

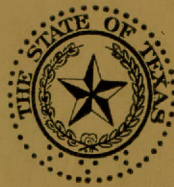
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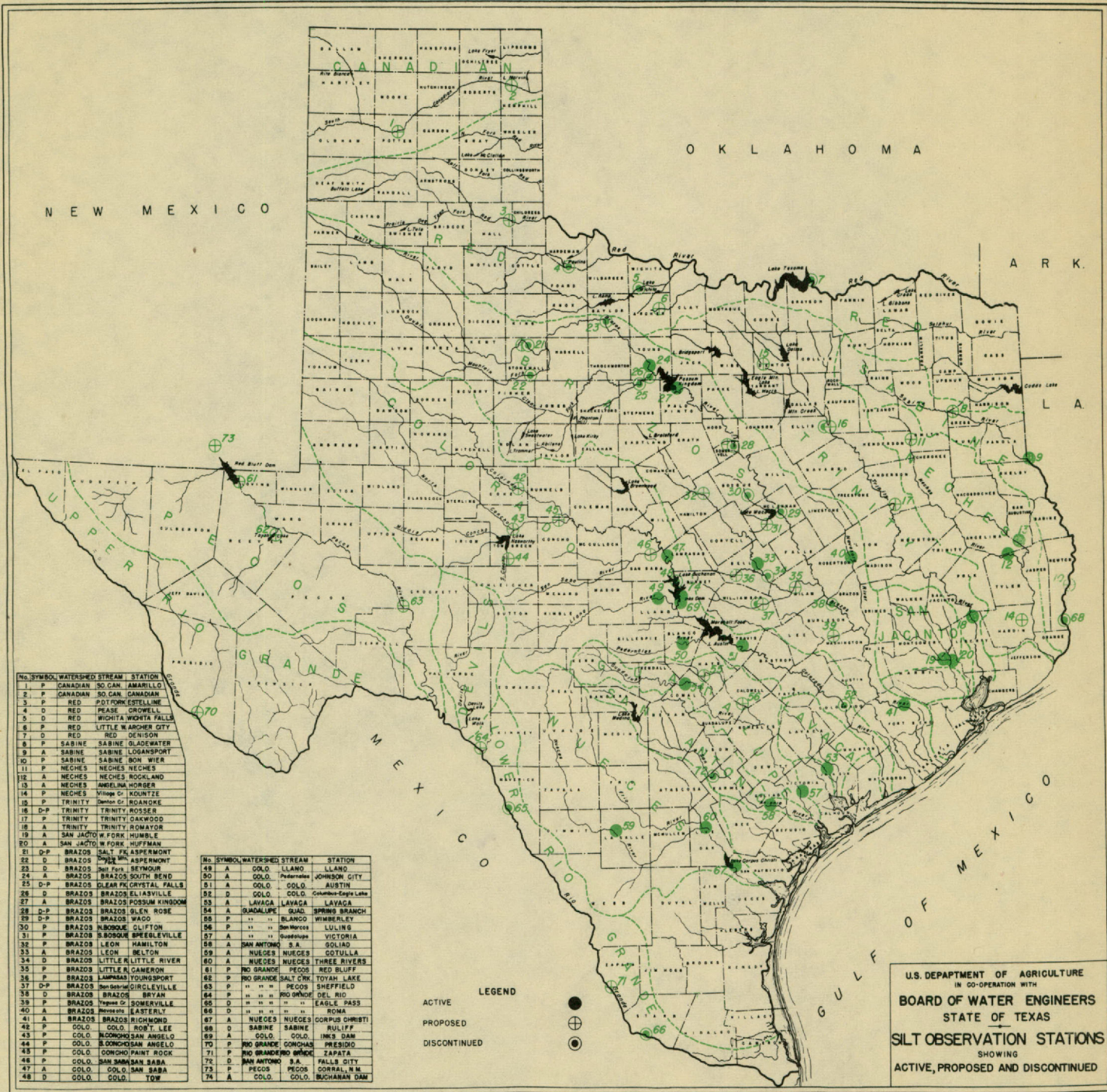


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### INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the silt studies is to make a determination of the characteristics of the suspended silt load of Texas streams.

The tenth annual progress report for Silt Load of Texas Streams is one of a series that have been prepared annually since 1939.

The first report contains cooperative and other available data on the suspended silt load of Texas streams for a period from 1899 to 1939. These data were obtained at 27 stations located on 10 of the watersheds of Texas and consisted of the amount of silt load in tons and acre feet for each month and for the year, as well as a summary for the period the station was in operation. This report also contains a description of the equipment used in obtaining the water samples, the technique used in the laboratory and computation of data.

The subsequent reports contain a compilation of silt data obtained during the water years ending each September 30 and a summary of the yearly silt load up to the time of the present report. Most of these reports are available for free distribution upon request.

Prior to 1939, 14 silt sampling stations were discontinued, out of a total of 27, on account of insufficient funds for their operation and maintenance.

Since 1939 and to September 30, 1948, 18 new silt sampling stations have been established, and 7 have been discontinued. There are now 24 active silt sampling stations located on 10 of the watersheds of Texas. Since 1899 silt data have been obtained at 45 stations. The complete silt program calls for studies at 74 stations, which include the 45 that have contributed data.

The water samples collected for silt determinations were obtained by a simple, inexpensive, and easily operated device known as the Texas or Department of Agriculture sampler. This type of sampler has been in continuous use during the past 25 years in obtaining water samples for suspended silt load of Texas streams. During this long period to September 30, 1948, a total of 100,508 daily observations have been made with this type of sampler. Each observation consisted of obtaining one to three

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water samples for regular river flows and extra samples during a flood stage of a stream. During the water year 1947-1948, 7,775 daily observations were made at 24 stations, and 11,062 water samples were received and silt determinations made at our cooperative silt laboratory.

The Texas or Department of Agriculture silt sampler is not designed or used for collecting water samples containing bed load material. It is used, however, for collecting water samples near the surface of a stream for suspended silt material. This is the type of material that contributes to most of the sediment deposited in the larger artificial lakes. The bed load material contributes mostly to a river channel and upper portion of a lake sedimentation.

All silt data compiled for this report have been computed for a water year October 1 to the following September 30. This is a year adopted by the Surface Water Branch, United States Geological Survey, in all of their stream measurements. It is necessary and essential to use river discharge data in connection with any silt determination of Texas streams, so that period has also been adopted as a year for the silt calculations.

The silt determinations are made by calculating the percentage of dry silt by weight as obtained from a water sample.

For the main purpose of the sedimentation studies of Texas streams all calculations are based on one cubic foot of silt weighing 70 pounds.

#### SUMMARIZED SILT DATA

##### Belton Station, Leon River

The average discharge of the Leon River at the Belton Station for a 2-year record is 497,780 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 122,140 acre feet, or 25% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 486 acre feet, while for 1947-1948, it was 77 acre feet, or 16% of the average load. The total load for a 3-year period is 1,611,940 tons or 1,089 acre feet of silt.

##### South Bend Station, Brazos River

The average discharge of the Brazos River at the South Bend Station (upper portion of watershed) for a 5.7-year period is 497,400 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 391,140 acre feet, or 79% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 2,216 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 1,783 acre feet, or 80% of the average load. The total load for the 6.7-year period was 22,007,940 tons, or 14,437 acre feet of silt.

##### Richmond Station, Brazos River

The average discharge of the Brazos River at the Richmond Station (lower portion of the watershed) for a 23.3-year period is 6,023,540 acre

feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 1,950,620 acre feet, which is 32% of the average flow. The average load for the same period is 24,898 acre feet, while for the year it was 2,591 acre feet, which is 10% of the average load. The total load for a 24.3-year period is 889,824,770 tons or 582,870 acre feet of silt. This large quantity of silt is sufficient to have jeopardized the economic life of a water storage reservoir similar to Lake Possum Kingdom located on the same watershed and which has a capacity of 750,000 acre feet of water. The data obtained at the Richmond Station are probably the longest continuous daily silt records in existence (25.1 years to August, 1949).

#### Easterly Station, Navasota River

The average discharge of the Navasota River (a tributary of the Brazos River) at the Easterly Station for a 5.7-year period is 433,650 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 99,160 acre feet, which is 23% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 275 acre feet, while for 1947-1948, it was 53 acre feet, which is 19% of the average load. The total load for a 6.7-year period is 2,485,660 tons or 1,634 acre feet of silt.

