other states.

In 1945 and 1946, the nation was recovering from the war, but metal was still in short supply. Registered vehicles sported new Texas license plates, but the plates were not issued in pairs. Only one plate was issued per vehicle and was attached to the rear of the vehicle. Members of law enforcement agencies soon determined approaching vehicles displaying only a rear plate were very difficult to identify. In 1947, due to a delivery hitch, there was yet another shortage of license plates. So, windshield stickers were issued to validate the payment of registration fees. The windshield stickers were temporary and expired on July 15, 1947. Registrants were required to return to their courthouses to pick up new metal plates. Law enforcement officers throughout the state expressed relief as the license plates were again issued in sets.

As a side note, on June 30, 1941 the first Certificate of Title was issued by the department as Certificate No. 1, to Fred Powell of Beaumont, Jefferson County, on a 1939 Packard Coupe, License Number 746-163.

Texas License Plates of the 1940s

1940



Passenger Plate



Trailer Plate



Farm Truck Plate



Farm Truck Plate

1941



Passenger Plate



Trailer Plate



Commercial Vehicle Plate



Farm Truck Plate



Farm Truck Plate

1942



Passenger Plate (sample)



Dealer Plate



Trailer Plate



Commercial Plate



Bus Plate

Texas License Plates of the 1940s

1942

Continued



Farm Truck Plate



Farm Truck Plate

1943



*License Plate Tab
(Affixed to lower right bolt-hole
of the 1942 plate)*

1944



*License Plate Tab
(Affixed to the lower right bolt-hole
of the 1942 plate)*

1945



Passenger Plate (sample)



Farm Truck Plate



State Official Plate



Trailer Plate



Truck Plate

*Texas License Plates
of the 1940s*

1946



Passenger Plate (sample)



Trailer Plate

1947



Passenger Plate (sample)



Truck Tractor Plate

1948



Passenger Plate (sample)



Farm Truck Plate



*Texas License Plates
of the 1940s*

1949



Passenger Plate (sample)



Farm Truck Tractor Plate



Texas License Plates of the 1940s

Not Pictured:

1940

State official
Commercial
Dealer
Bus
Motorcycle Side Car
Motorcycle
Exempt "X"
Exempt "HX"
Exempt "SX"
Exempt Motorcycle "X"
In Transit

1941

State Official
1941 Dealer
Bus
In Transit
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Side Car
Exempt Motorcycle "X"
Exempt "HX"
Exempt "SX"
Exempt "X"

1942

State Official
In Transit
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Side Car
Exempt Motorcycle "XMC"
Exempt "HX"
Exempt "SX"
Exempt "X"

1943

Exempt Motorcycle Tab
Farm Tab
Dealer Tab "DR"
Motorcycle Tab

1944

Farm Tab
Dealer Tab "DR"
Motorcycle Tab

1945

Exempt "HX"
Exempt "SX"
Commercial Vehicle
Dealer
Bus
In Transit
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Side Car
Exempt "X"
Exempt Motorcycle "X"

1946

Truck
Farm Truck
Bus
Tractor
Dealer
State Official
Exempt "XS" State Agency
Exempt "XC"
Exempt "XD"
Exempt "XF"
Motorcycle Dealer
In Transit
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Side Car
Motorcycle Exempt "X"
Exempt "XH" Hwy. Dept. Plate

1947

Tractor
Dealer
In Transit
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Side Car
Exempt Motorcycle "X"
Motorcycle Dealer
Exempt Hwy Dept. "XH"
Exempt State Agency
State Official

1948

State Official
Farm Truck Tractor
Bus
City Bus
Trailer
Tractor
Dealer
In Transit
Exempt "XC"
Exempt "XD"
Exempt "XF"
Truck Tractor
House Trailer
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Side Car
Exempt Motorcycle
Motorcycle Dealer
Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
Exempt State Agency "XS"

1949

State Official
Bus
Tractor
Dealer
In Transit
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Side Car
Exempt Motorcycle "X"
Motorcycle Dealer
Exempt Hwy Dept. "XH"
Exempt State Agency "XS"
Exempt "XC"
Exempt "XD"
Exempt XF"

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1950 – 1959

The Department goes Hollywood!

In 1953 and 1954 with the help of Warner Bros' new silver screen starlets, the department promoted the 1953 and 1954 Texas license plates to the citizens of Texas. Pictured to the left is Ms. Phyllis Kirk from Warner Bros' holding a 1953 Texas License plate. According to records, Ms. Kirk appeared as Randolph Scott's leading lady in Warner Bros' production of "Thunder Over the Plains".



Featured in the following shot is Ms. Lucy McAleer holding an oversized version of the 1954 license plate. Ms. McAleer debuted in the Warner Bros' production of "A Star is Born" that starred Judy Garland.



The Texas Legislature enacted safety responsibility legislation in 1951 requiring motor vehicle owners and operators to carry liability insurance. If an accident occurred and the owner or operator could not provide proof of financial responsibility, the Department of Public Safety was required to suspend the registration of all the vehicles registered in the name of the offending party. Since the Highway Department was

responsible for Texas motor vehicle registration records, a method of retrieving the records was developed to assist the Department of Public Safety in administering this law.

The Remington Rand Soundex Code System, a popular system used in several other states, was used to manually code the names of registrants. This intricate coding system continued for about two years. After that, the Department of Public Safety began confiscating license plates at the time of suspension.

In 1956, after the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators established a uniform national policy, Texas adopted a standard 6 inch by 12 inch license plate. This is standard in most of North America and parts of South America. The adoption of the black and white color combination as standard for Texas license plates occurred in 1957.

This decision was made after conducting extensive laboratory studies of paint durability and legibility. No doubt about it, Texas license plates had to be sturdy enough to withstand all conditions, from the West Texas sand storms to the wet, salty air of the coastal areas.

*Texas License Plates
of the 1950s*

1950



Passenger Plate (sample)



1951



Passenger Plate



*Texas License Plates
of the 1950s*

1951

Continued



1952



Passenger Plate (sample)



1953



Passenger Plate (sample)



Texas License Plates of the 1950s

1953

Continued



1954



Passenger Plate (sample)



Amateur Radio Operator



1955



Passenger Plate (sample)



Texas License Plates of the 1950s

1955

Continued



Trailer Replacement Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



1956



Texas License Plates of the 1950s

1955

Continued



Truck Replacement Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



1957



Passenger Plate



Trailer Replacement Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



*Texas License Plates
of the 1950s*

1958



Passenger Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



1959



Passenger Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



*Texas License Plates
of the 1950s*

1959

Continued



Truck Replacement Plate



Truck Tractor Replacement Plate

Texas License Plates of the 1950s

Not Pictured:

1950
 State Official
 Bus
 City Bus
 Tractor
 Dealer
 In Transit
 Motorcycle
 Motorcycle Side Car
 Exempt Motorcycle "X"
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
 Exempt State Agency "XS"
 Exempt "XC"
 Exempt "XD"
 Exempt "XF"
 Machinery

1951
 State Official
 Farm Truck Tractor
 Bus
 Tractor
 In Transit
 Motorcycle
 Motorcycle Side Car
 Exempt Motorcycle "X"
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
 Exempt State Agency "XS"
 Exempt "XC"
 Exempt "XD"
 Exempt "XF"

1952
 State Official
 Farm Truck Tractor
 City Bus
 Tractor
 In Transit
 Motorcycle
 Motorcycle Side Car
 Exempt Motorcycle "X"
 Motorcycle Dealer

1952 (continued)
 Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
 Exempt State Agency "XS"
 Exempt "XC"
 Exempt "XD"
 Exempt "XF"
 Overwidth

1953
 State Official
 Farm Truck Tractor
 Bus
 City Bus
 Tractor
 Dealer
 In Transit
 Motorcycle
 Motorcycle Side Car
 Exempt Motorcycle "X"
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
 Exempt State Agency "XS"
 Exempt "XC"
 Exempt "XD"
 Exempt "XF"
 Overwidth
 Motorscooter

1954
 State Official
 Farm Truck Tractor
 Bus
 Tractor
 Dealer
 In Transit
 Motorcycle
 Motorcycle Side Car
 Exempt Motorcycle "X"
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Motorcycle Plate for Motorscooter
 Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
 Exempt State Agency "XS"
 Exempt "XC"
 Exempt "XD"

1954 (continued)
 Exempt "XF"
 Overwidth

1955
 State Official
 City Bus
 Tractor
 Dealer
 In Transit
 Motorcycle
 Exempt Motorcycle "X"
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
 Exempt State Agency "XS"
 Exempt "XC"
 Exempt "XD"
 Exempt "XF"
 Truck Tractor Replacement
 Overwidth

1956
 Farm Truck Tractor
 City Bus
 Trailer
 Trailer Replacement
 Tractor
 Dealer
 In Transit
 Motorcycle
 Exempt Motorcycle "X"
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
 Exempt State Agency "XS"
 Exempt "XC"
 Exempt "XD"
 Exempt "XF"
 Truck Tractor Replacement
 House Trailer
 Consular

Texas License Plates of the 1950s

Not Pictured: *(continued)*

1957

State Official
Bus
Farm Truck Tractor
City Bus
Tractor
Dealer
In Transit
Motorcycle
Exempt Motorcycle "X"
Motorcycle Dealer
Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
Exempt State Agency "XS"
Exempt "XC"
Exempt "XD"
Exempt "XF"
Truck Tractor Replacement

1958

State Official
Bus
Farm Truck Tractor
City Bus
Trailer Replacement
Tractor
Dealer
In Transit
Motorcycle
Exempt Motorcycle "X"
Motorcycle Dealer
Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
Exempt State Agency "XS"
Exempt "XC"
Exempt "XD"
Exempt "XF"
Truck Tractor Replacement
House Trailer
Antique Auto

1959

State Official
Farm Truck Tractor
Bus
City Bus
Trailer Replacement
In Transit
Motorcycle
Exempt Motorcycle "X"
Motorcycle Dealer
Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
Exempt State Agency "XS"
Exempt "XC"
Exempt "XD"
Exempt "XF"
U.S. Senate
U.S. House
Parade Vehicle

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1960 – 1969

In the 1960s, as the world turned towards happenings around the globe, the department was busy making decisions of its own. Of particular interest to Texas administrators of the time, was whether to continue issuing annual license plates or move toward a multi-year plate; change the metal used in production; as well as the advantages of reflectorization.

In a letter dated November 16, 1962 from Mr. R. W. Townsley, Director of the Motor Vehicle Division, Mr. Townsley made available the results of a report in which the above was considered. The following is a brief synopsis of the report and its findings:

“On December of 1961, the Legislative Budget Board instructed its staff to examine alternative procedures for manufacturing and issuing motor vehicle license plates which might result in savings to the State.

In examining the evidence, it is found that:

- 1) Texas has what appears to be a very economical and efficient procedure for manufacturing license plates. No other state has been able to produce plates at a lower cost.
- 2) Many states have cut costs by adopting a semi-permanent license plate, but considerable controversy exists concerning the relative merits of this practice.
- 3) To gain the possible advantages of a semi-permanent type plate, extensive revisions of the procedure for issuing plates would be required. It is doubtful that the change would result in lower costs, most of the advantage being in the nature of convenience to the taxpayer and a higher quality plate.
- 4) As long as Texas issues an annual plate, steel is the most economical material to be used in fabricating the plate.”

It would not be until 1975 before the department would adopt the practice of issuing multi-year license plates. These plates would then be validated with registration stickers that affixed to the license plate.

Beginning in 1963 and continuing until 1964 a combination of 2 letters and 2 to 4 numbers were used on passenger license plate. In 1965 through 1982, a combination of 3 letters and 2 to 3 numbers were used. Truck license plates were issued with the combinations of numbers and letters plus 2 to 4 numbers. This combination for trucks was used from 1963 to 1972.

Land Ho!

For a short time, beginning in 1960 and ending in 1969, the Texas Highway Department issued boat registrations. Boat owners were issued special identification numbers that they attached to or painted on each side of their boats. On September 1, 1969, boat registrations were transferred to the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife. Nevertheless, the department remained responsible for registering boat trailers that are required to display current license plates if used on public roadways.



With the passage of the Prestige License Plate Act in 1965, Texas was about to enter a new age of car registration. For the fee of \$10 in addition to the regular registration fee, registrants were able to “personalize” their license plates. For the first time, plates could be ordered displaying names, initials, favorite nicknames, or even greetings.

In the years following World War II, vehicle registration soared at the rate of a quarter of a million more vehicles registered each year. In 1965, the current supply of passenger car license numbers consisting of a two-letter prefix followed by two to four numbers was exhausted. As a final tribute, the last passenger plate off the press in Huntsville was appropriately manufactured to read “THE END.” Texas adopted the “English” system of license plate numbering as an alternate plan. Under the new system, a three-letter prefix followed by two to three numbers was used in registering passenger vehicles.

The Texas Legislature approved a reflectorized license plate in 1966, after studies showed that reflectorization may help reduce motor vehicle accidents. Personalized License Plates were the first series of plates manufactured using the new process. Beginning in 1969, all classes of license plates were reflectorized.

1968 Texas license plates were issued bearing the slogan “HEMISFAIR 68.” The plates were issued, amid public controversy, to help promote the international exposition located in San Antonio. It seemed that a few registrants found the license plates objectionable because they considered the plates a form of “advertisement” for the city of San Antonio. But, as the State Highway Commission reasoned, support for the exposition was encouraged because it was an effort to secure a greater portion of the national and international travel market that would benefit the entire State.



Also, in 1968, state officials watched with excitement as the Highway Department undertook a project that would dramatically affect the State’s motor vehicle registration and title process. This massive project, known to many as “the Conversion,” came as a result of many months of planning and hard work. It began with the installation of the first computer equipment by the Highway Department.

And, for the first time ever, a prison system would be used to convert state records from a manual file to a computer master file.

At one point, 500 inmates of the Texas Department of Corrections, under the supervision of the Highway Department, were involved in converting 6,000,000 motor vehicle records into a format suitable for computer processing. Curious administrators from all over the world observed the progress of the project, paying careful attention to the advantages of using cost saving inmate labor. Meanwhile, “the Conversion” evolved into a modern, computerized system that, by allowing the automated access to motor vehicle records, would forever change the registration process in Texas.

Prior to the “Conversion,” titles were made using a Dexigraph process of photography, development, negatives & printing. In 1968 the first computer-generated titles were issued, removing the need to file motor vehicle cards or receipts. All the motor vehicle information was now on the computer! Registration receipts would then be automated rather than the previous handwritten (often illegible) receipts.

*Texas License Plates
of the 1960s*

1960



Passenger Plate (sample)



Trailer Replacement Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



1961



Passenger Plate (sample)



*Texas License Plates
of the 1960s*

1961

Continued



Trailer Replacement Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



1962



Passenger Plate (sample)



*Texas License Plates
of the 1960s*

1962

Continued



Trailer Replacement Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



1963



Passenger Plate (sample)



10-18 Trailer Replacement Plate



*Texas License Plates
of the 1960s*

1963

Continued



Truck Replacement Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



*Texas License Plates
of the 1960s*

1964



Passenger Plate (sample)



Texas License Plates of the 1960s

1965



Passenger Plate (sample)



Truck Replacement Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



Texas License Plates of the 1960s

1965

Continued



1966



Passenger Plate (sample)



18-32 Trailer Replacement Plate



Truck Tractor Replacement Plate

*Texas License Plates
of the 1960s*

1966

Continued



Truck Replacement Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



1967



Passenger Plate (sample)



18-32 Trailer Replacement Plate



Vanity Dealer Plate



*Texas License Plates
of the 1960s*

1967

Continued



Truck Replacement Plate



1968



Passenger Plate (sample)



Texas License Plates of the 1960s

1968

Continued



18-32 Replacement Plate



Texas License Plates of the 1960s

1968

Continued



Truck Replacement Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



Truck Tractor Replacement Plate



1969



Passenger Plate (sample)



Texas License Plates of the 1960s

1969

Continued



Personalized Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



Texas License Plates of the 1960s

Not Pictured:

1960
 Farm Truck Tractor
 Bus
 City Bus
 Tractor
 Dealer
 In Transit
 Motorcycle
 Exempt Motorcycle "X"
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
 Exempt State Agency "XS"
 Exempt "XC"
 Exempt "XD"
 Exempt "XF"
 Truck Tractor Replacement
 House Trailer
 U.S. Senate
 U.S. House
 Parade Vehicle
 Consular

1961
 Dealer
 Farm Truck Tractor
 State Official
 House Trailer
 Bus
 Truck Tractor Replacement
 Motorcycle
 Motorcycle Dealer

1962
 In Transit
 Motorcycle
 Exempt Motorcycle "X"
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
 Exempt State Agency "XS"
 Exempt "XC"
 Exempt "XD"
 Exempt "XF"
 U.S. Senate
 U.S. House

1962 (continued)
 Parade Vehicle
 Disaster
 Machinery
 Manufacturer "Test Car"
 Truck Tractor Replacement

1963
 Parade Vehicle
 Prorate
 Disaster
 Test Car
 Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
 Exempt State Agency "XS"
 Exempt "XC"
 Exempt "XD"
 Exempt "XF"
 State Official
 Bus
 Dealer
 Motorcycle
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Truck Tractor Replacement
 Manufacturer "Test Car"
 Farm Truck Tractor
 Trailer Replacement Plate
 In Transit
 Exempt Motorcycle "X"
 House Trailer
 U.S. Senate
 U.S. House

1964
 State Official
 Truck Replacement Plate
 Farm Truck Tractor
 City Bus
 Special Trailer 6A Replacement
 Special Trailer 6B Replacement
 Dealer
 In Transit
 Motorcycle
 Exempt Motorcycle "X"
 Manufacturer "Test Car"

1964 (continued)
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Southern Governor's Conference
 Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
 Exempt State Agency "XS"
 Exempt "XC"
 Exempt "XD"
 Exempt "XF"
 Truck Tractor Replacement
 U.S. Senate
 U.S. House
 Parade Vehicle
 Prorate
 Disaster
 Test Car
 Antique

1965
 State Official
 Farm Truck Tractor
 City Bus
 10-18 Trailer Replacement
 18-32 Trailer Replacement
 Tractor
 Master Dealer
 Supplemental Dealer
 In Transit
 Motorcycle
 Exempt Motorcycle "X"
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
 Exempt State Agency "XS"
 Exempt "XC"
 Exempt "XD"
 Exempt "XF"
 U.S. Senate
 U.S. House
 Parade Vehicle
 Prorate
 Disaster
 Test Car
 Antique
 Supplemental
 Permit

Texas License Plates of the 1960s

Not Pictured: *(continued)*

1966

Manufacturer's "Test Car"
Bus
City Bus
Special Trailer 10-18 Replacement
Dealer
In Transit
Exempt Motorcycle "X"
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Dealer
Exempt Hwy. Dept. "XH"
Exempt State Agency "XS"
Exempt "XC"
Exempt "XD"
Exempt XF"
Truck Tractor Replacement
House Trailer
U.S. Senate
U.S. House
Parade Vehicle
Prorate
Disaster
Test Car
Antique
Supplemental

1967

House Trailer
Manufacturer "Test Car"
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Dealer
Tractor
Truck Tractor Replacement

1968

Tractor
Trailer
Motorcycle Dealer
In Transit
Personalized
Motorcycle
Dealer
House Trailer
Manufacturer "Test Car"

1969

10-18 Trailer
Manufacturer "Test Car"
Motorcycle Dealer
Truck Tractor Replacement
State Official
Antique Vehicle
Prorate
Motorcycle
Dealer
In Transit
Bus
Farm Truck Tractor

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1970 – 1979

There is no doubt that “the Conversion” took much frustration out of motor vehicle registration. In January 1970, because of the new automated system, the department could print and mail 7,000,000 renewal applications, or notices, to registrants based on vehicle information stored in the computer’s master file. In the past, as some might remember, an owner was required to provide a certificate of title and the previous year’s license receipt at the tax office to renew license plates. Often during the registration season, the lines at the tax offices were long and painstakingly slow.

During the months of February and March, many customers and clerks alike shared the same irritable disposition, victims of unfortunate circumstances. With the issuance of renewal notices, the registrants and the tax office employees all had less paperwork to deal with. Therefore, lines were shorter and faster moving and temperaments were surely improved. To help matters even more, provisions were made for renewing registration by mail.

Truck plates issued in 1970, 71, and 72 were issued with the combination of “number and letters plus 2 to 4 numbers.” Beginning in 1973 truck license plates would be issued with 2 letters plus 2 to 4 numbers. Passenger plates throughout the 1970s were a combination of 3 letters plus 2 to 3 numbers.

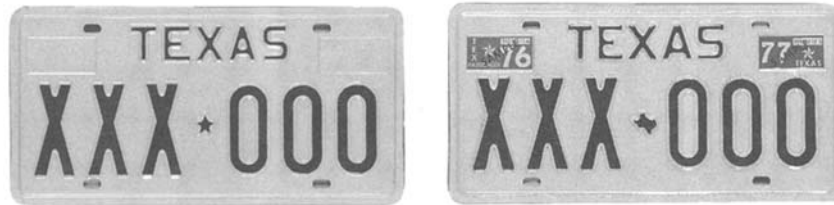
Legislation passed in 1973 had another major impact on the registration process. Texas became the 37th state to adopt multi-year license plates. The department began issuing the new plates during the 1975 registration period. Registrants would no longer purchase new plates each year at renewal time. Validation stickers would be issued each year and used to validate the existing license plates.

The stickers, like the plates, were reflectorized and produced in Huntsville by the State Prison System. The multi-year plates were manufactured using a heavier metal base since the plates had to last a longer period of time. As a result of additional legislation, a small silhouette of the State of Texas was included in the license plate design, replacing the star previously used to separate the letters and numbers first appears for the 1977 registration year.

Multi-year registration was not entirely new for some Texans. Many vehicle owners could recall during World War II when new plates were not issued due to a metal shortage. Tabs were used to validate those license plates. Before that time, the first license plates issued in 1917, were, in reality, a form of multi-year plates.

Nevertheless, to ease the transition from annual to multi-year registration, the department developed “System 76.” This program was implemented in January 1976 in preparation for the upcoming renewal season.

In 1976 the design of the license plate changed once again. This was the first year in which the plate would display the registration validation sticker. Then with plates issued for the 1977 registration year, the small “Lone Star” that had been used for decades to denote the separations between characters changed to a small solid black silhouette of the State of Texas.



As if to complement the adoption of “multi-year” license plates, Texas legislators passed a bill, by unanimous vote, to establish a year round registration system. Beginning on January 1, 1978, a staggered registration system for passenger vehicles and light commercial vehicles was enacted. Implementation of the new program was accomplished with the help of the department’s strategic plan known to many as “System 78.” There would be 12 registration deadlines instead of one, distributing registration renewals as evenly as possible throughout the year. This would alleviate some of the tremendous amounts of work that occurred when all registrations expired in March. Vehicle owners would no longer have to register within the same 60-day period.

Traditional long waiting lines would become a thing of the past. Of course, as we all know, many registrants still seem to wait until the last day of the month to renew their registration, but the waiting lines are not what they used to be!

*Texas License Plates
of the 1970s*

1970



Passenger Plate (sample)



*18-32 Replacement Plate Passenger Plate
(sample) Passenger Plate (sample)*



Truck Replacement Plate



Texas License Plates of the 1970s

1970

Continued



1971



Passenger Plate (sample)



18-32 Replacement Plate



18-32 Trailer Replacement Plate



*Texas License Plates
of the 1970s*

1971

Continued



Truck Replacement Plate



1972



Passenger Plate (sample)



*Texas License Plates
of the 1970s*

1972

Continued



Personalized Plate



*Texas License Plates
of the 1970s*

1972

Continued



Token Trailer Replacement



Truck Replacement Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



1973



Passenger Plate (sample)



Texas License Plates of the 1970s

1973

Continued



Motorcycle Dealer Plate



Parade Vehicle Plate



Personalized Plate

*Texas License Plates
of the 1970s*

1973

Continued



Truck Replacement Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



1974



Passenger Plate (sample)



Texas License Plates of the 1970s

1974

Continued



Texas License Plates of the 1970s

1974

Continued



Personalized Plate



Personalized Truck Plate



Truck Replacement Plate



1975



Motorcycle Dealer



*Texas License Plates
of the 1970s*

1975

Continued



Personalized Passenger Plate



Personalized Truck Plate



*Texas License Plates
of the 1970s*

1975

Continued



1976



Passenger Plate (sample)



Personalized Plate



Texas License Plates of the 1970s

1976

Continued



Personalized Truck Plate



1977



Passenger Plate (sample)



*Texas License Plates
of the 1970s*

1977

Continued



Personalized Plate



Personalized Truck Plate



1978



Texas License Plates of the 1970s

1978

Continued



Personalized Plate



1979



Texas License Plates of the 1970s

1979

Continued



Personalized Plate



Personalized Truck Plate



Personalized Truck Plate



Texas License Plates of the 1970s

Not Pictured:

1970

Truck Tractor Replacement
Motorcycle Dealer
City Bus
Farm Truck Tractor
State Official
Manufacturer "Test Car"
Supplemental Dealer
In Transit
Personalized
Prorate
Motorcycle
Dealer

1971

Truck Tractor Replacement
Dealer
Motorcycle
State Judge
Antique
In Transit
Manufacturer "Test Car"
Motorcycle Dealer

1972

Manufacturer "Test Car"
National Governor's Conference
Disabled Veteran
State Judge
In Transit
Consular
Private Bus
State Official
U.S. Judge
Motorcycle Dealer
Dealer

1973

Disabled Veteran
Prorate
City Bus
House Trailer
State Official
Token Trailer Replacement

1974

Token Trailer Replacement
U.S. Judge
Prorate
Antique Auto
Manufacturer "Test Car"
Motorcycle Dealer

1975

Passenger
Manufacturer "Test Car"
Disabled
Consular
Private Bus
Machinery
City Bus
Motor Bus
Motorcycle
Travel Trailer
Farm Truck Tractor
Token Trailer
Dealer
Farm Trailer
In Transit
Permit
U.S. Judge
Disabled Vet
Apportioned
Truck
Prorate
Antique
Trailer

1976

Machinery
Private Bus
Disabled
Disabled Veteran
Consular
Motorcycle Dealer
Manufacturer "Test Car"
Motorcycle
Farm Trailer
State Judge

Texas License Plates of the 1970s

Not Pictured: *(continued)*

1976 (continued)

State Official
U.S. Judge
Truck
Farm Truck
Farm Truck Tractor
Token Trailer
Travel Trailer
Motor Bus
City Bus
Tractor

1977

U.S. Judge
Tractor
Manufacturer "Test Car"
Motor bus
City Bus
Private Bus
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Dealer
State Judge
Machinery
In Transit
Prorate
Disabled Vet
Disabled
Consular
Dealer
Farm Truck Tractor
Farm Truck

1978

Machinery
Manufacturer "Test Car"
Prorate
Mobile Home
Apportioned Trailer
Permit
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Dealer
Disabled Veteran
State Judge
Consular

1978 (continued)

State Official
Passenger
Tractor
Radio Operator
Trailer
Farm Trailer
Token Trailer
Farm Truck Tractor
U.S. Judge
Farm Truck
Travel Trailer
Disabled
In Transit

1979

Prorate
Disabled
Consular
Disabled Veteran
Passenger
In Transit
Medal of Honor
P.O.W.
City Bus
Token Trailer
Farm Truck Tractor
Machinery
Motor Bus
Private Bus
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Dealer
State Official
Tractor
U.S. Judge

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1980 – 1989

Vehicle owners would soon notice another license plate format change in 1982. The “English” license plate numbering system adopted by Texas in 1965 was depleted. On the new license plates, three numbers would be positioned before three letters, rather than three letters followed by three numbers as in the past. The number of combinations is limited because the letters “I” and “O” are eliminated, and so are objectionable letter combinations. The increased number of motor vehicle registrations and the issuance of multi-year plates were cited as reasons for the necessary change in license plate numbering.



In 1985, Texas began issuing special red, white, and blue license plates designed to commemorate the State’s 150th birthday celebration. The plates were manufactured displaying the slogan “Sesquicentennial 1836-1986.”

Go for the Gold!

In 1987, legislation was introduced that would allow the State to sell custom bronze license plates with 14 karat gold plated letters and numbers, for a fee of \$1,000. The proposal came as an effort to raise money for a sagging economy, cited by some as a “sure-fire moneymaker for the State.” Along with the proposal came the idea that the plates would appeal to the owners of luxury automobiles who could afford these special plates. However, to the disappointment of some, the bill did not pass. So, begins the rush toward special plates. This increase in popularity of special plates would continue to grow, especially in 1986 throughout the 1990s.

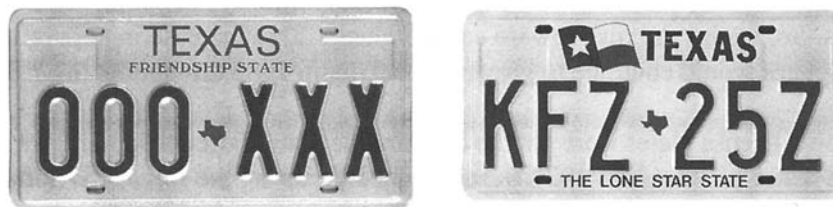
The “gold” license plates were not the only unique plates introduced to registrants. License plates proposed for 1987 were designed depicting the slogan “Wildflower State” and a drawing of bluebonnets. The design was selected to promote and protect highway beautification efforts by reminding motorists not to litter on state highways. Texas has saved millions of dollars annually in maintenance costs by allowing wildflowers to grow on state highway rights of way. The design was eventually rejected after the public protested the change. The decision was made to return to a simpler design featuring blue numerals, with the word TEXAS and the small silhouette of Texas in red.



In an article by Jim Palmer, published in the June 1992 issue of the American License Plate Collector's Association (ALPCA) Newsletter several features of Texas License Plates are discussed. Notably the issuance of license plate validation stickers which appeared with a single horizontal bar line directly above the word "Texas" on the sticker. These bar lines were used to identify which vehicles were required to have emission tests and which were not. At the time, the emissions tests were features of the vehicle safety inspection, and not related to the current issues being faced regarding emissions testing. The single bar feature on the stickers began to be issued in 1987 and then the 1992 stickers appeared with a "double bar" feature. These features identified vehicles that were required to have certain emissions tests. The single bar represented vehicles that were required to have a parameter test while double bar stickers represented vehicles that were required to have the parameter test as well as the tailpipe emissions test.

Registration renewal notices delivered a new message to vehicle owners in 1988, "New Plates Required." The department was about to begin a massive recall program for license plates over eight years old, in compliance with a state law that required the issuance of a "safety plate." Extensive license plate tests were conducted by department personnel. It was determined that the reflective value of the license plate material deteriorates dramatically after eight years, reducing the visibility of the plates. With the help of the County Tax Assessor-Collectors' offices, roughly 1.4 million replacement plates were issued over a 12 month period for license plates originally issued from 1975 through 1980.

In August 1989, the Highway Commission approved a specially designed passenger license plate to provide an economical avenue to publicly exhibit the State's spirit. The plate would feature a red, white, and blue Texas Flag adjacent to the word TEXAS. Originally, the plate design included the slogan, "The Friendship State," but due to public opposition, the slogan was never used. Since then, legislative action in 1991 added the slogan "The Lone Star State" to the design as a means of bringing favorable recognition to Texas.



Also in 1989, the department undertook a study to determine the loss of revenue to the state due to violations of the registration laws. Violations were discovered in several categories, three of which were failure of new residents to register their vehicles in Texas; residents not registering their vehicles in a timely manner; and finally, fraudulent practices such as theft and registration placed on wrong vehicles. The study estimated a revenue loss exceeding \$10 million dollars annually. This helped set the stage for the Windshield Validation Sticker Program that was put in place in the 1990s.

*Texas License Plates
of the 1980s*

1980



Personalized Plate



Texas License Plates of the 1980s

1980

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Personalized Truck Plate



Personalized Truck Plate



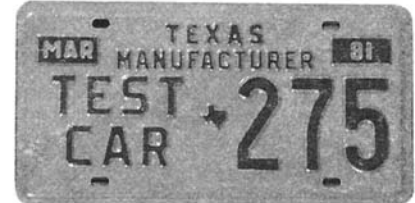
1981



Texas License Plates of the 1980s

1981

Continued



Motorcycle Dealer Plate



Personalized Plate



Texas License Plates of the 1980s

1981

Continued



1982



Passenger Plate (sample)



*Texas License Plates
of the 1980s*

1982

Continued



1983



*Texas License Plates
of the 1980s*

1983

Continued



Texas License Plates of the 1980s

1983

Continued



1984



Personalized Dealer Plate



*Texas License Plates
of the 1980s*

1984

Continued



1985



Texas License Plates of the 1980s

1985

Continued



Personalized Plate



Motorcycle Dealer Plate



Texas License Plates of the 1980s

1985

Continued



1986



*Passenger Plate (sample)
issued after expiration of Sesquicentennial
Passenger Plate*



Texas License Plates of the 1980s

1986

Continued



*Motorcycle Dealer Plate
(early issue)*



Trailer Dealer Plate



*Motorcycle Dealer Plate
(late issue)*



Texas License Plates of the 1980s

1987



Disabled Person Plate



Sesquicentennial Personalized Plate



Texas License Plates of the 1980s

1987

Continued



Sesquicentennial Truck Plate



1988



*Texas License Plates
of the 1980s*

1988

Continued



1989



Apportioned Five-year Plate



Texas License Plates of the 1980s

1989

Continued



Personalized Plate



Texas License Plates of the 1980s

Not Pictured:

1980
 U.S. Judge
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Token Trailer
 Tractor
 Motorcycle
 Passenger
 Apportioned
 Consular
 Farm Trailer
 Farm Truck Tractor
 Motor Bus
 Farm Truck
 Disabled
 In Transit
 Machinery
 Manufacturer "Test Car"
 Disabled Veteran
 City Bus

1981
 Motor Bus
 Passenger
 City Bus
 Tractor
 Apportioned Truck
 U.S. Judge
 Motorcycle
 Token Trailer
 Travel Trailer
 Consular
 Farm Trailer
 Farm Truck Tractor
 Farm Truck
 Disabled
 Machinery
 P.O.W.

1982
 Disabled Vet
 Machinery
 Motorcycle
 Consular
 Farm Truck

1982 (continued)
 Travel Trailer
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Disabled
 Motor Bus
 City Bus

1983
 U.S. Judge
 Tractor
 Disabled
 Medal of Honor
 City Bus
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Personalized
 Motorcycle
 Farm Truck
 Motor Bus
 Private Bus
 Moped
 Passenger
 Farm Truck Tractor
 Farm Trailer
 Disabled Vet
 Texas Guard
 Travel Trailer
 Consular
 Farm Truck

1984
 U.S. Judge
 Motorcycle Dealer
 State Judge
 Tractor
 Motorcycle
 Personalized
 Passenger
 Consular
 Farm Trailer
 Farm Truck Tractor
 Farm Truck
 Vol. Fire Fighter
 Disabled
 Machinery

1984 (continued)
 Motor Bus
 City Bus
 National Guard
 Mobile Home
 Private Bus

1985
 Passenger
 Motor Bus
 Token Trailer
 5-Year Token Trailer
 Private Bus
 Antique Auto
 Medal of Honor
 U.S. Judge
 Honorary consul
 Motorcycle
 Disabled Person
 Tractor
 Texas Guard
 Moped
 City Bus
 Consular
 Farm Truck Tractor
 Trailer Dealer
 Farm Truck
 Machinery
 Mobile Home

1986
 Sesquicentennial Passenger
 Medal of Honor
 Farm Truck
 City Bus
 Token Trailer
 Private Bus
 Antique Auto
 Motorcycle
 Personalized Passenger
 Permit
 Test Car
 Tractor
 Travel Trailer Dealer

Texas License Plates of the 1980s

Not Pictured: *(continued)*

1986 (continued)
Honorary Consular
U.S. Judge
Disabled Persons
Manufacturer
Prisoner of War
Machinery
Texas Guard
In Transit
Farm Truck
Disaster
Farm Truck Tractor

1987
Passenger
State Official
Farm Truck
Motor Bus
Tractor
Motorcycle
City Bus
U.S. Judge
Token Trailer
Private Bus
Antique Auto
Prisoner of War
Texas Guard
Disaster
Farm Truck Tractor
Medal of Honor
Farm Truck
Manufacturer
Honorary Consul
In Transit

1988
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Dealer
Tow Truck
Tractor
U.S. Judge
Passenger
Personalized
Disabled Person

1988 (continued)
Texas Guard
Prisoner of War
Farm Truck Tractor
Farm Truck
In Transit
Manufacturer
Medal of Honor
Motor Bus
Private Bus
City Bus

1989
Tractor
Truck
Disabled Person
U.S. Judge
Passenger
Farm Truck Tractor
Farm Truck
Fertilizer Truck
In Transit
Manufacturer
Motor Bus
Private Bus
City Bus
Permit
Motorcycle
Motorcycle Dealer

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1990 – 1998

A new decade requires new business processes. With the advantages of today's technologies, the department would undertake yet two more projects that would change the business of issuing Texas license plates and vehicle registration. The Registration and Titling System became a reality for the Texas Department of Transportation, county offices, as well as the citizens of Texas. In addition, windshield validation stickers would permanently replace license plate stickers to validate registration.

The 72nd Texas Legislature addressed the problem of validation sticker theft by enacting House Bill 225 that moved the validation sticker from the rear license plate to a more secure location inside the front windshield on most vehicles. (Windshield stickers had been used once before in 1947 due to a shortage of license plates). The first windshield validation sticker was issued in December 1993 (January 1995 expiration windshield sticker). The windshield validation sticker combines the month and year on one sticker. The colors of the windshield stickers (as all validation stickers) are changed yearly, which aids law enforcement to visually detect the year of expiration from a distance.



In 1994, the department began to implement a new Registration and Title System (RTS) in county tax offices across the state. This project constituted the largest non-highway construction project the department had ever undertaken. This point-of-sale data processing system has made significant improvements in standardizing county processing of vehicle registrations and titles, and has significantly improved the timeliness and accuracy of updates to the motor vehicle database.

On June 30, 1995, the department began using a new numbering pattern for Texas License Plates. The following are a few samples of the classification patterns used during the 1990s. Due to the large volume of special plates and classifications the following are not all sequences.

Pattern	Classification	Beg. Number	End. Number
AAANNA	Passenger	BBB*01B	ZZZ*99Z
AAANNN	Passenger	AAA*10	ZZZ*999
NNNAAA	Passenger	001*AAA	999*ZZZ
	State of the Arts	JB1BB	ZZ9ZZ
	Collegiate	BH01CC	DD99YR
	Truck	AA0*001 AA*10 VG*100	ZZ9*999 VF*9999 ZZ*9999
NAAAA	Disabled Person	1BB*BB	9ZZ*ZZ
NNAAAA	Trailer	01S*BBB	99Z*ZZZ



In December 1995, the department issued a specially designed passenger plate to commemorate the 150th anniversary of Texas as a State of the United States. The multi-year general issue license plate bore the slogan “150 Years of Statehood,” along with a shooting star logo and won the American License Plate Collector’s Association Plate of the Year award for its design. The public in Texas, however, either loved or hated the design. The plates were not a complete reissue of Texas license plates and were available only until supplies were exhausted.

From the original four classes of license plates produced, the department currently issues more than 100 distinctly different license plates for various types of motor vehicles. Some of these plates are used to distinguish the vehicle type (automobile, truck, motorcycle), and some indicate the vehicle’s use (fertilizer, cotton, forestry), some show the owner’s status (State Judge, US Senate, veteran), and still others are “vanity” plates that are personalized or suggest the owner’s affiliation with some group (amateur radio operator, collegiate, firefighter). Still other plates are used as a means of raising revenue for special purposes (State of the Arts, State Capitol Restoration).

The 75th Legislature added approximately 10 new special license plates available in late 1997 or early 1998, which include: Read to Succeed; Keep Texas Beautiful; Animal Friendly; Gold Star Mother; Big Bend National Park; Boy Scout plate sponsored by the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse; Classic Motorcycle; Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo; and the Volunteer Advocate plate. The chart at the end of this chapter depicts all specialty plates that are made available to vehicle owners today.

As the turn of the century draws closer, the department has made a change in the passenger series of plates. The Texas Flag which has been to the left of the word “TEXAS” will now appear to the right of the word “TEXAS”. These plates were made available during the 1998 registration year.

