



STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

State Bar of Texas Membership: El Paso County Attorney Statistical Profile (2008-09)

This report profiles active State Bar of Texas attorney members in El Paso County 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.

	El Paso County Active Attorneys 2008-09 N = 739		All State Bar Attorneys 2008-09 N = 83,713	
Gender				
Male	592	80%	56,562	68%
Female	146	20%	26,508	32%
Race				
Caucasian/Anglo	445	65%	66,361	84%
African-American/Black	1	<1%	3,435	4%
Hispanic/Latino	229	33%	5,801	7%
Asian/Pacific Islander	2	0%	1,712	2%
Native American Indian	0	0%	246	<1%
Two or More Races	0	0%	55	<1%
Other Race	11	2%	1003	1%
Years Licensed *				
2 or less years	0	0%	7,997	10%
3 to 6 years	37	5%	9,763	12%
7 to 10 years	59	8%	9,316	11%
11 to 15 years	96	13%	11,322	14%
16 to 20 years	106	14%	10,474	13%
21 to 25 years	113	15%	9,499	11%
Over 25 years	328	44%	25,333	30%
Median Years Licensed	24 Years		18 Years	
Age				
21 to 25 years	0	0%	196	<1%
26 to 30 years	5	1%	7,196	9%
31 to 35 years	35	5%	9,689	12%
36 to 40 years	73	10%	10,897	13%
41 to 45 years	109	15%	9,924	12%
46 to 50 years	100	14%	10,510	13%
51 to 55 years	116	16%	10,796	13%
56 to 60 years	111	15%	9,635	12%
61 to 65 years	98	13%	6,877	8%
More than 65 years	92	12%	7,969	10%
Median Age	53 Years		48 Years	
Member Class—TYLA/Senior**				
TYLA Member	81	11%	23,802	28%
Senior Member	658	89%	59,911	72%

State Bar Members: El Paso County Attorney Statistical Profile (2008-09)

	El Paso County Active Attorneys		All State Bar Attorneys	
	2008-09		2008-09	
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Law School Attended				
Baylor University	25	3%	5,264	6%
St. Mary's	65	9%	6,135	7%
South Texas	24	3%	9,183	11%
Southern Methodist	18	2%	6,987	8%
Texas Southern	23	3%	2,566	3%
Texas Tech	156	21%	5,353	6%
Texas Wesleyan	2	<1%	2,031	2%
University of Houston	45	6%	8,978	11%
University of Texas	213	29%	14,515	17%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	168	23%	22,701	27%
Primary Occupation				
Private Law Practice	512	72%	50,346	67%
Government Attorney	109	15%	8,134	11%
Full-Time Judge	42	6%	1,586	2%
Law Faculty	1	<1%	529	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	12	2%	7,454	10%
Other Law Related	8	1%	2,173	3%
Other Non-Law Related	7	1%	2,065	3%
Retired-Not Working	12	2%	1,772	2%
Unemployed-Looking	3	<1%	378	1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	3	<1%	475	1%
Firm Size (private practitioners only)				
Solo Practitioners	301	45%	17,074	35%
2 to 5 attorneys	133	20%	11,370	24%
6 to 10 attorneys	29	4%	3,656	8%
11 to 24 attorneys	60	9%	4,065	8%
25 to 40 attorneys	50	7%	1,967	4%
41 to 60 attorneys	42	6%	1,053	2%
Over 60 / 61 to 100 attorneys	44	7%	3,293	7%
101 to 200 attorneys	11	2%	861	2%
Over 200 attorneys	5	1%	4,850	10%
Median Firm Size	3 attorneys		4 attorneys	
Members of State Bar Sections				
Section Members	309	42%	34,109	41%
Non Section Members	430	58%	49,604	59%
Members of One Section	148	20%	17,229	21%
Members of Two Sections	80	11%	9,786	12%
Members of Three Sections	47	6%	4,049	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	34	5%	3,045	4%

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therefore the percents do not sum to 100%

Section Membership	El Paso County Active Attorneys		All State Bar Attorneys	
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Administrative and Public Law	3	0%	1,134	1%
African-American Lawyers	0	0%	406	<1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	8	1%	1,163	1%
American Indian Law	1	<1%	118	<1%
Animal Law	0	0%	284	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	11	1%	1,114	1%
Appellate	19	3%	1,769	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	3	<1%	223	<1%
Aviation Law	1	<1%	248	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	16	2%	1,328	2%
Business Law	32	4%	4,023	5%
Computer and Technology	2	<1%	796	1%
Construction Law	35	5%	2,014	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	22	3%	1,351	2%
Corporate Counsel	6	1%	3,188	4%
Criminal Justice	29	4%	2,502	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	0	0%	514	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	8	1%	1,371	2%
Family Law	61	8%	4,892	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	14	2%	1,984	2%
Government Lawyers	8	1%	786	1%
Health Law	11	1%	1,249	1%
Hispanic Issues	10	1%	432	1%
Individual rights and Responsibilities	1	<1%	214	<1%
Insurance Law	12	2%	1,574	2%
Intellectual Property Law	5	1%	2,054	2%
International Law	9	1%	909	1%
James C. Watson Inn	1	<1%	158	<1%
Judicial Law	0	0%	37	<1%
Justice of the Peace	0	0%	64	<1%
Juvenile Law	7	1%	829	1%
Labor and Employment Law	56	8%	2,833	3%
Litigation	88	12%	7,752	9%
Military law	2	<1%	282	<1%
Municipal Judges	1	<1%	242	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	2	<1%	2,915	3%
Poverty Law	18	2%	440	1%
Public Utility Law	3	<1%	445	1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	79	11%	7,320	9%
School Law	12	2%	615	1%
Sexual Orientation & Gender Identification Issues	0	0%	183	<1%
Taxation	19	3%	1,884	2%
Women and the Law	10	1%	446	1%
Workers' Compensation	4	1%	234	<1%

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Board Certifications				
Board Certified Attorneys	127	17%	6,995	8%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	612	83%	76,718	92%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	102	14%	5,865	7%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	25	3%	1,004	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	0	0%	126	<1%

Attorneys Board Certified In:				
Administrative Law	0	0%	157	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	7	1%	159	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	5	1%	153	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	9	1%	405	<1%
Civil Trial Law	23	3%	1,140	1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	2	<1%	68	<1%
Criminal Law	10	1%	834	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	9	1%	650	1%
Family Law	13	2%	706	1%
Health Law	0	0%	50	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	2	<1%	110	<1%
Juvenile Law	1	<1%	62	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	15	2%	550	1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	0	0%	263	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	36	5%	1,703	2%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	12	2%	499	1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	0	0%	99	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	4	1%	329	<1%
Tax Law	4	1%	227	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	0	0%	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.