



STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

Private Practitioner Population Density by MSA¹ Report: 2005-06

This report shows the concentration of active private practitioners licensed by the State Bar of Texas by county for all 25 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) and Non-Metropolitan Areas as of Bar fiscal year 2005-06. This concentration is expressed as a ratio of private practitioners to the general population. It is also shown as a percent of total in-state bar membership. For context, the county population is given both as a number and as a percent of the total Texas population.

	State Bar of Texas Private Practitioners ² (12-31-05)	Texas Population ³ (07-01-05)	Ratio of Private Practitioners to Population	MSA / County Priv. Pract. as a Percent of Total In-State Priv. Pract. ⁴	MSA / County Population as a Percent of Total Texas Population ⁴
In-State Attorneys	44,574	22,859,968	1 : 513	--	--
Out-of-State Attorneys	3,563	--	--	--	--
All State Bar Attorneys	48,137	--	--	--	--
Ten Metropolitan Statistical Areas with the Most Private Practitioners					
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown	14,229	5,280,077	1 : 371	31.92%	23.10%
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington	13,760	5,819,475	1 : 423	30.87%	25.46%
Austin-Round Rock	4,725	1,452,529	1 : 307	10.60%	6.35%
San Antonio	3,453	1,889,797	1 : 547	7.75%	8.27%
Corpus Christi	776	413,553	1 : 533	1.74%	1.81%
El Paso	653	721,598	1 : 1,105	1.46%	3.16%
Beaumont-Port Arthur	602	383,530	1 : 637	1.35%	1.68%
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	600	678,275	1 : 1,130	1.35%	2.97%
Lubbock	422	258,970	1 : 614	0.95%	1.13%
Amarillo	404	238,664	1 : 591	0.91%	1.04%
Sum of Top Ten MSAs	39,624	17,136,468	1 : 432	88.89%	74.96%
All Counties by Metropolitan Statistical Area (alphabetical)					
Abilene	159	158,291	1 : 996	0.36%	0.69%
Callahan	2	13,516	1 : 6,758	0.00%	0.06%
Jones	9	19,736	1 : 2,193	0.02%	0.09%
Taylor	148	125,039	1 : 845	0.33%	0.55%
Amarillo	404	238,664	1 : 591	0.91%	1.04%
Armstrong	1	2,173	1 : 2,173	0.00%	0.01%
Carson	3	6,586	1 : 2,195	0.01%	0.03%
Potter	343	119,852	1 : 349	0.77%	0.52%
Randall	57	110,053	1 : 1,931	0.13%	0.48%
Austin-Round Rock	4,725	1,452,529	1 : 307	10.60%	6.35%
Bastrop	47	69,932	1 : 1,488	0.11%	0.31%
Caldwell	20	36,523	1 : 1,826	0.04%	0.16%
Hays	127	124,432	1 : 980	0.28%	0.54%
Travis	4,288	888,185	1 : 207	9.62%	3.89%
Williamson	243	333,457	1 : 1,372	0.55%	1.46%
Beaumont-Port Arthur	602	383,530	1 : 637	1.35%	1.68%
Hardin	24	50,976	1 : 2,124	0.05%	0.22%

