



# STATE BAR OF TEXAS

## Department of Research and Analysis

### State Bar of Texas Membership: Attorney Statistical Profile (2023-24)

This report profiles active attorney members of the State Bar of Texas as of December 31, 2023. Not every attorney reports demographic data to the bar. Separate population totals are provided in italics in each category that is lacking all demographic data. Percentages may not sum to 100 due to rounding. Over the past 10 years the number of active State Bar of Texas attorneys has increased by 20%, from 94,804 attorneys in 2013 to 113,771 in 2023.

	In-State Attorneys				All Active Attorneys			
	2013-14 N = 84,800		2023-24 N = 98,345		2013-14 N = 94,804		2023-24 N = 113,771	
<b>Sex</b>								
	<i>(N = 84,006)</i>		<i>(N = 97,972)</i>		<i>(N = 93,910)</i>		<i>(N = 113,303)</i>	
Male	55,500	66%	59,877	61%	62,004	66%	69,487	61%
Female	28,506	34%	38,095	39%	31,906	34%	43,816	39%
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>								
	<i>(N = 80,106)</i>		<i>(N = 93,430)</i>		<i>(N = 89,549)</i>		<i>(N = 108,046)</i>	
White	65,335	82%	70,440	75%	73,287	82%	81,956	76%
Black/African-American	3,902	5%	5,824	6%	4,406	5%	6,759	6%
Hispanic/Latino	6,955	9%	10,794	12%	7,393	8%	11,739	11%
Asian/Pacific Islander	2,328	3%	3,813	4%	2,678	3%	4,532	4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	238	<1%	296	<1%	289	<1%	372	<1%
Two or More Races	460	1%	1,025	1%	506	1%	1,219	1%
Other Race	888	1%	1,238	1%	990	1%	1,469	1%
<b>Years Licensed *</b>								
2 or less years	7,865	9%	7,229	7%	8,453	9%	8,105	7%
3 to 6 years	9,932	12%	8,935	9%	10,986	12%	10,192	9%
7 to 10 years	9,211	11%	9,901	10%	10,392	11%	11,656	10%
11 to 15 years	10,064	12%	12,414	13%	11,480	12%	14,694	13%
16 to 20 years	9,893	12%	11,719	12%	11,211	12%	13,794	12%
21 to 25 years	9,129	11%	9,798	10%	10,295	11%	11,522	10%
Over 25 years	28,706	34%	38,349	39%	31,987	34%	43,807	39%
Median Years Licensed	18 Years		20 Years		18 Years		20 Years	
<b>Age</b>								
21 to 25 years	223	<1%	285	<1%	234	<1%	301	<1%
26 to 30 years	7,204	8%	6,531	7%	7,793	8%	7,292	6%
31 to 35 years	10,431	12%	9,729	10%	11,627	12%	11,207	10%
36 to 40 years	9,618	11%	11,603	12%	10,916	12%	13,686	12%
41 to 45 years	10,054	12%	11,870	12%	11,404	12%	14,103	12%
46 to 50 years	8,896	10%	10,273	10%	10,125	11%	12,098	11%
51 to 55 years	9,295	11%	10,268	10%	10,452	11%	12,003	11%
56 to 60 years	9,284	11%	8,749	9%	10,506	11%	10,178	9%
61 to 65 years	8,089	10%	8,391	9%	9,033	10%	9,595	8%
More than 65 years	11,703	14%	20,646	21%	12,709	13%	23,307	20%
Median Age	48 Years		50 Years		48 Years		49 Years	
<b>Member Class—TYLA/Senior**</b>								
TYLA Member	24,083	28%	30,459	31%	26,566	28%	35,165	31%
Senior Member	60,717	72%	67,886	69%	68,238	72%	78,606	69%