Texas License Plates of the 1990s

1990



Passenger Plate (sample)



Personalized Plate



5-year Token Trailer Plate

*Texas License Plates
of the 1990s*

1990

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1991



Disabled Person Plate



Personalized Plate



*Texas License Plates
of the 1990s*

1991

Continued



Volunteer Firefighter Plate



Personalized Plate



*Texas License Plates
of the 1990s*

1991

Continued



1992



Texas License Plates of the 1990s

1992

Continued



1993



Personalized Plate



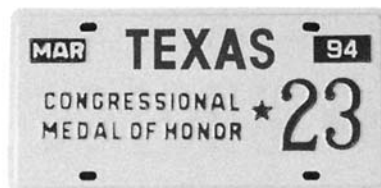
Texas License Plates of the 1990s

1993

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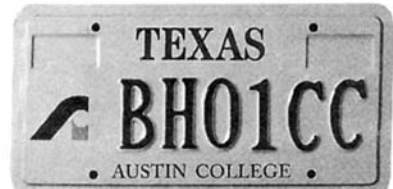
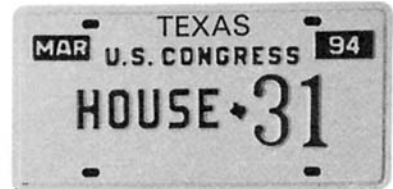
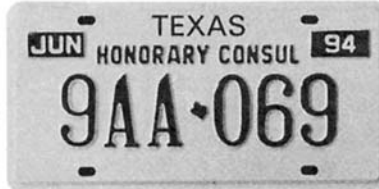
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Texas License Plates of the 1990s

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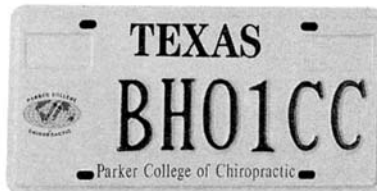
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*Texas License Plates
of the 1990s*

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Texas License Plates of the 1990s

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All-Terrain Vehicle Sticker

Texas License Plates of the 1990s

1995



Special Issue Passenger Plate



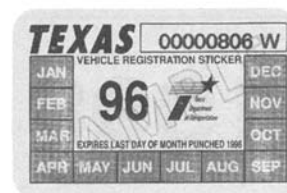
Windshield Sticker



1996



Windshield Sticker



Windshield Sticker

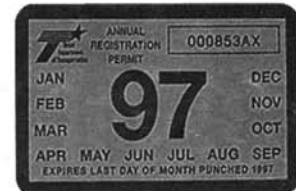


Windshield Sticker



Texas License Plates of the 1990s

1997



Windshield Sticker



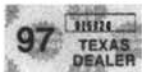
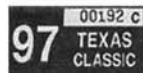
Windshield Sticker



Windshield Sticker



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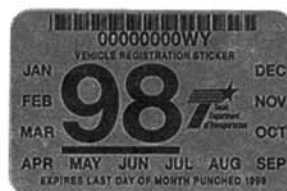


All-Terrain Vehicle Sticker

1998



Windshield Sticker



Windshield Sticker



Windshield Sticker

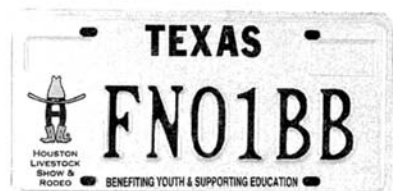
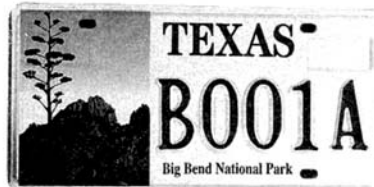
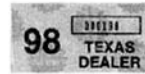
Texas License Plates of the 1990s

1998

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All-Terrain Vehicle Sticker



Texas License Plates of the 1990s

Not Pictured:

With the introduction of the windshield sticker, plates cannot be specifically dated by each year.

Therefore, from 1994 all previous classifications are still issued but will not be pictured unless a design change is made. New classifications from 1994 to present will be pictured once in the year in which they were first issued.

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Summary and Characteristics of All Plates Manufactured in Texas

This chapter discusses many of the characteristics of all known license plates that have been manufactured in Texas. This information will be helpful in the identification of historical license plates as well as provide a complete set of information regarding license plates. In this chapter license plates are categorized by classification rather than by year, which has been the format of this publication so far. This information was taken directly from the American License Plate Collector's Association information repository, which they graciously offered for this publication. According to the ALPCA, this information, "was initially compiled in 1986 by Roy G. Klotz, Jr., M.D.," with the following ALPCA members contributing additions and corrections to the information: Mr. Jim Palmer; Mr. Henry Cole; Mr. Robbie Crowder; Mr. Don Cantello; Mr. Rod Hemmick; and Mr. Dean Powell. One major distinction between the detailed information provided by the repository and that in the appendix is the verification: The license plates referred to here in this chapter have been verified by the ALPCA to have actually been produced and/or issued. The detailed information contained in the appendix is taken from original contract specifications for each year addressed. Some of the information in the appendix, especially the numbering series are patterns, and not all sequences in the patterns may have been issued.

The following information is a list of all license plates known to have been and are being manufactured in Texas:

General Observations

Texas plates particularly in the 60's and 70's have a border which is unpainted (background color). Texas plates also use a separator in the serial which during the 60's and early 70's was a star and later a 3/4" state outline. The star separator may be indicated by the following - *S & the position. The state outline separator may be indicated by the following - tS and the position.

Passenger

Pairs issued 1917 to present except singles in 1945 and 1946.

1917-22 white/dark navy blue; "TEX" vertical right; embossed; 6-digits 16" x 5-3/8"; 5 digits 13-7/8"; 3 & 4 digits 11-1/8"; above 600,000 lighter gauge metal.

Note! All plates 1917 thru 1938 had border same color as letters.

1917 white/bright red circular 4-3/8" diameter metal seal to be placed on radiator; olive-green gray primer on backside. "REGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLE" around periphery; star in center with "1917" in the middle and 1 of the letters of the word "TEXAS" between each of the prongs of the star.

1918 blue/white circular 3-15/16" metal seal; 17" format; olive green primer on backside; there is a smaller 3" diameter seal which many consider motorcycle (unconfirmed) with the same wording; (250,201)

1919 white/blue circular 3-15/16" metal seal; 17" format; seal had a single letter over 4 numbers stamped on to it; olive green backside; some seals exist with serial numbers; (331,721)

1920 white/dark aqua rectangular 6-1/8" x 3-1/4" metal seal; "REGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLE" top; "TEXAS 1920" bottom and serial; (430,377) white/dark aqua; in 1920 new registrants received new base plates of the 1917 type; different smaller dies; all 5-5/8" tall; 4 digits 9-7/8"; 5 digits 11-7/8"; 6 digits 14-7/8"; olive green primer on backside

1921 white/pea green metal seal; 6-1/8" x 3-1/4"; 20 format; (470,575)

1922 black/yellow metal seal; 6-1/8" x 3-3/8"; "REGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLE" top; "TEXAS 1922" bottom; serial center up to 6 digits; (531,608)

1923 white/black; "TEXAS" vertical right & left; star separator before last 3 numbers of serial; all 5-3/8" tall; 4 digits 11-7/8"; 5 digits 14; 6 digits 14-7/8" and 16 with big star & little star versions; the change in the size of the star occurred somewhere between 933718 and 936696; (695,822) NOTE: Star separator began in 1923.

1924 white/dark red rectangular 6" x 3-3/8" metal seal for radiator; "REGISTERED" top, "MOTOR VEHICLE" bottom, "TEXAS" vertical left & "1924" vertical right; star separator in 4th slot; backside black; (766,149)

1925 white/maroon; 15" X 5-1/2"; "TEXAS" vertical left; "1925" vertical right; 000*000 serial format; (882,994)

1926 black/gray; 15" x 5-1/2"; "TEX-26" vertical right; 000*000 serial format; horizontal line separates vertical "TEX" from vertical "26"; (941,791)

1927 white/green; 15" x 5-1/2"; "1927" vertical left; "TEXAS" vertical right; star separator used; (995,366) NOTE: first known use of letter on Texas passenger plates - only "A" in first position has been verified

1928 white/brown; "TEX-28" vertical right; "FRONT" or "REAR" vertical left; star separator, horizontal line between "TEX" and "28" as on 1926 plates; 5" tall; 14" & 15" length; some 7 digit plates have a square after the first number; (1,058,695)

1929 orange/black; 14" x 5"; 7 digit plates 15" x 5"; "TEXAS - 1929" bottom; "FRONT" or "REAR" vertical left; star separator, used square after 1st digit on 7 digit plates; (1,167,370)

1930 dark blue/dark yellow; 14" x 5"; "TEXAS-1930" top; "FRONT" or "REAR" vertical left; star separator; (1,158,415) NOTE! 1930 had an extended series of 7 digits; 15" x 5"; square used after 1st digit on 7 digit plates

1931 white/black; 13" x 5"; "TEX" vertical over "31" horizontal on right; star separator before last 4 numbers; prefix letters were used on some plates in 1931 with "A" representing 100,000, "B"=200,000 etc.; e.g. A0*0000; up to "N"; big and small star (letter plates only) separators were used; (1,091,134)

1932 white/green, 13" x 5"; "TEXAS-1932" bottom; star separator before last 3 numbers; (1,005,593) NOTE! Separator in this position 1932-1942; 1932 to 1942 base first used all numbers and then used some letters; Letters used were "A", "F", "K" & then by 41 "V" & 1942 "N"

1933 orange/white; 13" x 5"; "TEXAS-1933" top; star separator; 2 digit plates had the numbers flanked by stars; backside light gray-green with paint smears of front background color in them; 2 different dies used; low numbers had wide numbers; early 6 digit plates had thin numbers (1,012,54)

1934 black/orange; 13" x 5"; "TEXAS-1934" bottom; star separator; (1,089,818)

1935 white/maroon; 13" x 5"; "TEXAS-1935" top; star separator; (1,126,428)

1936 dark blue/light mustard yellow; 13" x 5"; "TEX" vertical before last numbers; 4 to 6 digit serials; 000-000 or A00-000 serial formats; "19 Centennial 36" bottom 1, 2 & 3 digit plates had "TEX" vertical flanking the serial; (1,194,002)

1937 cream/black; 13" x 5"; "TEXAS-1937" top; star separator; 000-000 or A00-000 serial formats; (1,229,216)

1938 black/white; 12-7/8" x 5-3/4" "TEXAS-1938" bottom; star separator; (1,236,509) NOTE! Last plates with painted borders

1939 bluish purple/yellow-orange; 13" x 5-7/8"; "TEXAS 1939" top; star separator; 2 step debossed border; (1,287,074)
NOTE! 1940-42 same size as 1939

- 1940 bluish purple/white; "19 TEXAS 40" topple star separator; (1,364,067); 000-000 or A00-000 serial format NOTE! Mid-year die change affecting the number "4" occurred
- 1941 yellow-orange/black; "TEXAS 1941" top; star separator; (1,387,183)
- 1942 black/yellow-orange; "TEXAS-42" bottom; star separator; (1,317,402)
- 1943 yellow-orange/black tab on 42 base; 4" x 1"; embossed; "TEXAS 43" bottom center just beneath a bolt hole; diagonal letters left & serial; letters used were AB, BK, BV, EJ, EZ. Some 2 digit serial tabs documented; (1,271,139)
- 1944 cream/yellow/light green tab on 42 base; 2" x 2"; embossed; slot top flanked by a letter; serial in center; "TEX" slanted left of bottom slot & "44" slanted right; tabs issued for front & back; letters used AU, BS, EC, FC, MF, MV; some 2 digit tabs known; (1,262,686)
- 1945 black/yellow-orange; 10-1/8" x 5-3/4"; "TEXAS-45" top; 2 letter prefixes were stacked; no star separator was used on these plates; the 2 letters were serial letters and did not indicate counties; however they were issued to counties in alphabetical order so counties often appeared to have same letters from 1 year to next; (1,305,058) NOTE! From 1945 to 1964 G, I, O & Q were not used; 1945 & 1946 were the only years for single plates.
- 1946 ivory/black; "TEXAS-46" top; stacked letters left=AA thru F; (1,411,000) NOTE! 1946 to 1952 plates 10-1/2" x 6-1/2"
- 1947 white/black; "TEXAS-47" bottom; letters - AA to J
NOTE! A windshield sticker was used because of delay in delivery of plates.
It expired 7/15/47 when metal plates were obtainable
- 1948 deep yellow/black; "TEXAS-48" top; AA to J or K
- 1949 black/yellow-orange; steel & aluminum; "TEXAS-49" bottom; letters AA to late L's; aluminum document at HC-4207 & steel at HC 6005
- 1950 canary yellow/black; "TEXAS-50" top; AA to late L's; no border NOTE! Plates with "U", "V" & "W" as first letter are known
- 1951 black/yellow-orange; "TEXAS-51" top; AA to M's; no border
- 1952 canary yellow/black; "TEXAS | 52 |" top; AA-M or N
- 1953 black/yellow-orange; "TEXAS | 53 |" top; AA to N or P
NOTE! 1953 to 1955 plates 10-1/2" x 6"; no border; no tabs issued
- 1954 canary yellow/black; steel & aluminum; "TEXAS | 54 |" top; AA to P or R; aluminum document at AN 4354 & steel at MY 7663

1955 black/yellow-orange; 12" x 6" & 10" x 6"; "TEXAS | 55 |" top; the size change occurred when the serial letters were between RA & RF; letters from AA to RJ; early issued plates had the letters stacked as from 1945 but the later issued 12" x 6" plates had the 2 letters horizontal with star separator & 4 numbers

1956 deep yellow/black; steel & aluminum; "TEXAS | 56 |" top; AA to SS; no separator used

1957 black/white; "TEXAS | 57 |" top; star separator; AA-TA
NOTE! From 1957 to 1964 the star separator appears after the letters & before the numbers

1958 white/black; "TEXAS | 58 |" top; AA to TJ

1959 black/white; "TEXAS | 59 |" top; AA to mid T's

1960 white/black; 57-59 dies & 61-62 dies; "TEXAS | 59 |" top close together; no tab slots on plates with 61 dies & "60" moved to top right corner; star separator on 57 die; plates of late 60's in the same small size as 61-63 but dash separator on the lower limit on 61 dies

1961 black/white; "TEXAS" top; "61" top right; highest numbers in mid "US's" & probably into "V"; small poorly painted star separator

1962 white/black; "TEXAS" top; "62" top right; early 62 plates had the 61 style "TEXAS" dies & the later plates above "VU" have the narrow spaced "TEXAS" 63 dies

1963 black/white; "TEXAS" top; 1963 bottom; AA to WS; no border

1964 white/black; "TEXAS" top; "1964" bottom; AA to YT; no border star separator

1965 black/white; "19 TEXAS 65" top; no star separator; alpha numeric serial started; highest number PGN 861; no border;

1966 white/black; "19 TEXAS 66" top; star separator; NOTE! Star separator reintroduced from 1966 through 1975 when the state outline separator was introduced; highest number known PSG

1967 black/white; "19 TEXAS 67" top; highest number in late P's

1968 white/black; "TEXAS" top; "68 HEMISFAIR 68" bottom; no border; alphanumeric serial; highest number is RSP

1969 black/refl white; "19 TEXAS 69" top; highest number is RRK-77

1970 blue/refl white; "19 TEXAS 70" top; highest number SDN-726

1971 black/refl white; 1) "TEXAS 71"; highest number PVW 2) "19 TEXAS 71"; first 5% made had this format and the change occurred between BSP-630 & DJN

1972 refl green/refl white; "19 TEXAS 72" top; highest number THB-388

1973 black/refl white; "19 TEXAS 73" top; highest number TXZ-444 1) 65-72 dies 2) 1974 dies

1974 red/refl white; "19 TEXAS 74" top; 1) 74 dies introduced in late 73 2) 1975 dies on galvanized steel; change over between VGL & VHX; highest known VMG

1975 black/refl white; "TEXAS" top; sticker navels in upper corners with "75" etched in the right navel, black/refl white base with state outline separator in 4th position; the state outline separator appeared between MMV 331 and MMV 513; the debossed "75" disappeared between QQX780 & QQY 43; this base appeared in late 1975

1976 all refl white/blue sticker on 75 base; 2" x 1"; left hand side has "TEX" vertical followed by a star over "PASSENGER"; right hand side has a small rectangle at top with red/white numerals and blue/white letter - all over a large "76" NOTE! The '76 sticker was placed in the upper left corner for the only time permitted; only time sticker was blue because the month stickers became blue in 1978 & were placed in left

1977 all refl white/red sticker on 75 base; "77" left; rectangle top right with blue/refl white numbers and red/refl white "A" over a star over "TEXAS"; the 77 stickers were placed in the right corner box and plates were permitted to have 2 stickers for the only time - 76 & 77 stickers; new registrants had only the 77 sticker in the right hand box

1978 refl white/refl green sticker on 75 & 76 bases; 2" x 1"; "TEX" vertical left followed by a star; rectangle top right with black/refl white numerals + green/refl white "B"; "78" bottom right; NOTE! Staggered registration introduced by using month stickers to be placed in upper left corner navel; white/refl blue; 2" x 1"; large 3" letter abbreviation of month over "TEXAS"

1979 black/gold sticker on 75 base; 78 size & format except no rectangle for serial at top right & numbers & "C" are both black; white/refl blue month sticker; 78 format

1980 white/refl red sticker on 75 base; 78 size & format with numerals of serial black/refl white & "D" red/refl white; serial format AAA 10 to ZZZ 999; white/refl blue month sticker; 78 format

1981 white/refl green sticker on 75 base; 2" x 1"; "81" left; rectangle upper right with black/refl white numerals + green/refl white "E" over star over "TEXAS"; white/refl blue month sticker; 78 format

1982 black/refl yellow sticker on 75 base; 79 format & size with “F” letter, white/refl blue month sticker; 78 format; During 1982 serials went from alphanumeric to numeric-alpha when ZZZ 999 was reached (Feb); 001-AAA to 999 ZZZ

1983 white/red sticker on 75 base; 81 size & format; letter “G”

1984 white/green sticker on 75 base; 81 size & format; letter “H” used

1985 red & blue/refl white; new registrants; “TEXAS” top screened; “SESQUICENTENNIAL” bottom screened; the separator consists of “1836” over state outline over “1986”; blue numeric-alpha serial; sticker navels upper corners; NOTE! The change to the new plate occurred at serial 001 HEX with 999 HEW the last issued black plate; Because the legend at the bottom was hidden on some frames the “SESQUICENTENNIAL” was moved to the top beneath “TEXAS”; appeared Dec 1985 between 240 LAE & 733-LAV;

1985 black/yellow sticker on 75 base; there are some “85” expirations on Sesquicentennial plates because of replacements; 81 size & format; letter “J” used

1986 white/red sticker on 75 & 85 bases; 81 size & format; letter “K” used; Sesquicentennial plates ceased being issued when serial 974-PAY was reached; blue & red/refl white bases; screened red “TEXAS” top flanked by sticker boxes; serial embossed blue with red map separator; serial format 000-AAA starting at 975-PAY; issued 9/86

1987 white/green sticker on 75 & 85 bases; 81 size & format; letter “L” NOTE! Emission control inspection introduced into certain counties in Texas in 1987; a horizontal bar is placed above the year in those counties to show which cars require emission; on stickers without the bar the “87” is pushed upward on the left side; Dallas-Ft. Worth, Houston, and El Paso areas

1988 black/refl yellow sticker on 75 & 85 bases; 81 size & format including horizontal bar where necessary; “88” same level on both type stickers

1989 refl white/refl red sticker on 75 & 85 bases; with and without bar above the “89” as necessary

undated dark blue & red/refl white; waving multicolored Texas flag followed by blue “TEXAS” top flanked by sticker boxes; small red state outline serial separator; AAA-11A serial format; the changeover to the new design occurred at BKX-01B

1990 white/green sticker on 75 & 85 bases; with and without bar above the “90” as necessary

1991 black/yellow sticker on 85 & 89 bases; “91” may have line above the numbers or may not; line indicates emission testing required

1992 white/dark red sticker on 85 & 89 bases; beginning in this year stickers with both 1 bar and 2 bars began appearing for those counties requiring emission

testing; on 1 bar counties the bar appears above the "92"; on 2 bar stickers the bar appears above and below the "92"; 1 bar counties require a parameter test; 2 bar counties require parameter and tailpipe emissions test;

1992 dark blue & red/refl white; waving multicolored Texas flag followed by blue "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AAA-00A serial format with small state outline separator; "THE LONE STAR STATE" bottom

undated colors unknown; optional plates available with a graphic of the earth and moon; available in regular serial number and vanity

1993 refl white/blue sticker on 85 and 89 bases; 0,1, & 2 bar stickers

1994 red/refl white sticker on 85 & 89 stickers; "94" left; black serial over star over "TEXAS" right NOTE! This is the last sticker to be used on plates; state switches to windshield stickers; one type of sticker for passenger and a different one for non-passenger vehicles;

1995 dark blue/white windshield sticker; horizontal bars above and below the year if emission testing is necessary

1995-96 black/refl white; screened red "150 YEARS OF STATEHOOD" beneath the serial number which uses the same format as regular passenger plates; graphic shooting star logo in the center; screened red "TEXAS" top; AAA-00A serial format; Plate serials started at VJL*01K and have been seen as high as WSJ*22B NOTE! Plates are to be issued from late 1995 until March 1, 1996 after which the standard current issue will be restarted; available to new registrants, to those who request plates because of current plates older than 5 years, or to those who pay a small additional fee

1996 black/yellow windshield sticker

1997 black/green windshield sticker

All Terrain Vehicle Sticker

light/dark; 1-3/4" diameter sticker; "STATE OF TEXAS" curved around top and over "EXPIRES" over "MARCH"; serial center in reversed color box over "YR"; curved "ALL TERRAIN VEHICLE" over "OFF HIGHWAY REGISTRATION"

Amateur Radio

1954 yellow/black; 10-1/2" x 6"; "TEXAS 1541" top; "AMATEUR RADIO OPR" bottom NOTE! Same format following years 1955 black/orange 1956 yellow/black; wide space between zone number and call letters; no separator

1957 black/white; 56 format with star separator NOTE! Same format following years: 1958 white/black 1959 black/white 1960 white/black

1961 black/white; "RADIO OPR" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "61" to right NOTE! The 1961 format was used from 1961 through 1971 except 1964 when the "64" was top left:

1962 white/black 1963 black/white 1964 white/black 1965 black/white
1966 white/black 1967 black/white 1968 white/black 1969 black/refl white
1970 blue/refl white 1971 black/refl white

1975 blue/scotchlite white; "TEXAS" over "RADIO OPR" top center; "19" top left and "75" top right; star separator after zone number

1976 green/scotchlite white; 75 format with state outline separator

1977 red/scotchlite white; 75 format with state outline separator or possibly no separator

1978 probably no plates dated "78" because of the staggered registration system introduced

1979 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" over "RADIO OPR" top center; debossed "MAR" top left; debossed "79" top right; no separator NOTE! The 1979 format used through 1982

1980 green/refl white 1981 red/refl white

1981 black/white scotchlite bases to new registrants in 1981 (exp 82) with a regular month & year sticker top left and right respectively; "TEXAS" over "RADIO OPR" top flanked by sticker boxes with sticker in left hand box having "DEC" over small "Texas"

Antique Vehicle Related Plates

Antique Auto

1958 first year of issue and plates valid for 5 years so dated plates appear

1963 white/red; 3" touring car logo over "ANTIQUE" over "AUTO" left center; "TEXAS" top; "EXP 3-31-63" bottom; A00 serial format

1968 white/red; "TEXAS" top; "EXP 3-31-68" bottom; letter followed by touring car logo over "ANTIQUE" over "AUTO" followed by a star and 2 numbers

1973 red/white scotchlite; 68 format except star is moved to just after the letter

1978 red/white scotchlite; 3 types during this period

1) 1973 format 2) same as 1973 except "TEXAS" over "EXPIRES 3-31-78" top
3) same as Type 2 except 2 numbers and car logo and state outline separator and then letter on the right

1983 red/white; letter prefix followed by car logo over "ANTIQUE" over "AUTO" left; "TEXAS" over "EXP 3-31-83" top; types 2 and 3 of 1978 serial format but all with state outline separator

1988 red/refl white; 83 format

1991 details lacking but numbering system is 1A01 - 9Z99 (No I, M, O, P, Q, S, & T)

1993 red/refl white; "TEXAS" top; debossed "MAR" top left & "93" top right; upward slanted cursive "ANTIQUE" over "VEHICLE" over blue old car logo center as partial serial separator; 0A 00 serial format

Antique Motorcycle

1990 red/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by white/red "MAR" and white/red last 2 digits of year; 1M01 to 9M99 serial format; "ANTIQUE MOTORCYCLE" bottom; 5-year plate

Antique Year of Manufacture Tag

Tab to be used in conjunction with original plates issued for the year car was manufactured.

1988 red/white sticker on a metal tab; "TEXAS" over "EXP 3-31-88" top; serial followed by antique car logo over "ANTIQUE" over "AUTO" followed by a letter. Tab has a slot bolt hole at the bottom for attachment to the old plate.

1991 Numbering format A01 to Z99 and 01A to 99Z

1993 red/white sticker; "TEXAS" over "EXP 3-31-93" over "ANTIQUE VEHICLE" over serial; 1A 0934 verified

Classic Auto

1990 blue & red/refl white; red "CLASSIC AUTO" bottom; serial bloc verified from BB01BB to BH99CB; also there is a Classic base sticker (2" x 1-3/4") with serial bloc A00001 to A09999 and a Classic Year sticker (2" x 1") with serial bloc 00001C to 09999C; (200,079 Classic Cars and Trucks registered in 1991) both use a pair of windshield stickers for expiration years and month mounted above the vehicle inspection sticker. Year sticker has the year (last two digits probably) bottom left and "TEXAS" over "CLASSIC" bottom right; serial is top right. Month sticker has "TEXAS" over "CLASSIC VEHICLE" top, month center, and serial bottom.

Classic Truck

1990 blue & red/refl white; red "CLASSIC TRUCK" bottom; red "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; uses same serial format and bloc as the Classic Auto plates.

Apportioned Trailer

1973 no details

1975 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" over "APPORTIONED" top with sticker boxes upper corners; 79 serial format

1976 green/refl white; "19" top left; "76" top right; star separator; "TEXAS" over "APPORTIONED" top; 1979 serial format

1977 red/refl white; 76 format

1979 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" over "APPORTIONED" top; 00"R"000 serial format with serial beginning at 12R-010; "MAR" top left; "79" top right; state outline separator since at least 1979 NOTE! 1979 format used from 1979 to 1986

1980 green/refl white 1981 red/refl white 1982 blue/refl white
1983 green/refl white 1984 red/refl white 1985 blue/refl white

1986 blue/refl white; 1979 format; red "TEXAS" top; red screened "1836 SESQUICENTENNIAL 1986" bottom

1987 blue & red/refl white; 1986 format except 1987 top right

1991 blue & red/refl white; red "TEXAS" over "APPORTIONED" top flanked by sticker boxes; numbering system 12R-10 to 59R-999 with state outline separator; last two digits of year may be debossed in top right box.

Apportioned Trailer - 5 years

Verified 1989 and 1993 as a 5 year plate

black/refl white; details lacking but serial bloc of 60R-010 to 75R-999 verified

1999 blue & red/refl white; red "TEXAS" over blue "APPORTIONED" top flanked by sticker platforms with "MAR" in left and "99" in right; 00"R"000 serial format with map separator

Apportioned Truck

1974 red/refl white; "APPORTIONED" bottom; "TEXAS" top and "74" top right; "R" prefix and up to 5 digits

1975 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" over "APPORTIONED" top; "19" upper left & "75" upper right; 1974 serial format.

1979 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" over "APPORTIONED" top; debossed "MAR" and debossed "79" upper corners, state outline separator in 4th position on 6 digit plates and just after the "R" on 4(?) and 5 digit plates; serial began at R-100 or R-1000 to R 99999

NOTE! 1979 format used through 1986

1980 green/refl white	1981 red/refl white	1982 blue/refl white
1983 green/refl white	1984 red/refl white	1985 blue/refl white

1986 blue & red/refl white; red "TEXAS" top; red screened "1836 SESQUICENTENNIAL 1986" bottom

1987 blue & red/refl white; 1986 format with "87" top right

1988 blue & red/refl white; red "TEXAS" over blue "APPORTIONED" top flanked by debossed "MAR" left and "88" right

1991 blue & red/refl white; red "TEXAS" over blue "APPORTIONED" top flanked by sticker sites with "MAR" in left and last two digits of year in right; serial bloc R-1000 to R99-999 with map separator

Apportioned Truck Tractor

1975 red/refl white; motorcycle-sized plate; "APPORTIONED" top; "TEXAS 75" bottom; numeric serial

Bait Shrimp

1963

1964 white/turquoise green

1967 black/refl orange

1970 white/refl green; "BAIT SHRIMP" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "EXP" vertical left; "8" over "31" over "70" right NOTE! Same format used following years:

1971 black/refl orange	1972 white/refl green	1973 white/blue
1974 black/refl white	1976 black/refl tan	1978 black/refl white

- 1979 white/refl green; 1970 format except "TEXAS" over "BAIT SHRIMP" top
- 1982 white/refl blue
- 1983 white/refl orange; "TEXAS" over "BAIT SHRIMP" top; 70 format
- 1984 white/refl green
- 1985 black/refl lemon yellow; "TEXAS" over "BAITSHRIMP" top; "8" over "31" over "85" right; vertical "EXP." left;
- 1986 white/refl blue
- 1987 white/green; "TEXAS" over "BAIT SHRIMP" top; "EXP." vertical left; "8" over "31" over "87" right; 0000 serial format

Bay Shrimp

- 1963
- 1965 black/white
- 1966 white/black
- 1974 black/orange; "BAY SHRIMP" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "EXP" vertical left; "3" over "31" over "74" right NOTE! Same format used following years:
 1975 black/refl lemon yellow 1976 white/refl green 1977 black/refl orange
 1978 black/refl green 1979 black/refl yellow
- 1980 black/refl white; 1974 format except "TEXAS" over "BAY SHRIMP" top
- 1981 white/refl blue;
- 1983 white/refl green
- 1984 black/refl lemon yellow
- 1985 black/refl white
- 1986 black/refl tan; "TEXAS" over "BAY SHRIMP" top; "EXP." vertical left; "3" over "1" over "86" right
- 1987 black/yellow; "TEXAS" over "BAY SHRIMP" top; "EXP." vertical left; "3" over "1" over "87" right

Bus

- 1941 black/yellow; "BUS" vertical left; "TEXAS 1941" top; 0*000 serial format;
- 1942 black/yellow; "BUS" vertical left; 0*000 serial format; "TEXAS-42" bottom
- 1951 black/yellow; "BUS" bottom; "TEXAS - 51" top; "Y" over "N"0000 serial format
- 1953 black/yellow-orange; "8" over "A" and 0000 serial format; "BUS" bottom; "TEXAS | 53 |" bottom NOTE! On a plate with serial 1540 a small embossed 3 digit number (915) is noted just before the "BUS"; the meaning is unknown
- 1954 yellow/black; 1955 format with tab slots
- 1955 black/orange; 10-1/2" x 6"; "BUS" bottom; "TEXAS | 55 |" top; stacked number over letter prefix
- 1956 yellow/black; 12" x 6"; "BUS" bottom; "TEXAS | 56 |" top; "8A"0000 serial format
- 1962 white/black; "BUS" bottom; "TEXAS" bottom; "62" top right; "T"*0000 serial format
- 1965 black/white; "BUS" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "65" top right; "T"*0000 serial format NOTE! Same format used following years
- | | | |
|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 1966 white/black | 1967 black/white | 1968 white/black |
| 1969 Black/refl white | | |
- 1973 black/refl white

Buyer

- 1969 red/white; cardboard; 11" x 6"; "BUYER-TEXAS-1969" top; "P" and 4 to 5 numbers; beneath the serial is the dealership name; NOTE! The P number is the dealer's number so there can be hundreds of plates with the same number for any given year
- 1980 red/white; cardboard; 11" x 6"; "BUYER-TEXAS" top; "P" 00A serial format; name of the dealership is below the serial number, "USE ON MOTOR VEHICLE ONLY" over "DATE SOLD _____" +plus town name; 5 lines of information across the bottom

Charitable Organizational Tag

issued by dealers for a vehicle on loan to a charitable organization

green/white; cardboard; 11" x 6"; "TEXAS DEALER" top over "P"00000A serial which is the assigned dealer's number; in the center is the dealership name over "USE ON TRAVEL TRAILER BY CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION"; at the bottom are 5 lines of pertinent information

City Bus

1948 yellow/black; "CITY BUS" bottom; "TEXAS-48" top; "S" over "C" and 2 to 4 numbers serial format; same size as 1946-1952 passenger plates

1950 yellow/black; 1948 format

1951 black/orange; 10-5/8" x 6-1/2"; "CITY BUS" bottom; "Y" over a letter left; 0000 serial format; "TEXAS - 51" top

1953 black/orange; "TEXAS | 53 |" top; "CITY BUS" bottom; "8" over "C" and 2 to 4 numbers serial NOTE! Same format used following years
1954 yellow/black 1955 black/orange

1956 yellow/black; "CITY BUS" bottom; "TEXAS | 56 |" top; "C" inside serial and probably in 2nd position

1958 white/black; "CITY BUS" bottom; "TEXAS | 58 |" top; "9W" 0000 serial format

1959 colors uncertain; "CITY BUS" bottom

1962 white/black; "CITY BUS" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "62" top right; "U"*0000 serial format

1964 white/black; "CITY BUS" bottom; "64" top left; "TEXAS" top; "U" and star and 3 to 4 numbers

1965 black/white; "CITY BUS" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "65" top right "U" and star and 3 to 4 numbers NOTE! This format verified for 1965 through 1974

1966 white/black 1968 white/black 1969 black/refl white

1970 blue/refl white 1972 green/refl white 1973 black/refl white

1974 red/refl white

1979 black/refl white; "TEXAS" over "CITY BUS" top; "T" prefix and 5 digit serial bloc T 100000 to T19999

1985 black/yellow sticker

1991 blue & red/refl white; "T" 10 - 000 to "T" 19-999 verified; red "TEXAS" over blue "CITY BUS" top flanked by sticker boxes

Civil Air Patrol

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc of DL01BC to DL99BH verified; red "TEXAS WING CIVIL AIR PATROL" bottom; red "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes

CM = Commercial

1925 black/mustard yellow; "TEXAS" vertical left; "1925" vertical right; 2 numbers and "COM" vertical with a star inside the "O" and 3 numbers

1926 black/antique white; "TEX 26" vertical right; small "C" over "M" left; 00-000 serial format with encircled star

1927 dark green/greenish white; "1927" vertical left; "TEXAS" vertical right; vertical "COM" with a star inside the "O" used as a serial separator

1928 white/dark brown; "TEX 28" vertical right; "FRONT" or "REAR" vertical left; "C" over a number over "M" used as serial separator in the center; numbers verified are "1", "2", "3", & "4" and are weight classes; only year weight classes appeared on Texas plates

1929 black/orange; "C" over a star over "M" in center as serial separator; "FRONT" or "REAR" vertical left; "TEXAS 1929" bottom

1930 dark yellow/dark blue; 14" x 5"; "TEXAS-1930" top; "FRONT" or "REAR" vertical left; 6 digit serial with vertical "C*M" before the last 3 digits; 4,5, & 6 digit plates known

1931 black/white; 13" x 5"; "TEX" vertical over "31" right; 4,5, or 6 numbers with "C*M" vertical before the last 3 NOTE! Plates 1931 through 1937 are 13" x 5"

1932 green/dark yellow; "TEXAS-1932" bottom; 1931 serial format; gray green primer on back as do all 1933 plates

1933 white/maroon; "C*M" vertical before the last 3 digits; "TEXAS-1933" top
NOTE! Same format following years

1935 green/gray

1937 black/orange

1934 orange/black; "C*M" vertical separator; "TEXAS - 1934" bottom NOTE!
Same format following years

1936 light mustard yellow/dark aqua (284,573)

1938 orange/black; 12-7/8" x 5-3/4"; (318,984)

1935 green/gray; 13" x 5"; 37 format; (257,568)

1937 black/orange; 13" x 5"; "TEXAS - 1937" top; 000-000 with "C*M" vertical as separator; (313,343)

1939 dark purple/light green; 41 format; had a 2-step debossed border (335,568)

1940 yellow-orange/black; 13" x 6"; "C*M" vertical inside serial in 3rd or 4th position; "19 TEXAS 40" top; (354,686)

1941 black/yellow-orange; "C*M" vertical before last 3 digits; "TEXAS 1941" top; (355,356)

1942 black/yellow orange; "C*M" vertical before last 3 digits; "TEXAS-42" bottom; (300,634)

1943 yellow orange/black tab; "MA" to "MZ" stacked left followed by serial number; "43" stacked right; "TEXAS" bottom; tabs issued for front & back plates: (282,144)

1944 cream yellow/light green tab; tab same as passenger tab for 1944 with "MA" to "MZ", early "N" and "RK" letters used; (300,634) NOTE! Series continued under Truck starting in 1945

Commercial Replacement

Issued for truck, truck tractor, & trailer through 1962; commercial plates stopped in 1943 so there were no commercial replacements for those plates;

1955-1961 odd years black/green

1956-1962 even years black/red

issued for truck, truck tractor, 10-18 trailer & 18 - 32 trailer beginning in 1963

1963 red/white

1963 yellow/black

Combination

Issued to trucks with carrying capacity >1 ton and operated in connection with a semitrailer with gross weight > 6,000 lbs; the semitrailer would display a token trailer plate

1972 green/refl white; "COMBINATION" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "72" top right; J00*000 serial format; began at J-100; star separator on 4 & 5 digit plates NOTE! Same format following years

1973 black/refl white

1974 red/refl white

1975 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" over "Combination" top; "19" top left; "75" top right; 2AA*000 serial beginning at 2AA-10 with star separator;

NOTE! Same format following years

1976 green/refl white; had either star separator or state outline separator

1977 red/refl white; with state outline separator

1979 blue/refl white; 75 format except debossed "MAR" & "79" top corners; serial bloc 2AA 10 to 2ZZ 999; map separator

NOTE! 1980 to 1986 same format as 1979

1980 green/refl white

1981 red/refl white

1982 blue /refl white

1983 green/refl white

1984 red/refl white

1985 blue/refl white

1986 red & blue/refl white; red "TEXAS" top; "1836 SESQUICENTENNIAL 1986" screened red bottom; all serials now 6 digit beginning with 001

1987 86 color & format except "87" top right

1988 blue & red/refl white; red "TEXAS" over "COMBINATION" top flanked by debossed "MAR" left & "***" right

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc of 2AA 001 to 2ZZ 999 verified with state outline separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "COMBINATION" top flanked by sticker sites with "MAR" top left and last two digits of year top right

Combination Replacement

1973 blue/refl white; format same as Combination regular plate but serial format in K90-000 to K99-999 series

1974 green/refl white; serial verified is K90-320

1975 Austin records show allotment to counties beginning at 2ZA-10 but none are known in collections

Common Carrier – R.R. Commission

1934-35 light/dark; "COMMON*CARRIER" top; "R.R. COMM.*TEXAS" bottom; serial center flanked on left by "SEPT" over "1" over "34" and on right by "AUG" over "31" over "35"

1936-37 green/orange; 13" x 5"; "COMMON*CARRIER" top; "R.R. COMM.*TEXAS" bottom; 0000 serial format; "SEPT" over "1" over "36" left; "AUG" over "31" over "37" right

Conservation

1963 black/white; "CONSERVATION" bottom; "TEXAS" top and "63" top right; serial 00S*000 beginning at 12S*10; always star separator after the "S";

1964 white/black; "CONSERVATION" bottom; "64" top left; "TEXAS" top; 00 "S"*000 serial format

1965 black/white; 63 format

1967 black/white; "CONSERVATION" top; "TEXAS 67" bottom; "S" letter in 3rd position & star separator in 4th position NOTE! This format verified from 1966 through 1974; colors always same as passenger plates

1975 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" over "CONSERVATION" top; "S" in 3rd position in 6 digit serials; "19" upper left and "75" upper right; NOTE! Same format for following years:

1976 green/refl white

1977 red/refl white

1979-85 Same format as 1975 except that the dates have been replaced by debossed "MAR" upper left and debossed "79" upper right; serial bloc 12S 10 to 99S 999; colors same as personalized plates

1986 blue & red/refl white Sesquicentennial base; 1987 color and format

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc of 12S-10 to 99S 999 is verified with map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "CONSERVATION" top flanked by "MAR" and last 2 digits of year

Consular Official

first verified in 1956

1960s red/natural aluminum; "CONSULAR" top; "OFFICIAL" bottom; "TEX"*000 serial;

undated blue/white; "CONSULAR" top; "OFFICIAL" bottom; "TEX"*00 serial; #88 verified; pictured with a 1974 sticker top left corner

1975 black/white; "CONSULAR" over "OFFICIAL" top; sticker wells upper corners with "75" in right corner; "TEX" and star + 3 numbers; serial bloc+ TEX 10 to TEX 999