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All Counties by Metropolitan Statistical Area (alphabetical)					
Jefferson	527	247,571	1 : 470	1.18%	1.08%
Orange	51	84,983	1 : 1,666	0.11%	0.37%
Brownsville-Harlingen	342	378,311	1 : 1,106	0.77%	1.65%
Cameron	342	378,311	1 : 1,106	0.77%	1.65%
College Station-Bryan	180	189,735	1 : 1,054	0.40%	0.83%
Brazos	165	156,305	1 : 947	0.37%	0.68%
Burleson	5	17,238	1 : 3,448	0.01%	0.08%
Robertson	10	16,192	1 : 1,619	0.02%	0.07%
Corpus Christi	776	413,553	1 : 533	1.74%	1.81%
Aransas	25	24,640	1 : 986	0.06%	0.11%
Nueces	716	319,704	1 : 447	1.61%	1.40%
San Patricio	35	69,209	1 : 1,977	0.08%	0.30%
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington	13,760	5,819,475	1 : 423	30.87%	25.46%
Collin	773	659,457	1 : 853	1.73%	2.88%
Dallas	9,759	2,305,454	1 : 236	21.89%	10.09%
Delta	3	5,480	1 : 1,827	0.01%	0.02%
Denton	352	554,642	1 : 1,576	0.79%	2.43%
Ellis	83	133,474	1 : 1,608	0.19%	0.58%
Hunt	40	82,543	1 : 2,064	0.09%	0.36%
Johnson	67	146,376	1 : 2,185	0.15%	0.64%
Kaufman	58	89,129	1 : 1,537	0.13%	0.39%
Parker	60	102,801	1 : 1,713	0.13%	0.45%
Rockwall	80	62,944	1 : 787	0.18%	0.28%
Tarrant	2,453	1,620,479	1 : 661	5.50%	7.09%
Wise	32	56,696	1 : 1,772	0.07%	0.25%
El Paso	653	721,598	1 : 1,105	1.46%	3.16%
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Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown	14,229	5,280,077	1 : 371	31.92%	23.10%
Austin	24	26,123	1 : 1,088	0.05%	0.11%
Brazoria	195	278,484	1 : 1,428	0.44%	1.22%
Chambers	9	28,411	1 : 3,157	0.02%	0.12%
Fort Bend	351	463,650	1 : 1,321	0.79%	2.03%
Galveston	356	277,563	1 : 780	0.80%	1.21%
Harris	12,775	3,693,050	1 : 289	28.66%	16.16%
Liberty	42	75,141	1 : 1,789	0.09%	0.33%
Montgomery	461	378,033	1 : 820	1.03%	1.65%
San Jacinto	8	24,801	1 : 3,100	0.02%	0.11%
Waller	8	34,821	1 : 4,353	0.02%	0.15%
Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood	191	351,528	1 : 1,840	0.43%	1.54%
Bell	162	256,057	1 : 1,581	0.36%	1.12%
Coryell	17	75,802	1 : 4,459	0.04%	0.33%

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Lampasas	12	19,669	1 : 1,639	0.03%	0.09%
Laredo	159	224,695	1 : 1,413	0.36%	0.98%
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Longview	226	201,501	1 : 892	0.51%	0.88%
Gregg	181	115,649	1 : 639	0.41%	0.51%
Rusk	21	47,971	1 : 2,284	0.05%	0.21%
Upshur	24	37,881	1 : 1,578	0.05%	0.17%
Lubbock	422	258,970	1 : 614	0.95%	1.13%
Crosby	2	6,686	1 : 3,343	0.00%	0.03%
Lubbock	420	252,284	1 : 601	0.94%	1.10%
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	600	678,275	1 : 1,130	1.35%	2.97%
Hidalgo	600	678,275	1 : 1,130	1.35%	2.97%
Midland	213	121,371	1 : 570	0.48%	0.53%
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Odessa	116	125,339	1 : 1,081	0.26%	0.55%
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San Angelo	130	105,367	1 : 811	0.29%	0.46%
Irion	1	1,756	1 : 1,756	0.00%	0.01%
Tom Green	129	103,611	1 : 803	0.29%	0.45%
San Antonio	3,453	1,889,797	1 : 547	7.75%	8.27%
Atascosa	15	43,226	1 : 2,882	0.03%	0.19%
Bandera	11	19,988	1 : 1,817	0.02%	0.09%
Bexar	3,172	1,518,370	1 : 479	7.12%	6.64%
Comal	97	96,018	1 : 990	0.22%	0.42%
Guadalupe	55	103,032	1 : 1,873	0.12%	0.45%
Kendall	68	28,607	1 : 421	0.15%	0.13%
Medina	20	43,027	1 : 2,151	0.04%	0.19%
Wilson	15	37,529	1 : 2,502	0.03%	0.16%
Sherman-Denison	150	116,834	1 : 779	0.34%	0.51%
Grayson	150	116,834	1 : 779	0.34%	0.51%
Texarkana	156	90,643	1 : 581	0.35%	0.40%
Bowie	156	90,643	1 : 581	0.35%	0.40%
Tyler	384	190,594	1 : 496	0.86%	0.83%
Smith	384	190,594	1 : 496	0.86%	0.83%
Victoria	140	113,356	1 : 810	0.31%	0.50%
Calhoun	10	20,606	1 : 2,061	0.02%	0.09%
Goliad	2	7,102	1 : 3,551	0.00%	0.03%
Victoria	128	85,648	1 : 669	0.29%	0.37%
Waco	329	224,668	1 : 683	0.74%	0.98%
McLennan	329	224,668	1 : 683	0.74%	0.98%

