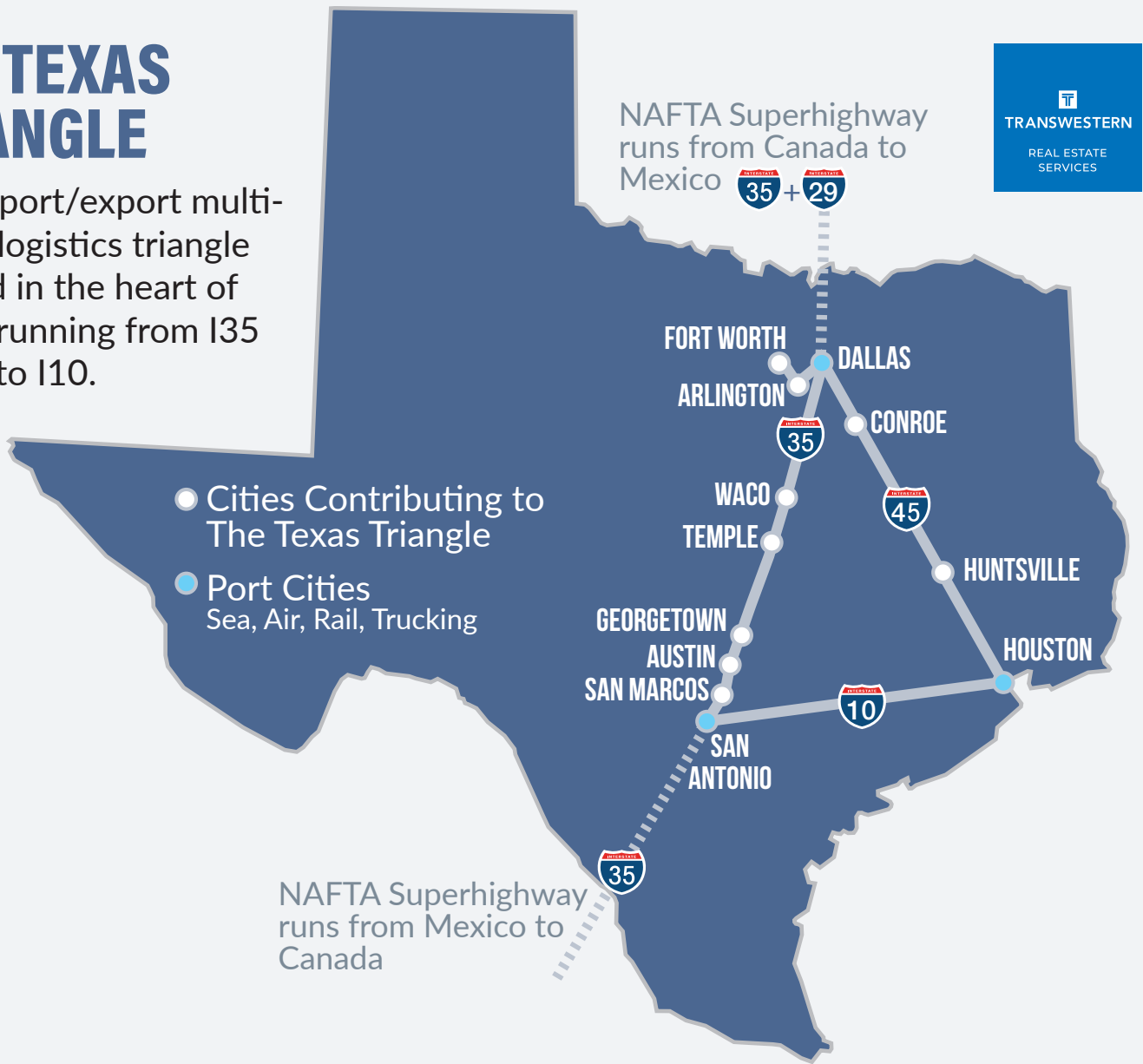


THE TEXAS TRIANGLE

The import/export multi-modal logistics triangle located in the heart of Texas, running from I35 to I45 to I10.



The Texas Triangle is the area formed by the intersection of three major interstate highways anchored by the three largest Texas cities, each of which represents a major port. The triangle formed by these ports is where Texas' multi-modal transportation - sea, air, rail and truck cargo - converges. Houston is the largest sea port in Texas and the 5th largest sea port in the U.S., Dallas is the largest air cargo port in Texas and 10th largest in the U.S., and San Antonio is one of the largest rail and trucking ports in the state. The Texas Triangle is the major distribution route for domestic, interstate and international goods in Texas, directly feeding other major metros including Austin and Fort Worth, and serving as the origination hub for distribution to all metros, cities and regions in the state.

Since the passage of the North American Free Trade Agreement of 1994 (NAFTA), I35 is considered the **NAFTA Superhighway**, which together with a short leg of I29 in Minnesota, connects Mexico, the United States and Canada along a single stretch of road. According to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), I35 carries a greater percentage of international trade among the NAFTA partners than any other U.S. Interstate Highway.