1976 white/blue sticker; "TEX" vertical and star left; "CONSULAR" bottom left; serial number over "76" right

1977 white/red sticker; slanted "77" left; serial number over "TEX" over "CONSULAR" right

1979 March sticker upper left; black/gold "79" sticker upper right; 76 format

1980 sticker same color & design as passenger stickers except for "CONSULAR" under the star

1981 sticker same color & design as passenger sticker except "CONSULAR" under the "81"

1982 "82" sticker on 75 base; sometime in 1982 new plates were reissued but using the old numbers; the only difference was that the state outline replaced the star

1983 "83" sticker on 75 or 82 bases

1984 "84" sticker on 82 bases

1985 black/yellow sticker on above base; sticker has "85" over "CONSULAR" left & a star over "TEXAS" right; discontinued in 1985 & replaced by U.S. Govt. issue

Contract Carrier

1933-34 brownish maroon/white; "*R.R. COMM.8 TEXAS*" top over "CONTRACT CARRIER"; 4 digit serial flanked by wide-set stars; "9-1" over stacked "33" left; "8-31" over stacked "34" right

Cotton Vehicle

c1991 blue & red/refl white; "CO"0-00"V" serial format with red state outline separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "COTTON VEHICLE" top flanked by sticker boxes

Dealer

- 1917-30 “D” prefix; (usually issued in groups of 5 with the same number)
1917-20 white/dark blue; “TEX” vertical right; undated base
1920 white/black or dark aqua; small “D” prefix; olive primer back
1921 white/dark green; “D” 0000 serial format; “TEX” over “1921” right
1922 black/yellow orange; “TEX” over “1922” right
1923 black/cream-white; “TEXAS” vertical left; “1923” vertical right; star separator
1924 white/maroon; 23 format
1925 white/black
1926 black/green; “TEX 26” vertical right; star separator
1927 white/black; “1927” vertical left; “TEXAS” vertical right
1928 white/dark brown; “TEX 28” vertical right; D 0*000
1929 dark red/cream-white; D 0*000; “TEXAS 1929” bottom
1930 black/green; *D 000*; “TEXAS 1930” top
- 1931 green/white; “D” over “R” left; “TEX” vertical over horizontal “31” right; 0-000 with small star separator
- 1932 dark red/cream-white; 13" x 5"; “D” over “R” & serial flanked by stars or 0*000 serial format; “TEXAS - 1932” bottom
- 1933 white/green; “D” over “R” left; serial flanked by stars; “TEXAS - 1933” top; gray-green primer back
- 1934 white/black; “D” over “R” left; 0*000; “TEXAS - 1934” bottom
- 1935 black/green; “D” over “R” left; 0*000; “TEXAS - 1935” top
- 1936 dark red/light mustard yellow; “D” over “R” prefix; “TEXAS - 1936” bottom
- 1937 cream/maroon
- 1938 black/cream yellow;
- 1939 dark purple/canary yellow; “D” over “R” and star prefix; “TEXAS - 1939” top; on a 2 digit plate stars flank the serial
- 1940 yellow/blue; “D” over “R” left; 0*000; “19 TEXAS 40” top;
- 1941 black/yellow orange; “D” over “R” left
- 1942 black/yellow orange; “D” over “R” left;
1943 yellow-orange/black tab 1944 cream yellow/green tab

1945 black/yellow-orange; 10 -1/3" x 6"; "DEALER" bottom (first year for this legend); "TEXAS - 45" top; 2 (SA verified) stacked letters left and up to 4 digit serial

1949 black/yellow; 10-5/8" x 6-1/2" ; 2 stacked letters (SJ verified) 0000 serial format; "DEALER" top; "TEXAS - 49" bottom

1950 yellow/black; "TEX - 50" top; "DEALER" bottom; 2 stacked letters (SJ verified) left and 2-4 numbers; NOTE! Same format following years: 1951 black/yellow orange; stacked "YS" verified

1952 yellow/black; 10-5/8" x 6-1/2"; "DEALER" bottom; "TEXAS | 52 |" top; "8" over a letter left and 2 to 4 numbers; ("J" and "K" verified) NOTE! Same format following years:

1953 black/orange 1954 yellow/black 1955 black/orange

1956 yellow/black; "DEALER" bottom; "TEXAS | 56 |" top; number-letter + 2-4 numbers; if 5 characters space between 2nd & 3rd; if 6 characters then all run together;

1957 black/white; "DEALER" bottom; "TEXAS | 57 |" top; 0A*0000 serial format NOTE! Same format following years

1958 white/black 1959 black/white 1960 white/black

1961 black/white; "DEALER" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "61" top right; "P"*0000 or "P"00*000 serial formats NOTE! Same format following years

1963 black/white 1965 black/white 1966 white/black

1962 white/black; "DEALER" top; "TEXAS" bottom; "62" bottom right; "P"*0000 serial format; digits

1964 white/black; "DEALER" top; "TEXAS" bottom; "64" bottom left; serial - "P" 0*000

1967-74 colors same as passenger; "DEALER" top; "TEXAS" bottom; last 2 numbers of date bottom right; "P" + star + 4 numbers or "P" + 2 numbers + star + 3 numbers; lowest number is P 4000; 4000 to 39-999 are for the dealer himself; if a dealer wants extra plates these are issued in the range of P40,000 to P99,999

1975 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" over "DEALER" top; "19" top left; "75" top right; serial format as 1967 - 74

1976 green/refl white; 75 format except sate outline separator;

1977 red/refl white; 76 format

1978 possibly no plate was issued

1979-85 colors same as personalized plates; "MAR" top left; "79" top right (or "80" etc.); "TEXAS" over "DEALER" top; series format same as 1967-74

1986 blue & red/refl white; "MAR" top left & "86" top right with red "TEXAS" top; red screened "1836 SESQUICENTENNIAL 1986" bottom; white/red 6-1/4" x 3/4" sticker between the sticker boxes with "MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER" over "PLATE FOR USE ON MOTOR VEHICLE ONLY"; debossed "86" top right & "MAR" top left; serial format is 1D1-111 with state outline separator

1987 blue & red/refl white; 86 format except for "87" top right

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc 1D-2000 to 9D-9999 with map separator; red "TEXAS" top flanked by "MAR" top left and last two digits of year top right; white/red 6-1/4" x 3/4" sticker between the sticker boxes with "MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER" over "PLATE FOR USE ON MOTOR VEHICLE ONLY";

Dealer Demonstration

for vehicles being transported from one dealership to another or demonstration

1967 black/white; cardboard; 11" x 5-1/2"; "TEXAS DEALER 1967" top; "P" prefix + 4 numerals; dealership name beneath serial

1979 black/white; cardboard; 11" x 6"; "MAR TEXAS DEALER 79" top "P" prefix + up to 5 numeral; dealership name & address beneath serial

1980-86 black/white; cardboard; 11" x 6"; format same as earlier years but no dates NOTE! Printed by private companies & all plates for any given dealership have the same number

Disaster

1962

1963 black/white; "DISASTER" top; "63" bottom left; "TEXAS" bottom; "12D"-00 serial format

1964 white/black; "DISASTER" top; "TEXAS" bottom; 12D*10-99D*999

1979 blue/white; "TEXAS" over "DISASTER" top; 12 D 10 - 99 D 999; "MAR" upper left; "79" upper right

1981 79 format

1984 red/refl white; with/red boxes debossed in upper corners; "MAR" left and "84" right; state outline separator in 4th position; "TEXAS" over "DISASTER" top; "12 D" - 000 serial format

1985 blue/refl white; 84 format

1986 blue & red/refl white Sesquicentennial base; 84 format

1987 86 format

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc 12D-10 to 99D-999 verified with map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "DISASTER" top flanked by month and year sticker sites

Exempt Machinery (Non-motorized)

1991 no details on this type but in 1991 serial block of 900-000 to 9990-999 verified & 100,000 registered all are singles - no pairs

Exempt

1932 green/gray; "TEXAS - 1932" bottom; "X"0-000 serial format with star separator

1933 white/black; "X" 0-000 serial format; "TEXAS - 1933" top

1934 maroon/white

1935 white/black; "X"0-000 serial format with star separator; "TEXAS - 1935" top

1936 cream/maroon; "TEXAS - 1936" bottom; "X" and 2 numbers, star separator and three numbers; (12,365)

1937 maroon/dove gray; 13" x 4-7/8"; "TEXAS - 1937" top; "X"00*000 serial format (17,172)

1938 ivory/black; 36 format; (18,403)

1939 yellow/black; 13-1/8" x 5-7/8"; "TEXAS 1939" top; "SX"0*000 serial format; (20,199)

1940 bluish purple/yellow; (20,283)

1941 black/yellow-orange; "TEXAS 1941" top; either "X" or "S" over "X" prefix; 0-000 or 00-000 serial formats with star separators; (20,756)

NOTE! The "S" over "X" prefix indicates State use (earliest verified use of prefix)

1942 black/yellow-orange; "TEXAS - 42" bottom; stacked "XS" or "X" 00*000 serial format; (19,174)

1943 yellow-orange/black tab; stacked "X" A left; stacked "43" right; serial over "TEXAS" center; (18,472)

1944 cream-yellow/light green tab; "X" A top; serial center; "TEX 44" diagonally on bottom; (18,934)

1945 black/yellow-orange; (20,233)

1946 cream/black; "TEXAS - 46" top; "X" over second letter left and serial up to four digits; "EXEMPT" bottom; (21,500)

1947 white/black; 10-1/2" x 6-1/2"; "EXEMPT" top; 2 stacked letters left, first of which may be "X"; "TEXAS - 47" bottom

1948-56 black/aluminum; 10-1/2" x 6-1/2"; "TEXAS" top; "X" over second letter (probably "S" or "A") left; first batch made with 4 slots and latter issues made with 4 screw holes. NOTE! All exempt plates from 1948 to the present are still valid. Numbers have increased over the years. Die styles have changed similar to passenger dies. Exempt non-motorized vehicles (machinery, trailers, etc.) have all been observed with numbers in the 900-000 series

1956-60 black/aluminum; "TEXAS" top; "EXEMPT" bottom; 14456-24085

1961-62 black/aluminum; wide "TEXAS" top; "EXEMPT" bottom; 32312-62662 and 78*027 -114*823

1963-68 black/aluminum; narrow "TEXAS" top; "EXEMPT" bottom; 128*601-146*545; small star

1968 black/aluminum; 63-68 format with larger star separator

1968 black/refl white; 68 format with wide "TEXAS" top & large star; 166*933-248*030

1974 black/refl white; small "TEXAS" over "EXEMPT" top; 250*640-284*896

1975 black/dull refl white; 74 format with poor quality state outline separator; 285-194 - 320-084

1976 black/bright refl white; 74 format with better state outline separator; 322-080-425-124

c1991 blue/refl white; serial bloc of 10 to 899-000 verified with map separator; "TEXAS" over "EXEMPT" top flanked by sticker boxes;

Exempt Motorcycle

1942 black/yellow-orange; "M" over "C" + large "X", dash & up to 4 digits; "TEXAS - 42" bottom; M/C X 169 verified

1943 yellow-orange tab; 4" x 1"; embossed "TEXAS" bottom; "43" stacked right; "ZX" stacked left followed by serial number - ZX 92 verified

although existence confirmed circa 1964, exact colors and format not known; X/Y 10 - X/Y 9999

1966 white/black; "MOTORCYCLE" top; "19 TEXAS 66" bottom; "X"0000 serial format; X3933 verified

undated black/white; "TEXAS" top; "MOTORCYCLE" bottom; XY4536 serial verified

1991 black/refl white; 7" x 4"; "TEX" horizontal at top left center; serial bloc of XY-10 to XY-9999 verified; "EXEMPT" bottom

Factory Delivery

valid for 30 days for new vehicles only

black/white; cardboard; "TEXAS" top over 00000 "W" serial format; in the center are blocs for writing in effective dates; across the bottom is "TEMPORARY LICENSE PLATE FOR DELIVERY OF NEW VEHICLE" over "VALID ONLY WHEN COMPLETELY FILLED OUT"

Farm

1934 green/gray; 12-7/8" x 5"; "FARM" slanted downward as serial separator with a star above and below the "R" in Farm; 00-000 serial format; "TEXAS - 1934" bottom

1935 black/orange; 13" x 5"; A0-000,00-000 serial formats with "FARM" slanted downward as serial separator and a star above and below the "R"; "TEXAS - 1935" top;

1936 black/gray; 34 format with A0-000 serial format

1937 orange/black; 13" x 5"; "TEXAS - 1937" top; two numbers, or two letters, or one number with one letter followed by "FARM" slanted vertically and flanked by stars

1938 black/orange; 13" x 5-3/4"; "TEXAS - 1938" bottom; 1934 serial format

1939 white/maroon; 13" x 5-7/8"; "TEXAS 1939" top; 00-000 serial with "FARM" vertical as separator

1940 black/canary yellow; "19 TEXAS 40" top; 39 format

1941 black/yellow orange; 39 format

1942 black/yellow-orange; "TEXAS-42" bottom; 000-000 with vertical "FARM" as separator

1943 yellow-orange/black passenger format tab on 42 base; first letter on the left in "R"; "43" vertical right

1944 cream-yellow/green passenger format tab on 42 base; "44" vertical right; 43 tab format NOTE! This series discontinued after 1944 and was replaced by the Farm Truck series

Farm Trailer

1961 black/white; "FARM TRAILER" top; "TEXAS 61" bottom; 6 digit serial with "F" in 3rd position & 1/4" star separator NOTE! Design probably same thru 1965 except for 1964

1963 black/white; 61 format; 00"F"*000 serial format

1964 white/black; "FARM TRAILER" top; "64" bottom left; "TEXAS" bottom; serial - 00T*000

1966-74 colors same as passenger; "FARM TRAILER" top; "TEXAS" bottom; "66" etc., bottom right; serial = 2 numbers beginning at "12" + "T" or "F" + star + 2 or 3 numbers

1968 white/black

1975 black/refl white; "TEXAS" over "FARM TRAILER" top; sticker boxes upper corners; 00T-000 serial format with star separators

1976 white/refl blue sticker; "FARM TRL" sticker

1977 colors uncertain; letter "C" started in place of "T" & "F"; star changed to state outline between 26C & 47C; regular passenger sticker used on 75 base

1978 "MAR" & "79" stickers on 75 base

1979-81 black/refl white; "TEXAS" over "FARM TRAILER" top; 6 digit serial with "F" in 3rd position; revalidated with regular passenger stickers thru 1986 at least; serial blocs

- 1) 12F 10 to 99F-999
- 2) 12T-10 to 99T-999
- 3) 12C 10 to 99C-999
- 4) 12 A 10 to 99A-999
- 5) 100-A12 & up starting in 1983
- 3) 100-C00 & up

1986 blue & red/refl white Sesquicentennial base; red screened "TEXAS" over "FARM TRAILER" top; serial bloc 100-A64 to 999-A90; Beginning with 100-C36 the dates & "SESQUICENTENNIAL" removed

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial blocs verified as follows: 12F-10 to 99F-999; 12T-10 to 99T-999; 12C-10 to 99C-999; 12A-10 to 99A-999; 100-A12-999-A99; 100-C12 to 999-C99; 1000-F12 to 999-F99; 100-T12 to 999-T99, and BBB-B01 to BXS-M99; (all vowels & Q omitted); red "TEXAS" over blue "FARM TRAILER" top flanked by month and year sticker sites

Farm Trk Trac

1948 yellow/black; 10-1/2" x 6-1/2"; "FARM TRUCK TRAC." Bottom; "TEXAS - 48" top; 2 stacked letters + 2-4 numbers; "V" confirmed as first letter

1949 black/orange; 10-1/2" x 7-1/2"; "FARM TRUCK TRAC." Top; "TEXAS-49" bottom; "V" over letter left + up to 4 digits

1951 black/orange; "FARM TRUCK TRAC." Bottom; "TEXAS - 51" top; "V" over 2nd letter left + 2-4 digits

1952 yellow/black; 10-3/8" x 6-5/8"; stacked number over letter +2-4 digits; "9" is confirmed number;

1953 black/orange; "FARM TRUCK TRAC." Bottom; "TEXAS | 53 |" top; "9" over "L" left + 2 to 4 numbers NOTE! Same format following years:

1954 yellow/black 1955 black/orange

1956 yellow/black; "FARM TRUCK TRAC." Bottom; "TEXAS | 56 |" top; "9L" + up to 4 digits

1959 black/white; "FARM TRUCK TRAC." Bottom; "TEXAS | 59 |" top; serial = "9A", star, and up to 4 digits

1960 white/black; 59 format

1966 white/black; "TEXAS" top; "66" top right; "FARM TRK TRAC" bottom;
"L" + star +2 - 4 numbers NOTE! Same format following years
1968 white/black 1969 black/refl white 1971 black/refl white
1972 green/refl white

1974 red/refl white; "FARM TRK TRAC" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "74" top right;
"ZZ" + star +2-4 numbers

1975 black/white; "TEXAS" over "FARM TRK TRAC" top flanked by sticker
boxes with "75" in right; serial is "T" + 2 numbers the 1st of which is always "2" +
star + 3 numbers; star changed to state outline sometime in 11/1981; when T29-999
was reached the serial changed to T40-000

1976 "FARM TRK TRAC" sticker 1977 regular "77" sticker
1978 "MAR" & "79" stickers 1979-86 regular stickers

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc of T20-000 to T29-999 and T40-000 to
T59-999 verified with red map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "FARM TRK
TRAC" top flanked by sticker boxes

Farm Truck

1945 black/orange; 10-1/8" x 5-3/4"; "FARM TRUCK" bottom; "TEXAS-45"
top; 2 stacked letters left top one of which is "R" + 2-4 numbers
NOTE! During the period of 1945 to 1960 the 2 stacked letters or number-letter
indicated the class - such as trucks, etc. The code system not known; same format
used following years; 10-5/8" x 6-1/2" on subsequent issues after 1945
1946 white/black 1948 yellow/black 1950 yellow/black
1951 black/gold-orange

1947 white/black; 10-5/8" x 6-1/2"; "FARM TRUCK" top; "TEXAS-47" bottom;
45 serial format

1949 black/gold orange; 47 format

1952 yellow/black; 10-5/8" x 6-1/2"; "TEXAS | 52 |" top; "FARM TRUCK"
bottom; "5" or "6" over a letter left + 2-4 numbers
NOTE! Same format following years
1953 black/orange; 10-1/2" x 6" 1954 yellow/black; 10-5/8" x 6"

1956 yellow/black; "5" + a "B" or "R" + 2-4 digits; "FARM TRUCK" bottom;
"TEXAS | 56 |" top

1957 black/white; 56 format but the first 2 digits are thinner permitting star
separator after the 1st two digits

NOTE! Same format following years:

1958 white/black; 1st number is now "6" 1959 black/white
1960 white/black

1961 black/white; "FARM TRUCK" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "61" top right; "8" + letter, star, & 2-4 digits

1962 white/black; "FARM TRUCK" top; "TEXAS" bottom; "62" bottom right; serial format = "8" + letter + star + 2-4 digits

NOTE! Numbering systems remained "8A" - "8Z" through 1984; 1965-74 colors same as passenger; 62 format; In 1967 some plates were made in the "9E" system which may have been replacements; in 1962 black/white plates in 9A series may also have been replacements (9A*5650)

1964 white/black; "64" bottom left 1965 black/white
1966 white/black 1967 black/white 1968 white/black
1969 black/refl white 1974 red/refl white

1975 black/refl white; "TEXAS" over "FARM TRUCK" top; sticker boxes upper corners with "75" upper right; "1" + 2 letters + star + 2-3 numbers; star changed to state outline sometime between 1ML-387 & 1MN-000; base revalidated with annual stickers

1976 "FARM TRUCK" sticker 1977 regular sticker
1978 "MAR" & "79" stickers 1979-86 regular stickers

NOTE! In 1986 1ZZ-999 reached & system changed to 100-A1A etc.

1986 blue & red/refl white Sesquicentennial base with red "TEXAS" over "FARM TRUCK" top; serial bloc was 1ZK-010 to 1ZX-010; Beginning with serial 100-A1A the dates & "SESQUICENTENNIAL" were dropped leaving the red state outline & red screened "TEXAS"

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial blocs of 1AA-10 to 1ZJ-999, 1ZA-010 to 1ZZ-999 and 100 - A1A to 999-Z1Z verified with red map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "FARM TRUCK" top flanked by sticker boxes

Fertilizer Truck

1978 red/white; white/red debossed upper corner boxes with "MAR" left & "78" right; "TEXAS" over "FERTILIZER TRK" top; two numbers + "B" = map + 3 numbers; (one of few dated 1978 plates in Texas)

1979 serial blocs = 12B-10 to 99B-9

NOTE! Same format used following years: 1980 green/refl white 1981 red/refl white

1985 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" over "FERTILIZER TRUCK" top center; debossed "85" top right & "MAR" top left; serial format 00B-000

1986 blue & red/refl white Sesquicentennial base; 85 format NOTE! Same color & format used 1987

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc 12B-10 to 99B-999 verified with map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "FERTILIZER TRK" top flanked by "MAR" left and last two digits of year

Fire-related Plates

Firefighter

1984 black & red/refl white; red “TEXAS VOL” over “FIREFIGHTER” top flanked by stickers boxes; serial 7AA-000 with “7” constant & letters AA, AB, et; revalidated with regular passenger stickers

1991 black/refl white; 7AA-000 serial format with map separator; “TEXAS VOL” over “FIREFIGHTER” top flanked by sticker boxes

Professional Firefighter

c1995 blue, violet, & red/refl white; violet “TEXAS” top flanked by sticker boxes; violet “PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTER” bottom; red Maltese Cross logo left with initials of the Firefighter’s organization in the arms; verified serial is FJ70RF all screened except serial

Foreign Organization

issued to representatives of the Taiwan Government

1995 no details

Forestry Vehicle

c1993 blue & red/refl white; red “FORESTRY VEHICLE” bottom; red “TEXAS” flanked by “MAR” and last 2 digits of year, “FC”00AA serial format

Gulf Shrimp

1963 white/black; “TEXAS GULF SHRIMP” top; “EXP. 8-31-63” bottom

1964 white/red

1971 white/refl green; “GULF SHRIMP” bottom; “TEXAS” top; “EXP” vertical left; “8” over “31” over “71” right

NOTE! Same format used following years

1972 black/refl white 1974 white/refl green 1976 black/refl white

1979 white/refl blue; "TEXAS" over "GULF SHRIMP" top; "EXP" vertical left; "8" over "31" over "79" right

NOTE! Same format following years

1980 black/refl lemon yellow 1982 black/refl tan 1983 black/refl white
1984 white/refl blue 1985 white/refl orange 1986 white/refl green

Handicapped-Related Plates

Disabled

only vanity plates are issued with the phrase "DISABLED" on them

1984 red/refl white; "TEXAS" over "DISABLED" top; "MAR" debossed upper left and "84" debossed upper right

1985 blue/refl white; presumably 1984 format used

Handicapped

1976 black/refl white; passenger series; special sticker attached; sticker has "TEX" vertical left; "DISABLED" bottom left; star separator; serial with "W" suffix top right; "76" bottom right

1977 "77" slanted left; serial with "WA" suffix over "TEX" over "DISABLED" right

1978 "TEX" vertical left; star over "DISABLED" center; serial with "WB" suffix over "78" right

1979 78 format with "WC" suffix

1981 sticker on above base; "81" over "DISABLED" left; serial with "WE" suffix over star over "TEXAS"

1982 black/yellow "82" sticker; wheelchair logo over "DISABLED" left; serial with "WF" suffix over "TEXAS" over "82"

1983 white/red "83" sticker on above base; 82 format

1984 82 type sticker on above base with "WH" suffix on serial

1985 black/yellow 82 type sticker on above base

1986 white/red 82 type sticker on above base

1987 white/green, 82 format with “WL” suffix;
NOTE! This is the last year that Disabled stickers appeared on passenger bases;
henceforth special base as described below used

1986 blue & red/refl white; serial format 1AA-AA with the wheelchair logo as
the serial separator; red screened “TEXAS” top flanked by sticker boxes; revalidated
with passenger stickers starting with 1986 white/red sticker; numbers in serial go
from 1 to 9; letters A,E, I, O, Q, & U not used
NOTE! Plates with “DISABLED” on them are vanity plates

1987 all refl white/green sticker - see 87 above

1991 serial bloc of 1BB-BB to 9ZZ-ZZ (vowels and Q omitted)

Handicapped Motorcycle

? blue/refl white; 7 x 4; A0-0A serial format with wheelchair logo separator;
stacked “TX” top center flanked by month and year sticker sites

Honorary Consul

1986 blue & red/refl white; red “TEXAS” over blue “HONORARY CONSUL”
top flanked by debossed “JUN” left & “86” right; red “1836 SESQUICENTENNIAL
1986” bottom; serial 9AA-000 with “9” constant

1987 blue & red/refl white; 86 format

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc of 9AA-001 to 9AA-200 verified with
map separator; red “TEXAS” over blue “HONORARY CONSUL” top flanked by
“MAR” and last two digits of year

House Trailer

1948 orange/black; “HOUSE TRAILER” bottom; “TEXAS-48” top; “T” + 2nd
letter stacked left + 2-4- digits; 2nd letter may be constant “R”;
NOTE! Same format following years

1950 yellow/black 1951 black/orange

1949 black/orange; “HOUSE TRAILER” top; “TEXAS-49” bottom; “T” over
“R” left + 2-4 digits

1951 black/orange; 10 4/8 x 6 5/8; “HOUSE TRAILER” bottom; “TEXAS-51”
top; “T” over a letter + 2-4 numbers; “T” over “T” confirmed

1952 yellow/black; “TEXAS | 52 |” top; “HOUSE TRAILER” bottom; “9” over
A left + 2 to 4 numbers

1953 black/orange; 10-5/8" x 6"; 52 format

1954 colors uncertain; 52 format but "9" over "C"; letter is probably serial - A, B, C, etc.

1955 black/orange; 54 format

1956 yellow/black; "HOUSE TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS | 56 |" top; 6 digit serial with last 1st two "9C"

1957 black/white; "HOUSE TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS | 57 |" top; "9" + letter + star + 2 to 4 digits

NOTE! Same format following years: 1959 black/white 1960 white/black

1964 white/black; "TEXAS" top; "64" top left; "HOUSE TRAILER" bottom; "M", star, 2 to 4 numbers then "M" + 2 numbers + star + 3 numbers

1965 black/white; "HOUSE TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS" top + "65" top right; 64 serial format; when M99-999 reached in 1971 went to 000*00M

NOTE! This format verified 1961 to 1971 except 1964

1961 black/white

1962 white/black; with "M", star, & 2-5 digit serial

1967 black/white

1972 green/white; used both "M" & "N" in serial

1973-74 began with "L" & then used "M" in serial

NOTE! In 1975 type changed to Travel Trailer

Indian Tribes

Ysleta del Sur Pueblo

1992 dark blue/refl white; "YSLETA DEL SUR PUEBLO" top; eagle and feathers logo left center; 000 serial format; NOTE! these are tax exempt plates; no other kinds issued

In Transit

1942 dark/light; "TEXAS" over "42" left; "IN TRANSIT" bottom; only sample with 000 known; may be prototype

1956 light/dark; "IN TRANSIT" bottom; 8E 280 verified; "TEXAS | 56 |" top

1962 white/black; 67 format

1964 white/black; "64" top left; "TEXAS" top; "IN TRANSIT" bottom; "V"*000 serial format

1967 black/white; "IN TRANSIT" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "67" top right; "V", star, & 3 digits

1968 white/black; 67 format

1979-85 "TEXAS" over "IN TRANSIT" top; serial blocs = 100 V to 99999 V; "MAR" top left & "79" top right (or "80" etc) colors same as vanity plates for same years; serial probably never reached >999

1985 blue/refl white

1986 red & blue/refl white; 79 format except red screened "TEXAS" top & red screened "1836 SESQUICENTENNIAL 1986" bottom

1987 86 colors & format except "87" top right

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc of 100-V to 99999-V verified; red "TEXAS" over blue "IN TRANSIT" top flanked by "MAR" and last two digits of the year

Law Enforcement Related Plates

Peace Officer

given to families of police officers killed or severely injured in the line of duty

1995 dark blue & red/refl white; yellow rose over an image of the badge left; red "TEXAS" top with "TO PROTECT AND SERVE" immediately beneath;
NOTE! available to light trucks also and may be personalized

Log Loader

c1991 blue & red/refl white; red "TEXAS" over blue "LOG LOADER" top flanked by month and year sticker sites; "L"00-00A serial format with red map separator

Machinery

1950 yellow/black; "MACHINERY" bottom; "TEXAS - 50" top; 2 stacked letters left (perhaps "S: over "T" + 2-4 digits but stacked SS also verified

1962 white/black; "MACHINERY" top; "TEXAS" bottom; "62" bottom right; 00"M"*000 serial format

1965 black/white; "MACHINERY" top; "TEXAS" bottom; "65" bottom right; 16M, star, & 3 digits

1969 green/white; 65 format

1970 blue/refl white; "MACHINERY" top; "TEXAS" bottom; "70" bottom right; 00M, star, 3 digits; first 2 numbers may be "36"

1971 black/refl white; 70 format

1972 green/refl white; "MACHINERY" top; "TEXAS" bottom; "72" bottom right; 12M-10 to 12M-999, then 13M-10 to 13M-999 etc.

NOTE! 72 format used 1966 thru 1974

1973 black/refl white

1974 red/refl white

1975-86 black/white; "TEXAS" over "MACHINERY" top; sticker wells top corners with "75" etched into right well; 72 serial format; star to state outline change somewhere between 58M & 64M; c1982 99M-999 was reached so serial became 000-"M"00 beginning with M12; renewed with passenger stickers except for 1976 when special sticker was used

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial blocs of 12M-10 to 99M-999 and 100-M12 to 999-M99 verified with red map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "MACHINERY" top flanked by month and year sticker sites

Manufacturer

1962 white/black; "MANUFACTURER" top; "TEST" over "CAR", star, & 2 numbers; "TEXAS" bottom; "62" bottom right

1963 black/white; "TEST" over "CAR", star, & 1-2- digits; "TEXAS" top; "1963" bottom

1964 white/black; "MANUFACTURER" top; "TEXAS" bottom; "64" bottom left; "TEST" over "CAR" +star left;

1973 dark/light; "MANUFACTURER" top; "TEXAS 73" bottom; "TEST" over "CAR" & star separator prefix; NOTE! format same for 1965 to 1974

1977 red/refl white; "TEXAS" over "MANUFACTURER" top; "19" upper left corner & "77" upper right corner; "TEST" over "CAR" left followed by 3/4" state outline separator; NOTE! same design for 1975 & 1976 except for star separator

1979-85 77 format except for "MAR" upper left & 2 digit date upper right corner; serial bloc=10 to 124

1986 blue & red/refl white; red screened "TEXAS" top over blue "MANUFACTURER"; red screened "1836 SESQUICENTENNIAL 1986" bottom

1987 86 colors & format except "87" top right

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc of 6EG010 to 6EH999 verified with map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "MANUFACTURER" top flanked by "MAR" and last 2 digits of year

Mexico 24-Hour Tag

undated red/white single cardboard tag valid for 24 hours; present numbering system 100M to 999999M; "TEXAS" top over the serial; blocks in center for filling in validation dates; "24-HOUR PERMIT" bottom

Military Related Plates

Armed Forces Reserve

1990 blue & red/refl white; DL01BJ to DL99HJ verified in 1991; "TEXAS" top; "ARMED FORCES RESERVE" bottom

Coast Guard Auxiliary

c1993 blue & red/refl white; red "TEXAS" top; red "COAST GUARD AUXILIARY" bottom; "DL"00AA serial format

Desert Storm

c1991 blue & red/refl white; "DM"0-0AA serial format with map separator; "DESERT STORM" bottom; "TEXAS" top

Disabled Veteran

1972 red & blue/white; blue "DISABLED VET" bottom; blue "TEXAS" top flanked by debossed sticker boxes with debossed unpainted "72" in right 1-3/8" x 3/4"; red "DV" + star separator + 4 numbers

1973 white/red sticker on 72 base; "19" + state seal + "73" over serial number with "DV" prefix

1974 white/blue sticker on 72 base; 73 sticker format

1975 red & blue/white/ red "TEXAS" over "DISABLED VET" top; "DV" + star prefix and blue serial; sticker navels upper corners with uncolored "75" in right; DV1001-DV9999; 1001DV-9999DV; 100DV1-999DV9; DV100A-DV999Z

NOTE! somewhere around DV7000 or DV8000 top left sticker navel was replaced by embossed box with red "MAR" debossed; somewhere between 6802DV and

8857DV; star was replaced with map outline; the 1975 base was revalidated with stickers through at least 1987 as follows:

1976 "TEX" vertical left over "DV"; star center, red serial + blue "S" over "76" right

1977 diagonal "77" left; blue serial and red "SA" over "TEX" over "DV"

1978 no dated 78 sticker issued; "MAR" month sticker and "79" sticker

1979 "TEX" vertical left; star/"DV" center; serial and "SC" over "79" right

1980 79 sticker format

1981 "81" over "DV" left; serial and "SE"/star/"TEXAS" right

1982 79 sticker format

1983 81 sticker format

1984 81 sticker format

1985 black/yellow; 81 sticker format

1986 red; 81 sticker format

1987 green; 81 sticker format

undated red & blue/refl white; red "TEXAS" over "DISABLED VETERAN" top; star separator in 4th position; "DV" in fifth and sixth positions in serial; sticker navels in upper corners NOTE! this is a front plate

1991 blue & red/refl white serial blocs DV-1 to DV-9999, 1-DV to 999-DV, 100-DV1 to 999-DV1, and DV-100A to DV 999A verified with state outline separator; red "TEXAS" over red "DISABLED VETERAN" top with white/red "MAR" top left and sticker box top right

Korea Veteran

c1993 blue & red white; red "KOREA VETERAN" bottom; red "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; "DW"00AA serial format

Legion of Valor

issued to anyone receiving the Medal of Honor or Distinguished Service Cross

1995 Recipients of the Navy Cross, Air Force Cross, are eligible

Marine Corps League

? blue & red/refl white; red "MARINE CORPS LEAGUE" bottom; round logo left followed by "FC"00AA serial format; red "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes

Medal of Honor

1979 red & blue/white; "CONGRESSIONAL" over "MEDAL OF HONOR" left; serial bloc 1 to 30

1983 red & blue/refl white; white/red debossed boxes upper left & right with "MAR" in left & "83" in right; red "TEXAS" top; blue "CONGRESSIONAL" over "MEDAL OF HONOR" left; 5/8" letters; map separator

1985 blue & red/refl white; 83 format

1986 blue & red/refl white Sesquicentennial base; 83 format with lettering along bottom

1987 blue & red/refl white; 86 format

1988 blue & red/refl white; "CONGRESSIONAL" over "MEDAL OF HONOR", star and serial; "TEXAS" top flanked by debossed "MAR" left and debossed "88" right

1991 blue & red/refl white; 1 to 30 verified (only 30 registered); "CONGRESSIONAL" over "MEDAL OF HONOR" followed by star, and serial; red "TEXAS" top flanked by white/blue "MAR" and last 2 digits of year

National Guard

1984 red & blue/refl white; white/blue debossed box in upper left corner with "JUN" imprinted; sticker navel upper right; "TEXAS GUARD" top in blue; red "G" in 2nd position; 3" minuteman statue in 4th position; white/green sticker; "84" over "TEXAS GUARD"
black/yellow sticker; 84 format white/red sticker; 84 format

1991 red & blue/refl white; serial bloc of 1G0-001 to 9G9-999 verified with red minute man separator; blue "TEXAS GUARD" top flanked by white/blue "JUN" and sticker box top right

Pearl Harbor Survivor

1990 blue & red/refl white; red screened "PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR" bottom and "TEXAS" top; serial bloc of DK01Z to DL99BB; debossed white/blue "MAR" top left; annual sticker top right; verified with a 1991 Disabled sticker

P.O.W.

1979 colors uncertain; serial blocs PW 100A to PW 999A with "A" replaceable by "B", "C" etc.; "TEXAS" top embossed; month sticker area flat

1981 blue & red/white; red screened "TEXAS" over "FORMER POW" top; "PW" prefix + silhouette +3 numbers & blue suffix letter; white/blue "MAR" top left; renewed with passenger stickers

1991 blue & red/refl white; red "TEXAS" over "FORMER POW" top; white/red "MAR" top left; PW-100A to PW-999A with the last letter variable is verified

Purple Heart

1990 blue/refl white; screened "TEXAS" top & "PURPLE HEART" bottom; screened purple & gold medal logo left center; debossed "SEP" box top left; sticker

top right; serial blocs as follows are verified; PH1BBB to PH9ZZZ and BBB1PH to ZZZ9PH (certain offensive letter combinations are omitted such as KKK, LSD)

U.S. Armed Forces Reserve

1991 blue & red/refl white; red “ARMED FORCES RESERVE” bottom; red “TEXAS” top flanked by white/blue “JUN” top left and sticker box top right; “DL”00AA serial format

U.S. Army

c1993 dark blue & red/refl white; “U.S. ARMY” bottom; “D”A00AA serial format; red “TEXAS” top flanked by sticker boxes

U.S. Air Force

c1993 blue & red/refl white; red “TEXAS” top flanked by sticker boxes; red screened “U.S. AIR FORCE” bottom; verified serial is DD44YS

U.S. Coast Guard

c1993 dark blue & red/refl white; “U.S. COAST GUARD” bottom; red “TEXAS” top; “D”A00AA serial format

U.S. Navy

c1993 dark blue/ refl white; “U.S. NAVY” bottom; “D”A00AA serial format; red “TEXAS” top flanked by sticker boxes;

U.S. Marine Corps

c1991 blue & red/refl white; red screened “U.S. MARINE CORPS” bottom and “TEXAS” top flanked by sticker boxes; verified serial is DD28ZV

Vietnam Veteran

c1991 blue & red/refl white; screened red “TEXAS” top and red “VIETNAM VETERAN” bottom; sticker boxes top corners; verified serial is DL19PH (I don't [know?]what is constant and what is not)

World War II Veteran

c1993 blue & red/refl white; red “WWII VETERAN” bottom; red “TEXAS” top flanked by sticker boxes; “D”A00AA serial format

Mobile Home

1975 colors same as vanity plates; "TEXAS" over "MOBILE HOME" top; serial format = 6AA 10 through 6ZZ 999; "19" upper left; "75" upper right

NOTE! same format following years

1976 green/refl white 1977 red/refl white

1979-81 except "MAR" upper left & 2 digit date upper right/

1982-83 probably same as 1979-81

1984-85 numbering system may have changed due to new moped plate

MOPED

1953 black/orange; "8" over "T" left + 3 digits; "TEX 53" top

NOTE! this plate for a motor scooter is identical to 53 motorcycle plate but is about 1/2 the size.