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Wichita Falls	143	146,276	1 : 1,023	0.32%	0.64%
Archer	1	9,095	1 : 9,095	0.00%	0.04%
Clay	3	11,287	1 : 3,762	0.01%	0.05%
Wichita	139	125,894	1 : 906	0.31%	0.55%
Non-Metropolitan Counties	1,932	2,984,991	1 : 1,545	4.33%	13.06%
Anderson	34	56,408	1 : 1,659	0.08%	0.25%
Andrews	6	12,748	1 : 2,125	0.01%	0.06%
Angelina	103	81,557	1 : 792	0.23%	0.36%
Bailey	2	6,726	1 : 3,363	0.00%	0.03%
Baylor	3	3,843	1 : 1,281	0.01%	0.02%
Bee	12	32,873	1 : 2,739	0.03%	0.14%
Blanco	14	9,110	1 : 651	0.03%	0.04%
Borden	2	648	1 : 324	0.00%	0.00%
Bosque	10	18,053	1 : 1,805	0.02%	0.08%
Brewster	14	9,079	1 : 649	0.03%	0.04%
Briscoe	0	1,644	1 : --	0.00%	0.01%
Brooks	4	7,687	1 : 1,922	0.01%	0.03%
Brown	31	38,664	1 : 1,247	0.07%	0.17%
Burnet	49	41,676	1 : 851	0.11%	0.18%
Camp	6	12,238	1 : 2,040	0.01%	0.05%
Cass	13	30,155	1 : 2,320	0.03%	0.13%
Castro	2	7,640	1 : 3,820	0.00%	0.03%
Cherokee	33	48,464	1 : 1,469	0.07%	0.21%
Childress	4	7,676	1 : 1,919	0.01%	0.03%
Cochran	0	3,289	1 : --	0.00%	0.01%
Coke	0	3,612	1 : --	0.00%	0.02%
Coleman	10	8,665	1 : 867	0.02%	0.04%
Collingsworth	1	2,968	1 : 2,968	0.00%	0.01%
Colorado	14	20,736	1 : 1,481	0.03%	0.09%
Comanche	9	13,709	1 : 1,523	0.02%	0.06%
Concho	0	3,735	1 : --	0.00%	0.02%
Cooke	18	38,847	1 : 2,158	0.04%	0.17%
Cottle	1	1,746	1 : 1,746	0.00%	0.01%
Crane	0	3,837	1 : --	0.00%	0.02%
Crockett	5	3,934	1 : 787	0.01%	0.02%
Culberson	2	2,627	1 : 1,314	0.00%	0.01%
Dallam	7	6,174	1 : 882	0.02%	0.03%
Dawson	5	14,256	1 : 2,851	0.01%	0.06%
Deaf Smith	7	18,538	1 : 2,648	0.02%	0.08%
DeWitt	8	20,507	1 : 2,563	0.02%	0.09%
Dickens	0	2,646	1 : --	0.00%	0.01%