#### San Saba Station, Colorado River

The average discharge of the Colorado River at the San Saba Station (located a few miles above the upper portion of Lake Buchanan) for a 17-year period is 1,245,570 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 604,200 acre feet, which is 48% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 3,148 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 2,222 acre feet, which is 71% of the average load. The total load for an 18-year period is 85,258,480 tons or 55,919 acre feet of silt. The silt records obtained at this station are also among the longest daily continuous records (18.8 years to August, 1949).

#### Johnson City Station, Pedernales River

The average discharge of the Pedernales River (a tributary of the Colorado River) at the Johnson City Station for a 5.2-year period is 131,570 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 31,690 acre feet, which is 24% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 180 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 27 acre feet, which is 15% of the average load. The total load for a 6.2-year period is 1,456,500 tons or 957 acre feet of silt.

#### Llano Station, Llano River

The average discharge of the Llano River (a tributary of the Colorado River and joining it between Lake Buchanan and Lake Travis) at the Llano Station for a 5.2-year period is 181,690 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 327,420 acre feet, which is 180% of the average flow. This is one of the few streams that had any excessive flood waters during the year. The upper watersheds of this stream are located in areas where excessive and very high rainfall occurred during the year, some of which

exceeded all previous records. The rainfall (cloudbursts) on a small area of the Llano watershed, which contained little moisture and vegetative growth (weeds, etc.) due to drouth, caused the run-off to be extremely rapid and high. The rainfall for the storm of June 23-24, 1948, which occurred on a small watershed area of one of the tributaries of the Llano River varied from 8 to 22 inches according to the Weather Bureau records.

The soils of the small watershed area at the time of the storm were dry and aerated due to the prolonged drouth. When the hard - cloud-burst proportion - rain fell upon the dry pulverized soil, the erosion was exceedingly great. This erosion caused the Llano River to carry a large silt load with the flood waters.

The average annual silt load of the Llano River is 143 acre feet, while for one month, June, it amounted to 902 acre feet. For the entire year it was 965 acre feet, which is 675% of the average load. The total load for a 6.2-year period is 2,594,720 tons, or 1,702 acre feet of silt.

#### Spring Branch Station, Guadalupe River

The average discharge of the Guadalupe River at the Spring Branch Station (upper portion of the watershed) for a 5.7-year period is 240,700 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 59,460 acre feet, which is 25% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 127 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 38 acre feet, which is 30% of the average load.

Practically all of the silt load occurred in one month, June, when it was 37 acre feet out of a total of 38 acre feet for the entire year. Most of the discharge of the river also occurred during June and amounted to 55,680 acre feet out of a total of 60,110 acre feet for the entire year.

The total load for a 6.7-year period is 1,173,110 tons, or 766 acre feet of silt.

#### Victoria Station, Guadalupe River

The average discharge of the Guadalupe River at the Victoria Station (lower portion of the watershed) for a 2.1-year period is 1,417,870 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 509,960 acre feet, which is 36% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 551 acre feet, while for 1947-1948, it was 111 acre feet, which is 20% of the average load. The total load for a 3.1-year period is 1,915,860 tons, or 1,259 acre feet of silt.

#### Edna Station, Lavaca River

The average discharge of the Lavaca River at the Edna Station for a 2.1-year period is 248,480 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 114,240 acre feet, or 46% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 164 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 66 acre feet, or 40% of the average load. The total load for a 3.1-year period is 618,860 tons, or 407 acre feet of silt.

#### Rockland Station, Neches River

The average discharge of the Neches River at the Rockland Station for a 17.1-year period is 2,052,740 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 1,250,360 acre feet, which is 61% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 338 acre feet, while for 1947-1948, it was 77 acre feet, which is 23% of the average load. The total silt load for an 18.1-year period is 8,953,060 tons, or 5,865 acre feet of silt. This is also one of the stations with a long continuous silt record.

#### Horger Station, Angelina River

The average discharge of the Angelina River, a tributary of the Neches River, at the Horger Station for a 2.1-year period is 3,403,490 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 1,619,040 acre feet, which is 48% of the average flow. The average silt load is 703 acre feet, while for 1947-1948, it was 149 acre feet, which is 21% of the average load. The total load for a 3.1-year period is 2,457,670 tons, or 1,613 acre feet of silt.

#### Cotulla Station, Nueces River

The average discharge of the Nueces River at the Cotulla Station for a 5.7-year period is 210,645 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 72,900 acre feet, which is 35% of the average flow. The average silt load is 95 acre feet, while for 1947-1948, it was 19 acre feet, which is 20% of the average load. The entire discharge and silt load occurred in June, July, and September. During the other months of the year the river was entirely dry at the Cotulla Station. The total load for a 6.7-year period is 860,580 tons, or 564 acre feet of silt.

#### Three Rivers Station, Nueces River

The average discharge of the Nueces River at the Three Rivers Station for a 20-year period is 716,380 acre feet, while for 1947-1948 it was 129,330 acre feet, which is 18% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 527 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 164 acre feet, which is 31% of the average load. The total silt load for a 21-year period is 16,319,750 tons, or 10,704 acre feet of silt. This is also one of the long continuous silt records.

#### Logansport, La. Station, Sabine River

The average discharge of the Sabine River at the Logansport, La. Station for a 13.2-year period is 3,040,380 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948 it was 2,820,560 acre feet, which is 93% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 806 acre feet, while for 1947-1948, it was 298 acre feet, which is 37% of the average load. The total load for a 14.2-year period is 16,631,910 tons, or 10,904 acre feet of silt.



#### Goliad Station, San Antonio River

The average discharge of the San Antonio River at the Goliad Station for a 5.7-year period is 562,470 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 226,510 acre feet, which is 40% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 550 acre feet, while for 1947-1948, it was 155 acre feet or 28% of the average load. The total silt load for a 6.7-year period is 5,067,120 tons or 3,321 acre feet of silt.

#### Huffman Station, San Jacinto River

The average discharge of the San Jacinto River at Huffman (Sheldon Pumping Plant) Station near the lower end of the river for a 2.1-year period is 2,369,630 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 499,740 acre feet, which is 21% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 1,135 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 70 acre feet, which is 6% of the average load. The total load for the 3.1-year period is 3,713,780 tons, or 2,435 acre feet of silt.

#### Humble Station, San Jacinto River

The average discharge of the West Fork of the San Jacinto River at the Humble Station for an 11.3-year period is 925,490 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 284,340 acre feet, which is 31% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 298 acre feet, while for 1947-1948, it was 25 acre feet, which is 8% of the average load. The total silt load for a 12.3-year period is 5,203,760 tons, or 3,408 acre feet of silt.

#### Romayor Station, Trinity River

The average discharge of the Trinity River at the Romayor Station for an 11.1-year period is 6,976,050 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 4,476,720 acre feet, which is 64% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 4,791 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 2,154 acre feet, which is 45% of the average load. The total load for a 12.1 year period is 84,659,480 tons, or 55,533 acre feet of silt.

#### Lake Possum Kingdom

The average flow from Lake Possum Kingdom on the upper watershed area of the Brazos River through the outlet gates and turbines and over the spillway for a 5.7-year period is 702,270 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 323,380 acre feet, which is 46% of the average flow. The average silt load by-passing the lake for the same period is 108 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 22 acre feet, which is 20% of the average load. The total silt load by-passing the dam for a 6.7-year period is 895,370 tons, or 586 acre feet of silt. The Lake Possum Kingdom has a capacity of 750,000 acre feet of water. During the 6.7-year period 14,437 acre feet of suspended silt load entered Lake Possum Kingdom at the South Bend Station. During the same period 586 acre feet of silt, or 2.3%, by-passed the dam.

### Lake Corpus Christi

The average flow from Lake Corpus Christi, located on the Nueces River, during a 5.7-year period is 764,150 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 107,320 acre feet, which is 14% of the average flow. The average silt load for the same period is 189 acre feet, while for 1947-1948 it was only 8 acre feet, which is 4% of the average flow. The total silt load for a 6.7-year period, including 1947-1948, that by-passed the dam is 1,079 acre feet. The capacity of Lake Corpus Christi is about 64,000 acre feet.

The silt load entering Lake Corpus Christi as obtained at the Three Rivers Station for a 6.7-year period is approximately 2,949 acre feet. The station is located about 30 miles from the upper portion of the lake. The watershed area between them is about 1,000 square miles. This area, however, contributes a very small amount of silt to the lake. The amount of silt being by-passed from the lake for the same 6.7-year period amounts to 1,650,240 tons, or 1,079 acre feet, and represents 37% of the amount entering the lake.

A silt survey of the lake was made in 1948 by the Sedimentation Division, Soil Conservation Service, United States Department of Agriculture. A report of this survey is in process of preparation.

