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DALE, TEXAS

Caldwell County, Central Texas South
FM 1854

9 Miles NE of Lockhart

16 Miles SW of Bastrop

32 Miles SE of Austin

Population: 126 (2000)



Dale Texas School.

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Dale History in a Pecan Shell

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad arrived in 1880 and the town's post office was granted that same year. Within five years Dale had a population of 75. The town had three stores, a gristmill and cotton gin. By 1914 Dale had a population of 250 and 15 businesses but this declined to 200 throughout the Great Depression. Dale reached its population zenith in 1947 with 275 residents.



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US Post Office in Dale.
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