



STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

Women Attorneys: Attorney Statistical Profile (2008-09)

This report profiles active State Bar of Texas women attorney members with membership in the State Bar of Texas as of December 31, 2008, roughly the midpoint of the Bar's fiscal year. Numbers and percents are given by key demographic variables including gender, race/ethnicity, years licensed in any jurisdiction, graduating law school, primary occupation, law firm size, section membership, and board certification.

	Women Attorneys 2008-09 N = 26,508		All State Bar Attorneys 2008-09 N = 83,713	
Gender				
Male	0	0%	56,562	68%
Female	26,508	100%	26,508	32%
Race				
Caucasian/Anglo	19,862	79%	66,361	84%
African-American/Black	1,886	7%	3,435	4%
Hispanic/Latino	2,139	8%	5,801	7%
Asian/Pacific Islander	865	3%	1,712	2%
Native American Indian	84	<1%	246	<1%
Two or More Races	26	<1%	55	<1%
Other Race	391	2%	1,003	1%
Years Licensed *				
2 or less years	3,647	14%	7,997	10%
3 to 6 years	4,500	17%	9,763	12%
7 to 10 years	3,767	14%	9,316	11%
11 to 15 years	4,273	16%	11,322	14%
16 to 20 years	3,830	14%	10,474	13%
21 to 25 years	3,163	12%	9,499	11%
Over 25 years	3,324	13%	25,333	30%
Median Years Licensed	13 Years		18 Years	
Age				
21 to 25 years	113	<1%	196	<1%
26 to 30 years	3,622	14%	7,196	9%
31 to 35 years	4,221	16%	9,689	12%
36 to 40 years	4,179	16%	10,897	13%
41 to 45 years	3,553	13%	9,924	12%
46 to 50 years	3,541	13%	10,510	13%
51 to 55 years	3,251	12%	10,796	13%
56 to 60 years	2,327	9%	9,635	12%
61 to 65 years	1,091	4%	6,877	8%
More than 65 years	606	2%	7,969	10%
Median Age	43 Years		48 Years	
Member Class—TYLA/Senior**				
TYLA Member	10,712	40%	23,802	28%
Senior Member	15,796	60%	59,911	72%

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Law School Attended				
Baylor University	1,332	5%	5,264	6%
St. Mary's	2,037	8%	6,135	7%
South Texas	3,051	12%	9,183	11%
Southern Methodist	2,240	8%	6,987	8%
Texas Southern	989	4%	2,566	3%
Texas Tech	1,700	6%	5,353	6%
Texas Wesleyan	929	4%	2,031	2%
University of Houston	3,250	12%	8,978	11%
University of Texas	4,292	16%	14,515	17%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	6,688	25%	22,701	27%
Primary Occupation				
Private Law Practice	13,227	58%	50,346	67%
Government Attorney	3,786	17%	8,134	11%
Full-Time Judge	471	2%	1,586	2%
Law Faculty	224	1%	529	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	2,605	11%	7,454	10%
Other Law Related	994	4%	2,173	3%
Other Non-Law Related	658	3%	2,065	3%
Retired-Not Working	322	1%	1,772	2%
Unemployed-Looking	216	1%	378	1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	339	1%	475	1%
Firm Size (private practitioners only)				
Solo Practitioners	4,127	33%	17,074	35%
2 to 5 attorneys	2,945	24%	11,370	24%
6 to 10 attorneys	885	7%	3,656	8%
11 to 24 attorneys	1,064	9%	4,065	8%
25 to 40 attorneys	537	4%	1,967	4%
41 to 60 attorneys	297	2%	1,053	2%
Over 60 / 61 to 100 attorneys	877	7%	3,293	7%
101 to 200 attorneys	254	2%	861	2%
Over 200 attorneys	1,502	12%	4,850	10%
Median Firm Size	5 attorneys		4 attorneys	
Members of State Bar Sections				
Section Members	10,342	39%	34,109	41%
Non Section Members	16,166	61%	49,604	59%
Members of One Section	5,722	22%	17,229	21%
Members of Two Sections	2,872	11%	9,786	12%
Members of Three Sections	1,098	4%	4,049	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	650	2%	3,045	4%

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Section Membership				
Administrative and Public Law	380	1%	1,134	1%
African-American Lawyers	220	1%	406	<1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	353	1%	1,163	1%
American Indian Law	33	<1%	118	<1%
Animal Law	169	1%	284	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	161	1%	1,114	1%
Appellate	611	2%	1,769	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	94	<1%	223	<1%
Aviation Law	34	<1%	248	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	373	1%	1,328	2%
Business Law	819	3%	4,023	5%
Computer and Technology	149	1%	796	1%
Construction Law	360	1%	2,014	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	241	1%	1,351	2%
Corporate Counsel	954	4%	3,188	4%
Criminal Justice	682	3%	2,502	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	139	1%	514	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	401	2%	1,371	2%
Family Law	2,209	8%	4,892	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	474	2%	1,984	2%
Government Lawyers	330	1%	786	1%
Health Law	503	2%	1,249	1%
Hispanic Issues	169	1%	432	1%
Individual rights and Responsibilities	84	<1%	214	<1%
Insurance Law	376	1%	1,574	2%
Intellectual Property Law	442	2%	2,054	2%
International Law	239	1%	909	1%
James C. Watson Inn	27	<1%	158	<1%
Judicial Law	14	<1%	37	<1%
Justice of the Peace	19	<1%	64	<1%
Juvenile Law	382	1%	829	1%
Labor and Employment Law	1,091	4%	2,833	3%
Litigation	1,644	6%	7,752	9%
Military law	53	<1%	282	<1%
Municipal Judges	86	<1%	242	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	510	2%	2,915	3%
Poverty Law	265	1%	440	1%
Public Utility Law	132	<1%	445	1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	1,805	7%	7,320	9%
School Law	270	1%	615	1%
Sexual Orientation & Gender Identification Issues	73	<1%	183	<1%
Taxation	410	2%	1,884	2%
Women and the Law	429	2%	446	1%
Workers' Compensation	86	<1%	234	<1%

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Board Certifications				
Board Certified Attorneys	1,317	5%	6,995	8%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	25,191	95%	76,718	92%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	1,225	5%	5,865	7%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	83	<1%	1,004	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	9	<1%	126	<1%

Attorneys Board Certified In:				
Administrative Law	49	<1%	157	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	21	<1%	159	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	27	<1%	153	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	113	<1%	405	<1%
Civil Trial Law	71	<1%	1,140	1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	6	<1%	68	<1%
Criminal Law	128	<1%	834	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	152	1%	650	1%
Family Law	264	1%	706	1%
Health Law	19	<1%	50	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	47	<1%	110	<1%
Juvenile Law	35	<1%	62	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	188	1%	550	1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	15	<1%	263	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	124	<1%	1,703	2%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	55	<1%	499	1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	8	<1%	99	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	39	<1%	329	<1%
Tax Law	23	<1%	227	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	34	<1%	98	<1%

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Footnotes

- * Based on year first licensed in any jurisdiction.
- ** Texas Young Lawyers Association membership is automatic for attorneys less than 37 years of age and for attorneys of any age who have been licensed for less than four years.

General Notes

All data represent active attorney Bar members in good standing. Some figures are estimates as not all demographic data is known for all attorneys; individual data items will not sum to the column headers in these instances. Percentages may not sum to one hundred due to rounding. Note that this profile only includes those attorneys who were active and in good standing as of December 31, 2008.