### Lake Buchanan

The flow from Lake Buchanan, located on the Colorado River, for one year (record started October 1, 1947) was 576,440 acre feet. The capacity of the lake is 992,475 acre feet. The silt load by-passing the lake for the same period was 46,530 tons or 30 acre feet. The discharge of the Colorado River into the lake at the San Saba Station for the year was 604,200 acre feet, and the silt load for the same period was 2,222 acre feet.

### Lake Inks

The average flow from Lake Inks, which is located downstream and adjacent to Lake Buchanan, for a 5.2-year period is 705,450 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 580,500 acre feet, which is 82% of the average flow. The average silt load by-passing the lake for the same period is 71 acre feet, while for 1947-1948 it was 38 acre feet, which is 54% of the average load. The capacity of Lake Inks is 16,200 acre feet. During the year 1947-1948 the silt load by-passing Lake Buchanan was 30 acre feet, while at Lake Inks, immediately below it, the silt load was 38 acre feet. The total amount of silt by-passing Lake Inks for a 6.2-year period is 612,480 tons or 405 acre feet.

### Lake Austin

The average discharge of the Colorado River at the Montopolis Bridge Station, which is located about 4 miles downstream from Lake Austin, for a 7-year period, and since the completion of Tom Miller Dam in 1940, is 1,837,800 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948, it was 957,750 acre feet,

which is 52% of the average discharge. This flow was water released at various intervals from four lakes above the station, namely, Buchanan, Inks, Mansfield or Travis (Marshall Ford) and Austin. The average silt load by-passing the four lakes for the 7-year period is 239 acre feet, while for the year 1947-1948 it was 82 acre feet, which is 34% of the average load.

#### Cooperation

Some of the silt determinations were made possible through the splendid financial cooperation of several agencies in Texas who are interested in silt problems. Those cooperating agencies are the Brazos River Conservation and Reclamation District; the Lower Colorado River Authority; and the Water Departments of the Cities of Houston and Corpus Christi. The Water Resources Branch of the United States Geological Survey has also offered helpful and congenial cooperation in furnishing river discharge data and information.

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SILT DATA

Brazos River Watershed  
at  
BELTON STATION ON LEON RIVER

for

Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	690	30	0	.003	
November	3,720	540	0	.011	
December	8,200	3,480	2	.031	
<u>1948</u>					
January	3,350	170	0	.004	
February	20,090	68,230	45	.249	
March	11,420	3,570	2	.023	
April	7,630	910	1	.009	
May	29,860	8,930	6	.022	
June	10,810	3,870	3	.026	
July	17,180	19,360	13	.083	
August	1,160	290	0	.018	
September	8,000	9,140	5	.084	
<b>Total</b>	<b>122,110</b>	<b>118,520</b>	<b>77</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	122,100
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	77
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.022
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.071
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	3,547

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Brazos River Watershed

Stream: LEON 2/  
 Station: BELTON (Samples taken from Highway  
 Sampler: N. H. Hander Bridge on State Hwy. 317)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
Sept., 1945	10,380	26,320	17	.186	
1945-46	663,960	1,187,070	779	.131	
1946-47	362,480	280,030	216	.057	
1947-48	<u>122,110</u>	<u>118,520</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>.071</u>	
TOTALS	1,158,930	1,611,940	1,089		

For period of 3.083 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	375,910
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	353
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.100
Average tons of silt per year -----	522,848
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.103
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	3,547

1/ One month record. Station was established September 1, 1945.

2/ Prior to October 1, 1945 samples were taken from inlet to pumping plant north of Belton -- located about  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile upstream from bridge on U. S. Highway No. 81.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Brazos River Watershed  
at  
EASTERLY STATION ON NAVASOTA RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	200	30	0	.011	
November	320	90	0	.021	
December	3,340	1,270	1	.028	
<u>1948</u>					
January	6,920	4,190	3	.044	
February	28,450	16,040	11	.041	
March	12,930	5,440	4	.031	
April	12,720	11,610	8	.067	
May	30,650	38,770	25	.093	
June	820	380	0	.034	
July	2,620	2,150	1	.060	
August	90	10	0	.008	
September	100	0	0	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>99,160</b>	<b>79,980</b>	<b>53</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	99,150
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	53
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.056
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.059
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	949

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Brazos River Watershed

Stream: NAVASOTA  
 Station: EASTERLY (Samples taken from bridge on  
 Sampler: Goree King U. S. Highway No. 79

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1941-42 <sup>1/</sup>	199,750	142,600	94	.052	
1942-43	84,820	59,600	39	.052	
1943-44	592,670	889,340	584	.110	
1944-45	556,120	607,980	400	.080	
1945-46	617,980	513,050	337	.061	
1946-47	441,190	193,110	127	.032	
1947-48	99,160	79,980	53	.059	
<b>TOTALS</b>	2,591,690	2,485,660	1,634		

For period of 6.748 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	384,068
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	242
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.255
Average tons of silt per year -----	368,355
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.070
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	949

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established January 1, 1942.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Brazos River Watershed  
at  
SOUTH BEND STATION ON BRAZOS RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight Pct.
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Tons	
<u>1947</u>					
October	31,120	113,340	74		.267
November	10,190	3,910	3		.028
December	27,370	225,500	148		.605
<u>1948</u>					
January	3,800	1,970	1		.038
February	11,060	176,680	116		1.174
March	15,400	122,810	81		.586
April	3,790	1,580	1		.031
May	27,160	86,960	57		.235
June	131,120	826,170	542		.463
July	118,680	1,137,170	746		.704
August	10,440	21,800	14		.153
September	1,010	330	0		.024
<b>Total</b>	<b>391,140</b>	<b>2,718,220</b>	<b>1,783</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	391,200
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	1,783
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.144
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.510
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	12,360



SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Brazos River Watershed

Stream: BRAZOS  
 Station: SOUTH BEND (Samples taken from bridge on  
 Sampler: O. W. Hill State Highway No. 67)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1941-42 <sup>1/</sup>	672,230	4,581,930	3,005	.501	
1942-43	491,060	3,846,100	2,523	.575	
1943-44	171,360	1,071,620	703	.459	
1944-45	394,460	2,258,250	1,482	.421	
1945-46	363,890	3,116,920	2,044	.629	
1946-47	747,030	4,414,900	2,897	.434	
1947-48	<u>391,140</u>	<u>2,718,220</u>	<u>1,783</u>	<u>.510</u>	
TOTALS	3,231,170	22,007,940	14,437		

For period of 6.710 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	481,545
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	2,152
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.174
Average tons of silt per year -----	3,279,872
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.500
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	12,360

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established January 15, 1942.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Brazos River Watershed  
at  
POSSUM KINGDOM DAM STATION ON BRAZOS RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	17,690	1,690	1	.007	
November	11,450	1,470	1	.009	
December	18,310	940	1	.004	
<u>1948</u>					
January	23,720	820	1	.003	
February	24,760	3,080	2	.009	
March	19,450	1,270	1	.005	
April	28,840	4,520	3	.012	
May	14,670	1,740	1	.009	
June	35,750	2,630	2	.005	
July	45,000	7,400	5	.012	
August	58,710	4,690	3	.006	
September	25,030	810	1	.002	
<b>Total</b>	<b>323,380</b>	<b>31,060</b>	<b>22</b>		

Yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	323,380 <sup>1/</sup>
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	22
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	-----
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.007
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	-----

<sup>1/</sup> Discharge figures for this station obtained from  
Brazos River Conservation & Reclamation District

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Brazos River Watershed

Stream: BRAZOS  
 Station: POSSUM KINGDOM DAM (Samples taken in tailrace  
 Sampler: J. P. Cochran and over spillway)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1941-42 <sup>1/</sup>	588,030	55,070	36	.007	
1942-43	851,290	625,770	410	.054	
1943-44	92,040	15,590	10	.012	
1944-45	307,410	51,350	32	.012	
1945-46	293,110	41,250	27	.010	
1946-47	946,860	75,280	49	.006	
1947-48	<u>323,380</u>	<u>31,060</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>.007</u>	
TOTALS	3,402,120	895,370	586		

For period of 6.710 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	507,022
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	87
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	----
Average tons of silt per year -----	133,438
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.019
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	----

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established January 15, 1942.

