FRIONA, TEXAS

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Introduction

• During the month of July I traveled to Friona, Texas and participated in an internship with the Department of Agriculture. I worked side by side with the City of Friona and the Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture. This experience provided me with the knowledge of farming, meat distribution and production, and the coordination of special events. This presentation will inform you on



- Rural Community
- Government
- Employment
- Agriculture Production
- Diversity



Friona, Texas

- Rural Community
 - Located in the Texas Panhandle
 - Population 3,854
- Known for agriculture production
- Conservation and replenishment
 - Wild life preservation



Government

- Aldermanic Government
 - Mayor
 - City Manager
 - Five city council members

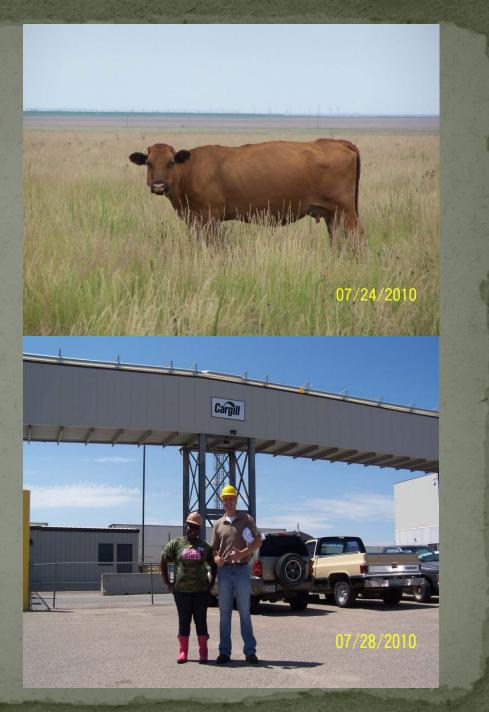


Industries

- Oil industry
- Cattle Industry
- Import and export merchandise Industry
- Dairy Industry
- Meat distribution Industry

Major Employers

- Kendric Oil
 - Fast Stop's
- Feed yards
 - Has the leading cattle feeding business
- High Plains Dairy
 - Dairy Farm
- Cargill
 - Meat production



Agriculture Production

- Farming
 - Corn
 - Wheat
 - Milo
 - Cotton
 - Production depends on weather and irrigation systems
 - Friona depends heavily on its Farmers
- Feed yards
 - Supply meat packing plants





Chamber of Commerce and Agr

- Keeps community involved
- Supportive of Business
 - Promotes business
- Organized Events
 - Success in Agriculture
 - Maize Days
 - Cheese Burger Festival
 - Pageants





Success in Agriculture

- Maize Days
 - Celebrates grain raised for cattle
- Cheese Burger Festival
 - Beef Industry
- The events not only celebrate their success in production but also help keep the people in the community involved.



Diversity

Friona unites various people of different cultures, backgrounds, and beliefs. Their common goal is to help the growth of the community and strengthen the bonds of business.

Conclusion

• I was able to interact with the people of the community and merged in by adapting to the environment. I realized that Friona is rich in history and in culture. The knowledge gained here at Sam helped enhance my communication and people skills it also broaden my horizon on rural communities.