

# New Texas State Symbols, 2015

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During the 84th Regular Session, lawmakers added seven new official state symbols to the more than 60 state symbols that represent Texas. Texas now has three official **hashtags**: #txlege, #Texas, and #TexasToDo. In addition, the cowboy hat is now the official state hat of Texas, the western honey bee is now the official state pollinator, "The Lone Star State" is now the official nickname of Texas, and the Texas gulf shrimp is now the official state crustacean.

See the entire collection of official Texas symbols on our Pinterest page, **State Symbols of Texas**. Each symbol includes an image, as well as a link to the resolution that designated it.

Did you know? Three species of shrimp are **native** to the Texas gulf: the brown shrimp, the white shrimp, and the pink shrimp. Of those three, the brown shrimp is nocturnal, and Texas shrimpers must fish at night to catch them.

*Image of honeybee by flickr user **autan**.*