SILT DATA

Brazos River Watershed  
at  
RICHMOND STATION ON BRAZOS RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	57,940	6,160	4	.008	
November	91,760	56,050	37	.045	
December	213,940	212,250	139	.073	
<u>1948</u>					
January	120,120	34,460	23	.021	
February	257,300	265,920	174	.076	
March	350,020	1,169,300	767	.245	
April	165,500	236,850	155	.105	
May	282,110	1,359,490	892	.354	
June	123,660	245,360	161	.146	
July	184,840	356,780	234	.142	
August	34,960	5,140	3	.011	
September	68,470	2,960	2	.003	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,950,620</b>	<b>3,950,720</b>	<b>2,591</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	1,951,000
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	2,591
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.074
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.149
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	34,810

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Brazos River Watershed

Stream: BRAZOS  
 Station: RICHMOND (Samples taken from bridge on  
 Sampler: S. J. Butler U. S. Highway No. 90)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1923-24 <sup>1/</sup>	494,900	714,220	468	.106	
1924-25	1,237,300	12,676,710	8,314	.753	
1925-26	8,762,800	44,939,350	29,476	.377	
1926-27	5,562,600	34,377,320	21,739	.454	
1927-28	3,318,400	28,163,890	18,472	.623	
1928-29	6,000,000	32,284,200	21,174	.395	
1929-30	5,218,900	38,686,330	25,373	.545	
1930-31	5,639,000	27,766,660	18,212	.362	
1931-32 <sup>2-3/</sup>	8,041,000	63,649,510	41,749	.582	
1932-33	2,563,100	15,175,520	9,954	.435	
1933-34	3,372,670	23,318,780	15,294	.508	
1934-35	7,334,480	63,472,990	41,633	.636	
1935-36	6,031,540	40,330,500	26,453	.491	
1936-37	5,405,790	25,531,710	16,747	.347	
1937-38	7,203,600	55,656,280	36,544	.568	
1938-39	1,966,110	14,742,470	9,668	.551	
1939-40	3,161,120	23,679,220	15,531	.550	
1940-41	16,124,370	97,306,510	63,824	.443	
1941-42	8,522,910	71,490,110	46,891	.616	
1942-43	3,255,310	11,426,360	7,496	.258	
1943-44	7,626,500	46,735,630	30,654	.450	
1944-45	9,804,730	57,254,020	37,555	.429	
1945-46	7,399,590	35,484,230	23,275	.352	
1946-47	6,345,770	21,011,530	13,783	.243	
1947-48	<u>1,950,620</u>	<u>3,950,720</u>	<u>2,591</u>	<u>.149</u>	
TOTALS	142,343,110	889,824,770	582,870		

For period of 24.306 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	5,856,295
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	23,980
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.689
Average tons of silt per year -----	36,609,263
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.459
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	34,810

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established at Rosenberg, June 11, 1924.

<sup>2/</sup> Station was discontinued at Rosenberg, April 12, 1932.

<sup>3/</sup> Station was established at Richmond, April 13, 1932.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Colorado River Watershed  
at  
LLANO STATION ON LLANO RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight Pct.
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.		
<u>1947</u>					
October	1,820	160	0		.006
November	3,370	110	0		.002
December	4,680	160	0		.003
<u>1948</u>					
January	4,530	210	0		.003
February	7,140	610	0		.006
March	4,870	250	0		.004
April	6,310	1,720	1		.020
May	13,280	26,170	17		.145
June	181,890	1,374,580	902		.555
July	76,980	63,570	42		.061
August	8,870	970	1		.008
September	13,680	2,890	2		.016
<b>Total</b>	<b>327,420</b>	<b>1,471,400</b>	<b>965</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet ----- 327,400

Total silt for year in acre-feet ----- 965

Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile  
of contributing watershed ----- .241

Average percent of silt by weight for year ----- .330

Drainage area in square miles (net) ----- 4,000

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Colorado River Watershed

Stream: LLANO (Samples were taken at U. S. Gaging  
 Station: LLANO Station  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile downstream from  
 Sampler: Mrs. Tracy M. Ward bridge on State Highway No. 16)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1941-42 <sup>1/</sup>	65,990	252,700	166	.281	
1942-43	235,470	381,560	250	.119	
1943-44	196,070	120,450	79	.045	
1944-45	156,920	90,120	60	.042	
1945-46	142,740	249,740	164	.129	
1946-47	141,550	28,750	18	.015	
1947-48	<u>327,420</u>	<u>1,471,400</u>	<u>965</u>	<u>.330</u>	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,266,160</b>	<b>2,594,720</b>	<b>1,702</b>		

For period of 6.167 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	205,312
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	276
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.069
Average tons of silt per year -----	420,743
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.151
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	4,000

1/ Station was established August 1, 1942.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Colorado River Watershed  
at  
JOHNSON CITY STATION ON PEDERNALES RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	620	60	0	.007	
November	1,060	70	0	.005	
December	2,310	480	0	.015	
<u>1948</u>					
January	1,400	110	0	.006	
February	1,960	180	0	.007	
March	1,930	120	0	.005	
April	10,140	31,990	21	.232	
May	5,060	4,540	3	.066	
June	1,920	2,020	1	.077	
July	3,710	1,630	1	.032	
August	650	220	0	.025	
September	930	920	1	.073	
<b>Total</b>	<b>31,690</b>	<b>42,340</b>	<b>27</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	31,630
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	27
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.029
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.098
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	947



SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Colorado River Watershed

Stream: PEDERNALES (Samples were taken from highway  
 Station: JOHNSON CITY bridge on U.S. Hwy. 281, about  
 Sampler: John W. Grisham  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles north of Johnson City)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1941-42 <sup>1/</sup>	22,630	107,030	70	.347	
1942-43	79,850	150,740	99	.139	
1943-44	167,700	724,550	476	.317	
1944-45	187,000	191,740	126	.075	
1945-46	94,140	132,430	88	.103	
1946-47	128,460	107,670	71	.062	
1947-48	<u>31,690</u>	<u>42,340</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>.098</u>	
TOTALS	711,470	1,456,500	957		

For period of 6.167 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	115,367
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	155
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.164
Average tons of silt per year -----	236,176
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.150
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	947

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established August 1, 1942.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Colorado River Watershed

at  
SAN SABA STATION ON COLORADO RIVER

for

Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	36,770	416,290	273	.832	
November	10,480	8,310	5	.058	
December	38,210	139,850	92	.269	
<u>1948</u>					
January	7,630	380	0	.004	
February	15,550	56,050	37	.264	
March	25,340	93,600	61	.271	
April	15,250	10,000	7	.048	
May	64,680	303,600	199	.345	
June	49,300	269,970	177	.402	
July	273,940	1,865,240	1,223	.500	
August	34,380	111,330	73	.238	
September	32,670	114,960	75	.258	
Total	604,200	3,389,580	2,222		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	604,200
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	2,222
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.118
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.412
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	18,800

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Colorado River Watershed

Stream: COLORADO (Samples were taken from Red Bluff <sup>2/</sup>  
 Station: NEAR SAN SABA bridge about midway between San  
 Sampler: Robert A. Broyles Saba and Lometa)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pdt.	
1929-30 <sup>1/</sup>	24,000	143,140	94	.439	
1930-31	1,373,750	5,136,520	3,369	.275	
1931-32	2,223,900	9,934,850	6,516	.328	
1932-33	475,300	1,303,620	855	.201	
1933-34	504,380	2,121,550	1,391	.309	
1934-35	2,564,290	14,423,520	9,459	.413	
1935-36	2,276,400	7,520,550	4,933	.243	
1936-37	1,197,100	2,688,230	1,764	.165	
1937-38	2,809,340	8,923,940	5,853	.233	
1938-39	819,430	3,709,100	2,432	.333	
1939-40	773,690	3,191,810	2,094	.303	
1940-41	2,052,980	8,613,430	5,650	.308	
1941-42	1,285,920	4,571,140	2,998	.261	
1942-43	475,090	703,520	461	.109	
1943-44	592,790	2,129,300	1,397	.264	
1944-45	870,370	2,655,490	1,743	.224	
1945-46	416,390	1,511,040	992	.267	
1946-47	517,540	2,588,150	1,696	.367	
1947-48	604,200	3,389,580	2,222	.412	
TOTALS	21,856,860	85,258,480	55,919		

For period of 18.055 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	1,210,571
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	3,097
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.165
Average tons of silt per year -----	4,722,153
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.287
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	18,800

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established September 11, 1930

<sup>2/</sup> Water samples were discontinued at old Red Bluff bridge and started one-half mile upstream at the new Red Bluff bridge on May 24, 1940.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Colorado River Watershed  
at  
INKS DAM STATION ON COLORADO RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	66,170	8,670	6	.010	
November	59,790	3,980	3	.005	
December	45,440	1,590	1	.003	
<u>1948</u>					
January	34,340	1,060	1	.002	
February	50,100	3,090	2	.005	
March	47,990	3,600	2	.006	
April	44,460	2,700	2	.004	
May	31,860	4,060	3	.009	
June	43,380	8,790	6	.015	
July	54,460	6,570	4	.009	
August	55,970	11,240	7	.015	
September	46,540	1,350	1	.002	
<b>Total</b>	<b>580,500</b>	<b>56,700</b>	<b>38</b>		

Yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	580,500 <sup>1/</sup>
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	38
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	-----
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.007
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	-----

1/ Discharge figures for this station obtained from Lower Colorado River Authority

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Colorado River Watershed

Stream: COLORADO  
Station: INKS DAM (Samples were taken from tailrace)  
Sampler: Lloyd Myers

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1941-42 <sup>1/</sup>	285,200	41,270	27	.011	
1942-43	662,460	67,090	44	.007	
1943-44	768,040	127,980	84	.012	
1944-45	751,950	157,540	104	.015	
1945-46	678,460	134,030	88	.015	
1946-47	498,980	27,870	20	.004	
1947-48	580,500	56,700	38	.007	
TOTALS	4,225,590	612,480	405		

For period of 6.167 years.