1983 black/white; m/c-sized plate; "T" over "X" top flanked by sticker wells containing regular month sticker & special motorcycle/moped year sticker; 6AA-000 serial format; yellow/black "MOPED" sticker bottom

1985 black/yellow sticker 1987 white/green sticker; bar used for emission testing

1988 black/yellow sticker; bar used for emission testing

1991 black/white; 7" x 4"; serial bloc of 6AA-10 to 6EF-999 verified; yellow/black sticker bottom with "MOPED" stacked "TX" top flanked by month and year sticker sites

Motor Bus

1926 yellow/black; "M" over "B" prefix; (4,158)

1927 black/gray; 15" x 5-1/2"; "1927" vertical left; "TEXAS" vertical right; "M" over "B" left + star & 3 number or 1 number, star, & 3 numbers; (3,260)

1928 white/dark brown; "M" over "B" left; star separator on 4-digit plates; "TEX 28" vertical right; (5,850)

1929 white/maroon; "M" over "B", dash, & up to 4 digits with star separator; either "FRONT" or "REAR" vertical left; "TEXAS - 1929" bottom; (4,341)

1930 white/green; 29 format except "TEXAS - 1930" top; (1,619)

1931 white/maroon; "M" over "B" left; "TEX" vertical over "31" right; 4 digit plates have star separator but with a wide space on either side - 1 * 028 e.g.; (1,429)

1932 white/black; 13" x 5"; "M" over "B" followed by 2 digits-all flanked by a star; "TEXAS - 1932" bottom; when 4 digits used position of stars is unknown; (795)

1933 turquoise green/black; "M" over "B" + star + 2 numbers +star; "TEXAS - 1933" top; (671)

1934 white/red; "M" over "B" left; "TEXAS - 1934" bottom; 3-digit serials flanked by stars; (788)

1935 light gray/dark green; "M" over "B" left; "TEXAS 1935" top; 3-digit serial flanked by stars; (765)

1936 dark red/gray; "M" over "B", star, & 3 digits; "TEXAS - 1936" bottom; (859)

1937 light gray/black; 36 format except "TEXAS-1937" top; (882)

1937-38 orange/dark green; "MOTOR*BUS" top; "R.R. COMM. * TEXAS" bottom; 3 digit serial center; "SEPT" over "1" over "37" left; "AUG" over "31" over "38" right; (835)

1939 unknown; (818)

1940 yellow/blue; "M" over "B" left; serial flanked by stars; "19 TEXAS 40" top; (894)

1941 black/yellow-orange; (1,035)

1942 black/yellow-orange; (1,499)

1943 yellow-orange/black tab; (1,713) 1944 cream-yellow/green tab; (1,833)

1974 red/refl white; "TEXAS" top; "MOTOR BUS" bottom; "74" top right; "T" + star + 2 to 4 numbers

1975 black/refl white; "TEXAS" over "MOTOR BUS" top; sticker wells in top corners; "T" + star + 2 to 4 numbers; "75" debossed in right sticker well

1976 sticker upper left corner 1977 sticker upper right corner

NOTE! there was no 1978 sticker

1979 "MAR" sticker upper left & "79" sticker upper right; serial blocs = T 10 to T 9999

1980-86 stickers in upper right corner revalidate the 75 base;

1984 sticker white/green with "84" followed by star over "TEXAS"

1985 black/yellow sticker

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial blocs of T-10 to T-7107 and T07-108 to T09-999 verified with red map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "MOTOR BUS" top flanked by sticker boxes

Motorcycle

1916 (5000)

1917 white/blue black; up to 4 digits; "TEX" vertical right; 7-3/4" x 3-1/8"; (3468)

1918 dark blue/white round seal identical to passenger but smaller; 5-pointed star center with "T", "E", "X", "A", & "S" between the prongs & "1918" inside; "REGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLE" around the periphery; (2496)

1919 medium blue/white; 3" diameter; 1918 format with "1919" inside star (reverse colors of passenger) (3889)

1920 white/black sea; (4290)

1921 white/light green; 6" x 3" seal; "REGISTERED MOTOR CYCLE" top; "TEXAS 1921" bottom; (3905)

1922 red/black; seal; "REGISTERED MOTOR CYCLE" top; "TEXAS 1922" bottom; numeric serial up to 4-digits (3401) NOTE! I notice a conflict of information here; the picture below [no picture available] uses this format but is black/yellow and is not a seal

1923 dark blue/white; "REGISTERED MOTORCYCLE" top; "TEXAS 1923" bottom; 0000 serial format; (3346)

1924 white/dark red; (2738)

1925 white/maroon; 9" x 3-1/4"; "TEXAS" vertical left; "1925" vertical right; "MC" & serial; (MC*775) verified; (2,780)

1926 black/white; (2688)

1927 yellow/black; "MOTORCYCLE" bottom; "1927" vertical left; "TEXAS" vertical right; serial = 0*000; (3,103)

1928 white/dark brown; (3507)

1929 white/maroon; (4064)

1930 yellow-orange/dark blue; "MOTORCYCLE" bottom; "TEX" vertical left; "30" stacked right; 0*000 serial; (4,066)

1931 black/white; (3,857)

1932 white/green; 30 format; 3 digit serial flanked by stars; (3,375)

1933 orange/white; "33" stacked left; "TEX" vertical right; "MOTORCYCLE" bottom; 2 digit serial flanked by stars; (3,362)

- 1934 white/black; "MOTORCYCLE" bottom; "TEX" vertical left stacked "34" right; 0*000 serial format (3,519)
- 1935 black/orange; "MOTORCYCLE" top; "TEX" vertical left; "35" stacked right; 0*000 format; (3,409)
- 1936 dark blue/cream; "36" stacked left; "MOTORCYCLE" bottom; "TEX" vertical right; 3 digit serial has single preceding star; (3,486)
- 1937 white/black; 4" x 3-1/2"; 35 format; (3,795)
- 1938 black/orange; "38" stacked left; "TEX" vertical right; "MOTORCYCLE" top; 0*000 or *000* formats; (4,004)
- 1939 black/yellow-orange; *000* and 0*000 serial formats; 35 format; (4,607)
- 1940 yellow-orange/medium blue; 7-1/2" x 3-3/4"; 35 format (4,726)
- 1941 black/yellow-orange; "M" over "C" left + 0*000 serial format; "TEXAS 1941" top; (4,823)
- 1942 black/yellow-orange; "M" over "C" left + up to 4 digits with dash separator; "TEXAS - 42" bottom; (6,483) 1943 yellow-orange/black tab; (6,278) 1944 cream yellow/light green tab (8,126)
- 1945 black/orange; "Z" over "N" left & serial; "TEX - 45" top; (11,294)
- 1946 white/black; "Z" over "M" left & 3-4 digits; "TEX - 46" top; (18,000)
- 1947 white/black; 46 format
- 1948 yellow/black; "Y" over letter left & 4 digits; "TEX - 48" bottom
- 1949-51 passenger colors; 7 3/4 x 3 3/4; "TEXAS - 49" top (or 50 etc) "Y" over a letter left (J, K, M, W, & X known) + 2 to 4 numbers
 1949 black/yellow-orange 1950 yellow/black 1951 black/yellow-orange
- 1952 yellow/black; 7-1/2" x 4"; "TEX - 52" top; stacked "8" over letter (N, P, R verified) left + 4 digit serial
 NOTE! same format following years:
 1953 black/orange 1954 yellow/black; 5-5/8" x 3" 1955 black/yellow
- 1956 orange/black; "8" over letter ("N" & "P" verified) left + 4 digits; "TEX - 56" top
- 1957 black/white; "8" over letter left; "TEX 57" top; up to 4 digit serial
- 1958 white/black; "9" over "H" or "J" left & 4 digits; "TEX - 58" top

1959 black/white; 5-5/8" x 3"; "TEX - 59" top right; 4 digit serial with "9" over "H" or "J" stacked left

NOTE! format used 1957-66 except numbering system for 1961 to 1966 = 9R-10 to 9Y-9999

1960 white/black	1961 black/white	1962 white/black
1963 black/white	1964 white/black	1965 black/white

1966 white/black; early issues as 59; late issues 7" x 4" with "MOTORCYCLE" top; "19 TEXAS 66" bottom; "X" + 2 to 5 numbers

1967 black/white; 66 format

1968

1969 black/refl white; 7" x 4"; "MOTORCYCLE" bottom; "TEXAS 69" top
NOTE! 69 format used 1967 to 1984; numbering system originally "X" to 2 to 5 numbers then 100 X to 99999 X; "W" suffix also known for 1971;

1970 blue/white 1971 "V" prefixes used & then "W" & "X"

1972 green/white 1973 black/refl white; serial format = V, W, or X + 5 digits

1974 red/refl white; late issues had an "X" suffix with just "TEX 74" top & NO "MOTORCYCLE"

1975-84 black/refl white; 7" x 4"; "TEX" upper left; 2-1/8" x 1" sticker box upper right with debossed colorless "75"; serial - "3" + 2 letters, space, 2 to 3 numbers - ran from 3AA10 to 3WY999 & then design changed to "T" over "X" flanked by sticker boxes at top; serial - 3XF 10 to 3ZZ 999, 4AA 10 to 4ZZ 999; then numbering became 3 numbers, space, letter, "3" + another letter - e.g. 100 A3A (then A3B etc.) This last type begun in late 1984; Stickers on this 75 base have been regular year stickers from 1977 to 1984; 1976 was special with "TEX" vertical left over "MOTORCYCLE" bottom; 1977 white/red sticker

1978 small "MAR" sticker issued with the "79" year sticker; 1" x 5/8" with "MAR" vertical; in April 1978 all counties were given the new style base (T over X) to accommodate regular month & year stickers; registration now staggered

1979-81 black/refl white; "T" over "X" top center; serial format 3AA 10 through 3ZZ999 & 4AA10 through 4ZZ999; 1980 - black/refl white sticker on 75 base also used 77; all refl white/red sticker on 79 base; "TEX" vertical left with star immediately following; "80" lower right; black serial upper right

1981 - white/refl blue sticker on 75 base??

1981 red/refl white; "T" over "X" top; debossed "MAR" upper left & debossed "81" upper right; serial format AA00A 0A seen - vanity??

1984 special stickers issued for use on the T over X base; "84" left; "MOTORCYCLE" over "MOPED" bottom; serial with 2 letter suffix "HM" over star right;

1985 black/yellow sticker; 84 sticker format with "JM" suffix on 75 & T over X bases

- 1986 84 sticker format with "KM" suffix on 75 & T/X bases
- 1990 new numbering format - 123-A3B
- 1991 dark blue/refl white; serial blocs of 3AA-10 to 3ZZ-999; 4AA-10 to 4ZZ-999 (omit 4QU); 100-A3A to 999-Z3Z; and 100-A4A to 999-Z4Z; all Q's omitted after N3Q; stacked "TX" top flanked by month and year sticker sites
- 1996 black/refl yellow sticker

Motorcycle Dealer

- 1946 cream/black; stacked "ZD" + 2 to 4 digits; "TEX - 46" top; "DEALER" bottom; Z/D 12 verified
- 1950 orange/black; "DEALER" bottom; "TEX 50" top; 2 stacked letters ("S" over "M") left + 2-4 digits
- 1953 black/orange; "DEALER" bottom; "TEX - 53" top; "8M" stacked left +2-3 digits
- 1959 black/white; "DEALER" bottom; "TEX-59" top; "9T" stacked left + 2-7 digits
- 1960 white/black; 59 format
- 1961 black/white; "DEALER" bottom; "TEX-61" to; "9" over "Z" left + 2 to 4 numerals
- 1962 white/black; 61 format
- 1964 white/black; 66 format
- 1966 white/black; "DEALER" bottom; "P" + 2 to 4 numbers; "TEX-66" top
- 1967 black/white; 7" x 4"; "DEALER" top; "19 TEXAS 67" bottom; "P" prefix
- 1968 white/black; "DEALER" top; "19 TEXAS 68" bottom; "P" 0000 serial format
- 1972 green/white; "DEALER" top; "TEXAS 72" bottom; "P" + 2 to 4 numbers
- 1974 red/white; 72 format
- 1975 green/refl white; "TEX 75" top; "P" + up to 4 digits
- 1976 green/refl white; 75 format

1979 black/white; "T" over "X" top flanked by "MAR" & "79" in embossed rectangles; "P" + 2 to 4 numerals

NOTE! same format following years

1980 black/white; 10 to 1999 serial is master dealer number; 2000 to 3999 are supplemental plates; probably this was since 1966

1982 blue/white 1983 blue/refl white 1984 red/refl white

1985 blue/refl white

1986 blue/refl white; 79 format

blue/refl white; stacked "TX" top flanked by "MAR" left & "86" right; white/red sticker bottom with "MOTORCYCLE DEALER" on it; serial 1D 0000 (note space after D); these bases appeared late 1985

1991 no details on format but serial bloc 1D-0001 to 1D-1999 verified

Motorcycle Vanity

1982 black/refl white; stacked "TX" top flanked by "MAR" and "82" in reversed colors; 5 characters permitted NOTE! same format following years

1983 green/refl white

Motor Freight A

1931 yellow/dark blue; 13" x 6"; "MOTOR FREIGHT - A" top; "R.R." over "Comm" over a star left; "TEXAS" over "1931" over a star right; 0000 serial format

1949 black/orange; 10-1/2" x 6"; "OVERWIDTH" bottom; "TEXAS - 49" top; 2 stacked letters left + 3 digits; (S/Y 118 verified)

1950 yellow/black; 10-5/8" x 6-1/2"; 49 format with "SY" stacked

1951 black/yellow-orange; 1949 format

P = MOTORCYCLE DEALER (aka SUPPLEMENTAL)

1979 serial numbers P 2,000 through P 3,999; see m/c dealers

PAR = PARADE

1962

1964 white/black; 00*"PAR" serial format; "TEXAS" top; "1964" bottom

- 1967 black/white; "TEXAS" top; "67" top right; 2 numbers, star, + "PAR"
- 1979-81 "PAR" suffix; serial blocs = 1 PAR to 25 PAR
- 1984 red/refl white; white/red debossed boxes upper corners with "MAR" left & "84" right; "TEXAS" top; state outline separator & "PAR" suffix;
- 1988 red/refl white; 84 format; serial format 000-PAR
- 1991 red/refl white; serial bloc of 1-PAR to 25-PAR or up to 3 digits verified with red map separator; "TEXAS" top flanked by white/red "MAR" and white/red last 2 digits of the year

Permit (Oil Drillers)

- 1964 white/black; "PERMIT" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "64" top left 00P*000 serial format - usually "13P"
- 1967 black/white; "PERMIT" top; "TEXAS" bottom; "67" bottom right "P" in 3rd position with star separator in 4th position:
NOTE! 1965 to 1974 same as 1967
- | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1969 black/white; "13P"*000 | 1970 blue/refl white; "12P"*000 |
| 1971 black/refl white; "12P"*000 | 1972 green/refl white; "13P"*000 |
| 1973 black/refl white; "12P"*000 | 1974 red/refl white; "12P"*000 |
- 1975 dark/light; "TEXAS" over "PERMIT" top; "19" upper left & "75" upper right; "P" in 3rd position; star separator;
- 1976-77 same as 1965 with state outline separator on 77's
- 1979 serial blocs = 12P 10 to 99P 999; "TEXAS" over "PERMIT" top; debossed "79" top right; debossed "MAR" top left
NOTE! 1979 to 1985 same format
- 1980 green/refl white 1981 red/refl white; state outline separator introduced
- 1982 dark green/refl white; "16P" used in 82
- 1983 dark green/refl white; "12P" used in 83
- 1984 red/refl white; "17P" used in 84
- 1985 blue/refl white; "19P" used in 85
- 1986 blue & red/refl white Sesquicentennial base; 16P-134 documented
- 1987 blue & red/refl white Sesquicentennial base;
- 1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc of 12P-010 to 99P-999 is verified with red map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "PERMIT" top flanked by sticker sites

Political-Related Plates

Governor

1925 white/maroon; “1” serial format; “1925” vertical right; “TEXAS” vertical left; NOTE! this is presumed to be the Governor’s plate used prior to the adoption of the “SO” prefix and #1 for the Governor; it is verified with a supplementary plate with “AUSTIN” on it so this lends credence to this interpretation.

U.S. Congress – House

1961 black/white; “U.S. CONGRESS” bottom; 00*”HOUSE” (small); “TEXAS” top; “61” top right

1965 black/white; “U.S. CONGRESS” bottom; small “HOUSE”, star and serial; “TEXAS” top; “65” top right

1966 white/black; “U.S. CONGRESS” bottom; “HOUSE” & star prefix; “TEXAS 66” top; NOTE! same format following years;

1968 white/black 1971 black/refl white

1975 blue/refl white; “TEXAS” over “U.S. CONGRESS” top; “19” top left; “75” top right; “HOUSE” + star prefix; 1 or 2 numbers with suffix letters for additional plates

1981 “TEXAS” over “U.S. CONGRESS” top; “HOUSE” prefix; bloc 1 to 23

1982 blue/refl white; 75 format with state outline separator & “MAR” debossed upper left & “82” debossed upper right

1984 red/refl white; 82 format

1985 blue/refl white; “TEXAS” over “U.S. CONGRESS” top flanked by “MAR” left & “85” right; “HOUSE” prefix with state outline separator

1986 blue & red/refl white Sesquicentennial base; 85 format

1987 blue & red/refl white Sesquicentennial base; 85 format

1991 blue & red/refl white; red “TEXAS” over blue “U.S. CONGRESS” top; sticker boxes upper corners with last 2 digits of the year in right & “MAR” in left; small “HOUSE”, state outline, and serial; serial blocks verified; “SENATE-1” to “SENATE-2”, “HOUSE-1” to “HOUSE -27” with map separators; letter suffixes for extra plates

U. S. Senate

1961

1962 white/black; "U.S. CONGRESS" bottom; "TEXAS 62" top; "SENATE" & star prefix;

1965 black/white; "TEXAS" top; "65" top right; small "SENATE", star and serial; "U.S. CONGRESS" bottom; serials can be higher than 1 and 2

1980 green/refl white; 81 format

1981 red/white; "TEXAS" over "U.S. CONGRESS" top; "SENATE" prefix; "MAR" top left; "81" top right

1985 blue/refl white; 81 format

1986 blue & red/refl white Sesquicentennial base; 87 format

1987 blue & red/refl white; small blue "SENATE", state outline separator & "1" or "2" serial; red "TEXAS" over blue "U.S. CONGRESS" top flanked by debossed "MAR" & "87"; red "1836 SESQUICENTENNIAL 1986" screened bottom

1988 blue & red/refl white; small blue "SENATE", state outline separator & "1" or "2" serial; suffix letters also used; red "TEXAS" over blue "U.S. CONGRESS" top flanked by debossed "MAR" & "88"; NOTE! same format used on dated 1989 base

Pre-State (1907-17)

Prior to 1917 local option & owner provided; most plates had metal numbers on leather with no state name or date; verified is plate with #336 & "RISING" over "STAR" both slanted downward on the right. The Pre State era ended June 30, 1917. There is no way to tell the difference of a passenger pre-state plate from a non-passenger except if the registration papers are available.

Kit-type plates were introduced; 2 types exist 1) porcelain; metal base into which white/blue porcelain inserts were placed; one number per insert; a narrower insert was placed on the right which had city, county, or state name vertical; the insert could also be placed on the left; bases with lengths for 3 or 4 inserts + name inserts were made by Stafford Illuminated Auto Lamp & Number Co. of Chicago, IL; the earliest patent number is 2/14/11; 2) metal base to which metal numbers with tabs were fastened, silver on black; an oval plate with city name or Texas vertical was inserted on the right; the manufacturer is uncertain but may be Gopher Stamp & Die Co. of St. Paul, MN; porcelain & metal plates with the following city names have been verified;

“ABILENE” vertical left	“TEXAS” vertical right	
“AUSTIN”	“BOERNE”	“CISCO”
“GONZALES”	“GRESHAM”	“JUNCTION”
“TERRELL”	“BRENHAM”	“G’VILLE”
“NEW ULM”	“BELL”	“B’VILLE”
“BELTON”	“W.FALLS”	“DALLAS”
“N.BRFS”	“LAGRANGE”	“VERNON”
“BULLARD”	“LAVACA”	“BELTON:
“F-BURG”	“H-VILLE”	“SEGUIN”
“TRAVIS”		

“DALLAS” vertical right on an insert with rounded top & bottom (1222)-plate is metal Type II on metal, not porcelain

1912 white/red; “TEX” vertical right over horizontal “12”; #500 verified

1915 embossed; “FTW” vertical over “15” horizontal left; FTW= Fort Worth
NOTE! same format over “16” verified with #9266

undated white/red; hand painted on metal; 23-3/4" x 9-3/4"; serial number center flanked by upward slanted “BELTON” & “TEXAS”; “PLEASE EXCUSE MY DUST” bottom

Private Bus

1973 black/refl white; 74 format; “U”00*000 serial format

1974 red/refl white; “PRIVATE BUS” bottom; “TEXAS 74” top; “U” prefix before last 3 digits

1975 black/refl white; “TEXAS” over “PRIVATE BUS” top; sticker boxes upper corners; “U” + star + up to 4 numerals & “U” + 2 numbers + star + 3 numbers; serial bloc went U 100 to U99*999

1976 white/refl blue sticker

1977 white/refl red sticker

1978 white/blue “MAR” sticker top left on 75 base

1979 “79” sticker top right on 75 base 1980-86 passenger stickers on 75 base

1991 black/refl white; serial bloc U-100 to U99-999 with map separator; “TEXAS” over “PRIVTE BUS” top flanked by sticker boxes

Prorate

1969 black/white; motorcycle-size plate; “PRORATE” top; “TEXAS 69” bottom; 2353P serial verified

R suffix = DEALER REPOSSESSION

1979 colors uncertain; three digit serial with “R” suffix;

Rental Car

1975 passenger style plate with orange colored triangle shaped sticker with state seal on it beneath the star separator; this sticker is optional

Rental Trailer

1978 black/white; 5 year plate; "TEXAS" over "RENTAL TRAILER" top; "R" in 3rd serial position; dated exp. 83; serial blocs = 76 R 10 to 99R 999

1983 black/refl white; format & serial as 78 with debossed "MAR" upper left & debossed "83" upper right

1988 black/refl white; "TEXAS" over "RENTAL TRAILER" top flanked by debossed "MAR" left & debossed "88" right; serial 00R-000 with map separator

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc 76R-010 to 99R-999 is verified with red map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "RENTAL TRAILER" top flanked by "MAR" and last 2 digits of the year

RR COMM = Railroad Commission

many types exist - all numeric serial, "A" prefixed serial & "S" prefixed serial - different classes? See also Motor Bus (37), Contract Carrier, Special Commodity, Common Carrier, Motor Freight A, Motor Freight B, Specialized Carrier

1930 colors unknown; "MOTOR FREIGHT - A" top; 4 digit serial center flanked by "R.R." over "COMM" & "TEXAS" over "1930"; names of 3 commissioners on 3 lines fill bottom of plate; NOTE! apparently similar plates also exist for 1931 to 1933; Full size plates were issued from 1930 to 1941-42

1934-35 first year for midyear expirations with 2 dates on them

1941-42 colors uncertain; tabs were issued for 1942-43 (light/dark), 1943-44 (dark/light), 1944-45, 1945-46

1946-47 yellow/black; 7-1/2" x 3/4"; "S"00000 & "A" 0000 serial formats; "RRC - TEX 46-47" top; NOTE! same format following years; dash between RCC [RRC?] and TEX omitted on subsequent issues:

1947-48 light/dark on S prefix plates and dark/light on A prefix plates

1951-52 black/orange 1953-54 black/orange 1954-55 yellow/black

1955-56 black/gold 1956-57 yellow/black 1957-58 white/black

1958-59 black/white 1959-60 white/black 1960-61 black/white

1962-63 white/black

1968-69 white/black; 7" x 4"; 1971 format; "A" & 2 to 5 numbers flanked by "R.R." over "COMM" & "TEXAS" over "1930"; names of 3 commissioners on 3 lines fill bottom of plate

1970-71 green/refl white; 1971 format; "S" & 2 to 5 numbers

1971-72 red/refl white; "R.R. COMM" top; "71 TEXAS 72" bottom
NOTE! same format following years

1973-74 green/refl white; "S" prefix 1974-75 red/refl white; "S" prefix

1977-81 blue/refl white; "A" prefix

1979-83 blue/refl white; format as 81-85

1980-81 blue/refl white; "R.R. COMM" top; "80 TEXAS 81" bottom

1980-84 blue/refl white; format as 81-84

1981-85 blue/white; 7 x 4; "R.R. COMM" top; "81 TEXAS 85" bottom

Samples

1926 is possibly the first year for Samples although the Texas State Dept. says 1937. ["Samples" first appear in contract specification, with its own unique numbering pattern, in 1947]

1926	000*000	1928 000*000	1930 000*000
1931	*0000*	1932 000*000	

1933-42	000*000; "TEX" vertical separator when applicable (1936)
1943 tab A/A 0-00	1944 tab A B/0000

1945-55	X/X 0000	1956 XX0000
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1957-64	XX*0000	1965 XXX 000 & SAM 000
	1966-75 XXX-000	

1976 XXX-000 & 000-XXX; same on star & map separator bases; 79 stickers have "SAMPLE" printed diagonal in red

1985 SAMPLE and SAM PLE with map separator; NOTE! this is a vanity sample

1986 the last stickered sample plates were dated MAY 1986 & were of the high Sesquicentennial design; very few of the low design were produced

1987 sample exists but is extremely rare due to cancellation of the program in mid 1986

undated waving Texas flag graphic base; "SAM-PLE", XXX-00X, 000-XXX; 1980-1994 stickers have "SAMPLE" diagonally upward left to right in black or red; month stickers also have "SAMPLE" in same format

Samples Non-Passenger

1965 Vanity - black/white SAM000 1966 Vanity SAM-000, SAMPLE

1967 Vanity - red/refl white SAM*PLE

1968 Vanity-green/refl white XXX-000

1970 motorcycle X 000

1972 Disabled Vet - DV-000 and DV-0000 types with small sticker boxes and "72" debossed in upper right box

1980 Congressional Medal of Honor - 00

1982 Disabled Vet - DV*0000; red & blue/refl white; sticker boxes

1985 Vanity - blue & red/refl white SAM*PLE same as passenger but embossed month and year

1987 Vanity - big red "TEXAS" top; SAM*PLE; debossed sticker boxes upper corners

undated Former POW-PW 000A

1988 Big Red "Texas" base; SAMPLE

SIDE CAR

1930 yellow/blue; "SIDE CAR" bottom; "TEX" vertical left; "30" stacked right; star prefix; (625)

1931 white/black (?); "SIDE CAR" bottom; "31" vertical left; "TEX" vertical right; star separator on 4 digit plates "?" indicates no certainty on colors - existing ones repaints; (628)

1932 green/ivory; (484)

1933 white/maroon; (126)

1937 white/black (?); "SIDE CAR" top; "37" vertical right; "TEX" vertical left; serial flanked by stars; (162)

1938 orange/black; "SIDE CAR" top; "38" stacked left; "TEX" stacked right; 000 serial format flanked by stars; (164)

1940 yellow/blue; 37 format; (245)
NOTE! discontinued in 1948

Space Commission

c1993 dark blue & red; small red screened "TEXAS SPACE COMMISSION" bottom; large red "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; left 1/3 of the plate is occupied by a pictorial of a star superimposed over the earth with the moon above and in the background; AA0AA serial format

Special Commodity

1932 colors uncertain; "SPECIAL COMMODITY CARRIER" top; 5-digit serial; "R R" over "COMM" over star left; "TEXAS" over "1932" over star right

1939-40 black/orange; "SPECIAL * COMMODITY" top; "R.R. COMM.*TEXAS" bottom; 4 digit serial center; "SEPT" over "1" over "39" left; "AUG" over "31" over "40" right
NOTE! also verified as white/maroon with serial number 8685

1940-41 light/dark; 1939-40 format with date changes

Special Causes

Texas Arts Commission

1995 white star on blue field left; white/red "STATE OF THE ARTS" bottom right; blue/white serial number with JB1BB to ZZ9ZZ bloc; blue/white "TEXAS" top; personalized plates available

U.S. Olympic Fund

1995 Red screened "TEXAS" above blue numbering system; red "OLYMPIC SPIRIT" bottom of plate; left of numbers appears five Olympic rings with "USA" above rings

Special Events

Southern Governor's Conference

1964 black/white; =Governor's Conference - 2 types issued

- 1) Governor's plate; "GOVERNOR" top over his last name over his state; "SOUTHERN GOVERNORS' CONFERENCE" over "TEXAS 1964"
- 2) Conference Officials; "19 TEXAS 64" over "OFFICIAL" top half; "SOUTHERN" over "GOVERNORS' CONFERENCE" bottom half;

National Governor's Conference

1972 light blue & dark blue/refl white; screened; "NATIONAL GOVERNOR'S" over "CONFERENCE" bottom; "GOVERNOR" top with Governor's name & state just below; "TEXAS" vertical left; "1972" vertical right

Specialized Carrier

1941-42 white/maroon; "SPECIALIZED * CARRIER" top; "R.R. COMM* TEXAS" bottom; 0000 serial format center flanked by "SEPT" over "1" over "41" on left and "AUG" over "31" over "42" on the right.

State Capitol Plates

1991 blue & pink/refl white; "TEXAS" screened top; screened small "STATE" over "CAPITOL" left followed by large pink screened capitol dome; sticker boxes in upper corners; serial bloc of B1BBB to D1WPC verified using the collegiate dies; stickers are the ones used on vanity plates.

State Judge

1970 blue/refl white; "STATE JUDGE" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "70" top right; "TX" & star prefix +2-3 numbers; suffix letters for extra plates

NOTE! same format following years

1972 green/refl white

1973 black/refl white

1974 red/white;

1975-77 "TEXAS" over "STATE JUDGE" top; "19" top left; "75" (or 76) top right; serial as 1974; star separator in 75 & maybe 76; state outline in 76; no 78 dated plate

1975 blue/refl white

1976 green/refl white

1977 red/refl white; "TEXAS" over "STATE JUDGE" top; "TX" prefix; serial blocs=TX 10 to TX 9999, debossed "MAR" upper left; debossed "79" etc upper right; state outline separator on all plates;

1979, 1982, 1985 blue/refl white 1980, 1983 green/refl white

1981, 1984 red/refl white

1986 red & blue/refl white; red "TEXAS" over blue "STATE JUDGE" top; red "1836 SESQUICENTENNIAL 1986" bottom; debossed "MAR" top left and "86" top right; "TX" + state outline prefix;

1987 86 format and colors except "87" top right

1988 blue & red/refl white; red "TEXAS" over blue "STATE JUDGE" top flanked by debossed "MAR" left & "88" right

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc of TX-10 to TX-999 verified with map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "STATE JUDGE" top flanked by white/blue "MAR" and white/blue last 2 digits of year.

State Official (SO)

SO 1 = Governor

SO 2 = Lt. Governor

SO 3 = Speaker of House

SO 4 = Attorney General

SO 5 = Comptroller

SO 6 = State Treasurer

SO 7 = Land Office Commissioner

SO 8 = State Agricultural Commissioner

SO 9 = Secretary of State

SO 10-12 = Railroad Commission

SO 13-21 Supreme Court

SO 22-30 Criminal Court of Appeals

SO 31-61 State Senators

SO 60-211 State Representatives

1938 black/white; "S.O." -00 serial format; the periods are represented by stars; "TEXAS - 1938" bottom

1942 black/yellow; "S" over "O" left; "TEXAS - 42" bottom; serial flanked by stars

1951 black/orange; "STATE OFFICIAL" bottom; "TEXAS - 51" top stacked "SO" left + 1-3 digits

1952 yellow/black; 51 format but with tab slots

1953 black/orange; 51 format but with tab slots

1954 orange/black; stacked "SO" left; "TEXAS | 54 |" top; "STATE OFFICIAL" bottom

1956 yellow/black; "STATE OFFICIAL" bottom; "TEXAS 56" top; "SO" prefix with star. NOTE! same format 1956-1960
1957 black/white; 1958 white/black 1959 black/white
1960 white/black

1962 black/white; "62" top right; star separator after "SO"; "TEXAS" top; "STATE OFFICIAL" bottom. NOTE! same format 1956-1960
1963 black/white 1964 white/black 1965 black/white
1966 white/black 1967 black/white 1968 white/black
1969 black/refl white 1970 blue/refl white 1971 black/refl white
1972 green/refl white 1973 black/refl white 1974 red/refl white

1975 blue/white; "TEXAS" over "STATE OFFICIAL" top; "19" upper left & "75" upper right; "SO" & star prefix;

1979 blue/white; white/blue debossed boxes with "MAR" upper left & "79" upper right; "TEXAS" over "STATE OFFICIAL" top; "SO" & state outline prefix; serial blocs=SO 1 to SO 211; suffix letters for extra plates
NOTE! same format 1979-1985

1980 green/white 1981 red/refl white 1982 blue/white
1983 green/white 1984 red/refl white 1985 blue/refl white

1986 red & blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top screened over "STATE OFFICIAL" embossed flanked by "MAR" left & "86" right both debossed; red screened "1836 SESQUICENTENNIAL 1986" bottom; "SO" + state outline separator + serial;

1987 86 format and colors except "87" top right

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial format of SO -1 to SO - 315 verified with state map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "STATE OFFICIAL" top flanked by white/blue "MAR" and white/blue last two digits of the year

Temporary

1953 black/white; cardboard; 10-1/2" x 6-1/2"; "DEALER - TEXAS - 1953" top; serial center with stacked number & letter left and 0000 serial format; just beneath still in the center is the dealership name; the bottom has 3 lines which includes "DATE ISSUED _____" on the first line and "VALID FOR 10 DAYS ONLY FROM DATE SHOWN. NOT GOOD FOR DEMONSTRATION PURPOSES."

1966 red/white/cardboard; 12" x 6"; "ONE TRIP TAG" top; "66" top right; A00000 serial format; "TEXAS" bottom center; "VALID 15 DAYS ONE WAY ONLY" sideways left; "MAKE _____ SERIAL NO. _____" sideways right; other blocks and writing appear on the plate.

1970 red/white; cardboard; "ONE TRIP TAG 70" top; "TEXAS" bottom serial "N" + 3 to 6 numerals

1973 red/white; cardboard; 12" x 6"; "ONE DAY TRIP" top + "73" top right "TEXAS" bottom; 3 to 6 numerals + "N"

1974 red/white; cardboard; "ONE TRIP TAG" top; "74" top right; "TEXAS" bottom center; 5 digits + "N" serial; "VALID 15 DAYS ONE WAY ONLY" sideways left; "MAKE_____SERIAL NO._____" sideways right.

Temporary One Day Trip Permit

red/white; cardboard; "TEXAS" over "FROM_____TO_____" top
"CITY, STATE CITY, STATE"
000 to 000000 "N" serial format center with blocks beneath to fill in information;
"ONE TRIP TAG" over "VALID 15 DAYS ONE WAY ONLY" over "LOAD
PROHIBITED ON COMMERCIAL VEHICLE" bottom

Temporary 30-day Registration

brown/white; cardboard; "TEXAS" over 00000"N"0 serial format; blocks in center to fill in needed data; "TEMPORARY REGISTRATION TAG" over "VALID FOR PERIOD SHOWN" over "LOAD PROHIBITED ON COMMERCIAL VEHICLES" bottom

Temporary 30-day Registration for Motorcycles

known back to 1964 at least

1966 red/white; 12" x 6"; cardboard; "TEXAS-66" top; "R"00000 serial format; "72-HOUR PERMIT" bottom; "MAKE_____" sideways left; "SERIAL NO._____" sideways right; there are 2 blocks just below the serial number for Effective Date and Permit Expires

1969 red/white; 12" x 6"; cardboard; 66 format

1972 red/white; cardboard; 75 format

1975 red/white; cardboard; "72-HOUR PERMIT" bottom; "TEXAS 75" top; 3 to 6 numbers followed by "R" (also S, T, U, & X)

undated red/white; cardboard; "TEXAS" over 000 to 000000 "R", "S", "T", "U" or "X" serial format; blocks in center to fill in necessary information; "72-HOUR PERMIT" bottom

Temporary 144-hour Permit

black/white cardboard; "TEXAS" over 000 to 00000 A0 serial format; blocks in center for filling out validation dates; "144-HOUR PERMIT" bottom

Tow Truck

1988 blue/refl white; red screened "TEXAS" top over blue embossed "TOW TRUCK"; 000, state outline separator, 00"W" serial; debossed "JAN" top left & "88" top right; NOTE! this base was never issued

1989 blue(black?)/refl white; 7" x 4"; "TOW TRUCK" bottom; "JAN TEX 89" top 0000 serial; NOTE! supplementary plate used with truck plates

1990 blue/refl white format; 69 format except 00000 serial

1991 blue/white; serial bloc of 000-001 to 500-000 verified; stacked "TX" top flanked by month and year sticker sites; "TOW TRUCK" bottom

1994 blue/white; motorcycle size plate; 00000 serial format; stacked "TX" top flanked by white/blue "JAN" top left and sticker box top right; "TOW TRUCK" bottom

Tractor

1949 black/orange; "TRACTOR" top; "TEXAS - 49" bottom; "T" over 2nd letter left - probably "T" + 3 digits

1950 yellow/black; "TRACTOR" bottom; "TEXAS - 50" top; "T" over 2nd letter - probably "T" - & 3 digits

1951 black/yellow orange; 50 format; "T" over 2nd letter left; probably "W"

1952 yellow/black; "TRACTOR" bottom; "TEXAS | 52 |" top; "9M" stacked left + 2-3 digits

1953 black/orange yellow; 52 format

1956 yellow/black; "TRACTOR" bottom; "TEXAS | 56 |" top;

1962 white/black; "TEXAS" top; "62" top right; "TRACTOR" bottom; "S", star, & serial

1964 white/black; "TEXAS" top; "64" top left; "TRACTOR" bottom; "S" + star + 2-5 numbers

1966 white/black; 64 format with "66" top right

NOTE! same format following years

1967 black/white

1968 white/black

1969 black/refl white; "TRACTOR" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "69" top right; "S", star, & 2-3 digit. NOTE! same format following years:

1970 blue/refl white 1972 green/refl white 1974 red/refl white

1975 black/refl white; "TEXAS" over "TRACTOR" top; sticker boxes top corners with "75" top right; serial is "T" + "3" + number + star (later state outline) + 3 numbers; "T"30-000 to T39-999

NOTE! 1976 to 1986 stickers on 75 base;

76 sticker was special & had "TEX" vertical left; "TRACTOR" bottom; star separator; serial number over "76" right.

77 sticker like passenger stickers

78 "MAR" sticker top left - no plates with "78" date

1979-86 use regular passenger stickers

c1991 blue & red/refl white; "T"00-000 serial format with red map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "TRACTOR" top flanked by sticker boxes

Trailer

1925 black/white; "T", dash, 0*000 serial; "1925" vertical right; "TEXAS" vertical left; (4,606)

1926 black/red orange; "T", dash, 0*000; "TEX 26" vertical right; (6,931)

1927 black/light blue green; "T" 00*000 format; "1927" left & "TEXAS" right both vertical; (9,919)

1928 white/dark brown; "TRAIL" vertical left followed by elongated dash, & serial with "CL" over a numeral (weight class?) as a serial separator between 1st & 2nd number; "TEX 28" vertical right; "CL" over "1" & "CL" over "5" documented; (12,129); on plate #771 there is no dash and the class number is a prefix and not between any numbers

1929 black/orange; "T"; dash, & 0*000 serial; "TEXAS - 1929" bottom; (16,646)

1930 green/black; "T", dash, 00*000 format; "TEXAS - 1930" top; (29,958)

1931-42 "T" over "R" left
 1931 white/green; 13" x 5"; 00*000 serial format; vertical "TEX" over "31" right; (34,702)
 1932 white/dark red; 13" x 5"; 00*000 serial format; "TEXAS - 1932" bottom; (36,126)
 1933 white/black; 12-3/4" x 5"; (36,112)
 1934 white/dark green; (37,040)
 1935 orange/black; "TEXAS - 1935" top; 00*000 serial format; (38,371)
 1936 gray/black; (42,306)
 1937 black/gray; (47,794)
 1938 maroon/gray (50,992)
 1939 black/canary yellow; (53,922)

1933 white/black; 12-3/4" x 5"; "TEXAS - 1933" top; "T" over "R", star, serial, & star

1938 red/gray; 13" x 5-7/8"; "T" over "R" left; 00*000 serial format; "TEXAS - 1938" bottom

1940 yellow/blue; "19" top left, "TEXAS" top; "40" top right, "T" over "R", 2 numbers, star, 3 numbers; (57,053)

1941 black/yellow orange; 13" x 5-7/8"; "T" over "R" left + 00*000 serial; "TEXAS 1941" top; (61,298)

1942 black/yellow-orange; "T" over "R" left + 00*000 serial; "TEXAS - 42" bottom; (58,616) 1943 yellow-orange/black tab (44,492) 1944 cream-yellow green tab; (44,492)

1945 black/gold; 10-1/2" x 6-3/4"; "TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS - 45" top; "T" over letter left + 2-4 numbers; (60,007). NOTE! same format following years:
 1948 yellow/black 1950 yellow/black 1951 black/orange

1947 white/black; "TRAILER" top; "T" over letter left + 2-4 digits; "TEXAS - 47" bottom;

1949 black/orange; 10-1/2" x 6-1/2"; 47 format

1952 yellow/black; 10-5/8" x 6-5/8"; "TRAILER" bottom; "7" A stacked left + 2-4 digits; "TEXAS - | 52 |" top; 2 size plates with late style same size as 1953-54

1953 black/orange; 10-5/8" x 6-1/8"; "TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS | 53 |" top; "7" over letter stacked left + 2-4 digits

1954 yellow/black; 53 format

1955 black/orange; 10-5/8" x 6"; "TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS | 55 |" top; stacked "7" over letter left + 2-4 digits

black/orange; "TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS | 55 |" top; "7" + letter + 4 digits - not stacked. NOTE! there were 2 plates in 1955 with the second a larger 12 x 6

1956 yellow/black; "TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS | 56 |" top; "8U", star, 2-4 numbers; earlier plates in 1956 started with "7A" etc & had no star; star began somewhere in mid year

1957-60 passenger colors; 56 format

1957 "7V" prefix 1958 "8B" prefix 1959 "7T" prefix

1960 white/black; 2 types exist; "TRAILER" bottom; number (7 or 8), letter, star, & 4 digits

1) "TEXAS | 60 |" top

2) "TEXAS" top; "60" top right - no tab slots

1961 black/white; "TEXAS" top; "TRAILER" bottom; "61" top right letter prefix (A thru D), star, 2-5 numbers

1962 white/black; "TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "62" top right; 1 letter (A-D), star, 2-4 numbers; then letter, 1 number, star, 4 numbers

1963 black/white; 62 format

1964 white/black; "TRAILER" bottom; 6 digit serial with alpha in 1st position; "TEXAS" top + "64" top left; star separator was before the last three digits so the serial was A10-000 to A99-999

1965 black/white; "TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "65" top right; letter prefix, 00*000 serial or letter, star & 4 digits

NOTE! this format verified 1964 through 1974:

1966 white/black 1967 black/white 1968 white/black

1969 black/refl white 1970 blue/refl white 1971 black/refl white

1972 green/refl white 1973 black/refl white

1970 "TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS" top & "70" top right; alpha prefix + 5 numerals with star after 1st or 2nd numeral; alpha prefixes used are "A" through "F" & "H"

1974 red/white; 64 format; "G" prefixes known

1975 black/white; "TEXAS" over "TRAILER" top; sticker boxes in upper corners with "75" in right; serial format as 1970

1976-77 stickers on 75 base; 76 sticker was special & 77 sticker was passenger type; "TEX" vertical left; "TRAILER" bottom; star separator; serial top with "G" suffix over "76" on right

1978 "MAR" sticker top left; "79" sticker top right on 75 base

1979-86 black/refl white; "TEXAS" over "TRAILER" top; serial bloc=A 100 to A99999 with the "A" replaceable by "B" through "V" except I, O, P, R, T, & U; also 100 A to 99999 A with "A" replaceable by "B" through "Q" except for I & O; bases renewed with regular stickers; star changed to state outline between J-1804 & J12-788; after V99-999 reached in 1980 serial changed to 000-00A with the lowest being 100-A; in 1984 jumped from 12199-J to 78950-K & finished off "Ks"; later went back & issued 1200-J + on Sesquicentennial base.