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Dimmit	9	10,395	1 : 1,155	0.02%	0.05%
Donley	4	3,889	1 : 972	0.01%	0.02%
Duval	4	12,578	1 : 3,145	0.01%	0.06%
Eastland	13	18,393	1 : 1,415	0.03%	0.08%
Edwards	0	1,987	1 : --	0.00%	0.01%
Erath	36	34,076	1 : 947	0.08%	0.15%
Falls	4	17,646	1 : 4,412	0.01%	0.08%
Fannin	14	33,142	1 : 2,367	0.03%	0.14%
Fayette	20	22,537	1 : 1,127	0.04%	0.10%
Fisher	1	4,089	1 : 4,089	0.00%	0.02%
Floyd	2	7,174	1 : 3,587	0.00%	0.03%
Foard	2	1,518	1 : 759	0.00%	0.01%
Franklin	3	10,200	1 : 3,400	0.01%	0.04%
Freestone	14	18,800	1 : 1,343	0.03%	0.08%
Frio	6	16,387	1 : 2,731	0.01%	0.07%
Gaines	3	14,712	1 : 4,904	0.01%	0.06%
Garza	1	5,002	1 : 5,002	0.00%	0.02%
Gillespie	35	23,088	1 : 660	0.08%	0.10%
Glasscock	0	1,327	1 : --	0.00%	0.01%
Gonzales	16	19,587	1 : 1,224	0.04%	0.09%
Gray	13	21,479	1 : 1,652	0.03%	0.09%
Grimes	17	25,192	1 : 1,482	0.04%	0.11%
Hale	22	36,233	1 : 1,647	0.05%	0.16%
Hall	2	3,700	1 : 1,850	0.00%	0.02%
Hamilton	5	8,105	1 : 1,621	0.01%	0.04%
Hansford	2	5,230	1 : 2,615	0.00%	0.02%
Hardeman	3	4,291	1 : 1,430	0.01%	0.02%
Harrison	59	63,459	1 : 1,076	0.13%	0.28%
Hartley	0	5,450	1 : --	0.00%	0.02%
Haskell	2	5,541	1 : 2,771	0.00%	0.02%
Hemphill	3	3,422	1 : 1,141	0.01%	0.01%
Henderson	52	80,017	1 : 1,539	0.12%	0.35%
Hill	19	35,424	1 : 1,864	0.04%	0.15%
Hockley	6	22,787	1 : 3,798	0.01%	0.10%
Hood	25	47,930	1 : 1,917	0.06%	0.21%
Hopkins	30	33,381	1 : 1,113	0.07%	0.15%
Houston	9	23,218	1 : 2,580	0.02%	0.10%
Howard	17	32,522	1 : 1,913	0.04%	0.14%
Hudspeth	0	3,295	1 : --	0.00%	0.01%
Hutchinson	13	22,484	1 : 1,730	0.03%	0.10%
Jack	4	9,064	1 : 2,266	0.01%	0.04%