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	685,194
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	66
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	----
Average tons of silt per year -----	99,316
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.011
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	----

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established August 1, 1942.

SILT DATA

Colorado River Watershed  
at  
BUCHANAN DAM STATION ON COLORADO RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	65,460	8,080	5	.009	
November	59,110	4,570	3	.006	
December	45,840	1,710	1	.003	
<u>1948</u>					
January	35,640	1,020	1	.002	
February	51,340	3,740	2	.005	
March	47,000	2,680	2	.004	
April	42,970	3,130	2	.005	
May	29,350	1,700	1	.004	
June	43,540	6,160	4	.010	
July	54,380	8,290	5	.011	
August	54,940	4,180	3	.006	
September	46,870	1,270	1	.002	
<b>Total</b>	<b>576,440</b>	<b>46,530</b>	<b>30</b>		

Yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	576,440 <sup>1/</sup>
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	30
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	-----
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.006
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	-----

<sup>1/</sup> Discharge figures for this station obtained from Lower Colorado River Authority.

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Colorado River Watershed

Stream: COLORADO (Samples taken at power house)  
 Station: BUCHANAN DAM  
 Sampler: Lloyd Myers

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1947-48 <sup>1/</sup>	<u>576,440</u>	<u>46,530</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>.006</u>	
TOTALS	576,440	46,530	30	.	

For period of 1.000 year

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	576,440
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	30
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	----
Average tons of silt per year -----	46,530
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.006
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	----

1/ Station established October 1, 1947.

SILT DATA

Colorado River Watershed  
at  
AUSTIN STATION ON COLORADO RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	69,830	5,770	4	.006	
November	68,460	4,430	3	.005	
December	58,240	4,300	3	.005	
<u>1948</u>					
January	56,380	7,460	5	.010	
February	59,030	5,870	4	.007	
March	61,920	5,380	4	.006	
April	62,830	8,820	6	.010	
May	80,190	15,100	10	.014	
June	114,110	31,370	21	.020	
July	130,630	12,390	8	.007	
August	125,170	19,180	13	.011	
September	70,960	1,990	1	.002	
<b>Total</b>	<b>957,750</b>	<b>122,060</b>	<b>82</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	957,700
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	82
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.003
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.009
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	26,360



SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Colorado River Watershed

Stream: COLORADO  
 Station: AUSTIN (Samples taken from Montopolis  
 Sampler: Mrs. G. L. Pfler Bridge)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1936-37 <u>1/</u>	48,040	1,830	1	.003	
1937-38 *	3,609,570	8,881,220	5,826	.181	
1938-39 <u>2/</u>	986,630	735,150	481	.055	
1939-40 *	1,334,120	906,750	596	.050	
1940-41	3,869,250	979,240	642	.019	
1941-42	986,440	121,570	80	.009	
1942-43	1,787,770	328,050	215	.013	
1943-44	1,392,380	186,590	122	.010	
1944-45	1,750,770	444,540	292	.019	
1945-46	1,554,930	256,770	170	.012	
1946-47	1,523,070	234,770	155	.011	
1947-48	<u>957,750</u>	<u>122,060</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>.009</u>	
TOTALS	19,800,720	13,198,540	8,662		

For period of 11.164 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	1,773,622
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	776
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.029
Average tons of silt per year -----	1,182,241
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.049
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	26,360

1/ Station was established August 2, 1937, and samples taken from Congress Avenue bridge.

2/ Samples taken from Montopolis bridge.

\* Rehabilitation of the old Austin Dam (now termed Tom Miller Dam) was started August 1, 1938. This construction at times doubtless distorted the silt load of samples which were taken from 1½ to 4 miles downstream therefrom. Rehabilitation was completed and the impounding of water was begun on January 7, 1940.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Guadalupe River Watershed  
at  
SPRING BRANCH STATION ON GUADALUPE RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	3,390	250	0	.005	
November	4,530	330	0	.005	
December	5,610	260	0	.003	
<u>1948</u>					
January	5,510	250	0	.003	
February	5,170	170	0	.002	
March	5,450	210	0	.003	
April	5,310	700	0	.010	
May	4,600	650	0	.010	
June	9,910	55,680	37	.413	
July	5,500	1,150	1	.015	
August	2,150	250	0	.009	
September	2,330	210	0	.007	
<b>Total</b>	<b>59,460</b>	<b>60,110</b>	<b>38</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	59,450
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	38
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.027
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.074
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	1,432

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Guadalupe River Watershed

Stream: GUADALUPE (Samples taken 4 miles southeast of  
 Station: SPRING BRANCH Spring Branch from bridge on old  
 Sampler: Alfred Beierle Highway No. 46)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1941-42 <sup>1/</sup>	167,150	164,150	108	.072	
1942-43	145,610	79,630	52	.040	
1943-44	272,850	401,650	262	.108	
1944-45	304,860	190,830	126	.046	
1945-46	185,080	148,700	96	.059	
1946-47	307,960	128,040	84	.031	
1947-48	59,460	60,110	38	.074	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,442,970</b>	<b>1,173,110</b>	<b>766</b>		

For period of 6.748 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	213,837
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	114
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.080
Average tons of silt per year -----	173,846
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.060
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	1,432

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established January 1, 1942.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Guadalupe River Watershed  
at  
VICTORIA STATION ON GUADALUPE RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight Pct.
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Tons	
<u>1947</u>					
October	35,860	4,210	3		.009
November	37,940	2,560	2		.005
December	44,240	7,720	5		.013
<u>1948</u>					
January	41,160	2,220	1		.004
February	47,390	10,930	7		.017
March	47,240	8,620	6		.013
April	32,860	5,280	3		.012
May	86,920	80,640	53		.068
June	33,380	5,990	4		.013
July	45,770	9,820	6		.016
August	33,680	29,260	19		.064
September	23,520	2,310	2		.007
<b>Total</b>	<b>509,960</b>	<b>169,560</b>	<b>111</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	510,000
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	111
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.020
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.024
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	5,676

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Guadalupe River Watershed

Stream: GUADALUPE  
 Station: VICTORIA (Samples taken from bridge on  
 Sampler: A. E. Anders U. S. Highway No. 59)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.		Pct.
1944-45 <sup>1/</sup>	38,430	19,480	13		.037
1945-46	1,319,520	949,130	624		.053
1946-47	1,595,300	777,690	511		.036
1947-48	<u>509,960</u>	<u>169,560</u>	<u>111</u>		<u>.024</u>
TOTALS	3,463,210	1,915,860	1,259		

For period of 3.083 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	1,123,325
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	408
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.072
Average tons of silt per year -----	621,427
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.041
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	5,676

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established September 1, 1945. Record for one month.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Lavaca River Watershed

Stream: LAVACA (Samples taken from bridge on U.S.  
 Station: EDNA Highway No. 59 between Victoria  
 Sampler: Mrs. Ida Berryhill and Edna)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1944-45 <sup>1/</sup>	980	570	0	----	
1945-46	266,330	327,240	215	.090	
1946-47	250,340	192,850	126	.057	
1947-48	<u>114,240</u>	<u>98,200</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>.063</u>	
TOTALS	631,890	618,860	407		

For period of 3.083 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	204,959
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	132
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.149
Average tons of silt per year -----	200,733
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.072
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	887

1/ Station established September 1, 1945.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Lavaca River Watershed  
at  
EDNA STATION ON LAVACA RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	1,060	80	0	.006	
November	2,080	770	1	.027	
December	2,730	1,170	1	.031	
<u>1948</u>					
January	3,730	2,510	2	.049	
February	10,280	7,540	5	.054	
March	9,550	8,960	6	.069	
April	2,520	860	1	.025	
May	73,140	73,580	48	.074	
June	4,290	630	0	.011	
July	2,980	790	1	.019	
August	720	90	0	.009	
September	1,160	1,220	1	.077	
<b>Total</b>	<b>114,240</b>	<b>98,200</b>	<b>66</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	114,300
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	66
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.074
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.063
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	887