1986 red & blue/refl white Sesquicentennial base; red screened "TEXAS" top over blue embossed "TRAILER"; sticker boxes upper corners; "SESQUICENTENNIAL" bottom screened red; red "1836" over state outline over "1986" center; serial bloc issued - 122-00J to 789-49K & 001-00M to 294-45Q
Notes on star & state outline spacing on trailer plates; star & state outline separator - A-100 to A09999, A10-000 to A99-999 same for all letter prefix plates; Letter as suffix - 100-A to 9999-A, 100-00A to 999-99A; in "B", the state outline was moved someplace between 208-36B & 37720-B to just before the letter. So, were then 100-C to 99999-C. After 999-99J went to 001-00K; This was the style until the Sesquicentennial which moved the state outline back to the center.

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial bloc verified for 1991 as follows: A-100 to A-99-999; 100-A to 99999-A (the A is variable); 001-00K to 999-99K (M, N, P, & Q also used); 01S-BBB to 99Z-ZZZ (omit AEIOU & Q) with red map separators; red "TEXAS" over blue "TRAILER" top flanked by month and year sticker sites

1996 black/refl yellow sticker

Trailer Replacements

1955 black/green; "TEXAS | 55 |" top; "Trailer" bottom; stacked "7Z" left; 0000 serial format

1956 black/orange; 12 x 6; "TEXAS 56" top; "TRAILER" bottom; "7Z"0000 serial format;

1957 black/green; "TEXAS 57" top; "TRAILER" bottom; "7Z" 0000 serial format

1962 black/refl orange; H8*4024 verified; "TEXAS" top; "62" top right; "TRAILER" bottom

Trailer 10-18

These were predecessors of token trailers; used on trailers > 10,000 lbs but < 18,000

1963 black/white; "10-18 TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "63" top right;
"Y" + star + 2 to 4 numbers; then "Y", 2 numbers, star, 3 numbers
NOTE! same format following years:
1964 white/black; except "64" top left 1965 black/white
1968 white/black
1969 black/white
1970 blue/refl white; NOTE! replacement plates has a "Y90" prefix or Y91, Y92
1971 black/refl white

Trailer 10-18 Replacements

1964 yellow/black; "10-18 TRAILER" bottom; "64" top left; "TEXAS" top;
"Y92"*000 serial format

1965 red/white; 68 format

1968 yellow/black; "10-18 TRAILER" bottom; "68" top right; "Y91"*000 serial format

1969 red/refl white; 68 format

Trailer 18-32

1963 black/white; "18-32 TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "63" top right;
"Z"00*000 serial format

1964 white/black; 66 format except "64" top left; "Z"00*000 serial format

1966 white/black; "18-32 TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS" top + "66" top right; "Z"
prefix with serial format like 18-32 trailer; NOTE! same format following years:
1965 black/white 1967 black/white 1968 white/black
1969 black/refl white 1970 blue/refl white 1971 black/refl white

Trailer 18-32 Replacements

1963 red/white; "18-32 TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "63" top right;
"Z9"*0000 serial format

1964 yellow/black; 63 format except "64" top left; "Z92"*000 serial format

1965 red/white; "Z"92-753 verified; "18-32 TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS" top;
"65" top right

1966 yellow/black; 63 format; Z90-620 verified

1968 yellow/black; 63 format; "Z92"*000 serial format

- 1969 red/refl white; 63 format; "Z92"*000 serial format
- 1970 green/refl white; 63 format; "Z92"*000 serial format
- 1971 red/refl white; 63 format; "Z92"*000 serial format

Trailer Dealer

- 1985 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top over a white/red sticker with "TRAILER DEALER" on it; debossed "MAR" upper left & debossed "85" upper right; serial format 9TD-000
- 1986 blue/refl white; 85 format except "86" top right and "185[3]6 SESQUICENTENNIAL 1986" bottom in red screened;

Travel Trailer

- 1975 black/refl white; "TEXAS" over "TRAVEL TRAILER" top; "75" in top right sticker box; "5" + 2 letters, star, 7 2-3 numbers; between 5JV and 5KC the star separator was changed to the state outline in early 1976; 1976 sticker; "TEX" vertical left; "TVL TRL" bottom; star separator; serial number over "76" right
- 1977 regular passenger sticker 1978 no dated 78 plate
- 1979 "MAR" sticker upper left & "79" sticker upper right
- 1980 white/refl red sticker 1981 white/refl blue sticker
- 1982 black/yellow sticker 1983-86 passenger stickers

1986 blue & red/refl white Sesquicentennial base; serial bloc is 5UF-010 to 5UE-999; 5UF-010 to 5ZZ-999; 100-A5A to 999-Z5Z (omit Q) with map red separators; red "TEXAS" over blue "TRAVEL TRAILER" top flanked by month and year sticker sites.

Travel Trailer Dealer

1986 blue & red/refl white; red "TEXAS" over white/red sticker which has "TRAVEL TRAILER DEALER" over very small "PLATE FOR USE ON TRAVEL TRAILER ONLY" red "1836 SESQUICENTENNIAL 1986" bottom; verified serial is 9TD-043 with map outline as separator

Token Trailer

1972 green/white; "TOKEN TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "72" top right; "Y" + star + 3 to 5 numbers; :Y*100 to Y*9999, Y10*000

1973 black/refl white; "TOKEN TRAILER" bottom; "TEXAS" top; "73" top right "Y" or "Z" prefix

1974 red/white; 73 format with "74" top right
red/refl white; "TEXAS" over "TOKEN TRAILER" top center; "19" top left; "74" top right; "X"00*000 serial format. NOTE! apparently the new design took over midway through 1974; Z39*684 confirmed on new design

1975 black/refl white; "TEXAS" over "TOKEN TRAILER" top; sticker boxes upper corners; serial format "Y" or "Z" + 4-5 numbers

1976 sticker; sticker has "TOKEN TRL" on it

1977 sticker; between Z71& Z75 state outline started

1978 In 6/78 Z99-999 was reached so "W" introduced beginning at 1-100

1979-81 white/refl green sticker; In November 81 W99-999 was reached & "X" begun

1985 In February 1985, X99-999 was reached & 100-Y was begun; the state outline separator is always just before the letter. 1985 black/yellow passenger sticker

1986 blue & red/refl white Sesquicentennial base; "TEXAS" red screened over blue "TOKEN TRAILER" to embossed; serial bloc 259-00Y to 311-99Y. At 312-00Y the "SESQUICENTENNIAL" & the dates were removed; now the state outline separator falls in the middle of the serial

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial blocs of Y-100 to Y99-999; Z-100 to Z99-999; W-100 to W99-999; X-100 to W99-999; 100-Y to 99999-Y; and 001-Z to 999-99Z verified with red map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "TOKEN TRAILER" top flanked by month and year sticker sites

Token Trailer 5 Years

1985 black/refl white; "TEXAS" over "TOKEN TRAILER" top; "MAR" upper left & "85" upper right - both debossed; blocs = 12 E 10 to 99E 999

1990 blue/refl white; issued in 1985 & valid 5 years - not six 85 format with "90" debossed upper right

1995 black/refl white; 85 format

Token Trailer Replacement

These are presumed to exist; format same as token trailer plates with high numbering system - Z95-000 & different colors;

1972 blue/refl white 1973 blue/refl white 1974 green/refl white

Truck

1945 black/gold orange; 10-1/8" x 5-7/8"; "TEXAS - 45" top; "TRUCK" bottom
"M" or "N" over a letter left + 2-4 numbers. NOTE! same format following years
1946 white/black 1948 yellow/black 1950 yellow/black

1947 white/black; "TEXAS - 47" bottom; "TRUCK" top; "N" over another letter
left; 0000 serial format

1949 black/yellow-orange; 47 format; 2 stacked letters left + 2-4 digits; "N" &
"M" confirmed as first letters

1951 black/yellow orange; 10-1/2" x 6-1/2"; "TRUCK" bottom; "TEXAS - 51"
top; 2 stacked letters left; "N" confirmed as first letter

1952 yellow/black; "TEXAS | 52 |" top; "TRUCK" bottom; number over a letter
left + 2-4 numbers. Number was "1" or "2" & possibly "3"

1953 black/orange; "TRUCK" bottom; "TEXAS | 53 |" top; stacked number ("2")
& letter + 2 to 4 numbers. NOTE! same format for 1954, 1955 with passenger
colors: 1954 yellow/black 1955 black/orange

1955 black/orange; late 1955 a 12" x 6" plate issued with "TEXAS | 55 |" top;
"TRUCK" bottom; number, letter + 2-4 numbers all run together; late issues have
star separator after letters which use smaller 57 style dies

1956 yellow/black; "TRUCK" bottom; "TEXAS | 56 |" top; 0A 0000 serial format

1957 black/white; "TRUCK" bottom; "TEXAS | 57 |" top with tab slots; number,
letter, star, 2-4 numbers; the dies before the star were skinnier than those after the
star

NOTE! 1958-60 used same design; by 1960 the prefix was up to 3Y;

1958 white/black; "TEXAS 58" top; "TRUCK" bottom; "3" A*0000 serial format

1959 black/white; "TEXAS | 59 |" top; "TRUCK" bottom; "3" A*0000 serial format

1960 white/black; "TEXAS | 60 |" top; "TRUCK" bottom; "3" A*0000 serial format

1961 black/white; "TEXAS" top; "61" top right; "TRUCK" bottom; same
numbering system as 1957-60 but all dies same size. NOTE! this format used from
1961 to 1972 except 1964 when the "64" was top left; 1964 the highest prefix was
"4K"; In 1965 the prefix reached "4W"; Same format following years:

1967 black/white 1969 black/refl white 1970 refl blue/refl white

1971 black/refl white; highest prefix known is "7E"

1966 white/black; "TRUCK" bottom; "TEXAS" top + "66" top right; serial format
= number & letter + star + 4 digits

1968 white/black;

1972 refl green/refl white;

1973 black/refl white; "TRUCK" bottom; "TEXAS" top + "73" top right 2 letter + star + 4 numerals; highest prefix reached was "GS"

1974 refl red/refl white

1) wide spaced "TEXAS 74" top; "TRUCK" bottom; highest prefix - GP

2) narrow spaced "TEXAS 74" top; "TRUCK" bottom; 75 dies; highest prefix known in "HC" series

3) "TEXAS" over "TRUCK" top; "19" upper left corner & "74" upper right corner; 2 letter prefix & star separator on all 3 types; Type 3 known with "HK" series as lowest

1975 black/refl white; "TEXAS" over "TRUCK" top with sticker boxes in upper corners; 2 letters + star + 2 to 4 digits; "75" debossed in right box; original allotment went from AA 10 to HM-1149; In late 75 separator changed to state outline between HQ 5124 & HQ 5363

1976 white/refl blue sticker; special sticker with "TRUCK" on it-different from passenger; also seen are dated "76" base plates; "TEXAS" over "TRUCK" top; "19" upper left & "76" upper right; 75 serial format (probably a vanity plate)

1977 white/red sticker; in late 77 the debossed "75" was removed from the right sticker box between LU8956 & LW1472

1978 78 dated stickers exist for trucks on 75 base because of staggered system begun

1979 "TEXAS" over "TRUCK" top; 2 alpha prefix; black/refl white sticker on 75 base; white/blue month sticker upper left

1980 serial format for trucks = AA19 to ZZ9999 except no DV, TT, or TX.

1982 black/yellow "82" sticker on 75 base; September 83 ZZ 9999 reached & system switched to 000-AA beginning at 100-AA

1984 old style reached 9999-CQ & Sesquicentennial base begun

1985 red & blue/refl white Sesquicentennial base; red "TEXAS" top screened over blue "TRUCK" embossed; serial for this base starts at 000-1CR format; red "SESQUICENTENNIAL" bottom; red "1836" over state outline over "1986" center; base ends at 299-9KK; black/refl yellow sticker on 75 base

undated blue & red/refl white; red screened "TEXAS" over blue "TRUCK" top flanked by sticker boxes; 000-0AA serial format with red state outline separator; series started at 3000 KK, issued late 1986

1991 blue & red/refl white; following serial blocs verified: AA-10 to VF-999; VG-100 to ZZ-9999; 100-AA to 9999-CJ; 1000-CK to 9999-CQ; 000-1CR to 999-9ZZ; all use red map separators; red "TEXAS" over blue "TRUCK" top flanked by sticker boxes

1992 serials reached 9999-ZZ and have returned to AA-0000 with AA-0100 being the lowest number issued to Gregg County

Truck Replacement Plates

made through 1976(?) with high serial numbers

1955 black/day glo green - regular truck format - 3Z, 4Z & 4Y known; both short & long sizes known. NOTE! odd years thru 1961 are black/day glo green

1957 black/green - regular truck format - 4Z & 4Y serial known

1958 black/day glo red orange - regular truck format - 4Z-6615 & 4Y0000 known. NOTE! even years 1956 thru 1962 are black/day glo red orange

1959 4Z serial known

1960 black/red orange - regular truck format - 4Y-598 known; 4Z early style

1961 7Z serial known

1962 black/refl orange; early style 7Y; late style 7Z 0000

1963 red/white; 7Z known

1964 yellow/black; 7Y known

1965 red/white; 7Z known

1966 yellow/black - regular truck format - 7Y & 7Z known

1967 red/white; 7Z known

1968 yellow/black; 7Z-0000 serial format

1969 red/refl white; regular truck format - 7Z-701 known

1970 refl green/refl white; regular truck format; 7Z known

1971 red/refl white; regular truck format; 7Y & 7Z known

1972 blue/refl white; regular truck format; ZX & 7Z known

1973 all refl blue/white; regular truck format; 7W & 7X-0000 known

1974 green/refl white; regular truck format; ZW-6936 known

Truck Tractor

- 1947 white/black; "TRUCK TRAC." Top; stacked "VB"0000 serial format; "TEXAS-47" bottom
- 1949 black/orange; "TRUCK TRACTOR" top; "VA" stacked left + 2-4 digits; "TEXAS-49" bottom
- 1950 yellow/black; 10 5/8 x 6 5/8; 51 format with "V" over "C" or "B" left
- 1951 black/gold orange; "TEXAS - 51" top; "TRUCK TRACTOR" bottom; "V" over "A" left + 2-4 numbers
- 1952 yellow/black; "TRUCK TRACTOR" bottom; "TEXAS | 52 |" top; "9" over a letter + 2-4 digits
- 1953 black/orange; 54 format with "9K" or "9H" stacked left; 2 different dies used in 1953; thick on 9H, thin on 9K
- 1954 yellow/black; "TEXAS | 54 |" top; "TRUCK TRACTOR" bottom; "9" over A left + 2-4 numbers
- 1955 black/yellow orange; 10-5/8" x 6"; "TRUCK TRACTOR" bottom; "TEXAS | 55 |" top; "9" over "F", "H", or "J" left
- 1956 yellow/black; "TRUCK TRACTOR" bottom; "TEXAS | 56 |" top
- 1958 white/black; "TRUCK TRACTOR" bottom; "TEXAS | 58 |" top; "8"A*000 serial format
- 1959 black/white; "TRUCK TRACTOR" bottom; "TEXAS | 59 |" top; "8" + letter, star & 2-4 digits; the "8" & letter use much thinner dies than other numbers
- 1962 white/black; "TRUCK TRACTOR"; bottom; "TEXAS" top; "62" right; "J", star, & 2-5 digits
- 1964 white/black; "TRUCK TRACTOR" bottom; "64" top left; "TEXAS" top; "J", star, 2 to 4 numbers; then "J", 2 numbers, star, & 3 numbers
- 1965-71 passenger colors with 64 format except date upper right corner
- 1970 blue/refl white; "TRUCK TRACTOR" bottom; "J" prefix & 5 digits; "TEXAS" top; "70" top right.
- 1971 black/refl white; 70 format
NOTE! plate replaced by Combination in 1972

Truck Tractor Replacement

1956 black/deep orange; "TRUCK TRACTOR" bottom; "TEXAS" top;
NOTE! even numbered years 1956 to 62 are black/red orange; odd numbered years 1957 to 1961 are black/green

1958 black/red orange; "TEXAS | 58 |" top; "TRUCK TRACTOR" bottom; "8Z", star, 2 to 4 numbers

1959 black/green; "8Z"*000 serial format; "TEXAS | 59 |" top; "TRUCK TRACTOR" bottom

1963 red/white

1964 yellow/black; "K"90-158 verified

1965 red/white; same as truck tractor plates

1966 yellow/black; regular format

1968 yellow/black; regular format; "K90" prefix known

1969 red/refl white; regular format; "K90" prefix known

1970 green/refl white; regular format; "K90" prefix known

1971 red/refl white; regular format; "K91" known;

replacements are presumed to exist for 1972 to 1974 but as combination plates

University Series

Abilene Christian University

1994 blue/refl white; dark blue "ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY" bottom; "TEXAS" top; AA00AA serial format; blue wildcat head left with red "ACU" above and "WILDCATS" below

Austin College

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "AUSTIN COLLEGE" bottom; red & yellow stylized logo left

Baylor University

undated dark blue/refl white; green & gold logo left center; dark blue "BAYLOR UNIVERSITY" bottom; red "TEXAS" top

Brookhaven College

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "BROOKHAVEN COLLEGE" bottom; light and dark green box left with "DCCCD" below

East Texas State University

1994 purple/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "EAST TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY" bottom; 4 stacked recumbent sheep?? Left center with stacked "ETSU"

Houston Baptist University

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "HOUSTON BAPTIST UNIVERSITY" bottom; two Greek columns enclosed in a red outlined box left center

Howard Payne University

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; cursive "HOWARD PAYNE UNIVERSITY" bottom; round college seal left center with star inside

Incarnate Word College

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; black "INCARNATE WORD COLLEGE" bottom; red steep of campus building left center

Midwestern State University

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "MIDWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY" bottom; red rectangle left with campus building and "MSU" beneath

Parker College of Chiropractic

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "PARKER COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACTIC" bottom; world globe left center with "PARKER COLLEGE" above and "CHIROPRACTIC" beneath

Prairie View A&M University

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "PRAIRIE VIEW UNIVERSITY" bottom; purple & yellow "P AVM" logo left

Rice University

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "RICE UNIVERSITY" bottom; shield left center with "RICE" beneath

Richland College

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "RICHLAND COLLEGE - DALLAS" bottom; light green & magenta box left center with stylized "R" inside and "DCCCD" below

Sam Houston State University

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "SAM HOUSTON STATE" bottom; orange figure of Sam Houston left flanked by "18" & "79" and surrounded by "SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY"

Southern Methodist University

undated dark blue/refl white; red, white & blue Mustang logo left center; dark blue "SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY" bottom; red "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes;

Southwest Texas State University

undated blue/refl white; "SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY" bottom; red & yellow Old Main Tower logo left center with "SWT" at bottom; "TEXAS" top; AA00AA serial format

Southwestern University

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY" bottom; red steeple of campus building against a yellow background left center; "SWT" beneath

Stephen F. Austin State University

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY" bottom; vertical "SFA" left

Tarleton State University

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY" bottom; round college seal left with a "T" against outline of Texas in the center

Texas A&M University

undated blue/refl white; maroon "T" flanked by "A" and "M" left; dark blue "TEXAS A & M UNIVERSITY" bottom; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format

Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "THE ISLAND UNIVERSITY" bottom; "TEXAS" over "A & M" over "CORPUS" over "CHRISTI" left; waves bottom left

Texas Chiropractic College

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "TEXAS CHIROPRACTIC COLLEGE" bottom; stylized red "T" logo left center

Texas Christian University

undated dark blue/refl white; purple and white logo left center; with "TCU" over a horned frog over "HORNED" over "FROGS" dark blue "TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY" bottom; blue "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; verified serial is BH17GN

Texas Southern University

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSTIY" bottom; red & gray logo left center of uncertain meaning

Texas Tech University

undated dark blue/refl white; two red "Ts" bordered in black logo left center; dark blue "TEXAS TECH" bottom; blue "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format and vanities permitted sticker differ from regular "TEXAS"

University of Houston

undated dark blue/refl white; red interlocked "U" & "H" logo left center; dark blue "UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON" bottom; dark blue "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format

University of Mary Hardin-Baylor

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "UNIVERSITY OF MARY HARDIN-BAYLOR" bottom; purple campus steeple left center surrounded by a purple outline

University of North Texas

undated dark blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; green & white eagle logo left with "UNT" beneath; screened dark blue "UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS" bottom; red "TEXAS" top

University of St. Thomas

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS" bottom; orange & red oval college seal over red "UST" left center

University of Texas at Arlington

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "U.T. ARLINGTON" bottom; "UTA" left against a red-pink background

University of Texas at Austin

undated dark blue/refl white; orange tower left center; black "UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS" over "AT AUSTIN" bottom; blue "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format. NOTE! this was the first issue

undated dark blue/refl white; orange longhorn over "UT" left center; dark blue "UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN" bottom; red "TEXAS" top

University of Texas at El Paso

undated dark blue/refl white; multicolored miner logo left center over "UTEP" over "MINERS"; dark blue "UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO" bottom; red "TEXAS" top

University of Texas at San Antonio

undated dark blue/refl white; orange "UTSA" over white/blue roadrunner logo left center; dark blue "UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO" bottom; red "TEXAS" top

West Texas A&M University

1994 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes; AA00AA serial format; "WEST TEXAS A & M UNIVERSITY" bottom; intertwined red "TW" beneath a flame left center

U.S. Judge

1972 green/refl white; "TEXAS" top; "72" top right; "USA"*00A serial format "U.S. JUDGE" bottom

1973 black/refl white; 74 format; serial is 2 numbers with suffix letters for extra vehicles

1974 red/refl white; "U.S. JUDGE" bottom; "USA" prefix; "TEXAS" top; "74" top right

1980 green/refl white; "TEXAS" over "U.S. JUDGE" top; white/blue debossed upper corner boxes with "MAR" left & "80" right; "USA" prefix & state outline separator; serial blocs - USA 10 to USA 999 with suffix letters for extra vehicles
NOTE! same format following years

1981 red/refl white

1982 blue/white

1983 green/refl white

1984 red/refl white

1985 blue/refl white

1986 red & blue/refl white Sesquicentennial base; there was no U.S. Judge on the plate (an error??); "TEXAS" top red; "MAR" top left; "86" top right; state outline in center; "USA" prefix; "1836 SESQUICENTENNIAL 1986" bottom in red

1987 86 colors & format except "87" top right

1991 blue & red/refl white; serial blocs are USA-10A to USA-99A with map separator; red "TEXAS" over blue "U.S. JUDGE" top flanked by white/blue "MAR" and white/blue last 2 digits of year

Vanity

Vanity plates available for motorcycle, dealer, trucks, State Official; 1 to 6 characters permitted; truck vanities permitted; vanity plates for 1965 were passenger colors; all subsequent ones differed.

1965 black/non-reflective white; 1 to 6 digits (letters or numbers but no punctuation allowed) "19" top left; "TEXAS" top; "65" top right

1966 green/refl white; "TEXAS" top; "66" top right; "19" top left;
NOTE! same format used 1966 to 1976 except 1968

1967 red/refl white	1969 red/refl white	1970 green/refl white
1971 red/refl white	1972 light blue/refl white	1973 red/refl white
1974 green/refl white	1975 blue/refl white	1976 green/refl white

1968 green/refl white; "TEXAS" top; "68" bottom right & left; "HEMISFAIR" center bottom

1977 red/refl white; "19 TEXAS 77" top

1978 red/refl white; "MAR TEXAS 78" top; "MAR" & "78" debossed & in corners; for new registrants in 77 - rare; (one of the few dated 78 plates in Texas)

1979 blue/refl white; "TEXAS" top; debossed "MAR" upper left & debossed; "79" upper right; truck vanities same except "TEXAS" over "TRUCK" top
NOTE! same format 1979-82

1980 dark green/refl white; 1981 red/refl white 1982 blue/refl white

1983 green/refl white; white/green debossed upper corner boxes with "MAR" left & "83" right; "TEXAS" top;

1984 red/refl white; debossed "MAR" + "TEXAS" + debossed "84" top; the Sept "85" plate described below was actually issued May 84 & used through Sept 85 so that 2 different vanity plates were used in 84

1985 red & blue/refl white; red screened "TEXAS"; embossed boxes upper corners with blue "SEP" left & "85" right; red "1836 SESQUICENTENNIAL 1986" bottom
blue/refl white; expire 85 renewals from 1984 had 83 designed plates except for the color change

1986-91 same as 85 plate except "MAR" upper left & "86" upper right
NOTE! from April 1985 thru September 85 plates were being used with SEP 85 in the corners & MAR 86 in the corners

same as 85 plate except "SEP" upper left & "86" upper right
NOTE! there are thus 4 sesquicentennial vanity plates for SEP 85, MAR 86, SEP 86, & MAR 87

1987 blue & red/refl white; "TEXAS" top red screened & flanked by "SEP" top left & "87" top right; this is the first non-Sesquicentennial vanity issue
1988 blue/white annual & month sticker on 87 base; thick blue border 1/8" thick; "88" left; red serial top right with 8 numbers & "PM" - "P" = Personalized & "M" = 1988; "TEXAS" bottom right on annual sticker; "MAR" over "TEXAS" on month sticker with the "MAR" smaller than it is on the regular white/blue month stickers; NOTE! the embossed state outline can be used as a separator between letters or can be in a suffix position or there can be not state outline at all

c1991 blue & red/refl white; red "TEXAS" top flanked by sticker boxes

Vanity Non-passenger

In 1985 allowed on motorcycle, motor bus, dealer, trailer, city bus, private bus, combination, token trailer, and travel trailer. Mopeds are now registered separate from motorcycles & are permitted vanities. Last known truck vanities is 1980 (Mar 80). Today trucks get the same as passenger. See Disabled for vanities for disabled person who have passenger or truck plates. They have "DISABLED" on plate

V = Visitor

1917-22 "V" prefix; "TEX" vertical right;
1917 white/blue-black; undated; V7913 verified

W suffix = FACTORY DELIVERY

Series verified back to 1952 at least; in 1966 plates used "W" prefix.

1952 black/white; cardboard; 10-3/8" x 6-1/2"; "TEXAS 52" top; stacked number and letter left followed by 000 serial; bottom three liens similar to 1959 format

1959 black/white; cardboard; 12" x 6"; "9Y"*000 serial format; "TEXAS 59" top; below the serial on 3 lines is the following: Line #1 - "ISSUED EXPIRES MAKE TYPE VEHICLE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR" with a line above each to be filled in; Line #2 - "TEMPORARY LICENSE PLATE FOR DELIVERY OF NEW VEHICLE"; line #3 - "VALID ONLY WHEN COMPLETELY FILLED OUT"

1966 black/white cardboard; 12" x 6"; "TEXAS" top; "66" top right; "W"*000 serial format; below on 3 lines is material similar to that on the 59 plate

1973 black/white; cardboard; "TEXAS" top + "73" top right; "W" suffix

1979-81 "W" suffix; cardboard; serial bloc = 100W to 999999 W

Wholesale Dealer

1981 red/refl white; "TEXAS" over "WHOLESALE DLR" top; white/red debossed upper corner boxes with "MAR" left & "81" right; state outline separator & "W" prefixed by either 10 thru 314 or 5000 thru 5609

NOTE! same format 1979-1985

1979 blue/refl white 1980 green/refl white 1982 blue/refl white
1983 green/refl white 1984 red/refl white 1985 blue/refl white

1986 red & blue/refl white Sesquicentennial base; "TEXAS" over "WHOLESALE DLR" top;

Stickers & Tabs Non-passenger

In 1976 the classification was written on the sticker & the small letters following the numbers of the serial also indicated the classification of the vehicle

A=passenger B=truck C=farm truck D=farm truck tractor
G=trailer H=token trailer J=travel trailer M=motor bus
L=city bus E=motorcycle F=tractor K=farm trailer
R=machinery N=private bus W=passenger disabled
T=consular S=disabled vet
GH=national guard (1984); GJ (1985); GK (1986)

All stickers had "TEX" vertical left over vehicle type in full; star center; serial top; "76" right;

1977-86 Passenger and non-passenger stickers identical except for DV, handicapped, POW, consular, motorcycle/moped (84), & Texas Guard (begun 84)

STAGGERED REGISTRATION DATA

(from Jeff Ellis & Bob Gorham, Jr.)

Texas began its staggered registration system on 1/1/78 for new registrations and with the MAR 78 expiration of the 1977 registration year for those vehicles registered prior to 1/1/78. Passenger cars and light trucks are covered. All other types stayed in March. Spread was APR 78 through JAN 79. However, those assigned APR through SEP expirations could elect to skip to a '79 sticker.

PHASE I:

The criterion was the second-to-last digit of the vehicle's plate number: (ABC-123, AB-1234).

Second to last digit

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| 1. APR 78 or APR 79 | 2. May 78 or May 79 |
| 3. JUN 78 or JUN 79 | 4. JUL 78 or JUL 79 |
| 5. AUG 78 or AUG 79 | 6. SEP 78 or SEP 79 |
| 7. OCT 78 | 8. NOV 78 |
| 8. DEC 78 | 10. Jan 79 |

One important note: any vehicle which had its 1977 registration renewed more than a month late (after 4/30/78) was treated as a new registrant, rather than being assigned a month based on the second to last digit. (See Phase II)

PHASE II:

New registrants beginning 1/1/78 have been assigned the twelfth inclusive month (FEB 91 to JAN 92). Motorcycles, which originally were assigned March, were brought into the staggered system several years after the system was originally adopted. Beginning with '85 expirations, vanity plates could expire in either MAY or SEP, rather than MAR only.

Plates remain with the vehicle when it is sold, and the month always stays the same. Vanity, ham, and State Official plates may be transferred from one vehicle to another.

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Statistical Information

The chart on the following pages is a comparison of registration fees for passenger, commercial and motorcycle vehicles since the inception of law through present day. Because of the many variances of classifications and the fact that fees were assessed in different ways, i.e. cost per horsepower, cost per weight, cost per year model, each of the calculations was made using the median point of weight and for year model registration formulas, using current year model vehicles.

Description/Benefit	Plate	Sticker	Expiration Month	Spec Plate Fee	Annual Reg. Fee	Spec Renewal Fee	Replacement Fee
Abilene Christian University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 of the fee goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Animal Friendly Will bear the words "Animal Friendly". Personal plates allowed. Proceeds go to animal shelter facilities that spay and neuter pets at limited to no cost.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$25.00	Yes	\$25.00	\$5.30
Antique Vehicle Issued for passenger cars & trucks > 25 yrs of age. Vehicle used for exhibitions, club activities, parades, etc. Fee is for a five year period with age >1920 = \$50.30 and <1920 = \$40.30.	Special	None	March	\$50.30 and \$40.30	5 Year Prorated	None	\$5.30
Armed Forces Reserve 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles owned by active or retired members of the U.S. Armed Forces Reserve.	Special	Yes	June	None	Yes	None	\$2.00
Austin College 2 plates issued to passenger cars and light commercial vehicles displaying the name and insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 goes to school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Baylor University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 goes to school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Big Bend National Park Displays graphic images of significant features of Big Bend. Personal Plates allowed. Proceeds to park restoration/maintenance.	Special	Yes		\$50.00	Yes	\$40.00	\$35.00
Brookhaven College 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 goes to school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30

Description/Benefit	Plate	Sticker	Expiration Month	Spec Plate Fee	Annual Reg. Fee	Spec Renewal Fee	Replacement Fee
Classic Auto 2 plates issued to passenger cars 25 years or older. Fee is \$15 + regular registration fee. Additional fee goes to General Revenue Fund.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$15.00	Yes	\$15.00	\$5.30
Classic Motorcycle Issued for motorcycles at least 25 years old. \$15 fee + regular registration fee.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$15.00	Yes	\$15.00	\$5.30
Classic Truck 2 plates issued to light commercial vehicles which are 25 years and older. Fee is \$15 + regular registration fee. Additional fee goes to the General Revenue Fund.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$15.00	Yes	\$15.00	\$5.30
Coast Guard Auxiliary 2 plates issued to active or retired members of Coast Guard Auxiliary. Annual fee of \$10 to administer program + regular registration fee. Additional sets may be purchased for \$15 after initial application.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00	\$5.30
County Judge 2 plates issued to county judges with the words "County Judge". No additional fee.	Special	Yes	Staggered	None	Yes	None	None
Desert Storm 2 plates issued to members of U.S. Armed Forces who took part in Operation Desert Shield/Storm. Annual fee of \$10 + regular registration fee for 1st set; \$15 for additional set. Fee is to administer program.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00 and \$15.00	\$5.30
Disabled Vet 2 plates issued to Disabled Veterans certified by the Veteran Administration to have 60% service related disability or \$45% due to amputation of lower extremity. Fee is \$3 annually. No additional plates issued.	Special	Yes	March	\$3.00	None	\$3.00	\$1.00
Drug Abuse or Boy Scout Plate Special plate designed in consultation w/Boy Scouts of America. \$30 fee. \$20 of fee goes to general fund & \$10 to the highway fund.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
East Texas Baptist University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 goes to school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30

Description/Benefit	Plate	Sticker	Expiration Month	Spec Plate Fee	Annual Reg. Fee	Spec Renewal Fee	Replacement Fee
East Texas State University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 of fee goes to school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Former Military Vehicle 2 plates issued to former military vehicles used solely for exhibitions, club activities, parades and other functions of public interest. \$10 fee for five years.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00 for five years	\$5.30
Former POW 2 plates issued for persons who were captured & incarcerated by an enemy of the United States during a period of conflict w/the U.S. Plates have a prefix "PS" followed by 3 numbers & 1 letter. \$3.00 fee to administer program.	Special	Yes	March	\$3.00	None	\$3.00	None
Gold Star Mother 2 plates issued to mothers of a person who died while serving in the U.S. military. Annual fee is \$10; 50 cents goes to the county treasurer of the county in which the applicant resides; the remainder goes to highway fund.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00	\$5.30
Golf Cart 1 plate issued to an owner of golf cart who resides on real property owned or under control of the U.S. Corps of Engineers, county borders another state, and population is >95,000 but < 100,000. \$10 fee.	Special	No	Staggered	\$10.00	None	\$10.00	\$10.00
Houston Baptist University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 goes to school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo 2 plates issued to applicants. Fee is \$30 + regular registration. \$20 goes to the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo account in the general fund & \$10 to highway fund.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30

Description/Benefit	Plate	Sticker	Expiration Month	Spec Plate Fee	Annual Reg. Fee	Spec Renewal Fee	Replacement Fee
Howard Payne University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 goes to school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Incarinate Word College 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 of the fee goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Keep Texas Beautiful 2 plates issued with the words "Keep Texas Beautiful". Fee is \$50. \$45 of fee to be used by dept for supporting litter prevention & community beautification programs.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$50.00	Yes	\$50.00	\$5.30
Korea Veteran 2 plates issued to members of the U.S. Armed Forces who were on active duty after June 26, 1950 & before Feb. 1, 1995. \$10 special fee, additional sets for \$15 + regular registration.	Special	yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00 and \$15.00	\$5.30
Lamar University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 of fee to school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Legion of Valor 2 plates issued to recipients of the Air Force Cross, Distinguished Service Cross, Army Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross, and Medal of Honor. \$3.00 fee to administer program/no annual registration fee.	Special	No	Annual	\$3.00	None	\$3.00	\$3.00
Marine Corps League 2 plates available to members of the Marine Corps League or its Auxiliary. Fee of \$10 + regular registration fee. Fee administers program.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00	\$5.30

Description/Benefit	Plate	Sticker	Expiration Month	Spec Plate Fee	Annual Reg. Fee	Spec Renewal Fee	Replacement Fee
Midwestern State University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 of fee to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Olympic Spirit 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles. Fee is \$20 + regular registration fee. \$20 goes to the U.S. Olympic Training Fund & \$5 to the department to administer program.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$20.00	Yes	\$20.00	\$5.30
Parade Vehicle 2 plates issued to a motorized vehicle owned and operated by a nonprofit service organization & designed, constructed, & used primarily for parade purposes. No fee charged (trailers & semi-trailers do not qualify).	Special	None	None	None	None	None	None
Parker College of Chiropractic 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration. \$25 of fee goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Peace Officer To Protect and Serve 2 plates issued to Peace Officers wounded in the line of duty or to their surviving spouse, parent or adult child. Fee is \$20 + regular registration fee. Fee is to administer program.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$20.00	Yes	\$20.00	\$5.30
Pearl Harbor Survivor 2 plates issued to pass. cars & light comm. vehicles owned by persons of the U.S. Armed Forces & stationed in Hawaiian Isl. on Dec. 7, 1941 or unmarried surviving spouses. Survivors/unmarried spouse pay \$3; \$15 for 2nd set.	Special	Yes	March	\$3.00	None	\$3.00 and \$15.00	None
Personalized Plates 2 plates issued provided the numbers/letters do not conflict w/existing numbering seq, not duplicate, not objectionable. Fee \$40 + regular registration fee.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$40.00	Yes	\$40.00	\$5.30

Description/Benefit	Plate	Sticker	Expiration Month	Spec Plate Fee	Annual Reg. Fee	Spec Renewal Fee	Replacement Fee
Prairie View A & M University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light comm. vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 of fee goes to school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Professional Sports Teams 2 plates issued to applicant. Plate includes the name & insignia of a professional sports team in Texas. \$35 fee. \$25 goes to fund for construction, renovation or operation of game facility.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$35.00	Yes	\$35.00	\$5.30
Purple Heart Recipient 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles owned by recipients of the Purple Heart medal, or their unmarried surviving spouse. \$30 fee is collected on the first vehicle & \$15 + regular reg. on additional vehicle.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$3.00	None	\$3.00 and \$15.00	None
Read to Succeed 2 plates issued for passenger cars & trucks to any person. \$30 fee + regular registration. \$5 of fee to administer program. \$25 of fee to Education Commission for reading literacy. For fleets > 50, fee is \$20.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00 or \$15.00	\$5.30
Rice University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying name & insignia of university. \$30 fee + regular registration fee. \$25 of fees to school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Richland College 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying name & insignia of university. \$30 fee + regular registration. \$25 of fee goes to school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Sam Houston State University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying name & insignia of university. \$30 fee + regular registration. \$25 of fee goes to school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30

Description/Benefit	Plate	Sticker	Expiration Month	Spec Plate Fee	Annual Reg. Fee	Spec Renewal Fee	Replacement Fee
State Capitol 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles. \$30 fee + regular registration fee. \$25 of fee goes to capitol restoration project.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
State of the Arts 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles. \$25 fee + regular registration. \$20 to the Texas Commission on the Arts.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$25.00	Yes	\$25.00	\$5.30
Stephen F. Austin State University 2 plates issued to passenger cars and light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. \$30 fee + regular registration. \$25 of fee to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Southern Methodist University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. \$30 fee + regular registration. \$25 of fee to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Southwest Texas State University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. \$30 fee + regular registration. \$25 of fee to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Southwestern University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. \$30 fee + regular registration. \$25 of fee to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Tarleton State University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying name & insignia of university. \$30 fee + regular registration. \$25 of fee to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Texas A&M University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. \$30 fee + regular registration fee. \$25 of fee to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30

Description/Benefit	Plate	Sticker	Expiration Month	Spec Plate Fee	Annual Reg. Fee	Spec Renewal Fee	Replacement Fee
Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 of fee to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Texas Aerospace Commission 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles. Fee of \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 goes to Texas Aerospace Commission.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Texas Chiropractic College 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 of fee to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Texas Christian University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Texas Guard 2 plates issued to active/retired member of TX National Guard/Texas State Guard. Prefix of 1 number & "G". Annual registration for passenger & light trucks.	Special	Yes	June	None	Yes	None	\$2.00
Texas Lutheran University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Texas Southern University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Texas Tech 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. Fee is \$30 + regular registration fee. \$25 goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30

Description/Benefit	Plate	Sticker	Expiration Month	Spec Plate Fee	Annual Reg. Fee	Spec Renewal Fee	Replacement Fee
Texas Wing Civil Air Patrol 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles owned by active/retired members of Civil Air Patrol. \$10 fee + regular registration. \$15 fee for 2nd set of plates.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00 and \$15.00	\$5.30
U. S. Air Force 2 plates issued to passenger & light commercial vehicles owned by active/retired U.S. Air Force members. \$10 fee + regular registration fee.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00 and \$15.00	\$5.30
U. S. Army 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles owned by active/retired U.S. Army members. \$10.00 fee is charged + regular registration fee. \$15 fee for 2nd set.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00 and \$15.00	\$5.30
U. S. Coast Guard 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles owned by active/retired U.S. Coast Guard members. \$10 fee + regular registration. \$15 fee for 2nd set.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00 and \$15.00	\$5.30
U.S. Marine Corps 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles owned by active or retired U.S. Marine Corps members. \$10 fee + regular registration. \$15 fee for 2nd set.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00 and \$15.00	\$5.30
U.S. Navy 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles owned by active or retired members of the U.S. Navy. \$10 fee + regular registration. \$15 fee for 2nd set.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00 and \$15.00	\$5.30
University of Houston 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. \$30.00 fee + regular registration. \$25 of fee goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
University of Mary Hardin-Baylor 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. \$30 fee + regular registration. \$25 of fee goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30

Description/Benefit	Plate	Sticker	Expiration Month	Spec Plate Fee	Annual Reg. Fee	Spec Renewal Fee	Replacement Fee
University of North Texas 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. \$30 fee + regular registration. \$25 of fee goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
University of Saint Thomas 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. \$30 + regular registration. \$25 of fee goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
University of Texas at Arlington 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. \$30 + regular registration. \$25 of fee goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
University of Texas at Austin 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. \$30 + regular registration. \$25 of fee goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
University of Texas at El Paso 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of university. \$30 + regular registration. \$25 of fee goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
University of Texas at San Antonio 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. \$30 fee + regular registration. \$25 of fee goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
Vietnam Veteran 2 plates issued to members of U.S. Armed Forces on active duty after 8/4/64 before 5/8/75. \$10 fee + regular registration. \$15 fee + regular registration for 2nd set.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00 and \$15.00	\$5.30
Volunteer Advocate 2 plates issued to applicants. Fee is \$30. \$25 of fee goes to the attorney general volunteer advocate program account in the general fund & \$5 to the highway fund.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30

Description/Benefit	Plate	Sticker	Expiration Month	Spec Plate Fee	Annual Reg. Fee	Spec Renewal Fee	Replacement Fee
Volunteer Firefighter 2 plates issued for passenger car or light truck owned by certified member of a vol. fire dept. \$40 initial fee. \$4 special plate renewal fee for each year after initial application.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$4.00	Yes	\$4.00	\$4.00
West Texas A&M University 2 plates issued to passenger cars & light commercial vehicles displaying the name & insignia of the university. \$30 fee + regular registration. \$25 of fee goes to the school scholarship fund.	Collegiate	Yes	Staggered	\$30.00	Yes	\$30.00	\$5.30
World War II Veteran 2 plates issued to members of the U.S. Armed Forces on active duty after 12/6/41 & before 1/1/47. \$10 fee + regular registration fee. \$15 + regular registration for additional sets.	Special	Yes	Staggered	\$10.00	Yes	\$10.00	\$5.30

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Administrative History

Chronology of the Vehicle Titles and Registration Name Changes.

