

Causes of the Civil War

- **State's Rights**
 - **Economics (Free Labor vs. Paid Labor Force)**
 - **Economics/Culture (Fluid Society vs. "Plantation" System)**
 - **Economics (Taxation/Power of Trade)**
 - **Popular Sovereignty vs. Federal Control**

- **Disagree**
 - **Underlying reason was really slavery**
 - **Other reasons/factors are involved making state's rights more of a minor cause**

Secession in Texas

- **Social Causes**
 - **Superior feeling among the whites**
 - **The North is looked at as the enemy**
 - **The “War of Northern Aggression”**
 - **Slaves can not take care of themselves (Using Religion for justification)**
- **Political Causes**
 - **Avoiding the giving rights to Blacks in the south**
 - **The Federal govt. was not providing aid to Texas**
 - **Unequal distribution of power/population**
- **Economic Causes**
 - **Cotton trade**
 - **The draining of the South by the North**

Social Causes

- **Separation of family (Auction)**
- **White father of the daughter**
- **Auction done in the open**
- **Cotton Bales**
- **Negotiation of the men**
- **Clothing of the men and the women (difference of class/wealth)**
- **The domination of men**
- **The humanization of slaves and the contortion of the men**
- **Women and their worth**
- **Skin color of slaves dictated price**

Economics

- **Cotton production of the South**
- **Slave population by 1860 (location)**

Political

- **Putting slaves on the same foot as the whites**
- **Slavery is morally wrong**

- **Can't have slavery if you want families**
- **Slavery is a legal matter**