SILT DATA

Neches River Watershed  
at  
HORGER STATION ON ANGELINA RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight Pct.
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.		
<u>1947</u>					
October	11,460	1,000	1		.006
November	49,960	9,900	6		.015
December	149,550	23,700	16		.012
<u>1948</u>					
January	138,900	14,450	9		.008
February	464,330	62,470	41		.010
March	310,770	21,970	14		.005
April	268,110	56,440	37		.015
May	150,090	30,090	20		.015
June	45,780	5,340	4		.009
July	18,070	1,060	1		.004
August	5,900	430	0		.005
September	6,120	220	0		.003
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,619,040</b>	<b>227,070</b>	<b>149</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	1,619,000
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	149
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.043
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.010
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	3,435



SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Neches River Watershed

Stream: ANGELINA (Samples taken from bridge on  
 Station: HORGER State Highway No. 63 between  
 Sampler: D. W. Moye Zavalla and Jasper)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1944-45 <sup>1/</sup>	19,470	11,020	7	.042	
1945-46	3,869,300	1,826,050	1,198	.035	
1946-47	3,200,750	393,530	259	.009	
1947-48	<u>1,619,040</u>	<u>227,070</u>	<u>149</u>	<u>.010</u>	
TOTALS	8,708,560	2,457,670	1,613		

For period of 3.083 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	2,824,702
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	523
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.152
Average tons of silt per year -----	797,168
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.021
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	3,435

<sup>1/</sup> Station established September 1, 1945.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Neches River Watershed  
at  
ROCKLAND STATION ON NECHES RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.		Pct.
<u>1947</u>					
October	8,510	620	0		.005
November	25,560	4,400	3		.013
December	91,790	7,410	5		.006
<u>1948</u>					
January	106,670	5,060	3		.003
February	320,450	29,330	19		.007
March	265,080	12,360	8		.003
April	203,490	20,630	14		.007
May	125,300	25,570	17		.015
June	77,970	10,880	7		.010
July	17,880	1,920	1		.008
August	4,110	300	0		.005
September	3,550	280	0		.006
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,250,360</b>	<b>118,760</b>	<b>77</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	1,250,000
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	77
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.022
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.007
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	3,539

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Neches River Watershed

Stream:      NECHES                                 (Samples were taken from bridge on  
Station:     ROCKLAND                                U. S. Highway 69 between Woodville  
Sampler:     George W. Jones                           and Lufkin)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1929-30 <sup>1/</sup>	10,620	290	0	.002	
1930-31	1,490,250	229,220	151	.011	
1931-32	2,560,930	193,940	128	.006	
1932-33	1,395,940	144,700	95	.008	
1933-34	1,552,630	174,070	112	.008	
1934-35	2,601,910	297,100	194	.008	
1935-36	1,040,600	140,280	91	.010	
1936-37	928,420	110,180	71	.009	
1937-38	1,400,070	225,940	147	.012	
1938-39	854,380	140,590	91	.012	
1939-40	1,097,590	227,590	149	.015	
1940-41	3,578,370	586,140	384	.012	
1941-42	2,522,390	550,920	361	.016	
1942-43	748,520	316,090	207	.031	
1943-44	3,230,410	1,865,580	1,223	.042	
1944-45	3,396,060	1,967,220	1,290	.043	
1945-46	3,534,920	1,285,240	845	.027	
1946-47	3,255,520	379,210	249	.009	
1947-48	<u>1,250,360</u>	<u>118,760</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>.007</u>	
TOTALS	36,449,890	8,953,060	5,865		

For period of 18.148 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	2,008,480
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	323
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.091
Average tons of silt per year -----	493,336
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.018
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	3,539

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established August 8, 1930.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Nueces River Watershed  
at  
COTULLA STATION ON NUECES RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	0	-	-	-	-
November	0	-	-	-	-
December	0	-	-	-	-
<u>1948</u>					
January	0	-	-	-	-
February	0	-	-	-	-
March	0	-	-	-	-
April	0	-	-	-	-
May	0	-	-	-	-
June	26,060	17,170	11		.048
July	35,210	11,000	7		.023
August	0	-	-	-	-
September	11,630	930	1		.006
<b>Total</b>	<b>72,900</b>	<b>29,100</b>	<b>19</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	72,900
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	19
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.004
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.029
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	5,260

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Nueces River Watershed

Stream: NUECES  
 Station: COTULLA (Samples taken from highway  
 Sampler: Joe G. Jennings bridge in Cotulla)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1941-42 <sup>1/</sup>	141,380	64,130	42	.033	
1942-43	64,240	33,270	22	.038	
1943-44	482,520	367,860	241	.056	
1944-45	82,440	65,460	43	.058	
1945-46	347,610	284,210	186	.060	
1946-47	92,610	16,550	11	.013	
1947-48	72,900	29,100	19	.029	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,283,700</b>	<b>860,580</b>	<b>564</b>		

For period of 6.748 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	190,234
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	84
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.016
Average tons of silt per year -----	127,531
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.049
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	5,260

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established January 1, 1942.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U.S.G.S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Nueces River Watershed  
at  
THREE RIVERS STATION ON NUECES RIVER

for

Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	340	50	0	.011	
November	7,640	15,290	10	.147	
December	1,930	600	0	.023	
<u>1948</u>					
January	800	70	0	.006	
February	1,660	100	0	.004	
March	1,380	160	0	.009	
April	600	70	0	.009	
May	2,300	5,120	3	.164	
June	2,600	21,620	14	.611	
July	92,710	169,630	111	.134	
August	7,870	28,000	18	.261	
September	8,500	12,690	8	.110	
<b>Total</b>	<b>128,330</b>	<b>253,400</b>	<b>164</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	128,300
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	164
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.011
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.145
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	15,600

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Nueces River Watershed

Stream: NUECES (Samples were taken 2 miles south of  
 Station: NEAR THREE RIVERS Three Rivers from railroad bridge,  
 Sampler: Carl Franze except at extreme low stage when  
 samples were taken at low dam)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1927-28 <sup>1/</sup>	318,930	617,920	405	.142	
1928-29	741,300	1,303,600	855	.129	
1929-30	596,510	721,440	473	.089	
1930-31	455,880	443,420	291	.071	
1931-32	1,006,200	581,880	381	.042	
1932-33	287,120	275,050	179	.070	
1933-34	253,800	668,320	438	.193	
1934-35	2,547,150	2,383,630	1,565	.069	
1935-36	768,200	752,320	494	.072	
1936-37	318,050	142,270	94	.033	
1937-38	479,730	771,540	506	.118	
1938-39	306,600	450,960	297	.108	
1939-40	840,190	1,035,600	679	.091	
1940-41	1,300,860	1,635,320	1,073	.092	
1941-42	1,107,790	987,340	648	.065	
1942-43	260,470	323,990	213	.091	
1943-44	700,090	668,660	439	.070	
1944-45	297,070	590,010	387	.146	
1945-46	927,400	1,134,770	744	.090	
1946-47	810,070	578,310	379	.052	
1947-48	128,330	253,400	164	.145	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>14,451,740</b>	<b>16,319,750</b>	<b>10,704</b>		

For period of 21.000 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	688,178
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	510
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.033
Average tons of silt per year -----	777,131
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.083
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	15,600

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established October 1, 1927.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Nueces River Watershed  
at  
CORPUS CHRISTI DAM STATION ON NUECES RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	5,110	650	0	.009	
November	3,890	310	0	.006	
December	2,010	270	0	.010	
<u>1948</u>					
January	2,440	220	0	.007	
February	1,900	210	0	.008	
March	1,750	170	0	.007	
April	2,210	250	0	.008	
May	2,400	300	0	.009	
June	2,600	320	0	.009	
July	72,170	11,030	7	.011	
August	2,820	410	0	.010	
September	8,020	1,030	1	.009	
<b>Total</b>	<b>107,320</b>	<b>15,170</b>	<b>8</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	107,300
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	15,170
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	-----
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.010
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	-----



SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Nueces River Watershed

Stream: NUECES  
 Station: CORPUS CHRISTI DAM (Samples taken below and adjacent  
 Sampler: Eddie Wright to outlet gates)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1941-42 <sup>1/</sup>	1,202,820	546,500	358	.033	
1942-43	249,640	44,790	29	.013	
1943-44	740,310	323,550	212	.032	
1944-45	273,820	125,070	81	.034	
1945-46	936,910	350,430	231	.027	
1946-47	921,510	244,730	160	.020	
1947-48	<u>107,320</u>	<u>15,170</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>.010</u>	
TOTALS	4,432,330	1,650,240	1,079		