1917 - Highway Department (staff consisted of 10 employees and these performed registration services.)

1921 - The Registration Division

1941 - The Certificate of Title Division (transferred to the Highway Department from the Department of Public Safety.)

October 1, 1945 - Motor Vehicle Division (merged Registration & Title Divisions)

July 1985 - Division of Motor Vehicles

September 1, 1991 - Division of Motor Vehicle Titles and Registration

October 1, 1993 - Vehicle Titles and Registration Division

Chief Clerks of the Highway Department

June 4, 1917 - October 30, 1917	Vance Stockton
November 1, 1917 - December 31, 1917	W. V. Tadlock
January 1, 1918 - March 31, 1918	Vance Stockton
April 1, 1918 - February 15, 1925	J.F. Dupre
February 16, 1925 - September 21, 1925	George A. Cunningham
September 22, 1925 - February 15, 1926	Will Rancier

Chief Clerks of the Highway Department, continued

February 16, 1926 - April 13, 1926	Leslie McKay
April 14, 1926 - March 31, 1927	Robert J. Eckhardt
April 1, 1927 - December 31, 1928	G. H. Lloyd
January 1, 1928 - September 30, 1945	Bessie Bergstrom

Director of Certificate of Title Division

May 3, 1941 - September 30, 1945	John L. Green
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Directors of the Motor Vehicle Division, Division of Motor Vehicles, Division of Motor Vehicle Titles and Registration, and Vehicle Titles and Registration Division

October 1, 1945 - February 28, 1953	E. J. Amey
March 1, 1953 - July 31, 1960	D. T. Harkrider
August 1, 1960 - September 30, 1986	R. W. Townsley
October 1, 1986 - February 4, 1992	Dian K. Neill
February 5, 1992 - April 9, 1992	Anthony J. Reda (Acting)
April 10, 1992 - present	Jerry L. Dike

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APPENDIX

License Plate Production Information

The following information has been obtained from original contract specifications and production schedules from the VTR files. Unfortunately gaps do appear in this information, therefore, we suggest that you use this appendix in conjunction with the information that appears in Chapter 11 for a comprehensive overview. Of interesting note, included in the specifications for the production of license plates by the prison system, detailed instructions on the packaging and shipping of license plates were included. The following are two messages that appeared on paper inserts which were used to separate individual pairs of plates. The particular inserts pictured below appear to have come from a set of 1972 license plates.

<p>SEE THE TEXAS PRISON RODEO! Each Sunday in October</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">★ GUEST STARS★ THRILLING INMATE CONTESTS★ PAGEANTRY★ QUADRILLES <p>HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS</p>	<p>A Message To TEXAS MOTOR VEHICLE OWNERS</p> <p>These license plates permit this vehicle to be driven on the streets and highways of Texas.</p> <p>It is only as safe as its condition and its driver. Over 3,500 Texans died last year in needless traffic crashes.</p> <p>In nearly half of all fatal crashes - a DRINKING DRIVER was involved.</p> <p>There is no need for this vehicle to be included in 1971 statistics. It is not likely to be if it's drivers...</p> <p>DRIVE FRIENDLY!</p> <p>★</p> <p>This message provided by the GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE in co-operation with the TEXAS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</p>
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License Plate Insert

<p>SEE THE TEXAS PRISON RODEO! Each Sunday in October</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">★ GUEST STARS★ THRILLING INMATE CONTESTS★ PAGEANTRY★ QUADRILLES <p>HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS</p>	<p>LICENSE FEES are used to BUILD and MAINTAIN HIGHWAYS BETTER HIGHWAYS SAVE- LIVES TIME MONEY TEXAS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AUSTIN, TEXAS</p>
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License Plate Insert

Year	Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence
1923	Passenger License Plate	5 1/2" x 16"	600,000	.1083/pr	White on Black	*001 to 600*000
	Dealer License Plate	6" X 15"	12,000	.1083/pr	Black on Ivory	D*001-D12*000
	Motorcycle Seals	6" X 3 1/3"	10,000	17.50/thous	Black on Ivory	
1924	Passenger License Plate	5 1/2" x 16"	300,000	.1159/pr	White on Black	700*001 999*999
	Dealer License Plate	6" x 3 1/2"	12,000	.06295/ea	White on Red	D*001-D12*000
1925	MV License Seals	6" x 3 1/2"	700,000	21.95/thous	Red on White	*001-700*000
	Motorcycle Seals	5 1/2" x 15"	10,000	21.95/thous	White on Maroon	*001-10*000
	Passenger License Plate	5 1/2" x 15"	800,000	.1068/pr	Black on Orange	*001-800*000
1926	Commercial License Plates	5 1/2" x 15"	80,000	.1068/pr	Black on Cream	*001-80*000
	Trailer & Tractor Plates	5 1/2" x 15"	3,000	.0675/ea	White on Black	*001-3*000
	Dealer License Plate	5 1/2" x 15"	12,000	.0675/ea	White on Green	*001-12*000
	Motorcycle Plates	3 1/2" x 8"	6,000	.04/ea	White on Green	*001-6*000
	Passenger License Plate	5 1/2" x 15"	950,000	.1020/pr	Black on Battleship Gray	*001-950*000
	Dealer License Plate	5 1/2" x 15"	10,000	.06/ea	Black on Light Green	*001-10*000
	Bus License Plate	5 1/2" x 15"	10,000	.1020/pr	Yellow on Black	*001-10*000
	Commercial License Plates	5 1/2" x 15"	100,000	.1020/pr	Black on White	*001-100*00
	Trailer & Tractor Plates	5 1/2" x 15"	10,000	.06/ea	Black on Carmine	*001-10*000
	Motorcycle	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	5,000	.0525/ea	White on Black	*001-5*000
1927	Passenger License Plate	5 1/2" x 15"	975,000		White on Green	*001-975*000
	Dealer License Plate	5" x 14"	12,500		White on Brown	*001-6*000
	Bus License Plate	5" x 14"	12,500		White on Brown	*001-12*500
	Commercial License Plates	5" x 15"	125,000		White on Brown	*001-12*500
	Trailer & Tractor Plates	5" x 15"	12,500		White on Brown	*001-125*000
	Motorcycle	5" x 14"	6,000		White on Brown	*001-12*500
	Passenger License Plate	5" x 14"	1,000,000 front	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-999*999
	Dealer License Plate	5" x 15"	1,000,000 rear	.041/ea	White on Brown	*001-999*999
	Bus License Plate	5" x 15"	100,000 front	.041/ea	White on Brown	1,000*000-1,100*000
	Commercial License Plates	5" x 14"	100,000 rear	.0393/ea	White on Brown	1,000*000-1,100*000
1928	Trailer & Tractor Plates	5" x 12"	5,000 front	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-5*000
	Motorcycle	5" x 12"	5,000 rear	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-5*000
	Passenger License Plate	5" x 14"	100,000 front	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-100*000
	Truck Plates "1" ton	5" x 14"	100,000 rear	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-100*000
	Truck Plates "2" ton	5" x 14"	8,000 front	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-8*000
	Truck Plates "3" ton	5" x 14"	8,000 rear	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-8*000
	Truck Plates "4" ton	5" x 14"	3,000 front	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-3*000
	Truck Plates "5" ton	5" x 14"	3,000 rear	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-3*000
	Truck Plates "6" ton	5" x 14"	600 front	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-600
	Truck Plates "7" ton	5" x 14"	200 rear	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-600
1929	Truck Plates "8" ton	5" x 14"	200 front	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-200
	Motorcycle	5" x 14"	50 front	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*01-50
	Tractor/Trailer Plates	5" x 14"	50 rear	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*01-50
	Tractor Plates	5" x 14"	50 front	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*01-50
	Trailer Plates "CL-1"	5" x 14"	50 rear	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*01-50
	Trailer Plates "CL-2"	5" x 14"	50 front	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*01-50
	Trailer Plates "CL-3"	5" x 14"	50 rear	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-100
	Tractor/Trailer Plates	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	100 front	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-100
	Tractor Plates	5" x 12"	100 rear	.05/ea	White on Brown	*001-3*000
	Trailer Plates "CL-1"	5" x 12"	3,000		White on Brown	*001-3*000

Year	Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence
1928	Trailer Plates "CL-4"	5" x 12"	400	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-*400
	Trailer Plates "CL-5"	5" x 12"	300	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-*300
	Trailer Plates "CL-6"	5" x 12"	200	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-*200
	Trailer Plates "CL-7"	5" x 12"	100	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-*100
	Trailer Plates "CL-8"	5" x 12"	100	.0393/ea	White on Brown	*001-100
	Passenger License Plate	5" x 14"	1,000,000 front		Orange on Black	*001-999*999
		5" x 14"	1,000,000 rear		Orange on Black	*001-999*999
		5" x 15"	200,000 front		Orange on Black	1,000*000-1,200*000
		5" x 15"	200,000 rear		Orange on Black	1,000*000-1,200*000
		5" x 14"	200,000 front		Black on Orange	*001-200*000
1929	Commercial Plates "CM"	5" x 14"	200,000 rear		Black on Orange	*001-200*000
	Tractor/Trailer Plates "T"	5" x 14"	20,000		Black on Orange	*001-20*000
	Bus License Plates "MB"	5" x 14"	15,000 front		White on Maroon	*001-15*000
	Dealer License Plates "D"	5" x 14"	15,000 rear		White on Maroon	*001-15*000
	Motorcycle License Plates	5" x 14"	12,500		Maroon on White	*001-12*500
	Passenger License Plate	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	4,000		Maroon on White	*001-4*000
		5" x 14"	1,000,000 front		Dk Blue on Deep Yellow	*001-999*999
		5" x 14"	1,000,000 rear		Dk Blue on Deep Yellow	*001-999*999
		5" x 15"	300,000 front		Dk Blue on Deep Yellow	1,000*000-1,300*000
		5" x 15"	300,000 rear		Dk Blue on Deep Yellow	1,000*000-1,300*000
1930	Commercial Plates "CM"	5" x 14"	200,000 front		Deep Yellow on Dk Blue	*001-200*000
	Tractor/Trailer Plates "T"	5" x 14"	200,000 rear		Deep Yellow on Dk Blue	*001-200*000
	Dealer License Plates "D"	5" x 14"	20,000		Light Green on Black	*001-20*000
	Motorcycle License Plates	5" x 14"	12,500		Black on Light Green	*001-12*500
	Passenger License Plate	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	6,000		Deep Yellow on Dk Blue	*001-6*000
		5" x 13"	1,450,000		White on Green	*001-*999*
		5" x 13"	250,000		Green on Yellow	100*000-999*999
		5" x 13"	45,000		White on Maroon	A00*000 over 1M
		5" x 13"	15,000	/pr	Maroon on White	*001-250*000
		5" x 13"	6,000	/pr	White on Black	*001-45*000
1932	Exempt License Plates "X"	5" x 13"	10,000	/pr	Green on Gray	*001-15*000
	Motorcycle License Plates	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	8,000	/ea	White on Green	*001-6*000
	Motorcycle "Side-Car"	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	3,000	/ea	Green on White	*001-8*000
	Passenger License Plates	5" x 13"	1,165,000	/pr	Ivory on Black	*001-3*000
	Commercial Plates "CM"	5" x 13"	195,000	/pr	Black on Orange	*001-*999*
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm"	5" x 13"	110,000	/pr	Orange on Black	100*000-999*999
	Tractor/Trailer Plates "T-R"	5" x 13"	49,000	/ea	Black on Light Gray	A00*000 over 1M
	Dealer License Plates "D-R"	5" x 13"	7,500	/ea	Ivory on Maroon	*001-195*000
	Bus License Plates "M-B"	5" x 13"	2,000	/pr	Light Gray on Black	*001-99*999
	Exempt Plates "X"	5" x 13"	15,000	/pr	Maroon on Light Gray	A0*000 over 100K
1937	Exempt Motorcycle Plates	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	400	/ea	Maroon on Light Gray	*001-49*000
	Motorcycle License Plates	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	400	/ea	Ivory on Black	*001-7*500
	Motorcycle "Side-Car"	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	5,000	/ea	Black on Orange	*001-2*000
	Passenger License Plates	5" x 13"	600	/ea	Black on Orange	*001-15*000
	Commercial Plates "CM"	5" x 13"	195,000	/pr	Black on Orange	*001-*400
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm"	5" x 13"	110,000	/pr	Orange on Black	*001-5*000
	Tractor/Trailer Plates "T-R"	5" x 13"	49,000	/ea	Black on Light Gray	*001-*600
	Dealer License Plates "D-R"	5" x 13"	7,500	/ea	Ivory on Maroon	
	Bus License Plates "M-B"	5" x 13"	2,000	/pr	Light Gray on Black	
	Exempt Plates "X"	5" x 13"	15,000	/pr	Maroon on Light Gray	

Year	Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence	
1938	Passenger License Plates	5.833"x13"	1,250,000	/pr	Black on White	*001*-999* 100*000-999*999 A00*000 over 1M *001-220*000 *001-99*999 A0*000 over 100K *001-52*000 *001-7*000 *001-2*000 *001-15*000 *001-5*000 *001-*400 *001-*600 *001-1,275*000 *001*-330* *001-250*000 *001-137*000 *001-57*000 *001-7*500 *001-1*500 *001-5*000 *001-*400 *001-3*800 *001-1*700 *001-12*300 *001-*600	
	Commercial Plates "CM" Farm Truck Plates "Farm"	5.833"x13" 5.833"x13"	220,000 120,000	/pr /pr	Orange on Black Black on Orange		
1939	Tractor/Trailer Plates "T-R"	5.833"x13"	52,000	/ea	Maroon on Light Gray		
	Dealer License Plates "D-R"	5.833"x13"	7,500	/ea	Black on Ivory		
	Bus License Plates "M-B"	5.833"x13"	2,000	/pr	Light Gray on Maroon		
	Exempt Plates "X"	5.833"x13"	15,000	/pr	Ivory on Black		
	Motorcycle Plates	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	5,000	/ea	Black on Orange		
	Exempt Motorcycle Plates	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	400	/ea	Ivory on Black		
	Motorcycle "Side-Car"	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	600	/ea	Ivory on Black		
	Passenger License Plates	5.833"x13"	1,275,000	/pr	Orange on Black		
	State Official Plates "SO"	5.833"x13"	300	/pr	Purple on Gold		
	Commercial Plates "CM"	5.833"x13"	230,000	/pr	Purple on Gold		
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm"	5.833"x13"	137,000	/pr	Black on Green		
	Tractor/Trailer Plates "T-R"	5.833"x13"	57,000	/ea	White on Red		
	Dealer License Plates "D-R"	5.833"x13"	7,500	/ea	Black on Yellow		
	Bus License Plates "M-B"	5.833"x13"	1,500	/pr	Black on Yellow		
	Bus License Plates "M-B"	5.833"x13"	5,000	/ea	Black on Yellow		
	Motorcycle "Side-Car"	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	400	/ea	Black on Yellow		
	Exempt Plates "HX"	5.833"x13"	3,800	/pr	Red on Aluminum		
	Exempt Plates "SX"	5.833"x13"	1,700	/pr	Orange on Black		
	Exempt Plates "X"	5.833"x13"	12,300	/pr	Orange on Black		
	Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	600	/ea	Orange on Black		
	X=Exempt Vehicles, Other Political Subdivisions SX=Other State Agency Exempt Vehicles HX=Hwy Dept Exempt PX=Political Exempt						
	1940	Passenger License Plates	5.833"x13"	1,300,000	.07898/pr	Purple on White	*001*-999* 1*000-99*999 100*000-999*999 A00*000 1M-1.1M F00*000 1.1M-1.2M K00*000 1.2M-1.3M N00*000 1.3M-1.4M *001*-300* *001-230*000 *001-140*000 *001-59*000 *001-7*000 *001-1*500 *001-5*000 *001-*400* *001-*600* *001-3*000 *001-1*800 *001-14*500 *001-1*000 *001*-999* 1*000-99*999 100*000-999*999 A00*000 1M-1.1M F00*000 1.1M-1.2M K00*000 1.2M-1.3M N00*000 1.3M-1.4M
		State Official Plates "SO"	5.833"x13"	300	.07898/pr	Purple on White	
		Commercial Plates "CM"	5.833"x13"	230,000	.07898/pr	Orange on Black	
Farm Truck Plates "Farm"		5.833"x13"	140,000	.07898/pr	Black on Yellow		
Tractor/Trailer Plates "T-R"		5.833"x13"	59,000	.03949/ea	Gold on Blue		
Dealer License Plates "D-R"		5.833"x13"	7,500	.03949/ea	Gold on Blue		
Bus License Plates "M-B"		5.833"x13"	1,500	.07898/pr	Gold on Blue		
Motorcycle Plates		3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	5,500	.03949/ea	Gold on Blue		
Motorcycle "Side-Car"		3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	400	.039 49/ea	Gold on Blue		
Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"		3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	600	.03949/ea	Purple on Gold		
Exempt Plates "HX"		5.833"x13"	3,000	.07898/pr	Red on White		
Exempt Plates "SX"		5.833"x13"	1,800	.07898/pr	Purple on Gold		
Exempt "X"		5.833"x13"	14,500	.07898/pr	Purple on Gold		
Transit Plates "In Transit"		5.833"x13"	1,000	ea	Black on Yellow		
Passenger License Plates		5.833"x13"	1,300,000	.0710/pr	Gold on Black		
1941		Passenger License Plates	5.833"x13"	1,300,000	.0710/pr	Gold on Black	

Year	Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence	
1941	State Official Plates "SO"	5.833"x13"	300	.0710/pr	Gold on Black	*001*-300*	
	Commercial Plates "CM"	5.833"x13"	235,000	.0710/pr	Black on Gold	*001-235*000	
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm"	5.833"x13"	125,000	.0710/pr	Black on Gold	*001-125*000	
	Tractor/Trailer Plates "T-R"	5.833"x13"	60,000	.0329/ea	Black on Gold	15*000-75*000	
	Dealer License Plates "D-R"	5.833"x13"	7,000	.0329/ea	Black on Gold	5*001-12*000	
	Bus License Plates "M-B"	5.833"x13"	1,250	.0710/pr	Black on Gold	2*001-3*250	
	Transit Plates "In Transit"	5.833"x13"	750	.0329/ea	Black on Gold	*001*-750*	
	Motorcycle Plates	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	6,000	.0329/ea	Black on Gold	*001-6*000	
	Motorcycle "Side-Car"	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	400	.0329/ea	Black on Gold	*001*-400*	
	Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	600	.0329/ea	Black on Gold	*001*-600*	
	Exempt Plates "HX"	5.833"x13"	3,000	.0710/pr	Black on Gold	*001-3*000	
	Exempt Plates "SX"	5.833"x13"	1,800	.0710/pr	Black on Gold	5*001-6*800	
	Exempt Plates "X"	5.833"x13"	14,500	.0710/pr	Black on Gold	10*001-24*500	
	Passenger License Plates	5.833"x13"	1,400,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	*001*-999*	
1942	State Official Plates "SO"	5.833"x13"	300	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	1*000-99*999	
	Commercial Plates "COM"	5.833"x13"	255,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	100*000-999*999	
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm"	5.833"x13"	135,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	A00*000 1M-1.1M	
	Tractor/Trailer Plates "TR"	5.833"x13"	65,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	F00*000 1.1M-1.2M	
	Dealer License Plates "DR"	5.833"x13"	7,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	K00*000 1.2M-1.3M	
	Bus License Plates "BUS"	5.833"x13"	1,250	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	N00*000 1.3M-1.4M	
	Transit Plates "In Transit"	5.833"x13"	750	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	V00*000 1.4M-1.5M	
	Motorcycle Plates "MC"	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	6,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	*001*-300*	
	Motorcycle Side-Car "SC"	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	400	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	300*001-555*000	
	Exempt Motorcycle Plts "XMC"	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	600	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	100*001-235*000	
	Exempt Plates "HX"	5.833"x13"	3,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	15*001-80*000	
	Exempt Plates "SX"	5.833"x13"	1,800	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	5*001-12*000	
	Exempt Plates "X"	5.833"x13"	16,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	2*001-3*250	
	1943 and 1944 License Plate Tabs manufactured and placed on the lower right bolt hole of the 1942 License Plate.	1" x 4"		.02250/pr	Gold on Black	*001*-750*	
1943	State Official Plates "SO"	5.833"x13"	300	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	*001*-750*	
	Commercial Plates "COM"	5.833"x13"	255,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	*001-6*000	
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm"	5.833"x13"	135,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	*001*-400*	
	Tractor/Trailer Plates "TR"	5.833"x13"	65,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	*001*-600*	
	Dealer License Plates "DR"	5.833"x13"	7,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	*001-3*000	
	Bus License Plates "BUS"	5.833"x13"	1,250	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	5*001-6*800	
	Transit Plates "In Transit"	5.833"x13"	750	.04007/ea	Black on Gold	10*001-26*000	
	Motorcycle Plates "MC"	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	6,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold		
	Motorcycle Side-Car "SC"	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	400	.04007/ea	Black on Gold		
	Exempt Motorcycle Plts "XMC"	3 3/4" x 7 1/2"	600	.04007/ea	Black on Gold		
	Exempt Plates "HX"	5.833"x13"	3,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold		
	Exempt Plates "SX"	5.833"x13"	1,800	.04007/ea	Black on Gold		
	Exempt Plates "X"	5.833"x13"	16,000	.04007/ea	Black on Gold		
	1943 and 1944 License Plate Tabs manufactured and placed on the lower right bolt hole of the 1942 License Plate.	1" x 4"		.02250/pr	Gold on Black		
Passenger	Upper Ltr	A	Serial Numbers Assigned	Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned
	A	A	10 - 9999	Passenger	B	A	10 - 9999
	A	B	10 - 9999		B	B	10 - 9999
	A	C	10 - 9999		B	C	10 - 9999
	A	D	10 - 9999		B	D	10 - 9999
	A	E	10 - 9999		B	E	10 - 9999
	A	F	10 - 9999		B	F	10 - 9999
	A	G	10 - 9999		B	G	10 - 9999
	A	H	10 - 9999		B	H	10 - 9999
	A	I	10 - 9999		B	I	10 - 9999
	A	J	10 - 9999		B	J	10 - 9999
	A	K	10 - 9999		B	K	10 - 9999
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Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned	Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned
Passenger	A	L	10 - 9999		B	L	10 - 9999
	A	M	10 - 9999		B	M	10 - 9999
	A	N	10 - 9999		B	N	10 - 9999
	A	O	10 - 9999		B	O	10 - 9999
	A	P	10 - 9999		B	P	10 - 9999
	A	Q	10 - 9999		B	Q	10 - 9999
	A	R	10 - 9999		B	R	10 - 9999
	A	S	10 - 9999		B	S	10 - 9999
	A	T	10 - 9999		B	T	10 - 9999
	A	U	10 - 9999		B	U	10 - 9999
	A	V	10 - 9999		B	V	10 - 9999
	A	W	10 - 9999		B	W	10 - 9999
	A	X	10 - 9999		B	X	10 - 9999
	A	Y	10 - 9999		B	Y	10 - 9999
	A	Z	10 - 9999		B	Z	10 - 9999
	C	A	10 - 9999	Passenger	D	A	10 - 9999
	C	B	10 - 9999		D	B	10 - 9999
	C	C	10 - 9999		D	C	10 - 9999
	C	D	10 - 9999		D	D	10 - 9999
	C	E	10 - 9999		D	E	10 - 9999
	C	F	10 - 9999		D	F	10 - 9999
	C	G	10 - 9999		D	G	10 - 9999
	C	H	10 - 9999		D	H	10 - 9999
	C	I	10 - 9999		D	I	10 - 9999
	C	J	10 - 9999		D	J	10 - 9999
	C	K	10 - 9999		D	K	10 - 9999
	C	L	10 - 9999		D	L	10 - 9999
	C	M	10 - 9999		D	M	10 - 9999
	C	N	10 - 9999		D	N	10 - 9999
	C	O	10 - 9999		D	O	10 - 9999
	C	P	10 - 9999		D	P	10 - 9999
	C	Q	10 - 9999		D	Q	10 - 9999
	C	R	10 - 9999		D	R	10 - 9999
	C	S	10 - 9999		D	S	10 - 9999
	C	T	10 - 9999		D	T	10 - 9999
	C	U	10 - 9999		D	U	10 - 9999
	C	V	10 - 9999		D	V	10 - 9999
	C	W	10 - 9999		D	W	10 - 9999
	C	X	10 - 9999		D	X	10 - 9999
	C	Y	10 - 9999		D	Y	10 - 9999
	C	Z	10 - 9999		D	Z	10 - 9999
	E	A	10 - 9999		F	A	10 - 9999
	E	B	10 - 9999		F	B	10 - 9999
	E	C	10 - 9999		F	C	10 - 9999
	E	D	10 - 9999		F	D	10 - 9999
	E	E	10 - 9999		F	E	10 - 9999
	E	F	10 - 9999		F	F	10 - 9999
	E	G	10 - 9999		F	G	10 - 9999
	E	H	10 - 9999		F	H	10 - 9999
	E	I	10 - 9999		F	I	10 - 9999
	E	J	10 - 9999		F	J	10 - 9999
	E	K	10 - 9999		F	K	10 - 9999
	E	L	10 - 9999		F	L	10 - 9999
	E	M	10 - 9999		F	M	10 - 9999

Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned	Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned
Passenger	E	R	10-9999		F	R	10-9999
	E	S	10-9999		F	S	10-9999
	E	T	10-9999		F	T	10-9999
	E	U	10-9999		F	U	10-9999
	E	V	10-9999		F	V	10-9999
	E	W	10-9999		F	W	10-9999
	E	X	10-9999		F	X	10-9999
	E	Y	10-9999		F	Y	10-9999
	E	Z	10-9999		F	Z	10-9999
Truck	M	A	10-9999	Truck	F	A	10-1259
	M	B	10-9999		N	B	10-9999
	M	C	10-9999		N	C	10-9999
	M	D	10-9999	Farm Truck	N	A	10-9999
	M	E	10-9999		R	A	10-9999
	M	F	10-9999		R	B	10-9999
	M	G	10-9999		R	B	10-9999
	M	H	10-9999		R	C	10-9999
	M	I	10-9999		R	D	10-9999
	M	J	10-9999		R	D	10-9999
	M	K	10-9999		R	E	10-9999
	M	L	10-9999		R	E	10-9999
	M	M	10-9999		R	F	10-9999
	M	N	10-9999		R	F	10-9999
	M	O	10-9999		R	G	10-9999
	M	P	10-9999		R	G	10-9999
	M	Q	10-9999		R	H	10-9999
	M	R	10-9999		R	H	10-9999
	M	S	10-9999		R	I	10-9999
	M	T	10-9999		R	I	10-9999
	M	U	10-9999		R	J	10-9999
	M	V	10-9999		R	J	10-9999
	M	W	10-9999		R	K	10-9999
	M	X	10-9999		R	K	10-9999
	M	Y	10-9999		R	L	10-9999
	M	Z	10-9999		R	L	10-9999
	M				R	M	10-9999
					R	M	10-9999
					R	N	10-9999
					R	N	10-9999
					R	O	10-9999
					R	O	10-9999
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					R	Q	10-9999
					R	Q	10-9999
					R	R	10-9999
					R	R	10-9999
					R	S	10-9999
					R	S	10-9999
					R	T	10-9999
					R	T	10-9999
					R	U	10-9999
					R	U	10-9999
					R	V	10-9999
					R	V	10-9999
					R	W	10-9999
					R	W	10-9999
					R	X	10-9999
					R	X	10-9999
					R	Y	10-9999
					R	Y	10-9999
					R	Z	10 TO 69
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Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned	Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned
Tractor	T	A	10-409				
Dealer	S	A	10-5509				
Bus	S	B	Oct-09				
Motorcycle	Z	M	10-6009				
Sidcar	Z	S	10-409				
Exempt-Hwy	X	H	10-3009				
Exempt-State	X	S	10-1809				
Exempt-Other	X	C	10-9999				
Exempt-Motorcycle In Transit	X	D	10-5019				
	Z	X	10-609				
	S	C	10-509				
1944	All Registration Tabs; except,	2" x 2"	.02220/pr				Black on Green
	Trailer Tabs	2" x 2"	.01110/ea				Black on Red

Tabs featured an "Upper" and "Lower" Control Letter Stacked on the Left hand side; Serial numbers centered around bolt hole; "43" stacked on the Right hand side of the Tab.
 No specific Numbering Patterns available. Following is Specification for Numbering System to be used:
 "All tabs shall be numbered as ordered, under a permanent numbering system which uses 21 letters of the alphabet as a first or control letter and 21 letter of the alphabet as a second or sub-control letter.
 All tabs numbered 10-999 shall have the last number on right side of the tab. All tabs numbered 1000 to 9999 shall be spaced as per blueprint.
 All tabs numbered 100-999 shall have the last number on right side of the tab. All tabs numbered 1000 to 9999 shall be spaced as per blueprint.

Pattern should be similar to that used for 1943.

Year	Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence	Dates of Issuance
1945	Passenger License Plates	5.883"x10.111"	1,500,000	.04159/ea			
	State Official Plates "SO"	5.883"x10.111"					
	Commercial Plates "CM"	5.883"x10.111"					
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm"	5.883"x10.111"					
	Tractor/Trailer Plates "T-R"	5.883"x10.111"					
	Dealer License Plates "D-R"	5.883"x10.111"					
	Bus License Plates "M-B"	5.883"x10.111"					
	Transit Plates "In Transit"	5.883"x10.111"					
	Motorcycle Plates	3.75" x 7.5"					
	Motorcycle "Side-Car"	3.75" x 7.5"					
1946	Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3.75" x 7.5"					
	Exempt Plates "HX"	5.883"x10.111"					
	Exempt Plates "SX"	5.883"x10.111"					
	Exempt Plates "X"	5.883"x10.111"					
	Passenger License Plates	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Truck Plates "Truck"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Bus License Plates "BUS"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Tractor Plates "Tractor"	6.5" x 10.5"					
1947	Dealer Plates "Dealer"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Transit Plates "In Transit"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Motorcycle Plates	3.75" x 7.5"					
	Motorcycle "Side-Car"	3.75" x 7.5"					
	Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3.75" x 7.5"					
	Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Exempt Pits, Other "XC""XD""XF"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Passenger License Plates	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Truck Plates "Truck"	6.5" x 10.5"					
1948	Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Bus License Plates "BUS"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Tractor Plates "Tractor"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Dealer Plates "Dealer"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Transit Plates "In Transit"	6.5" x 10.5"					
	Motorcycle Plates	3.75" x 7.5"					
	Motorcycle "Side-Car"	3.75" x 7.5"					
	Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3.75" x 7.5"					
	Motorcycle Dealer	3.75" x 7.5"					
Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"	6.5" x 10.5"						
Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"	6.5" x 10.5"						
Exempt Pits, Other "XC""XD""XF"	6.5" x 10.5"						
Sample Passenger Truck Tractor	6.5" x 10.5"	55,000	.0372/ea	White on Black			
Passenger License Plates	6.5" x 10.5"	1,648,350	.06394/pr	Gold on Black			AA 10 - JV9999

Numbering Sequence

Dates of Issuance

Color Scheme

Cost

Number Manufactured

Dimensions

Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)

Year

Year	Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence	Dates of Issuance
1948	State Official Passenger Plates	6.5" x 10.5"	300	.06394/pr	Gold on Black	SO 1 - SO300	
	Truck Plates "Truck"	6.5" x 10.5"	340,850	.06394/pr	Gold on Black	MA 10 - NR1199	
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6.5" x 10.5"	176,120	.06394/pr	Gold on Black	RA 10 - RV6299	
	Farm Truck Tractor	6.5" x 10.5"	4,990	.03197/ea	Gold on Black	VR 10 - VR4999	
	Bus License Plates "BUS"	6.5" x 10.5"	3,490	.06394/pr	Gold on Black	SA 10 - SA3499	
	City Bus License Plate "City Bus"	6.5" x 10.5"	9,990	.06394/pr	Gold on Black	SC 10 - SC9999	
	Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6.5" x 10.5"	109,890	.03197/ea	Gold on Black	TA 10 - TM9999	
	Tractor Plates "Tractor"	6.5" x 10.5"	990	.03197/ea	Gold on Black	TT 10 - TT 999	
	Dealer Plates "Dealer"	6.5" x 10.5"	17,580	.03197/ea	Gold on Black	SJ 10 - SK7599	
	Transit Plates "In Transit"	6.5" x 10.5"	2,490	.03197/ea	Gold on Black	XXO	
	Motorcycle Plates	3.75" x 7.5"	39,960	.03197/ea	Gold on Black	YJ 10 - YM9999	
	Motorcycle "Side-Car"	3.75" x 7.5"	290	.03197/ea	Gold on Black	YS 10 - YS 299	
	Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3.75" x 7.5"	No Info Avail	.1451/ea (Aluminum)	No Info Avail	YD 10 - YD 299	
	Motorcycle Dealer	3.75" x 7.5"	290	.03197/ea	No Info Avail	No Info Avail	
	Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"	6.5" x 10.5"	No Info Avail	.2902/pr (Aluminum)	No Info Avail	No Info Avail	
	Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"	6.5" x 10.5"	No Info Avail	.2902/pr	No Info Avail	TT 10 - TT 999	
	Exempt Plts, Other "XC""XD""XF"	6.5" x 10.5"	No Info Avail	.0335/ea	Gold on Black	VA 10 - VC4999	
	Sample Passenger Truck-Tractor	6.5" x 10.5"	200	.0335/ea	Gold on Black	TP 10 - TR9999	
	House Trailer	6.5" x 10.5"	24,970	.0335/ea	Gold on Black	Numbering Patter is the Control Letters Stacked to	
	Passenger License Plates	6.5" x 10.5"	19,980	.07652/pr	Black on Gold	A	
State Official Passenger Plates	6.5" x 10.5"	1,902,000	.07652/pr	Black on Gold	A ###		
Truck Plates "Truck"	6.5" x 10.5"	300	.07652/pr	Black on Gold	Numbers patterned: 10 - 9999		
Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6.5" x 10.5"	405,000	.07652/pr	Black on Gold			
Farm Truck Tractor	6.5" x 10.5"	200,000	.03826/ea	Black on Gold			
Bus License Plates "BUS"	6.5" x 10.5"	5,800	.07652/pr	Black on Gold			
City Bus License Plate "City Bus"	6.5" x 10.5"	10,000	.07652/pr	Black on Gold			
Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6.5" x 10.5"	100,000	.03826/ea	Black on Gold			
Tractor Plates "Tractor"	6.5" x 10.5"	1,200	.03826/ea	Black on Gold			
Dealer Plates "Dealer"	6.5" x 10.5"	15,000	.03826/ea	Black on Gold			
Transit Plates "In Transit"	6.5" x 10.5"	2,800	.03826/ea	Black on Gold			
Motorcycle Plates	3.75" x 7.5"	46,000	.03826/ea	Black on Gold			
Motorcycle "Side-Car"	3.75" x 7.5"	400	.03826/ea	Black on Gold			
Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3.75" x 7.5"	400	.03826/ea	Black on Gold			
Motorcycle Dealer	3.75" x 7.5"						
Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"	6.5" x 10.5"						
Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"	6.5" x 10.5"						
Exempt Plts, Other "XC""XD""XF"	6.5" x 10.5"						
Sample Passenger Truck-Tractor	6.5" x 10.5"						
House Trailer	6.5" x 10.5"						
Overwidth License Plates	6.5" x 10.5"						
Passenger License Plates	6.5" x 10.5"						
State Official Passenger Plates	6.5" x 10.5"						
Truck Plates "Truck"	6.5" x 10.5"						
Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6.5" x 10.5"						
Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck"	6.5" x 10.5"						
Bus License Plates "BUS"	6.5" x 10.5"						
City Bus License Plate "City Bus"	6.5" x 10.5"						
Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6.5" x 10.5"						
Tractor Plates "Tractor"	6.5" x 10.5"						
Dealer Plates "Dealer"	6.5" x 10.5"						
Transit Plates "In Transit"	6.5" x 10.5"						

