

there are three records in two counties for two species.

It is not surprising that Texas should lead in the tropical subfamilies Ponerinae, Cerapachyinae, Dorylinae and Pseudomyrmecinae. What is unexpected is the large number of seed-harvesters: *Pogonomyrmex* 10 species; *Ephebomyrmex* 1; *Pheidole* 34. North Dakota's harvesters include one species of *Pogonomyrmex*, one of *Veromessor* and two of *Pheidole*. See Tables 1 and 2.

Table 2. Comparison of the ant faunas of the World, the Nearctic Realm and Texas.

Subfamily	Tribes			Genera			Species		
	World	Nearctic	Texas	World	Nearctic	Texas	World ?	Nearctic	Texas
Myrmeciinae	2	—	—	2	—	—	97	—	—
Ponerinae	10	6	6	52	13	10	530	25	14
Cerapachyinae	2	2	2	6	2	2	64	3	3
Dorylinae	3	1	1	7	3	3	155	26	17
Leptanillinae	1	—	—	4	—	—	19	—	—
Pseudomyrmecinae	1	1	1	4	1	1	146	5	5
Myrmicinae	25	13	12	147	36	25	2000	313	117
Aneuretinae	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—
Dolichoderinae	4	2	1	22	6	5	230	18	8
Formicinae	12	6	3	48	13	9	1400	194	46
TOTALS	61	30	26	293	74	55	4642	584	210

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In any treatment involving the state of Texas as a whole (or even half of it) we consider it futile to use locality records: they are too numerous and too difficult to locate. We prefer to cite records by county only. But there are 254 counties in Texas, which means that even counties may be difficult to locate. The official highway travel map, published every year by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, gives an alphabetical list of counties and locates them on the map by a grid system, but the county names and boundaries are faintly printed. An easier procedure is to be found in Webster's Geographical Dictionary: all counties are listed alphabetically and the location given; a two-page map emphasizes county names and outlines.

We divide the state into nine roughly delimited regions: central plus the eight major compass directions in clockwise order. We have prepared a list of species for each region, but we are not including it; only the number of species is given: —