For period of 6.660 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	665,515
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	162
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	-----
Average tons of silt per year -----	247,784
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.027
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	-----

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established February 2, 1942.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Sabine River Watershed  
at  
LOGANSFORT STATION ON SABINE RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.		Pct.
<u>1947</u>					
October	12,370	1,460	1		.009
November	68,670	19,510	13		.021
December	331,500	73,980	49		.016
<u>1948</u>					
January	421,610	69,200	45		.012
February	580,600	42,180	28		.005
March	583,930	95,680	63		.012
April	201,700	48,240	32		.018
May	419,090	87,000	57		.015
June	157,810	10,520	7		.005
July	26,060	3,450	2		.010
August	11,280	1,010	1		.007
September	5,940	160	0		.002
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,820,560</b>	<b>452,390</b>	<b>298</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	2,821,000
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	298
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.061
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.012
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	4,858

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Sabine River Watershed

Stream: SABINE (Samples were taken from U. S.  
 Station: LOGANSPORT, LA. Highway 84 bridge in downtown  
 Sampler: R. E. Davenport Logansport, La.)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1932-33 <sup>1/</sup>	2,545,700	503,740	330	.015	
1933-34 <sup>2/</sup>	69,200	5,780	4	.006	
1934-35 <sup>3/</sup>	13,910	400	0	.002	
1935-36	841,410	137,020	89	.012	
1936-37	1,689,660	270,430	176	.012	
1937-38	3,155,000	537,990	353	.013	
1938-39	1,325,580	291,500	190	.016	
1939-40	1,302,990	458,990	301	.026	
1940-41	4,876,180	825,330	541	.012	
1941-42	3,817,160	1,439,880	944	.028	
1942-43	1,716,620	999,370	655	.043	
1943-44	4,193,070	3,002,050	1,969	.053	
1944-45	5,996,730	4,502,820	2,953	.055	
1945-46	5,137,000	2,650,320	1,738	.038	
1946-47	3,318,320	553,900	363	.012	
1947-48	2,820,560	452,390	298	.012	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>42,819,090</b>	<b>16,631,910</b>	<b>10,904</b>		

For period of 14.156 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	3,024,801
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	770
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.159
Average tons of silt per year -----	1,174,902
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.029
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	4,858

- <sup>1/</sup> Station was established December 1, 1932.  
<sup>2/</sup> Station was discontinued December 27, 1933.  
<sup>3/</sup> Station was reestablished September 1, 1935.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

San Antonio River Watershed  
at  
GOLIAD STATION ON SAN ANTONIO RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	13,820	3,070	2		.016
November	16,340	7,450	5		.033
December	17,490	2,800	2		.012
<u>1948</u>					
January	16,040	1,750	1		.008
February	17,320	3,050	2		.013
March	15,640	4,850	3		.023
April	14,200	12,630	8		.065
May	18,970	38,850	25		.150
June	8,120	1,210	1		.011
July	24,510	43,990	29		.132
August	46,930	95,650	63		.150
September	17,130	21,720	14		.093
<b>Total</b>	<b>226,510</b>	<b>237,020</b>	<b>155</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	226,500
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	155
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.040
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.077
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	3,918

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

San Antonio River Watershed

Stream: SAN ANTONIO  
 Station: GOLIAD (Samples were taken near Goliad  
 Sampler: Polo Perez from bridge on State Highway No. 29)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1941-42 <sup>1/</sup>	699,580	848,340	556	.089	
1942-43	453,180	581,740	382	.094	
1943-44	365,060	725,630	475	.146	
1944-45	352,460	567,440	371	.118	
1945-46	663,080	1,387,180	910	.154	
1946-47	699,560	719,770	472	.076	
1947-48	<u>226,510</u>	<u>237,020</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>.077</u>	
TOTALS	3,459,430	5,067,120	3,321		

For period of 6.748 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	512,660
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	492
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.126
Average tons of silt per year -----	750,907
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.108
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	3,918

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established January 1, 1942.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

San Jacinto River Watershed  
at  
HUFFMAN STATION ON SAN JACINTO RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight Pct.
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.		
<u>1947</u>					
October	8,070	980	0		.009
November	13,500	1,680	1		.009
December	72,110	25,650	17		.026
<u>1948</u>					
January	41,700	4,480	3		.008
February	114,720	24,820	16		.016
March	121,860	24,940	16		.015
April	65,710	15,130	10		.017
May	31,780	5,070	3		.012
June	8,970	1,280	1		.010
July	9,580	1,140	1		.009
August	5,320	1,880	1		.026
September	6,420	1,250	1		.014
<b>Total</b>	<b>499,740</b>	<b>108,300</b>	<b>70</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	499,700
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	70
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.025
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.016
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	2,791

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

San Jacinto River Watershed

Stream: SAN JACINTO  
 Station: HUFFMAN (Samples were taken at Sheldon  
 Sampler: Phil Baker Scott Pumping Plant, City of Houston)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1944-45 <sup>1/</sup>	221,940	163,730	107	.054	
1945-46	2,246,700	1,345,020	881	.044	
1946-47	2,466,540	2,096,730	1,377	.062	
1947-48	<u>499,740</u>	<u>108,300</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>.016</u>	
TOTALS	5,434,920	3,713,780	2,435		

For period of 3.083 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	1,762,867
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	790
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.283
Average tons of silt per year -----	1,204,599
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.050
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	2,791

<sup>1/</sup> Station established September 1, 1945.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

San Jacinto River Watershed  
at  
HUMBLE STATION ON SAN JACINTO RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
<u>1947</u>					
October	3,910	410	0	.008	
November	6,550	750	0	.008	
December	43,550	4,710	3	.008	
<u>1948</u>					
January	21,730	800	1	.003	
February	59,010	13,550	9	.017	
March	82,780	7,910	5	.007	
April	35,210	8,080	5	.017	
May	17,750	3,490	2	.014	
June	4,470	670	0	.011	
July	4,240	180	0	.003	
August	2,300	160	0	.005	
September	2,840	430	0	.011	
<b>Total</b>	<b>284,340</b>	<b>41,140</b>	<b>25</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	284,300
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	25
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.014
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.011
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	1,811



SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

San Jacinto River Watershed

Stream: WEST FORK OF SAN JACINTO  
 Station: NEAR HUMBLE (Samples were taken from highway  
 Sampler: L. C. Clark bridge about 2 mi. north of Humble)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1932-33 <sup>1/</sup>	253,210	144,800	93	.042	
1933-34 <sup>2/</sup>	7,450	520	0	.005	
1936-37 <sup>3/</sup>	12,450	1,370	1	.008	
1937-38	491,940	150,650	97	.022	
1938-39	319,500	120,660	77	.028	
1939-40	282,680	162,070	105	.042	
1940-41	2,566,090	896,050	588	.026	
1941-42	909,180	373,670	245	.030	
1942-43	545,760	290,820	191	.039	
1943-44	881,200	660,570	434	.055	
1944-45	1,577,380	1,241,490	815	.058	
1945-46	1,320,330	774,810	509	.043	
1946-47	1,325,000	345,140	228	.019	
1947-48	284,340	41,140	25	.011	
TOTALS	10,776,600	5,203,760	3,408		

For period of 12.337 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	873,519
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	276
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.152
Average tons of silt per year -----	421,801
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.035
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	1,811

<sup>1/</sup> Station established December 1, 1932.

<sup>2/</sup> Station discontinued December 31, 1933.