1949

1950

Year	Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence	Dates of Issuance
1950	Motorcycle Plates	3.75" x 7.5"	35,000	.0491/ea	Gold on Black		
	Motorcycle "Side-Car"	3.75" x 7.5"	250	.0491/ea	Gold on Black		
	Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3.75" x 7.5"			Gold on Black		
	Motorcycle Dealer	3.75" x 7.5"	500	.0491/ea	Gold on Black		
	Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"	6.5" x 10.5"			Gold on Black		
	Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"	6.5" x 10.5"			Gold on Black		
	Exempt Pits, Other "XC""XD""XF"	6.5" x 10.5"			Gold on Black		
	Sample Passenger	6.5" x 10.5"	300	.0491/ea	Gold on Black		
	Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor"	6.5" x 10.5"	32,700	.0491/ea	Gold on Black		
	House Trailer	6.5" x 10.5"	18,900	.0491/ea	Gold on Black		
	Overwidth License Plates	6.5" x 10.5"	2,308,880	pr	Gold on Black		
	Passenger License Plates	6.5" x 10.5"	350	pr	Black on Gold		
	State Official Passenger Plates	6.5" x 10.5"	419,580	pr	Black on Gold		
	Truck Plates "Truck"	6.5" x 10.5"	219,780	pr	Black on Gold		
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6.5" x 10.5"			Black on Gold		
Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck Bus License Plates "BUS"	6.5" x 10.5"	3,490	.0491/ea	Black on Gold			
City Bus License Plate "City Bus"	6.5" x 10.5"	3,290	pr	Black on Gold			
Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6.5" x 10.5"	4,990	pr	Black on Gold			
Tractor Plates "Tractor"	6.5" x 10.5"	125,070	ea	Black on Gold			
Dealer Plates "Dealer"	6.5" x 10.5"	790	ea	Black on Gold			
Transit Plates "In Transit"	6.5" x 10.5"	19,980	ea	Black on Gold			
Motorcycle Plates	3.75" x 7.5"	1,500	ea	Black on Gold			
Motorcycle "Side-Car"	3.75" x 7.5"	39,960	ea	Black on Gold			
Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3.75" x 7.5"	300	ea	Black on Gold			
Motorcycle Dealer	3.75" x 7.5"	490	ea	Black on Gold			
Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"	6.5" x 10.5"			Black on Gold			
Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"	6.5" x 10.5"			Black on Gold			
Exempt Pits, Other "XC""XD""XF"	6.5" x 10.5"			Black on Gold			
Sample Passenger	6.5" x 10.5"	400	ea	Black on Gold			
Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor"	6.5" x 10.5"	39,960	ea	Black on Gold			
House Trailer "House Trailer"	6.5" x 10.5"	29,970	ea	Black on Gold			
Overwidth License Plates	6.5" x 10.5"	990	pr	Black on Gold			
"Overwidth"		2,000	ea	Black on Gold			
	Passenger License Plates				Gold on Black		
	"State Official" Passenger Plates				Gold on Black		
	Truck Plates "Truck"				Gold on Black		
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"				Gold on Black		
	Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck Bus License Plates "BUS"				Gold on Black		
	City Bus License Plate "City Bus"				Gold on Black		
	Trailer Plates "Trailer"				Gold on Black		
	Tractor Plates "Tractor"				Gold on Black		
	Dealer Plates "Dealer"				Gold on Black		
	Transit Plates "In Transit"				Gold on Black		
	Motorcycle Plates				Gold on Black		
	Motorcycle "Side-Car"				Gold on Black		

Numbering Patter is the same for all.
Control Letters Stacked to Left

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Numbers patterned:
10 - 9999

NEW NUMBERING SYSTEM:

Control Letter/Number Combinations and Number
All series w/following Upper and Lower
Combinations of 10-99: 100-999: 1000-9999
Upper:ABCDEFHJKLMNPRSTUVWYZ
Lower:ABCDEFHJKLMNPRSTUVWYZ
Upper: S Lower: O
Upper: 1234
Lower:ABCDEFHJKLMNPRSTUVWXYZ
Upper:5,6
Lower:ABCDEFHJKLMNPRSTUVWXYZ
Upper: 9 Lower: L
Upper: 8 Lower: AB
Upper: 8 Lower: C
Upper: 7
Lower: ABCDEFHJKLMNPRSTUVWXYZ
Upper: 9 Lower: M
Upper: 8 Lower: JKL
Upper: 8 Lower: E
Upper: 9 Lower: NPRST
Upper: 8 Lower: U10-9990

Year	Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence	Dates of Issuance		
1952	Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X" Motorcycle Dealer	3.75" x 7.5"	8,000,000		Black on Gold	Upper: X Lower: Y 10-999			
	Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"	3.75" x 7.5"			Gold on Black	Upper: 8 Lower: M 10-9990			
	Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"	6.5" x 10.5"			Black on Gold	Upper: X Lower: H			
	Exempt Pits, Other "XC""XD""XF"	6.5" x 10.5"			Black on Gold	Upper: X Lower: S			
	Sample Passenger	6.5" x 10.5"			Black on Gold	Upper: X Lower: ABCD			
	Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor"	6.5" x 10.5"			Gold on Black	Upper: 9 Lower: EFHJK			
	House Trailer "House Trailer"	6.5" x 10.5"			Gold on Black	Upper: 9 Lower: ABCD			
	Overwidth License Plates	6.5" x 10.5"			Gold on Black				
	Passenger License Plates	6" x 10.5"			Black on Gold				
	"State Official" Passenger Plates Truck Plates "Truck"	6" x 10.5"			Black on Gold	.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: S Lower: O Upper: 1234	Upper: ABCDEFHJKLMNPRSTUVWVWYZ Lower: ABCDEFHJKLMNPRSTUVWVWYZ
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6" x 10.5"			Black on Gold	.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: 5,6	Lower: ABCDEFHJKLMNPRSTUVWVWYZ
	1953	Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck Bus License Plates "BUS"			6" x 10.5"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: 9 Lower: L
City Bus License Plate "City Bus" Trailer Plates "Trailer"		6" x 10.5"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: 8 Lower: AB Upper: 8 Lower: C Upper: 7			
Tractor Plates "Tractor" Dealer Plates "Dealer"		6" x 10.5"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: 9 Lower: M			
Transit Plates "In Transit"		6" x 10.5"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: 8 Lower: JKL			
Motorcycle Plates		3.75" x 7.5"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: 8 Lower: E			
Motorcycle "Side-Car"		3.75" x 7.5"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: 9 Lower: NPRST			
Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X" Motorcycle Dealer		3.75" x 7.5"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: 8 Lower: U10-9990			
Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"		6" x 10.5"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: X Lower: Y 10-999			
Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"		6" x 10.5"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: 8 Lower: M 10-9990			
Exempt Pits, Other "XC""XD""XF"		6" x 10.5"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: X Lower: H			
Sample Passenger		6" x 10.5"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: X Lower: S			
Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor" House Trailer "House Trailer"		6" x 10.5"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: X Lower: ABCD			
Overwidth License Plates	6" x 10.5"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold	Upper: 9 Lower: EFHJK Upper: 9 Lower: ABCD				
1954	Motorscooter	2" x 4.75"		.0535357/ea	Black on Gold				
	Passenger License Plates	6" x 10.5"	2,677,320	.109612/pr	Gold on Black	AA 10 - PE9999, inc. SO 1 - SO 350			
	"State Official" Passenger Plates Truck Plates "Truck"	6" x 10.5"	350	.109612/pr	Gold on Black	1A 10 - 3D2674			
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6" x 10.5"	462,195	.109612/pr	Gold on Black	5A 10 - 6J3899			
	Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck Bus License Plates "BUS"	6" x 10.5"	283,610	.109612/pr	Gold on Black	9L 10 - 9L3204			
	City Bus License Plate "City Bus" Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6" x 10.5"	3,195	.054806/ea	Gold on Black	8A 10 - 8A3299			
	Tractor Plates "Tractor" Dealer Plates "Dealer"	6" x 10.5"	5,990	.109612/pr	Gold on Black	8C 10 - 8C5999			
	Transit Plates "In Transit"	6" x 10.5"	162,680	.109612/pr	Gold on Black	7A 10 - 7U2849			
	Motorcycle Plates	3.75" x 7.5"	990	.054806/ea	Gold on Black	9M 10 - 9M 999			
	Motorcycle "Side-Car"	3.75" x 7.5"	23,315	.054806/ea	Gold on Black	8J 10 - 8L3344			
	Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X" Motorcycle Dealer	3.75" x 7.5"	39,480	.054806/ea	Gold on Black	8N 10 - 8S9569			

Year	Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence	Dates of Issuance
1954	Motorcycle Plates f/Motorscooters	3" x 5.5"	19,980		Gold on Black	8T 10 - 8U9999	
	Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"	6" x 10.5"			Gold on Black	Upper: X Lower: H	
	Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"	6" x 10.5"			Gold on Black	Upper: X Lower: S	
	Exempt Plts, Other "XC""XD""XF"	6" x 10.5"			Gold on Black	Upper:X Lower: ABCD	
	Sample Passenger	6" x 10.5"	400	.054806/ea	Gold on Black	XX0000	
	Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor"	6" x 10.5"	45,495	.054806/ea	Gold on Black	Upper: 9 Lower: EFHJK	
	House Trailer "House Trailer"	6" x 10.5"	35,545		Gold on Black	9A 10 - 9D5584	
	Overwidth License Plates	6" x 10.5"			Gold on Black		
	"Overwidth"						
	"Amateur Radio Opr" Plate	6" x 10.5"			Gold on Black		
	Passenger License Plates	6" x 10.5"	2,807,190	.1063272/pr	Black on Gold	AA 10 - PV 9999	
	"State Official" Passenger Plates	6" x 10.5"	350	.1063272/pr	Black on Gold	SO 1 - SO 350	
	Truck Plates "Truck"	6" x 10.5"	489,510	.1063272/pr	Black on Gold	1A 10 - 3F 9999	
	"Truck" Replacement Plate	6" x 10.5"			Black on Light Green	3Z 0000	
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6" x 10.5"	289,710	.1063272/pr	Black on Gold	5A 10 - 6J 9999	
	Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck	6" x 10.5"	3,140	.0531636/ea	Black on Gold	9L 10 - 9L3149	
	Bus License Plates "BUS"	6" x 10.5"	3,290	.1063272/pr	Black on Gold	8A 10 - 8A 3299	
	City Bus License Plate "City Bus"	6" x 10.5"	5,990	.1063272/pr	Black on Gold	8C 10 - 8C 5999	
	Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6" x 10.5"	169,830	.0531636/ea	Black on Gold	7A 10 - 7U 9999	
	"Trailer" Replacement Plate	6" x 10.5"			Black on Light Green	7Z 0000	
Tractor Plates "Tractor"	6" x 10.5"	990	.0531636/ea	Black on Gold	9M 10 - 9M 999		
Dealer Plates "Dealer"	6" x 10.5"	23,839	.0531636/ea	Black on Gold	8J 10 - 8L 3868		
Transit Plates "In Transit"	6" x 10.5"			Black on Gold	8E - 10		
Motorcycle Plates	3.75" x 7.5"	39,960	.0531636/ea	Black on Gold	8N 10 - 8S 9999		
Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3.75" x 7.5"			Black on White	XY 10 - 9999		
Motorcycle Dealer	3.75" x 7.5"	590	.0531636/ea	Black on White	8M 10 - 8M 599		
Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"	6" x 10.5"			Black on White	XH 0000		
Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"	6" x 10.5"			Black on White	XS 0000		
Exempt Plts, Other "XC""XD""XF"	6" x 10.5"			Black on White	XF 0000		
Sample Passenger	6" x 10.5"	400	.0531636/ea	Black on Gold	XX 0000		
Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor"	6" x 10.5"	46,350	.0531636/ea	Black on Gold	9E 10 - 9K 6399		
"Truck Tractor" Replacement Plate	6" x 10.5"			Black on Light Green	9Z 000		
House Trailer "House Trailer"	6" x 10.5"	33,960	.0531636/ea	Black on Gold	9A 10 - 9D 3999		
Overwidth License Plates	6" x 10.5"			Black on Gold			
"Overwidth"							
"Amateur Radio Opr" Plate	6" x 10.5"			Black on Gold	W5 ABC		
Factory Delivery Cardboard Plate	6" x 10.5"			Black on White	8F 0000		
Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Transport	6" x 10.5"			Black on White	8J 0000		
Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Purchaser	6" x 10.5"			Black on White	8J 0000		
Passenger License Plates	6" x 12"	3,116,880	.112/pr	Gold on Black	Beginning 1956 all Control Letters "Unstacked"		
"State Official" Passenger Plates	6" x 12"	350	.112/pr	Gold on Black	AA 10 - SF 9999		
Truck Plates "Truck"	6" x 12"	519,480	.112/pr	Gold on Black	SO 1 - SO 350		
"Truck" Replacement Plate	6" x 12"	12,980	.112/pr	Gold on Black	1A 10 - 3K 9999		
Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6" x 12"			Gold on Black	4X 10 - 4X 9999		
Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck	6" x 12"	309,690	.112/pr	Gold on Black	4Y 10 - 4Y 2999		
Bus License Plates "BUS"	6" x 12"	2,851	.056/ea	Gold on Black	5A 10 - 6L 9999		
City Bus License Plate "City Bus"	6" x 12"	2,990	.112/pr	Gold on Black	9L 10 - 9L 2860		
Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6" x 12"	4,440	.112/pr	Gold on Black	8A 10 - 8A 2999		
"Trailer" Replacement Plate	6" x 12"	189,810	.056/ea	Gold on Black	8C 10 - 8C 4449		
Tractor Plates "Tractor"	6" x 12"	5,990	.056/ea	Gold on Black	7A 10 - 7W 9999		
Dealer Plates "Dealer"	6" x 12"	990	.056/ea	Gold on Black	8Y 10 - 8Y 5999		
Transit Plates "In Transit"	6" x 12"	25,685	.056/ea	Gold on Black	9M 10 - 9M 999		
	6" x 12"		.056/ea	Gold on Black	8H 10 - 8K 5714		
	6" x 12"		.056/ea	Gold on Black	8E 10 - 8E 9990		

Year	Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence	Dates of Issuance
1956	Motorcycle Plates	3" x 5.5"	35,960	.056/ea	Gold on Black	8N 10 - 8S 5999	
	Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3" x 5.5"				XY 10 - XY 9990	
	Motorcycle Dealer	3" x 5.5"	590	.056/ea	Gold on Black	8M 10 - 8M 599	
	Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"	6" x 12"				XH 10 - XH 9990	
	Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"	6" x 12"				XS 10 - XS 9990	
	Exempt Pits, Other "XC""XD""XF"	6" x 12"				XA 10 - XL 9999	
	Sample Passenger	6" x 12"	400	.056/ea	Gold on Black	XX 0000	
	Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor"	6" x 12"	45,750	.056/ea	Gold on Black	9E 10 - 9K 5799	
	"Truck Tractor" Replacement Plate	6" x 12"	2,990			9Z 10 - 9X 2999	
	House Trailer "House Trailer"	6" x 12"	27,870	.056/ea	Gold on Black	9A 10 - 9C 7899	
	"Amateur Radio Opr" Plate	6" x 12"				8F 10 - 8F 9990	
	Factory Delivery Cardboard Plate	6" x 12"					
	Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Transport	6" x 12"					
	Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Purchaser	6" x 12"					
	Passenger License Plates	6" x 12"					
	"State Official" Passenger Plates	6" x 12"					
Truck Plates "Truck"	6" x 12"	3,658,330	.1188/pr	Black on White	AA 10 - UU 1999		
"Truck" Replacement Plate	6" x 12"	350	.1188/pr	Black on White	SO 1 - SO 359		
		644,700	.1188/pr	Black on White	1A 10 - EZ 5349		
		12,980	.1188/pr	Black on Light Green	4Z 10 - 4Z 9999		
					4Y 10 - 4Y 2999		
					5A 10 - 6E 7874		
Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6" x 12"	257,615	.1188/pr	Black on White	9A 10 - 9A 2397		
Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck Trac"	6" x 12"	2,388	.0594/ea	Black on White	9V 10 - 9V 2381		
Bus License Plates "BUS"	6" x 12"	2,372	.1188/pr	Black on White	9W 10 - 9W 4214		
City Bus License Plate "City Bus"	6" x 12"	4,205	.1188/pr	Black on White	7A 10 - 8D 9999		
Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6" x 12"	239,760	.0594/ea	Black on White	7Z 10 - 7Z 7999		
"Trailer" Replacement Plate	6" x 12"	7,990	.0594/ea	Black on Light Green	9U 10 - 9U 764		
Tractor Plates "Tractor"	6" x 12"	755	.0594/ea	Black on White	9N 10 - 9R 8094		
Dealer Plates "Dealer"	6" x 12"	28,065	.0594/ea	Black on White			
Transit Plates "In Transit"	6" x 12"						
Motorcycle Plates	3" X 5.5"	37,961	.0594/ea	Black on White	9H 10 - 9L 8000		
Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3" X 5.5"	654	.0594/ea	Black on White	9T 10 - 9T 663		
Motorcycle Dealer							
Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"							
Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"							
Exempt Pits, Other "XC""XD""XF"							
Sample Passenger	6" x 12"	400	.0594/ea	Black on White	XX 0000		
Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor"	6" x 12"	49,950	.0594/ea	Black on White	8T 10 - 8X 9999		
"Truck Tractor" Replacement Plate	6" x 12"	2,990	.0594/ea	Black on Light Green	8Z 10 - 8Z 2999		
House Trailer "House Trailer"	6" x 12"	32,406	.0594/ea	Black on White	9B 10 - 9E 2445		
"Amateur Radio Opr" Plate							
Factory Delivery Cardboard Plate							
Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Transport							
Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Purchaser							
Passenger License Plates							
"State Official" Passenger Plates							
Truck Plates "Truck"	6" x 12"	3,606,390	.1186/pr	White on Black	AA 10 - UM 9999		
"Truck" Replacement Plate	6" x 12"	350	.1186/pr	White on Black	SO 1 - SO 350		
	6" x 12"	662,330	.1186/pr	White on Black	1A 10 - 4B 2999		
	6" x 12"	12,980	.1186/pr		4Z 10 - 4Z 9999		
	6" x 12"				4Y 10 - 4Y 2999		
	6" X 12"	251,240	.1186/pr	White on Black	5A 10 - 6E 1499		
Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6" X 12"	2,427	.0593/ea	White on Black	9A 10 - 9A 2436		
Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck Trac"	6" X 12"	2,441	.1186/pr	White on Black	9V 10 - 9V 2450		
Bus License Plates "BUS"	6" X 12"	3,931	.1186/pr	White on Black	9W 10 - 9W 3931		
City Bus License Plate "City Bus"	6" X 12"	269,730	.0593/ea	White on Black	7A 10 - 8H 9999		
Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6" X 12"	7,990	.0593/ea	White on Black	7Z 10 - 7Z 7999		
"Trailer" Replacement Plate	6" X 12"	990	.0593/ea	White on Black	9U 10 - 9U 999		
Tractor Plates "Tractor"							

1958

Year	Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence	Dates of Issuance
1958	Dealer Plates "Dealer"	6" X 12"	29,970	.0593/ea	White on Black	9N 10 - 9R 9999	
	Transit Plates "In Transit"	3" X 5.5"	41,596	.0593/ea	White on Black	9H 10 - 9M 1645	
	Motorcycle Plates	3" X 5.5"	730	.0593/ea	White on Black	9T 10 - 9T 739	
	Exempt Motorcycle Dealer	6" X 12"	400	.0593/ea		XX 0000	
	Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"	6" X 12"	59,413	.0593/ea		8R 10 - 8W 9472	
	Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"	6" X 12"	2,990	.0593/ea		8Z 10 - 8Z 2999	
	Exempt Plts, Other "XC""XD""XF"	6" X 12"	35,285	.0593/ea		9B 10 - 9E 5324	
	Sample Passenger						
	"Truck Tractor" Replacement Plate						
	"Truck Tractor" Replacement Plate						
1959	House Trailer "House Trailer"	6" x 12"	3,604,615	.1224/pr	Black on White	AA 10 - UM 8224	
	"Amateur Radio Opr" Plate	6" x 12"	350	.1224/pr	Black on White	SO 1 - SO 350	
	Factory Delivery Cardboard Plate	6" x 12"	662,955	.1224/pr	Black on White	1A 10 - 4B 3624	
	Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Transport	6" x 12"	12,980	.1224/pr		4Z 10 - 4Z 999	
	Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Purchaser	6" X 12"	225,995	.1224/pr	Black on White	4Y 10 - 4Y 2999	
	Passenger License Plates	6" X 12"	2,417	.0612/ea	Black on White	5A 10 - 6B 6224	
	"State Official" Passenger Plates	6" X 12"	1,991	.1224/pr	Black on White	9A 10 - 9A 2426	
	Truck Plates "Truck"	6" X 12"	3,087	.1224/pr	Black on White	9V 10 - 9V 2000	
	"Truck" Replacement Plate	6" X 12"	291,750	.0612/ea	Black on White	9W 10 - 9W 3096	
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6" x 12"	6,990	.0612/ea	Black on White	7A 10 8L 2049	
	Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck"	6" X 12"	1,483	.0612/ea	Black on White	7Z 10 - 7Z 6999	
	Bus License Plates "BUS"	6" X 12"	31,565	.0612/ea	Black on White	9U 10 - 9U 1492	
	City Bus License Plate "City Bus"	3" X 5.5"	47,406	.0612/ea	Black on White	9N 10 - 9S 1604	
	Trailer Plates "Trailer"	3" X 5.5"	774	.0612/ea	Black on White	9T 10 - 9T 783	
	"Trailer" Replacement Plate						
	Tractor Plates "Tractor"						
	Dealer Plates "Dealer"						
	Transit Plates "In Transit"						
	Motorcycle Plates						
	Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"						
	Motorcycle Dealer						
	Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"						
	Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"						
Exempt Plts, Other "XC""XD""XF"							
Sample Passenger							
Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor"	6" X 12"	400	.0612/ea	Black on White	XX 0000		
"Truck Tractor" Replacement Plate	6" X 12"	2,990	.0612/ea	Black on White	8Z 10 - 8Z 2999		
House Trailer "House Trailer"	6" X 12"	38,710	.0612/ea	Black on White	9B 10 - 9E 8749		
"Amateur Radio Opr" Plate	6" x 12"	2,920	.0612/ea	Black on White			
Factory Delivery Cardboard Plate							
Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Transport	6" x 12"	6 pairs	.1224/pr	Black on White	Numbered 1 - 6		
Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Purchaser	6" x 12"	45 pairs	.1224/pr	Black on White	Numbered 1 - 45		
U.S. Senate License Plates	6" x 12"	100	.0612/ea	Black on White	1 PAR - 100 PAR		
U. S. House License Plates	6" x 12"	2800	.0612/ea	Black on White	1000 - 3799		
Parade Vehicle License Plates	3" X 5.5"	9,500,000	.0617/ea	Black on White			
Passenger License Plates							
"State Official" Passenger Plates							
Truck Plates "Truck"							
"Truck" Replacement Plate							
Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"							

Year Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.) Dimensions Number Manufactured Cost Color Scheme Numbering Sequence Dates of Issuance

1960 Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck Trac"
 Bus License Plates "BUS"
 City Bus License Plate "City Bus"
 Trailer Plates "Trailer"
 "Trailer" Replacement Plate
 Tractor Plates "Tractor"
 Dealer Plates "Dealer"
 Transit Plates "In Transit"
 Motorcycle Plates
 Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"
 Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"
 Exempt Plts, Other "XC""XD""XF"
 Sample Passenger
 Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor"
 "Truck Tractor" Replacement Plate
 House Trailer "House Trailer"
 "Amateur Radio Opr" Plate
 Factory Delivery Cardboard Plate
 Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Transport
 Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Purchaser
 U.S. Senate License Plates
 U. S. House License Plates
 Parade Vehicle License Plates

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 Passenger License Plates
 "State Official" Passenger Plates
 Truck Plates "Truck"
 "Truck" Replacement Plate
 Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"
 Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck
 Bus License Plates "BUS"
 City Bus License Plate "City Bus"
 Trailer Plates "Trailer"
 "Trailer" Replacement Plate
 Tractor Plates "Tractor"
 Dealer Plates "Dealer"
 Transit Plates "In Transit"
 Motorcycle Plates
 Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"
 Motorcycle Dealer
 Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"
 Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"
 Exempt Plts, Other "XC""XD""XF"
 Sample Passenger
 Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor"
 "Truck Tractor" Replacement Plate
 House Trailer "House Trailer"
 "Amateur Radio Opr" Plate
 Factory Delivery Cardboard Plate
 Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Transport
 Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Purchaser

Year	Product (plate type, seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence	Dates of Issuance
1963	U. S. Senate License Plates	6" x 12"	3,901,090	.122116/pr	Black on White	AA 10 - VW 4999	
	U. S. House License Plates	6" x 12"	450	.122116/pr	Black on White	SO 1 - SO 450	
	Parade Vehicle License Plates	6" x 12"	745,250	.122116/pr	Black on White	1A 10 - 4K 5999	
	Passenger License Plates	6" x 12"	12,980	.122116/pr	Black on White	7Z 10 - 7Z 9999	
	"State Official" Passenger Plates					7Y 10 - 7Y 2999	
	Truck Plates "Truck"					8A 10 - 9C 999	
	"Truck" Replacement Plate					L 10 - L 3309	
	Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6" x 12"	249,750	.122116/pr	Black on White	12F 10 - 99F 999	
	Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck	6" x 12"	3,300	.061058/ea	Black on White	12T 10 - 99T 999	
	"Farm Trailer" License Plates	6" x 12"	174,240	.061058/ea	Black on White	12C 10 - 99C 999	
	Bus License Plates "BUS"	6" x 12"	2,218	.122116/pr	Black on White	T 10 - T 2226	
	City Bus License Plate "City Bus"	6" x 12"	3,149	.122116/pr	Black on White	U 10 - U 3158	
	Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6" x 12"	392,360	.061058/ea	Black on White	A 10 - D 92399	
	"Trailer" Replacement Plate	6" x 12"	7,000	.061058/ea	Black on White	H 80000 - H 86999	
Tractor Plates "Tractor"	6" x 12"	6,992	.061058/ea	Black on White	S 10 - S 7001		
Dealer Plates "Dealer"	6" x 12"	30,078	.061058/ea	Black on White	P 10 - P 30077		
Transit Plates "In Transit"	6" x 12"						
Motorcycle Plates	3" x 5.5"	58,985	.061058/ea	Black on White	9R 10 - 9W 9044		
Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3" x 5.5"						
Motorcycle Dealer	3" x 5.5"	1,652	.061058/ea	Black on White	9Z 10 - 9Z 8651		
Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"	6" x 12"						
Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"	6" x 12"						
Exempt Pits, Other "XC""XD""XF"	6" x 12"						
Sample Passenger	6" x 12"	400	.061058/ea	Black on White	XX 0000		
Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor"	6" x 12"	63,530	.061058/ea	Black on White	J 10 - J 63539		
"Truck Tractor" Replacement Plate	6" x 12"	3,000	.061058/ea	Black on White	K 90000 - K 92999		
House Trailer "House Trailer"	6" x 12"	36,618	.061058/ea	Black on White	M 10 - M 36627		
"Amateur Radio Opr" Plate	6" x 12"						
Factory Delivery Cardboard Plate	6" x 12"						
Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Transport	6" x 12"						
Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Purchaser	6" x 12"						
U. S. Senate License Plates	6" x 12"	6	.122116/pr	Black on White	numbered 1 - 6		
U. S. House License Plates	6" x 12"	45	.122116/pr	Black on White	numbered 1 - 45		
Parade Vehicle License Plates	6" x 12"	50	.061058/ea	Black on White	1 Par - 50 Par		
Prorate License Plates	6" x 12"	5,000	.061058/ea	Black on White	1000 - 5999		
Machinery License Plates	6" x 12"	28,710	.061058/ea	Black on White	12M - 10 - 40M 999		
Disaster License Plate	6" x 12"	990	.061058/ea	Black on White	12D 10 - 12D 999		
Test Car License Plate	6" x 12"	115	.061058/ea	Black on White	numbered 10 - 124		
Antique License Plates	6" x 12"	792	.122116/pr	Black on White	A 01 - J 99		
Passenger License Plates	6" x 12"	4,105,890	.097528/pr	White on Black	AA 10 - WU 9999		
"State Official" Passenger Plates	6" x 12"	450	.097528/pr	White on Black	SO 1 - SO 450		
Truck Plates "Truck"	6" x 12"	793,200	.097528/pr	White on Black	1A 10 - 4R 3999		
"Truck" Replacement Plate	6" x 12"	13,980	.097528/pr	White on Black	7Z 10 - 7Y 3999		
Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6" x 12"	247,900	.097528/pr	White on Black	8A 10 - 9C 8149		
Farm Truck Tractor "Farm Truck	6" x 12"	3,389	.048764/ea	White on Black	L 10 - L 3393		
"Farm Trailer" License Plates	6" x 12"	192,060	.048764/ea	White on Black	12F 10 - 99F 999		
Bus License Plates "BUS"	6" x 12"	2,203	.097528/pr	White on Black	12T 10 - 99T 999		
City Bus License Plate "City Bus"	6" x 12"	3,255	.097528/pr	White on Black	T 10 - T 2212		
Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6" x 12"	395,935	.048764/ea	White on Black	U 10 - U 3264		
					A 10 - D 95074		

Year	Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence	Dates of Issuance
1965	Sample Passenger	6" x 12"	400	0.031105	Black on White	SAM 000	
	Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor"	6" x 12"	65,855	0.031105	Black on White	J 10 - J 65864	
	"Truck Tractor" Replacement Plate	6" x 12"	3,000	0.031105	Black on White	K 90000 - K 92999	
	House Trailer "House Trailer"	6" x 12"	38,284	0.031105	Black on White	M 10 - M 38293	
	"Amateur Radio Opr" Plate	6" x 12"					
	Factory Delivery Cardboard Plate	6" x 12"					
	Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Transport	6" x 12"					
	Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Purchaser	6" x 12"					
	U.S. Senate License Plates	6" x 12"	6	.06221/pr	Black on White	numbered 1 - 6	
	U. S. House License Plates	6" x 12"	45	.06221/pr	Black on White	numbered 1-45	
	Parade Vehicle License Plates	6" x 12"	50	0.031105	Black on White	1 PAR - 50 PAR	
	Prorate License Plates	6" x 12"	5,000	0.031105	Black on White	1,000-5999	
	Machinery License Plates	6" x 12"	26,730	0.031105	Black on White	12M 10 - 38M 999	
	Disaster License Plate	6" x 12"	290	0.031105	Black on White	12D 10 - 12D 299	
	Test Car License Plate	6" x 12"	115	0.031105	Black on White	10 - 124	
	Antique License Plates	6" x 12"					
	Supplemental	6" x 12"	500	0.031105	Black on White	P 2000 - P 2499	
	Soil Conservation Permit (Oil)	6" x 12"	990	0.031105	Black on White	12S 10 - 12S 999	
	Passenger License Plates	6" x 12"	14,850	0.031105	Black on White	12P 10 - 26P 999	
"State Official" Passenger Plates	6" x 12"	4,718,340	pr	Black on White	BBB 10 - PYK 999		
"Truck Plates "Truck"	6" x 12"	550	pr		SO 1 - SO 550		
"Truck" Replacement Plate	6" x 12"	1,009,605	pr		1A 10 - 5R 624		
Farm Truck Plates "Farm Truck"	6" x 12"	15,477	pr		7Z 10 - 7Y 5496		
Farm Tractor "Farm Truck Trac"	6" x 12"	273,020	pr		8A 10 - 9F 3299		
"Farm Trailer" License Plates	6" x 12"	3,481	ea		L 10 - L 3490		
Bus License Plates "BUS"	6" x 12"	1,860	pr		12F 10 - 95T 899		
City Bus License Plate "City Bus"	6" x 12"	2,033	pr		T 10 - T 1869		
Trailer Plates "Trailer"	6" x 12"	374,585	ea		U 10 - U 2042		
Special Trailer (10-18)	6" x 12"	28,409	ea		A 10 - D 76424		
Special Trailer 10-18 Replacement	6" x 12"	4,396	ea		Y 10 - Y 28418		
Special Trailer (18-32)	6" x 12"	68,266	ea		Y90000 - Y 94395		
Special Trailer 18-32 Replacement	6" x 12"	6,001	ea		Z 10 - Z 68275		
Tractor Plates "Tractor"	6" x 12"	4,074	ea		Z 90000 - Z 96000		
Master Dealer	6" x 12"	13,000	ea		S 10 - S 4083		
Supplemental Dealer	6" x 12"				P 4000 - P 16999		
Transit Plates "In Transit"	6" x 12"	58,953	ea		9R 10 - 9W 9012		
Motorcycle Plates	3" x 5.5"				P 10 - P 599		
Exempt Motorcycle Plates "X"	3" x 5.5"	590	ea				
Motorcycle Dealer	3" x 5.5"						
Exempt Hwy Dept Plates "XH"	6" x 12"						
Exempt State Agency Plates "XS"	6" x 12"						
Exempt Plts, Other "XC""XD""XF"	6" x 12"						
Sample Passenger	6" x 12"	500	ea		XXX 500		
Truck Tractor Plates "Truck Tractor"	6" x 12"	66,720	ea		J 10 - J 66729		
"Truck Tractor" Replacement Plate	6" x 12"	3,135	ea		K90000 - K93134		
House Trailer "House Trailer"	6" x 12"	40,757	ea		M 10 - M 40766		
"Amateur Radio Opr" Plate	6" x 12"						
Factory Delivery Cardboard Plate	6" x 12"						
Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Transport	6" x 12"						
Cardboard Dealer Plate f/Purchaser	6" x 12"						
U.S. Senate License Plates	6" x 12"	6	pr		numbered 1 - 6		
U. S. House License Plates	6" x 12"	45	pr		numbered 1 - 45		
Parade Vehicle License Plates	6" x 12"	50	ea		1 PAR - 50 PAR		

Year	Product (plate type; seal; sticker, etc.)	Dimensions	Number Manufactured	Cost	Color Scheme	Numbering Sequence	Dates of Issuance
1966	Prorate License Plates	6" x 12"	9,000	ea		1000 - 9999	
	Machinery License Plates	6" x 12"	20,033	ea		12M 10 - 32M 242	
	Disaster License Plate	6" x 12"	390	ea		12D 10 - 12D 399	
	Test Car License Plate	6" x 12"	90	ea		Oct-99	
	Antique License Plates	6" x 12"					
	Supplemental	6" x 12"	300	ea		P 2000 - P 2299	
1967	Supplemental	6" x 12"	16,000	ea		P 40000 - P 55999	
	Soil Conservation	6" x 12"	1,777	ea		12S 10 - 13S 796	
	Permit (Oil)	6" x 12"	6,627	ea		12P 10 - 18P 696	
*1968							
<p>*The following Production Schedules are Reported by Fiscal Year: Sept 1 thru Aug 31. This accounts for the overlapping of plate years with production schedule year.</p>							
	Basic Order		13,746,965				
	In Transit		790				
	Radio Operator		3,844				
	Additional 1967 Plates		200				
	Additional 1967 Plates		396				
	Additional 1967 Plates		14,000				
	Personalized Plates		48,843				
	Personalized Plates		3,704				
	Additional 1967 Plates		9,999				
	Additional 1967 Plates		6,000				
	Personalized Plates		1,368				
	Additional 1967 Plates		3,000				
	Additional 1967 Plates		4,000				
	Personalized Plates		428				
*1969	TOTAL PRODUCTION F/1967		13,843,547				
<p>Information taken from 1968 Production Schedule: Reporting style differs from previous years. Uncertain of reason from multiple listing of like plates on production schedule; probably order placed at different time using different order number.</p>							
	Basic Order		13,673,369				
	State Official 1968		48				
	Antique 1968-73		198				
	Prorate 1968		3,000				
	Antique 1968-73		396				
	Personalized - 1968		56,080				
	Prorate 1968		4,000				
	Motorcycle - 1968		11,075				
	House Trailer - 1968		5,000				
	Personalized - 1968		5,494				
	House Trailer - 1968		3,000				
	Trailer - 1968		10,000				
	House Trailer - 1968		500				
	House Trailer - 1967		500				
	Motorcycle - 1968		4,990				
	House Trailer - 1967		5,000				
	Dealer - 1968		500				
	House Trailer - 1968		5,000				
	Trailer - 1968		4,000				
	Motorcycle - 1968		2,500				

.176661/ea

.06253/ea regular
.222457/ea personalized reflectorized plates

.210973/ea f both types: all plates become reflectorized.

*1969

Dealer - 1968 500
 Prorate 1968 5,000
 Personalized - 1968 1,321
 In-Transit -1968 790
 Personalized - 1968 157

TOTAL PRODUCTION F/1968

13,802,418

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6" x 12" License
 4" X 7"

.211898/ea

*1970

Back Order - 1969 31,702
 Regular Order - 1970 14,049,562
 Sample Passenger - 1970 500
 Radio Operator - 1969 3,800
 Supplemental Dealer - 1969 1,000
 In Transit - 1970 790
 Supplemental Dealer - 1969 1,000
 Personalized - 1969 68,341
 Additional - 1969 3,500
 Additional Prorate - 1969 2,000
 Additional House Trailer - 1969 3,000
 Additional House Trailer - 1969 3,000
 Additional Truck - 1969 39,960
 Additional House Trailer and Prorate - 1969 5,000
 Additional House Trailer - 1969 3,000
 Personalized - 1969 4,199
 Additional Truck Tractor - 1969 2,000
 Additional Trailer, House Trailer, & Motorcycle - 1969 20,000
 Additional Truck & House Trailer -1969 45,022
 Additional Supplemental Dealer -1969 5,000
 Additional Passenger & Trailer -1969 600
 Additional Passenger & Truck -1969 56,580
 Personalized - 1969 119,340
 Additional Motorcycle - 1969 935
 Additional Trailer - 1969 7,500
 Additional House Trailer - 1969 7,000
 Additional Passenger - 1969 8,000
 Additional Prorate - 1969 39,600
 Personalized - 1969 500
 Personalized - 1969 143

14,532,574

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.215015/ea

*1971

Regular Order - 1971 15,261,795
 Additional Master Dealer - 1970 1,000
 Additional Supplemental Dealer -1970 3,000
 Additional Trailer #6 - 1970 10,000

*1971

Additional Trailer #6A - 1970	4,000
Additional House Trailer - 1970	3,000
Radio Operator - 1970	3,818
Personalized 1st Qtr. - 1970	75,420
Additional Motorcycle - 1970	5,000
Additional Truck, Trailer, and Supplemental Dealer - 1970	46,660
Additional Motorcycle - 1970	15,000
Additional House Trailer - 1970	19,800
Additional Trailer #6 - 1970	15,000
Additional Trailer #6 - 1970	20,200
Additional Farm Truck, Truck Tractor & motorcycle - 1970	16,000
Add. City Bus & Motorcycle 1970	15,400
Personalized 2nd Qtr. 1970	2,430
Add. Passenger, Trailer, Farm Trailer & Machinery 1970	115,810
Add. Truck, Trailer, House Trailer 1970	69,960
Add. Passenger, Truck - 1970	117,060
Add. Farm Trailer - 1970	3,960
Add. House Trailer - 1970	10,000
Additional Motorcycle - 1970	9,300
Personalized 3rd Qtr - 1970	728
Personalized 4th Qtr - 1970	86
Add. Supplemental Dealer - 1970	500
Add. Passenger & Truck - 1969	49,680
Add. Passenger - 1969	29,700
Additional Motorcycle - 1969	3,000
Add. House Trailer - 1969	1,500
Add. House Trailer - 1969	500
Add. House Trailer - 1969	500
TOTAL PRODUCTION F/1970	15,929,807

*1972

Information taken from 1971 Production Schedule: Reporting style differs from previous years.
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.221273/EA
 Transparent Green on white
 reflective sheeting - reg plates
 Transparent blue on white
 reflective sheeting - personalized

Regular Order - 1972	15,541,734
Additional Trailer & House Trailer - 1971	30,000
Add. Supplemental Dealer - 1971	500
Add. Truck & Trailer - 1971	22,980
Personalized 3rd Qtr. - 1971	1,198
Additional Trailer - 1971	10,000
Additional Master Dealer - 1971	400
Add. Supplemental Dealer - 1971	500
Additional Motorcycle - 1971	19,000
Additional Truck - 1970	12,000
Additional Passenger - 1970	29,700
Additional Antique	792
Add. House Trailer - 1970	5,000
Personalized 1st Qtr. 1- 1971	76,161
Additional Motorcycle - 1971	23,210
Add. Supplemental Dealer - 1971	1,000
Additional Trailer - 1971	2,000

*1972

Additional Motorcycle - 1971 15,000
 Additional Trailer - 1971 15,000
 Additional House Trailer - 1971 5,000
 Personalized 2nd Qtr - 1971 5,573
 Add. Master Dealer - 1971 2,000
 Add. Trailer & House Trailer 1971 5,000
 Additional Dealer - 1971 3,000
 Back Order, State Judge; Master Dealer; Supplemental Dealer; 1971

*1973

TOTAL PRODUCTION F/1972 33,168
 Information taken from 1972 Production Schedule: Reporting style differs from previous years. **15,859,916**
 Uncertain of reason from multiple listing of like plates on production schedule; probably order placed at different time using different order number.