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Jackson	7	14,339	1 : 2,048	0.02%	0.06%
Jasper	20	35,587	1 : 1,779	0.04%	0.16%
Jeff Davis	2	2,306	1 : 1,153	0.00%	0.01%
Jim Hogg	1	5,029	1 : 5,029	0.00%	0.02%
Jim Wells	37	40,951	1 : 1,107	0.08%	0.18%
Karnes	6	15,351	1 : 2,559	0.01%	0.07%
Kenedy	0	417	1 : --	0.00%	0.00%
Kent	0	782	1 : --	0.00%	0.00%
Kerr	80	46,496	1 : 581	0.18%	0.20%
Kimble	5	4,591	1 : 918	0.01%	0.02%
King	0	307	1 : --	0.00%	0.00%
Kinney	1	3,327	1 : 3,327	0.00%	0.01%
Kleberg	15	30,757	1 : 2,050	0.03%	0.13%
Knox	2	3,781	1 : 1,891	0.00%	0.02%
Lamar	31	49,644	1 : 1,601	0.07%	0.22%
Lamb	5	14,467	1 : 2,893	0.01%	0.06%
La Salle	1	6,016	1 : 6,016	0.00%	0.03%
Lavaca	18	18,925	1 : 1,051	0.04%	0.08%
Lee	11	16,526	1 : 1,502	0.02%	0.07%
Leon	7	16,344	1 : 2,335	0.02%	0.07%
Limestone	21	22,763	1 : 1,084	0.05%	0.10%
Lipscomb	2	3,101	1 : 1,551	0.00%	0.01%
Live Oak	7	11,717	1 : 1,674	0.02%	0.05%
Llano	16	18,236	1 : 1,140	0.04%	0.08%
Loving	0	62	1 : --	0.00%	0.00%
Lynn	4	6,237	1 : 1,559	0.01%	0.03%
McCulloch	6	7,956	1 : 1,326	0.01%	0.03%
McMullen	0	883	1 : --	0.00%	0.00%
Madison	5	13,167	1 : 2,633	0.01%	0.06%
Marion	3	10,952	1 : 3,651	0.01%	0.05%
Martin	0	4,391	1 : --	0.00%	0.02%
Mason	6	3,880	1 : 647	0.01%	0.02%
Matagorda	23	37,849	1 : 1,646	0.05%	0.17%
Maverick	30	51,181	1 : 1,706	0.07%	0.22%
Menard	0	2,201	1 : --	0.00%	0.01%
Milam	19	25,354	1 : 1,334	0.04%	0.11%
Mills	5	5,237	1 : 1,047	0.01%	0.02%
Mitchell	3	9,413	1 : 3,138	0.01%	0.04%
Montague	13	19,677	1 : 1,514	0.03%	0.09%
Moore	9	20,348	1 : 2,261	0.02%	0.09%
Morris	16	12,936	1 : 809	0.04%	0.06%

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Motley	2	1,299	1 : 650	0.00%	0.01%
Nacogdoches	54	60,468	1 : 1,120	0.12%	0.26%
Navarro	26	48,687	1 : 1,873	0.06%	0.21%
Newton	3	14,309	1 : 4,770	0.01%	0.06%
Nolan	15	14,878	1 : 992	0.03%	0.07%
Ochiltree	8	9,385	1 : 1,173	0.02%	0.04%
Oldham	2	2,118	1 : 1,059	0.00%	0.01%
Palo Pinto	15	27,478	1 : 1,832	0.03%	0.12%
Panola	19	22,997	1 : 1,210	0.04%	0.10%
Parmer	4	9,754	1 : 2,439	0.01%	0.04%
Pecos	4	15,859	1 : 3,965	0.01%	0.07%
Polk	23	46,640	1 : 2,028	0.05%	0.20%
Presidio	7	7,722	1 : 1,103	0.02%	0.03%
Rains	5	11,305	1 : 2,261	0.01%	0.05%
Reagan	1	2,995	1 : 2,995	0.00%	0.01%
Real	2	3,031	1 : 1,516	0.00%	0.01%
Red River	4	13,575	1 : 3,394	0.01%	0.06%
Reeves	4	11,638	1 : 2,910	0.01%	0.05%
Refugio	5	7,639	1 : 1,528	0.01%	0.03%
Roberts	0	820	1 : --	0.00%	0.00%
Runnels	8	10,974	1 : 1,372	0.02%	0.05%
Sabine	4	10,416	1 : 2,604	0.01%	0.05%
San Augustine	2	8,907	1 : 4,454	0.00%	0.04%
San Saba	8	6,076	1 : 760	0.02%	0.03%
Schleicher	4	2,742	1 : 686	0.01%	0.01%
Scurry	5	16,217	1 : 3,243	0.01%	0.07%
Shackelford	2	3,167	1 : 1,584	0.00%	0.01%
Shelby	15	26,346	1 : 1,756	0.03%	0.12%
Sherman	0	3,002	1 : --	0.00%	0.01%
Somervell	6	7,578	1 : 1,263	0.01%	0.03%
Starr	19	60,941	1 : 3,207	0.04%	0.27%
Stephens	6	9,561	1 : 1,594	0.01%	0.04%
Sterling	0	1,303	1 : --	0.00%	0.01%
Stonewall	3	1,372	1 : 457	0.01%	0.01%
Sutton	3	4,212	1 : 1,404	0.01%	0.02%
Swisher	3	7,828	1 : 2,609	0.01%	0.03%
Terrell	1	996	1 : 996	0.00%	0.00%
Terry	5	12,419	1 : 2,484	0.01%	0.05%
Throckmorton	0	1,618	1 : --	0.00%	0.01%
Titus	15	29,445	1 : 1,963	0.03%	0.13%
Trinity	4	14,363	1 : 3,591	0.01%	0.06%

