

1843	Earlier form of Imperial Sugar Company founded
1861-1865	American Civil War
1863	Emancipation Proclamation issued
1865	Thirteenth Amendment officially ends slavery or indentured servitude, "except as a punishment for crime"
1867	Convict leasing begins in Texas
1880s	Peak of convict leasing
1908	Modern Imperial Sugar founded
1909	Imperial State Prison Farm opened
1910	Resolution to end convict leasing in Texas
1912	Official end of convict leasing in Texas
1930	Imperial State Prison Farm renamed Central State Prison Farm
1959	City of Sugar Land incorporated
early 2000s	Texas Slave Descendants' Society (TSDS) formed
2002	UH Sugar Land campus founded
2005	Newland Communities breaks ground on Telfair
2009	The Houston Museum of Natural Science in Sugar Land opened in the Main Unit of the Central State Prison Farm
2010	Imperial Prison Farm Cemetery nominated to be archeological landmark by Reginald Moore
2011	Central State Prison Farm closed