.225461/ea
 Transparent Black on white reflective sheeting - reg plates
 Transparent red on white reflective sheeting - personalized

*1974

Add. Motorcycle Dealer - 1971 25
 Add. Motorcycle - 1971 2,900
 Add. Passenger - 1971 29,120
 Add. Dealer - 1972 8,400
 Add. Truck & House Trailer - 1971 15,350
 Add. House Trailer - 1971 2,000
 Add. House Trailer - 1971 1,500
 Add. House Trailer - 1971 1,000
 Add. Supplemental Dealer - 1972 1,000
 Additional Trailer - 1972 15,000
 Additional Motorcycle - 1972 28,934
 Additional Dealer - 1972 2,000
 Personalized 1st Quarter - 1972 90,468
 Add. Passenger, Truck, etc. Master Order - 1973 105,730
 Disabled Veteran - 1972 15,960,261
 Add. Truck & Motorcycle - 1972 17,998
 Add. In Transit - 1972 64,960
 Additional Trailer - 1972 300
 Personalized 2nd Quarter - 1972 25,000
 Additional Truck, Combinations, etc. - 1972 7,355
 Add. Passenger & trailer - 1972 78,980
 Add. Passenger, Trucks, etc 1972 71,380
 Additional In Transit - 1972 126,760
 Additional Passenger - 1972 500
 Personalized 3rd Qtr - 1972 41,580
 Add. Truck & Passenger - 1972 1,071
 Add. Farm Trailer - 1972 194,580
 Additional Apportioned - 1973 5,940
 Add. Disabled Vet, Consular - 1973 25,000
 Add. Passenger, Truck, etc., 1973 9,344
 Add. Apportioned - 1973 414,990
 Private Bus & Passenger - 1973 5,200
 Add. Apportioned - 1973 41,980
TOTAL PRODUCTION F/ 1973 17,396,606
 Information taken from 1973 Production Schedule: Reporting style differs from previous years.

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*1974

Transparent red on white
reflective sheeting - req plates
Transparent green on white
reflective sheeting - personalized

.238551/ea

Regular Production - 1974	6" x 12"	17,081,879
Additional in Transit - 1973	6" x 12"	1,000
Add. Passenger, House Trlr. 1972	6" x 12"	25,180
Additional Dealer - 1973	6" x 12"	7,000
Additional Apportioned 1973	6" x 12"	4,000
Pro-Rate Back-up 1974	6" x 12"	2,000
Additional Farm Trailer - 1973	6" x 12"	10,050
	6" x 12"	79,560
	6" x 12"	1,500
Additional Machinery - 1973	6" x 12"	94,293
Personalized, License plates	4" x 7"	76,410
1st Qtr. - 1973	6" x 12"	
Add. Trucks, Motorcycle etc. 1973	6" x 12"	79,400
	6" x 12"	500
Add. Passenger & Trailer - 1973	6" x 12"	
Add. In Transit - 1973	6" x 12"	9,620
Disabled Veterans & Master Dealer - 1974	6" x 12"	69,960
Add. Trucks, Trailers, etc 1973	4" x 7"	79,940
Add. Trucks, Motorcycle 1973	6" x 12"	
	6" x 12"	108,900
Add. Passenger, Farm Trailer 1973	6" x 12"	
Exempt ReflectORIZED Machinery 1974	6" x 12"	5,000
Add. Passenger, Truck, etc 1974	6" x 12"	396,125
Add. Combination Token Trl 1973	6" x 12"	7,770
Additional Trucks - 1973	6" x 12"	59,940
Add. Passenger, Truck, House Trailer - 1973	6" x 12"	112,280
Personalized lic. Plates 2nd & 3rd Qtr. - 1973	6" x 12"	8,525
Add. Passenger, Truck etc 1973	6" x 12"	130,960
Pro Rate Back-Up - 1973	6" x 12"	3,000
TOTAL PRODUCTION F/ 1974		18,454,792

Information taken from 1974 Production Schedule: Reporting style differs from previous years.
Uncertain of reason from multiple listing of like plates on production schedule; probably order placed at different time using different order number.

*1975

Exempt ReflectORIZED	6" x 12"	87,000	0.481325
Add. Supplemental Dealer - 1974	6" x 12"	4,000	Cost increase due to change in steel type and reflectorization changed f/1 year to 5 year quality.
Add. In Transit - 1974	6" x 12"	1,000	
Add. Trucks, Trailer, Etc - 1974	6" x 12"	91,094	
Master Order - 1975	6" x 12"	19,079,265	
Personalized 1st Qtr - 1974	6" x 12"	111,638	
Prorate	6" x 12"	3,000	
Additional Motorcycle - 1974	4" x 7"	17,150	
Additional Antique Auto	6" x 12"	594	
Add. Passenger, Truck, etc. 1974	6" x 12"	134,390	
Disabled Veteran - 1975	6" x 12"	31,976	
Personalized 2nd Qtr - 1974	6" x 12"	5,269	
Add. Truck & Trailer - 1974	6" x 12"	37,710	
Additional Apportioned - 1975	6" x 12"	39,600	
Personalized 3rd Qtr - 1974	6" x 12"	1,652	
Additional Token Trailer - 1974	6" x 12"	1,000	
Add. Passenger, Truck etc. 1975	6" x 12"	46,192	

Colors for 1975
Annual Plate: Blue on White
Multi-Year Plate: Black on White

*1975

Add. Apportioned - 1975 3,000
 6" x 12"
 Add. Passenger, Truck, etc. 1974 91,460
 6" x 12"
 Add. Passenger, Truck, etc. 1974 204,510
 6" x 12"
 Add. Exempt Reflectionized 5,500
 6" x 12"
 Personalized 4th Qtr - 1975 64,872
 6" x 12"
 Personalized - 1975 January 39,258
 6" x 12"

TOTAL PRODUCTION F/1975 20,101,130

Information taken from 1975 P Production Schedule: Reporting, style differs from previous years.
 Uncertain of reason from multiple listing of like plates on production schedule; probably order placed at different time using different order number.

*1976

Dramatic decline in the number of Plates Manufactured for the following years, may be attributed to the
 5-year refectionized license plates put into distribution. Plates validated with license plate stickers.

PLATES

Prorate Back-up Plates 3,000
 6" x 12"
 Additional Apportioned 5,000
 6" x 12"
 Additional Apportioned 5,000
 6" x 12"
 Additional Antique 594
 6" x 12"
 Additional Plates 568,406
 6" x 12"
 Additional Mobile Home 4,260
 6" x 12"
 Master Purchase Order 655,607
 6" x 12"
 Additional Mobile Home 5,940
 6" x 12"
 Personalized (May & June) 3,591
 6" x 12"
 Personalized (April) 39,385
 6" x 12"
 Personalized (Jul & Aug) 2,937
 6" x 12"

TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED 1,293,720

STICKERS

Passenger - Suffix A 7,070,600
 Truck - Suffix B 2,095,000
 Farm Truck - Suffix C 331,850
 Trailer - Suffix G 896,850
 Motorcycle - Suffix E 486,400
 Travel Trl - Suffix J 255,700
 Farm Trailer - Suffix K 234,650
 Farm Trk Tractor - Suffix D 24,550
 Token Trailer - Suffix H 184,150
 Motor Bus - Suffix M 15,100
 City Bus - Suffix L 13,350
 Tractor - Suffix F 24,150
 Machinery - R 63,300
 Pvt Bus - Suffix N 31,050
 Disabled - Suffix W 30,000
 D V - Suffix S 20,000
 Consular - Suffix T 5,000
 SAMPLE - Suffix A 35,000

TOTAL STICKER'S PRODUCED 11,816,700

*1977

PLATES

Additional 403,618
 6" x 12"
 Prorate 3,000
 6" x 12"
 Personalized 86,149
 6" x 12"
 State Official 84
 6" x 12"
 Prorate 5,000
 6" x 12"
 Disabled Vet 2,000
 6" x 12"
 Additional 1,676,130
 6" x 12"
 Personalized 64,848
 6" x 12"
 Additional 703,800
 6" x 12"
 Prorate 3,000
 6" x 12"

Colors for 1977

Annual Plate: Red on White
 Multi-Year Plate: Black on White

,651248

*1977

Additional Personalized	6" x 12"	373,980	White letters on Red Background for all 1977 Validation Stickers with Blue Control Letter
Personalized	6" x 12"	17,443	
TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED	6" x 12"	3,347,742	
Universal - Suffix A		12,328,400	
Passenger Disable - Suffix WA		25,500	
Disable Veteran - Suffix SA		20,000	
Consular - Suffix TA		1,000	
Samples - Suffix A		25,000	
TOTAL STICKER'S PRODUCED		12,399,900	

Month Stickers: Beginning in 1978, an expiration month sticker will be issued for all passenger vehicles and light trucks (one ton or less) registered with multi-year license plates. In conjunction with the expiration year sticker (either '78 or '79) this month sticker will be placed in the recessed area in the upper left-hand corner of the multi-year license plate. The month sticker will have white letters on a blue background. New month stickers will not be issued during subsequent registration periods after the initial issuance of a month sticker for the vehicle. A special month validation sticker will be issued for all motorcycles. These stickers will be the same color as the other month stickers but will be smaller (1" x 5/8"), will, in all cases, have the month "MAR" printed vertically on the sticker, and will be displayed between the legend "TEX" and the debossed validation area on the motorcycle plate.

*1978

PLATES			Colors for 1978
Prorate	6" x 12"	6,000	Annual Plate: Blue on White
Fertilizer Truck	6" x 12"	2,970	Multi-Year Plate: Black on White
Additional	6" x 12"	330,866	
Additional	6" x 12"	1,148,320	
Personalized	6" x 12"	78,955	
Apportioned Trailer	6" x 12"	11,880	
Additional	6" x 12"	1,068,980	
Personalized	6" x 12"	131,606	
Additional	6" x 12"	1,343,260	
Additional	6" x 12"	80,190	
Prorate	6" x 12"	4,000	
Additional	6" x 12"	1,584	
Personalized	6" x 12"	40,437	
Motorcycle	4" x 7"	25,740	
Personalized	6" x 12"	11,027	
Passenger	6" x 12"	182,160	
Motorcycle	4" x 7"	25,740	
TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED		4,493,715	
STICKERS			
Universal - 1978		5,522,450	White letters on Green Background for all 1978 Validation Stickers with Black Control Letter
Passenger Dis 1978		14,050	
Universal - 1979		13,423,900	
Passenger Dis 1979		14,050	
Sample		10,000	
Prorate		50,000	
Disabled Vet		20,000	
Consular		1,000	
Month Samples		13,000	
Month Stickers		16,689,750	
TOTAL STICKER'S PRODUCED		35,758,200	

*1979

PLATES			
Additional	6" x 12"	930,542	0.695546
Prorate	6" x 12"	10,000	
Personalized	6" x 12"	70,797	

*1979

Additional Personalized	6" x 12"	1,945,800
Additional Miscellaneous	6" x 12"	146,908
Prorate	6" x 12"	13,800
Additional Personalized	6" x 12"	20,747
Personalized Passenger	6" x 12"	10,000
	6" x 12"	69,500
	6" x 12"	30,345
	6" x 12"	7,168
	6" x 12"	2,059,440
TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED		5,315,047

0.056487 Black letters on Gold Background for all 1979 Validation Stickers with Black Control Letter

TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED		5,315,047
Universal 1980		13,608,850
Passenger Dis 1979		5,000
Passenger Dis 1980		24,050
Consular 1980		1,000
Month 1980		2,100,000
Disabled Vet 1980		20,000
Sample Sticker		5,000
Prorate 1980		50,000
		15,813,900

*1980

TOTAL STICKER'S PRODUCED

PLATES		
Annual Plates - 1981		95,636
Personalized Multi-Year		105,728
Multi-Year		699,300
Annual Plates - 1981		843,480
Multi-Year		15,840
Personalized		50,000
Annual Plates - 1981		161,284
Multi-Year		2,092
Personalized		1,286,470
Multi-Year		24,417
Personalized		1,009,820
Multi-Year		13,426
TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED		4,307,493

0.695546

*1981

TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED

Universal and Disabled Person Stickers		14,477,450
Universal and Monthly Decals		2,554,350
TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED		17,031,800

0.056487

PLATES

Annual Plates - 1982		346,339
Apportion Truck - 1981		3,000
Disabled Veteran		138,593
Multi-Year Passenger		653,400
1981 Mobile Home Dealer		8,910
Apportioned - 1982		123,966
Dealer & State Official		3,000
Token Trailer		41,125
Disabled Veteran		38,300
Multi-Year Truck		3,600
Multi-Year Passenger		119,880
Multi-Year Farm		429,660
Motorcycle		242,061
Farm - 1982		49,500
Multi-Year Passenger		1,055,520
		1,197,900

0.748934

*1981	Dealer	20,717	
	TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED	4,475,471	0.057973
*1982	Universal & Disabled Person	17,369,000	
*1983	TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED	17,369,000	
1982 Production Information not			
*1983	PLATES		0.789328
	Supplemental Dealer	25,000	
	Annual Plates - 1984	282,369	
	PLP Plates	165,997	
	Multi-Year Passenger, Truck, Exempt, Trailer & Motorcycle Supplemental Dealer	1,671,618	
	PLP Plates	70,000	
	Supplemental Dealer	103,577	
	PLP Plates	5,000	
	PLP Plates	42,843	
	Multi-Year Passenger, Truck, Farm, Truck, Motor Bus, Private Bus, Trailer, Farm Truck Tractor, Farm Trailer, Machinery & Exempt Disabled Veteran	1,711,982	
	Texas Guard	16,836	
	Multi-Year Passenger, Truck, Farm Truck, Token Trailer, Trailer & Travel Trailer	39,996	
	Moped Plates	1,427,470	
	Multi-Year Passenger	49,500	
	PLP & Dealer Plates	2,000,000	
	TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED	46,335	
	STICKERS	7,595,523	0.068823
*1984	Universal and Disabled Person	14,605,150	
	Universal, Monthly & Special	3,554,150	
	TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED	18,159,300	
	PLATES		0.789328
	Supplemental Dealer	25,000	
	PLP, Dealer & Misc. Plates	170,498	
	1985 Annual Plates	271,004	
	Multi-Year Apportion Trailer	8,910	
	PLP & Misc. Plates	138,110	
	Trailer Dealer & Supplemental Trailer Dealer	1,198	
	PLP, Dealer & Misc. Plates	59,615	
	Supplemental Trailer Dealer	25	
	Multi-Year Trailer	25,000	
	PLP Plates	30,431	
	Multi-Year Trailer	50,000	
	1986 disabled Veteran	1,590	
	Multi-Year Passenger, Truck & Trailer	2,392,622	
	Multi-Year Passenger	223,222	
	Multi-Year Trailer	399,996	
	Multi-Year Passenger	1,640,408	
	Multi-Year Passenger	891,108	
	Multi-Year Passenger & Truck	1,050,500	
	Multi-Year Truck	732,926	

*1984

**TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED
STICKERS**

Universal, Monthly & Special
Disabled Persons
Disabled Persons
Universal & Monthly
Disabled Persons
Disabled Persons

8,112,163
18,113,647
5,000
5,000
600,000
30,000
30,000
18,783,647

0.068823

*1985

TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED

PLATES

PLP, Supp. Dealer & Misc
1986 Annual Plates
Multi-Year Truck
Supplemental Dealer
Exempt
PLP, Supp. Dealer & Misc.
Five year Token Trailer
Five year Token Trailer
Multi-Year Truck & Passenger
Multi-Year Truck & Passenger
Antique Auto

0.897739

76,251
277,947
108,000
25,000
50,000
116,351
3,960
9,900
670,602
908,792
990
102,071
526,446
531,518
14,400
521,428
45,000
2,435
56,586
4,047,677

PLP, Dealer & Misc. Plates
Multi-Year Truck
Multi-Year Passenger
Farm Trailer
Multi-Year Passenger
Motorcycle
Regular & Motorcycle Dealer
PLP, Honorary Consul & Misc.

0.068161

15,979,500
542,200
110,150
25,000
50,000
50,000
50,000
9,999
297
16,817,145

*1986

TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED

PLATES

Multi-Yr Pass., Fm Truck, Fm
Trail, Tok. Trail., Trav Trail. &
Exempt
1987 Annual Plates
1987 Reg. & Mtcy Dealer
PLP, Dealer, Hon.Con. & Misc.
1986 App. Tractor Truck
Antique Auto
1987 Regular Dealer
Multi-Yr Pass., Fm Truck, Fm
Trail. & Tok. Trailer
Multi-Yr Pass. & Truck
PLP, Mtcy Dealer & Misc.
Multi-Yr Truck

0.857297

998,056
228,875
28,698
35,878
5,000
1,980
9,999

1,378,898
605,894
63,188
999,900

*1986

Multi-Yr Passenger 749,200
 Travel Trailer & Test Car 24,900
 Multi-Yr Passenger 427,622
 Multi-Yr Motorcycle 99,900
 PLP, Hon Con., Dealer & Misc. 27,117
 Multi-Yr Passenger 1,110,888
 Multi-Yr Disabled Persons 933,066
 Multi-Yr Pass. & Truck 200,016
 PLP & Misc. 1,211,638
 19,677
TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED 9,220,390

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STICKERS
 Add. 1986 Disabled Person Stkr 50,000
 Sample Universal Stickers 2,000
 Monthly Stickers 2,100,000
 Universal Stickers 16,149,500
 Disabled Person Stickers 168,350
 Disabled Veteran Stickers 25,000
 Prisoner of War Stickers 5,000
 Texas Guard Stickers 10,000
 Motorcycle-Moped Stickers 572,300
 1988 Antique Auto Validation Stkr 594
 Add. Monthly Stickers 600,000
 June, March, & December Add. Monthly Stickers 900,000
 April, May, November & March Add. Monthly Stickers 1,500,000
 Jan., Feb., Aug., Oct., & Sep. **TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED 22,082,744**

*1987

PLATES

Farm Truck 99,900
 1988 Annual Plates 278,852
 Reg. & Mtcy. Dealer 48,896
 Multi-Yr. Fm. Trail., Tok. Trailr. 444,344
 Trav. Trail., Trail. & Passenger PLP & Misc 4,155
 Multi-Yr. Passenger 801,198
 Multi-Yr. Pass. & Exempt 667,382
 Multi-Yr. Pass. & Truck 586,652
 Antique Auto 1,782
 PLP & Misc 72,892
 Multi-Yr. Truck 468,954
 Multi-Yr. Truck & Mtcy. 379,872
 Multi-Yr. Truck 187,980
 Multi-Yr. Truck & Pass 549,732
 Multi-Yr. Pass. 645,354
 Multi-Yr. Token Trailer 23,800
 PLP & Misc 38,034
 Multi-Yr. Passenger 115,884
 Multi-Yr. Disabled Person 523,476
 Multi-Yr. Pass. & Trailer 51,984
 PLP, Antique Auto & Misc. 775,494
 19,091
TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED 6,395,201
 1988 Univ. Stickers 16,199,500
 Disabled Persons 219,350

0.929792

0.069003

*1987

Disabled Vets 25,000
 P. O. W. 5,000
 Tex. Guard 10,000
 Motorcycle/Moped 570,750
 Sample Univ. 2,000
 Monthly 3,800,000
 1988 Antique Auto 297
 1988 PLP Yearly 100,000
 1988 PLP Monthly 120,000
TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED 21,051,997

*1988

PLATES
 Annual Plates 230,615
 Multi-Year plates 385,074
 Personalized 9,226
 Multi-Year plates 421,578
 Multi-Year plates 6,930
 Multi-Year plates 513,630
 Annual Plates 15,100
 Annual Plates 26,334
 Annual Plates 48,896
 Multi-Year plates 337,968
 Multi-Year plates 101,898
 Multi-Year plates 218,916
 Personalized 8,083
 Multi-Year plates 260,406
 Annual Plates 16,000
 Reg. Dealer 4,899
 Multi-Year plates 68,094
 Multi-Year plates 127,944
 Multi-Year plates 119,880
 Multi-Year plates 153,846
 Multi-Year plates 55,994
 Multi-Year plates 75,992
 Multi-Year plates 79,992
 Personalized plates 11,005
 Multi-Year plates 79,992
 Multi-Year plates 67,994
 Multi-Year plates 63,992
 Multi-Year plates 75,994
 Personalized 6,663
TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED 3,592,935

0.942476

0.070872

*1989

TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED
STICKERS
 1989 Univ. Stickers 14,732,300
 Motor/cwc/moped 444,900
 Disabled Persons 173,550
 Disabled Vet 20,000
 Texas Guard 5,000
 P.O.W 5,000
 Sample Univ. Stickers 2,000
 Monthly Stickers 3,800,000
TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED 19,182,750

PLATES

Multi-Year plates 260,742
 Multi-Year plates 12,870
 Multi-Year plates 5,854
 Annual plates 244,826

1.091433

*1989

Multi-Year plates	249,750
Personalized plates	5,515
Multi-Year plates	337,662
Dealer plates	48,896
Multi-Year plates	311,688
Multi-Year plates	181,601
Personalized plates	6,607
Multi-Year plates	74,960
Multi-Year plates	990
Multi-Year plates	245,520
Personalized plates	16,949
Multi-Year plates	198,000
Multi-Year plates	10,008
Multi-Year plates	156,420
Multi-Year plates	5,574
Personalized plates	2,374,432
TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED	
STICKERS	
PLP Yearly stickers	117,000
Universal, monthly & special	17,252,710
PLP and rental stickers	40,000
Universal 7 special stickers	9,016
Disabled person stickers	10,000
Monthly stickers	500,000
Monthly stickers	1,299,600
	19,228,326

0.071073

*1990

TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED

1.035665

PLATES

Annual Plates	249,382
Multi-Year plates	387,369
Multi-Year plates	349,560
PLP & Annual Plates	8,362
Multi-Year plates	105,854
Multi-Year plates	512,460
Multi-Year plates	6,930
Multi-Year plates	624,258
Multi-Year plates	6,124
Annual & Misc. plates	54,196
Annual & Misc. plates	42,466
Multi-Year & Misc. plates	610,700
Multi-Year plates	773,586
Dealer plates	4,999
Multi-Year & Misc. plates	4,596
Multi-Year plates	159,934
Multi-Year plates	409,662
PLP & Misc. plates	8,899
Multi-Year plates	415,800
Annual & Misc. plates	42,984
Multi-Year & Misc. plates	54,600
Multi-Year plates	500,940
PLP & Misc. plates	9,925
Multi-Year plates	273,438
TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED	5,617,024
STICKERS	
Universals, monthly & specials,	16,869,650
PLP's	105,236
Universals, specials, PLP's	
Universals, combinations, specials	
Rental Stickers	25,000

0.077884

*1991

Universals
PLP
TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED

50,000
25,000
17,168,829

PLATES

Multi-Year & Misc
Multi-Year Plates
Misc Plates - Antique
Farm Trailer
Farm Trailer/Misc
Truck
PLP & Misc
Dealer Tags
Passenger Truck
Truck/Pssngr Plates
Dealer & misc Tgs
Multi-Year Plates
Farm Truck Tractor
Passenger Plates
Passenger Truck
Multi-Year/Misc Pit
Truck Tags
Multi-Year/Misc Pit
Misc Plates
Passenger Plates
Passenger Plates
Passenger Plates

1.014111

260,875
2,490
3,566
25,047
490,256
393,964
11,874
48,596
121,275
837,892
15,014
590,040
1,000
665,280
470,746
95,346
399,960
14,000
16,469
556,380
11,826
545,094
5,576,990

TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED STICKERS

Universals, Monthly & Specials

PLP's

Universals, Dealer
Universals, Specials
Universals
Disabled Symbol Stickers
PLP, Universal

0.078197

17,630,700
69,100
50,500
100,000
20,000
95,000
17,965,300

*1992

TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED

PLATES

Multi-Year & Misc
Misc Plates - Antique
Misc Plates - Cotton
Dealer Tags
Misc Plates
Misc Plates
Multi-Year & Misc
PLP & Misc
Exempt Plates
Disabled Plates
Multi-Year & Misc
Disabled Plates
Dealer Tags
Passenger Plates
Disabled Plates
Misc. Plates
Misc. Plates
Pass. & Misc Plates

.768532/ea

261,095
1,782
751
38,497
198
28
1,664,194
14,388
40,000
14,238
887,767
7,646
9,999
498,609
38,160
200
14,090
47,610
434,271

*1992

Truck Plates 458,902
 Misc Plates 10,755
 Pass & Truck Plates 1,162,718
 Passenger Plates 501,138
 Passenger Plates 583,902
 Pass & Truck Plates 1,415,898
 Farm Trailer 12,771
 Pass & Misc 13,114
8,132,721

TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED

.064680/ea

Universal, Monthly, & Special
 Universal, Dealer
 Disabled Symbol Stickers
 Classic Vehicle
 Universal, Dealer
 Monthly Stickers
18,989,350

*1993

TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED

0.906058

PLATES

Multi-Year & Misc 661,004
 Disabled person 23,724
 Misc Plates - Dealer 58,495
 Misc Plates 226,476
 Double Exempt 40,000
 Antique 396
 Misc - Cotton 300
 Misc - Cotton 500
 Motor Bus 4,000
 Truck 429,956
 Truck 469,954
 Passenger 607,662
 Passenger 374,415
 Honorary Consul 130
 Misc 11,119
 Token & Rental Tr. 6,930
 Tow Truck 2,354
 Purple Heart 2,790
 Pass. & Misc. Plates 1,510
 Tow Truck 2,650
 Misc Plates 15,759
 Rental Trailer 10,890
 Purple Heart 7,200
 Passenger Plates 617,760
 State Judge 24
 Misc. Plates 49,879
 Motorcycle 2,997
 Misc 251,815
 Pass. & Misc. Plates 850,873
 Pass & Motorcycle 1,049,454
 Pass & Motorcycle 1,232,559
 Antique & Misc 12,261
7,025,839

TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED

0.082973

Universal, Monthly & Special
 Universal, Monthly & Special
 Universal, Bar Stickers
 Special Plate Stickers
 Classic Vehicle

1T-14,665,700T
 1DT-297,250 DT
 1 ST - 305,300 ST
 1 C - 15,000 C

*1993

Universal	100,000
Antique, Classic	400
Universal	100,000
Universal	50,000
Universal, Bar Stickers	100,000
Tow Truck Stickers	5,000
Monthly Stickers	275,000
Universal & Monthly	390,000
Dealer Strips	30,000
Monthly Stickers	300,000
TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED	20,729,850

*1994

1.0371

PLATES	
Tow Truck	2,500
Motorcycle & Regular Dealer	58,495
Honorary Consul/Medal of Hon	132
Motorcycle	6,993
Disable/Double Exempt;Farm/Tri	220,060
Misc - Cotton	73,440
Double Exempt	100,688
Disabled Person	45,540
Disabled Person	14,400
Disabled Person/Motorcycle	31,896
Disabled Person	10,917
Motorcycle	7,992
Truck	333,966
Passenger	604,752
Passenger	548,262
Passenger	277,200
Appt Trailer	10,190
Log Loader	100
Antique & Misc	17,549
Single Exempt	7,350
Tow Truck	650
Passenger	209,682
Truck & Passenger	1,083,060
Passenger	471,636
Forestry	693
Apportion Trailer	1,100
Appt. Truck & Appt. Trailer	8,480
Passenger	235,422
Passenger	97,614
Passenger	342,342
Passenger	506,484
Antique & Misc	10,457
Intransit	300
Apportioned Tractor & Misc	5,437
Forestry	792
Truck & Misc	295,600
Passenger & Trailer	502,029
Double Exempt	13,300
Antique & Misc	14,465
Appt. Tractor & Appt. Trailer	9,080
Antique Classic & Misc	11,124
Tow Truck	500
Misc	199,444
US Senate, Judge, Official	4,736
Passenger Plates	122,364

*1994

Truck Plates	177,984	
Truck Plates	27,996	
Truck Plates	253,974	
TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED	6,979,167	
STICKERS		0.079242
Special Plate Stickers	3,000	
Universal	120,000	
Universal, Monthly & Special	1,200,000	
Classic Monthly Stickers	3,600	
Tow Truck Stickers	1,000	
Universal	100,000	
Universal	100,000	
Monthly Stickers	1,000,000	
Classic Stickers	2,000	
Dealer Strips	60,600	
Universal, Monthly & Special	4,066,450	
Universal, Monthly & Special	11,029,900	
Tow Truck Stickers	31,150	
Sample Stickers	2,000	
All Terrain Stickers	15,000	
Special Stickers	43,950	
Monthly Stickers	1,750,000	
Universal & Tow Truck	1,928,750	
Antique Stickers	4,000	
Classic Stickers	1,000	
Monthly Stickers	1,000,000	
Universal	170,000	
TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED	22,632,400	

*1995

PLATES		1.0371
State Official/Medal of Honor	260,049	
Motorcycle Dealer/Token Trailer	17,130	
Token Trailer	3,170	
Combination/Apportion Trailer	28,761	
Passenger/Truck	478,764	
Passenger	544,104	
Truck/Farm Trlr/Motorcycle	566,041	
Disabled Person/Trailer	312,472	
Disabled Person	46,517	
Antique/State Officials	9,868	
Forestry	495	
Motorcycle/Farm Truck/Tractor	21,632	
Motorcycle	11,988	
Farm Truck/Travel Trailer	101,898	
Passenger	446,688	
Truck	539,946	
Truck	119,988	
Passenger	20,790	
Passenger	455,400	
Antique Motorcycle	297	
Antique Vehicle & Motorcycle	1,699	
Forestry	495	
Truck	261,972	
Truck	417,960	
Token Trailer	9,900	
Motor Bus/Manufacturer	1,199	
Dealer	3,999	
Farm & Token Trailer/Machinery	34,830	

*1995	Antique Classic/State Official	13,677	
	Motor Bus	1,600	
	Antique Classic/Veteran/ETC	10,562	
	Passenger	467,280	
	Antique Classic/Misc	14,629	
	Passenger	232,650	
	Passenger	343,728	
	Passenger	433,620	
	Passenger	222,552	
	TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED	6,458,350	
	STICKERS		
	Universal, Bar Stickers	725,000	0.069752
	Classic, Dealer & Trailer	64,000	0.079237
	Special & Universal	1,877,850	0.079237
	All Terrain	8,050	0.079237
	Tow Truck	29,300	0.079237
	Special & Universal	155,750	0.079237
	Tow Truck	5,550	0.079237
	All Terrain	6,625	0.079237
	Special & Universal	14,427,600	0.069752
	Universal	82,350	0.069752
	Special & Universal	1,010,000	0.069752
	Universal	500,000	0.079237
	Universal	100,000	0.069752
	Universal	200,000	0.069752
	Universal Stickers	300,000	0.079237
	Annual	20,000	0.069752
	Annual	20,000	0.069752
	Temporary Permits	140,000	0.15
*1996	TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED	19,672,075	

Uncertain why unit price has varied for 1995.

	PLATES		
	150 Years of Statehood	526,680	1.207692
	Apportioned Trailer	29,550	
	Apportioned Tractor	71,550	
	Combination	98,352	
	Fertilizer Truck	3,054	
	Soil Conservation	1,068	
	Farm Trailer	39,600	
	Trailer	87,813	
	City Bus	800	
	Farm Truck Tractor	2,200	
	Machinery	15,984	
	Motor Bus	3,700	
	Permit	2,997	
	Single Exempt	4,999	
	Tractor	400	
	Combination	5,544	
	Apportioned Tractor	12,000	
	Apportioned Trailer	10,050	
	Soil Conservation	500	
	Fertilizer Truck	500	
	Disaster	199	
	Manufacturer	699	
	Intransit	2,099	
	Honorary Consul	200	
	State Official	908	
	Congressional Medal of Hon	32	

*1996

State Judge	3,512
U. S. Senate	8
U. S. Congress	120
U. S. Judge	456
Antique, Classic	2,304
Bus, Disabled Motorcycle, PA	6,314
Radio, Dealer, Trailer, Truck	
Veteran, Pearl Harbor, Purple	
Heart, State Judge, State	
Officail, Air Force, Army, U.S.	
Judge, Marines, Firefighter,	
Desert Storm, Forestry,	
Aerospace	854
Collegiate	2,146
Log Loader	50
State of the Arts	750
150 Years of Statehood	762,102
Double Exempt	4,000
Farm Trailer	13,860
150 Years of Statehood	535,986
150 Years of Statehood	175,230
Dealer	87,992
Motorcycle Dealer	1,999
Motorcycle	17,982
Tow Truck	2,400
Disabled Motorcycle	396
Disabled Person	4,770
Trailer	111,771
Farm Trailer	57,420
Disabled Person	50,346
Double Exempt	37,800
Token Trailer	39,600
Travel Trailer	45,954
Motorcycle	21,978
Trailer	55,341
Truck	279,972
150 Years of Statehood	50
PLP Plates	13,758
Disabled Person	43,920
Farm Truck	111,888
Trailer	74,745
Truck	239,976
150 Years of Statehood	128,106
Double Exempt	11,000
Truck	643,934
Truck	595,942
PLP & Special Plates	19,079
Passenger	355,608
Passenger	476,982
Passenger	636,966
Passenger	402,336
PLP & Special Plates	16,887
TOTAL PLATES PRODUCED	7,016,068
STICKERS	
1997 Classic Sticker	1,000
1997 Universal Plate Stickers	2,414,000
1997 ATV Stickers	8,075
1997 Tow Truck Stickers	29,500
	0.060887

*1996

1997 Window Stickers	15,596,550
1997 Universal Plate Stickers	599,000
1997 ATV Stickers	6,625
1997 Tow Truck Stickers	5,550
1997 Window Stickers	1,004,000
1997 Classic Vehicle Stickers	2,000
1996 Dealer Stickers	10,000
1997 Dealer Stickers	60,000
1996 Dealer Stickers	10,000
1997 Dealer Stickers	10,000
TOTAL STICKERS PRODUCED	19,756,300

Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned
Passenger	A	A	10 - 9999
	A	B	10 - 9999
	A	C	10 - 9999
	A	D	10 - 9999
	A	E	10 - 9999
	A	F	10 - 9999
	A	G	10 - 9999
	A	H	10 - 9999
	A	I	10 - 9999
	A	J	10 - 9999
	A	K	10 - 9999
	A	L	10 - 9999
	A	M	10 - 9999
	A	N	10 - 9999
	A	O	10 - 9999
	A	P	10 - 9999
	A	Q	10 - 9999
	A	R	10 - 9999
	A	S	10 - 9999
	A	T	10 - 9999
	A	U	10 - 9999
	A	V	10 - 9999
	A	W	10 - 9999
	A	X	10 - 9999
	A	Y	10 - 9999
	A	Z	10 - 9999

Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned
Passenger	B	A	10 - 9999
	B	B	10 - 9999
	B	C	10 - 9999
	B	D	10 - 9999
	B	E	10 - 9999
	B	F	10 - 9999
	B	G	10 - 9999
	B	H	10 - 9999
	B	I	10 - 9999
	B	J	10 - 9999
	B	K	10 - 9999
	B	L	10 - 9999
	B	M	10 - 9999
	B	N	10 - 9999
	B	O	10 - 9999
	B	P	10 - 9999
	B	Q	10 - 9999
	B	R	10 - 9999
	B	S	10 - 9999
	B	T	10 - 9999
	B	U	10 - 9999
	B	V	10 - 9999
	B	W	10 - 9999
	B	X	10 - 9999
	B	Y	10 - 9999
	B	Z	10 - 9999

Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned	Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned
Passenger	C	A	10 - 9999	Passenger	D	A	10 - 9999
	C	B	10 - 9999		D	B	10 - 9999
	C	C	10 - 9999		D	C	10 - 9999
	C	D	10 - 9999		D	D	10 - 9999
	C	E	10 - 9999		D	E	10 - 9999
	C	F	10 - 9999		D	F	10 - 9999
	C	G	10 - 9999		D	G	10 - 9999
	C	H	10 - 9999		D	H	10 - 9999
	C	I	10 - 9999		D	I	10 - 9999
	C	J	10 - 9999		D	J	10 - 9999
	C	K	10 - 9999		D	K	10 - 9999
	C	L	10 - 9999		D	L	10 - 9999
	C	M	10 - 9999		D	M	10 - 9999
	C	N	10 - 9999		D	N	10 - 9999
	C	O	10 - 9999		D	O	10 - 9999
	C	P	10 - 9999		D	P	10 - 9999
	C	Q	10 - 9999		D	Q	10 - 9999
	C	R	10 - 9999		D	R	10 - 9999
	C	S	10 - 9999		D	S	10 - 9999
	C	T	10 - 9999		D	T	10 - 9999
	C	U	10 - 9999		D	U	10 - 9999
	C	V	10 - 9999		D	V	10 - 9999
	C	W	10 - 9999		D	W	10 - 9999
	C	X	10 - 9999		D	X	10 - 9999
	C	Y	10 - 9999		D	Y	10 - 9999
	C	Z	10 - 9999		D	Z	10 - 9999

Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned	Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned
Passenger	E	A	10 - 9999	Passenger	F	A	10 - 9999
	E	B	10 - 9999		F	B	10 - 9999
	E	C	10 - 9999		F	C	10 - 9999
	E	D	10 - 9999		F	D	10 - 9999
	E	E	10 - 9999		F	E	10 - 9999
	E	F	10 - 9999		F	F	10 - 9999
	E	G	10 - 9999		F	G	10 - 9999
	E	H	10 - 9999		F	H	10 - 9999
	E	I	10 - 9999		F	I	10 - 9999
	E	J	10 - 9999		F	J	10 - 9999
	E	K	10 - 9999		F	K	10 - 9999
	E	L	10 - 9999		F	L	10 - 9999
	E	M	10 - 9999		F	M	10 - 9999
	E	N	10 - 9999		F	N	10 - 9999
	E	O	10 - 9999		F	O	10 - 9999
	E	P	10 - 9999		F	P	10 - 9999
	E	Q	10 - 9999		F	Q	10 - 9999
	E	R	10 - 9999		F	R	10 - 9999
	E	S	10 - 9999		F	S	10 - 9999
	E	T	10 - 9999		F	T	10 - 9999
	E	U	10 - 9999		F	U	10 - 9999
	E	V	10 - 9999		F	V	10 - 9999
	E	W	10 - 9999		F	W	10 - 9999
	E	X	10 - 9999		F	X	10 - 9999
	E	Y	10 - 9999		F	Y	10 - 9999
	E	Z	10 - 9999		F	Z	10 - 1259

Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned
Truck	M	A	10 - 9999
	M	B	10 - 9999
	M	C	10 - 239
	M	D	10 - 9999
	M	E	10 - 9999
	M	F	10 - 9999
	M	G	10 - 9999
	M	H	10 - 9999
	M	I	10 - 9999
	M	J	10 - 9999
	M	K	10 - 9999
	M	L	10 - 9999
	M	M	10 - 9999
	M	N	10 - 9999
	M	O	10 - 9999
	M	P	10 - 5129
	M	Q	10 - 9999
	M	R	10 - 9999
	M	S	10 - 9999
	M	T	10 - 9999
	M	U	10 - 9999
	M	V	10 - 9999
	M	W	10 - 9999
	M	X	10 - 9999
	M	Y	10 - 9999
	M	Z	10 - 9999
Farm Truck	N	A	10 - 9999
	N	B	10 - 9999
	N	C	10 - 239
	R	A	10 - 9999
	R	B	10 - 9999
	R	C	10 - 9999
	R	D	10 - 9999
	R	E	10 - 9999
	R	F	10 - 9999
	R	G	10 - 9999
	R	H	10 - 9999
	R	I	10 - 9999
	R	J	10 - 9999
	R	K	10 - 9999
R	L	10 - 9999	
Trailer	R	M	10 - 9999
	R	N	10 - 9999
	R	O	10 - 9999
	R	P	10 - 5129
	T	B	10 - 9999
	T	C	10 - 9999
	T	D	10 - 9999
	T	E	10 - 9999
	T	F	10 - 9999
	T	H	10 - 9999
T	J	10 TO 69	

Classification	Upper Ltr	Lower Ltr	Serial Numbers Assigned
Tractor	T	A	10 - 409
Dealer	S	A	10 - 5509
Bus	S	B	Oct-09
Motorcycle	Z	M	10 - 6009
Sidecar	Z	S	10 - 409
Exempt-Hwy	X	H	10 - 3009
Exempt-State	X	S	10 - 1809
Exempt-Other	X	C	10 - 9999
	X	D	10 - 5019
Exempt-Motorcycle In Transit	Z	X	10 - 609
	S	C	10 - 509

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