<sup>3/</sup> Station re-established July 1, 1937.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SILT DATA

Trinity River Watershed  
at  
ROMAYOR STATION ON TRINITY RIVER

for  
Water Year 1947-1948  
(October 1, 1947 to September 30, 1948)

Month	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Percentage of dry silt by weight Pct.
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.		
<u>1947</u>					
October	60,680	10,730	7		.013
November	111,080	55,000	36		.036
December	618,450	404,300	265		.048
<u>1948</u>					
January	425,550	425,570	279		.073
February	626,100	323,570	212		.038
March	999,490	578,180	379		.042
April	402,590	301,340	198		.055
May	807,790	912,430	598		.083
June	159,340	96,420	63		.044
July	172,270	156,470	103		.067
August	50,230	13,480	9		.020
September	43,150	7,230	5		.012
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,476,720</b>	<b>3,284,720</b>	<b>2,154</b>		

U. S. G. S. yearly discharge in acre-feet -----	4,477,000
Total silt for year in acre-feet -----	2,154
Acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.125
Average percent of silt by weight for year -----	.054
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	17,200

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA

for

Trinity River Watershed

Stream: TRINITY  
 Station: ROMAYOR (Samples taken from the railroad  
 Sampler: Claud Allen bridge)

Water Year	Discharge of Stream		Silt Load of Stream		Average Percentage of Dry Silt by Weight
	Ac.-ft.	Tons	Ac.-ft.	Pct.	
1935-36 <sup>1/</sup>	42,130	5,220	4	.009	
1936-37	3,900,920	3,481,600	2,285	.066	
1937-38	6,753,160	6,741,220	4,423	.073	
1938-39	2,165,150	3,199,280	2,099	.109	
1939-40	3,218,170	4,999,040	3,280	.114	
1940-41	12,258,630	9,657,990	6,335	.058	
1941-42	9,901,100	9,447,990	6,197	.070	
1942-43	4,298,370	4,914,950	3,224	.084	
1943-44	7,588,430	11,433,850	7,501	.111	
1944-45	12,202,840	13,559,310	8,893	.082	
1945-46	8,391,500	8,643,330	5,670	.076	
1946-47	7,009,180	5,290,980	3,468	.055	
1947-48	4,476,720	3,284,720	2,154	.054	
TOTALS	82,206,300	84,659,480	55,533		

For period of 12.142 years

Average discharge in acre-feet per year -----	6,770,408
Average acre-feet of silt per year -----	4,574
Average acre-feet of silt per year per square mile of contributing watershed -----	.266
Average tons of silt per year -----	6,972,449
Average percent of silt by weight -----	.076
Drainage area in square miles (net) -----	17,200

<sup>1/</sup> Station was established August 10, 1936.

Note: Yearly discharge data changed to conform to totals used by U. S. G. S. in computing monthly river discharge.

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA FOR SOME OF THE MAJOR TEXAS STREAMS

(For Water Year Ending September 30, 1948)

Water- shed	Stream	Silt Station	Years Samples Taken	Total Length Record	Average Runoff of Stream	Average Amount of Silt		Amt. of Silt per Sq. Mi. Watershed	Silt by weight per- cent	Net drainage area
				years	ac-ft	ac-ft	tons	ac-ft	per- cent	sq.mi.
Brazos	Salt Fork	Aspermont 1/	1924-25	1.238	111,100	2,818	4,297,420	1.272	2.842	2,216
Brazos	Salt Fork	Seymour 1/	1924-30	6.107	337,790	5,450	8,309,370	1.038	1.807	5,250
Brazos	Dbl.Mt.Fork	Aspermont 1/	1924-33	9.244	135,280	2,665	4,062,400	1.765	2.206	1,510
Brazos	Clear Fork	Crystal Falls 1/	1925-29	3.307	214,440	568	866,020	.131	.297	4,320
Brazos	Clear Fork	Eliasville 1/	1924-25	1.244	177,240	529	808,630	.092	.335	5,740
Brazos	Little River	Little River 1/	1924-29	4.962	419,870	752	1,147,190	.143	.201	5,253
Brazos	San Gabriel	Circleville 1/	1924-29	5.403	110,744	222	339,590	.369	.225	602
Brazos	Leon	Belton	1945-48	3.083	373,980	353	522,850	.100	.103	3,547
Brazos	Navasota	Easterly	1942-48	6.748	384,080	242	368,360	.255	.070	949
Brazos	Brazos	South Bend	1942-48	6.710	481,565	2,152	3,279,870	.174	.500	12,360
Brazos	Brazos	Possum King Dam	1942-48	6.710	507,022	87	133,438	----	.019	----
Brazos	Brazos	Mineral Wells 1/	1924-34	10.332	953,550	6,506	9,920,060	.468	.764	13,910
Brazos	Brazos	Glen Rose 1/	1924-29	4.588	1,181,370	8,378	12,773,810	.537	.794	15,600
Brazos	Brazos	Waco 1/	1924-33	9.254	1,717,130	10,325	15,742,010	.536	.673	19,260
Brazos	Brazos	Bryan 1/	1899-02	3.419	4,156,736	39,117	-----	1.340	.941*	29,190
Brazos	Brazos	Richmond	1924-48	24.306	5,855,940	23,980	36,609,260	.689	.459	34,810
Colorado	Colorado	Llano	1942-48	6.167	205,320	276	420,740	.069	.151	4,000
Colorado	Pedernales	Johnson City	1942-48	6.167	115,370	155	236,180	.164	.150	947
Colorado	Colorado	San Saba	1930-48	18.055	1,210,050	3,097	4,722,150	.165	.287	18,800
Colorado	Colorado	Tow 1/	1927-32	5.162	1,245,440	3,360	5,122,520	.174	.302	19,300
Colorado	Colorado	Inks Dam	1942-48	6.167	685,190	66	99,320	----	.011	----
Colorado	Colorado	Buchanan Dam 2/	1947-48	1.000	576,440	30	46,530	----	.006	----
Colorado	Colorado	Austin	1937-48	11.164	1,773,650	776	1,182,240	.029	.049	26,360
Colorado	Colorado	Columbus-E.Lake 3/	30-33;37-41	6.997	3,167,710	5,898	8,991,960	.202	.209	29,140
Guadalupe	Guadalupe	Spring Branch	1942-48	6.748	213,840	114	173,850	.080	.060	1,432
Guadalupe	Guadalupe	Victoria	1945-48	3.083	1,123,400	408	621,430	.072	.041	5,676

\* Percent of silt by volume.

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2/ Station established October 1, 1947.

3/ Station discontinued October 31, 1941.

SUMMARY OF SILT DATA (Continued)

Water-shed	Stream	Silt Station	Years Samples Taken	Total Length Record	Average Runoff of Stream	Average Amount of Silt		Amt. of Silt per Sq. Mi. Watershed	Silt by Weight	Net drainage area
				years	ac-ft.	ac-ft.	tons	ac-ft.	per-cent	sq.mi.
Lavaca	Lavaca	Edna	1945-48	3.083	204,960	132	200,730	.149	.072	887
Neches	Angelina	Horger	1945-48	3.083	2,824,670	523	797,170	.152	.021	3,435
Neches	Neches	Rockland	1930-48	18.148	2,008,500	323	493,340	.091	.018	3,539
Nueces	Nueces	Cotulla	1942-48	6.748	190,234	84	127,531	.016	.049	5,260
Nueces	Nueces	Three Rivers	1927-48	21.000	688,380	510	777,130	.033	.083	15,600
Nueces	Nueces	Corpus Chr. Dam	1942-48	6.660	665,515	162	247,784	----	.027	----
Rio Grande	Rio Grande	Eagle Pass <u>4/</u>	1934-43	9.068	3,180,057	9,776	14,904,545	.078	.344	125,260
Rio Grande	Rio Grande	Roma <u>4/</u>	1929-43	14.184	4,166,619	12,588	19,192,311	.080	.338	157,204
Red	Pease	Crowell <u>5/</u>	1942-47	5.002	113,411	992	1,512,834	.412	.930	2,410
Red	Wichita	Wichita Falls <u>1/</u>	1900-02	2.014	566,420	5,516	-----	1.776	.974*	3,105
Red	Red	Denison <u>1/</u>	30-33;36-39	6.260	3,326,780	13,640	20,793,380	.415	.459	32,840
Sabine	Sabine	Logansport, La.	32-33;35-48	14.156	3,024,801	770	1,174,902	.159	.029	4,858
Sabine	Sabine	Ruliff <u>6/</u>	1945-46	1.083	11,408,860	3,124	5,771,404	.331	.037	9,440
San Antonio	San Antonio	Falls City <u>1/</u>	1927-33	5.967	127,120	142	216,730	.069	.125	2,070
San Antonio	San Antonio	Goliad	1942-48	6.748	512,680	492	750,910	.126	.108	3,918
San Jacinto	West Fork	Humble	32-33;37-48	12.337	873,510	276	421,800	.152	.035	1,811
San Jacinto	San Jacinto	Huffman	1945-48	3.083	1,763,100	790	1,204,600	.283	.050	2,791
Trinity	Trinity	Rosser <u>7/</u>	1938-40	1.598	760,700	986	1,504,920	.122	.145	8,057
Trinity	Trinity	Romayor	1936-48	12.142	6,770,210	4,574	6,972,450	.266	.076	17,200

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4/ Station discontinued May 31, 1943.

5/ Station discontinued June 30, 1947.

6/ Station established September 1, 1945 and discontinued September 30, 1946.

7/ Station discontinued June 27, 1940.

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