Private Practitioner Population Density by MSA Report: 2005-06

	State Bar of Texas Private Practitioners ² (12-31-05)	Texas Population ³ (07-01-05)	Ratio of Private Practitioners to Population	MSA / County Priv. Pract. as a Percent of Total In-State Priv. Pract. ⁴	MSA / County Population as a Percent of Total Texas Population ⁴
In-State Attorneys	44,574	22,859,968	1 : 513	--	--
Out-of-State Attorneys	3,563	--	--	--	--
All State Bar Attorneys	48,137	--	--	--	--
All Counties by Metropolitan Statistical Area (alphabetical)					
Tyler	9	20,617	1 : 2,291	0.02%	0.09%
Upton	0	3,056	1 : --	0.00%	0.01%
Uvalde	18	26,955	1 : 1,498	0.04%	0.12%
Val Verde	31	47,596	1 : 1,535	0.07%	0.21%
Van Zandt	25	52,491	1 : 2,100	0.06%	0.23%
Walker	49	62,735	1 : 1,280	0.11%	0.27%
Ward	3	10,237	1 : 3,412	0.01%	0.04%
Washington	32	31,521	1 : 985	0.07%	0.14%
Wharton	31	41,554	1 : 1,340	0.07%	0.18%
Wheeler	3	4,799	1 : 1,600	0.01%	0.02%
Wilbarger	8	13,896	1 : 1,737	0.02%	0.06%
Willacy	7	20,382	1 : 2,912	0.02%	0.09%
Winkler	3	6,690	1 : 2,230	0.01%	0.03%
Wood	23	40,855	1 : 1,776	0.05%	0.18%
Yoakum	3	7,408	1 : 2,469	0.01%	0.03%
Young	10	18,000	1 : 1,800	0.02%	0.08%
Zapata	2	13,373	1 : 6,687	0.00%	0.06%
Zavala	3	11,796	1 : 3,932	0.01%	0.05%

Footnotes

¹ Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) were defined by the Federal Office of Management and Budget, November 2004, and cited by the Texas State Data Center and Office of the State Demographer. Retrieved 1/25/07, from http://txsdc.utsa.edu/reference/georef/county_master.php

² Attorney population data is from the State Bar of Texas membership database and is current as of December 31st, 2005. All data represent active attorney bar members in good standing. Bar geography, such as county membership and various district memberships, is based on members' official address. Starting in 2003, bar members' official address is defined by work address; where work address is unavailable, home address is used. Also note the following:

- a. 0 private practitioners have missing or unreported official address information and are not included in this profile.
- b. 3,563 private practitioners have out-of-state official addresses and are therefore categorized as out-of-state.

³ The 2005 general population data is from the U.S. Census Bureau Population Estimates Program accessed via American Factfinder. Source: U.S. Census Bureau; 2005 Population Estimates; using American Factfinder; <<http://factfinder.census.gov/>>; (19 January 2007)

⁴ Percents may not sum to one hundred percent due to rounding.

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