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	In-State Attorneys				All Active Attorneys			
	2013-14 N = 84,800		2023-24 N = 98,345		2013-14 N = 94,804		2023-24 N = 113,771	
<b>Law School Attended</b>								
Baylor University	5,347	6%	5,711	6%	5,660	6%	6,142	5%
St. Mary's	6,589	8%	7,334	7%	6,878	7%	7,705	7%
SMU Dedman/Southern Methodist	7,217	9%	7,871	8%	7,830	8%	8,650	8%
South Texas	9,961	12%	11,204	11%	10,475	11%	11,839	10%
Texas Southern	2,926	3%	3,300	3%	3,108	3%	3,531	3%
Texas Tech	5,794	7%	6,534	7%	6,097	6%	6,931	6%
Texas A&M/Formerly Texas Wesleyan	2,634	3%	3,808	4%	2,764	3%	4,102	4%
University of Houston	9,050	11%	9,509	10%	9,718	10%	10,403	9%
University of Texas	14,785	17%	13,958	14%	16,072	17%	15,498	14%
UNT Dallas/North Texas School of Law	--	--	419	<1%	--	--	434	<1%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	20,502	24%	28,697	29%	26,202	28%	38,536	34%
<b>Primary Occupation</b>								
	<i>(N = 72,166)</i>		<i>(N = 72,780)</i>		<i>(N = 80,431)</i>		<i>(N = 83,505)</i>	
<b>Private Practitioners</b>								
Solo Practitioners	17,684	25%	15,935	22%	18,733	23%	17,412	21%
2 to 5 attorneys	11,692	16%	11,156	15%	12,526	16%	12,315	15%
6 to 10 attorneys	3,699	5%	3,696	5%	4,057	5%	4,140	5%
11 to 24 attorneys	4,007	6%	3,886	5%	4,406	5%	4,460	5%
25 to 40 attorneys	1,849	3%	2,021	3%	2,082	3%	2,313	3%
41 to 60 attorneys	981	1%	1,098	2%	1,134	1%	1,280	2%
More than 60 attorneys	7,633	11%	8,408	12%	8,850	11%	10,112	12%
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>47,545</i>	<i>66%</i>	<i>46,200</i>	<i>63%</i>	<i>51,788</i>	<i>64%</i>	<i>52,032</i>	<i>62%</i>
Government Attorney	7,462	10%	7,301	10%	8,481	11%	8,435	10%
Full-Time Judge	1,605	2%	1,646	2%	1,681	2%	1,723	2%
Law Faculty	422	1%	423	1%	574	1%	578	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	7,290	10%	8,418	12%	8,671	11%	10,167	12%
Other Law Related	2,206	3%	2,438	3%	2,599	3%	2,992	4%
Other Non-Law Related	1,999	3%	2,015	3%	2,396	3%	2,483	3%
Public Interest Lawyer	630	1%	1,113	2%	706	1%	1,285	2%
Retired-Not Working	2,003	3%	2,614	4%	2,319	3%	3,073	4%
Unemployed-Looking	585	1%	217	<1%	694	1%	267	<1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	419	1%	395	1%	522	1%	470	1%
<b>Members of State Bar Sections</b>								
Section Members	38,005	45%	41,415	42%	39,950	42%	44,684	39%
Non Section Members	46,795	55%	56,930	58%	54,854	58%	69,087	61%
Members of One Section	19,262	23%	20,741	21%	20,467	22%	22,761	20%
Members of Two Sections	10,843	13%	12,067	12%	11,322	12%	12,871	11%
Members of Three Sections	4,489	5%	4,971	5%	4,663	5%	5,246	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	3,411	4%	3,636	4%	3,498	4%	3,806	3%

## State Bar of Texas Membership: Attorney Statistical Profile (2023-24)

Attorneys can belong to multiple sections, therefore the percents do not sum to 100%

Section Membership	In-State Attorneys				All Active Attorneys			
	2013-14 N = 84,800		2023-24 N = 98,345		2013-14 N = 94,804		2023-24 N = 113,771	
Administrative and Public Law	1,119	1%	1,059	1%	1,156	1%	1,118	1%
African-American Lawyers	400	<1%	1,251	1%	432	<1%	1,356	1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	1,109	1%	1,092	1%	1,141	1%	1,154	1%
Animal Law	331	<1%	270	<1%	353	<1%	290	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	941	1%	682	1%	985	1%	735	1%
Appellate	1,805	2%	1,966	2%	1,838	2%	2,052	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	237	<1%	408	<1%	257	<1%	434	<1%
Aviation Law	251	<1%	265	1%	279	<1%	310	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	1,476	2%	1,207	1%	1,532	2%	1,333	1%
Business Law	4,038	5%	3,970	4%	4,215	4%	4,267	4%
Child Protection Law	--	--	1,022	1%	--	--	1,035	1%
Civil Liberties & Civil Rights	197	<1%	461	<1%	206	<1%	500	<1%
Collaborative Law	236	<1%	225	<1%	237	<1%	233	<1%
Computer and Technology	2,730	3%	1,711	2%	2,836	3%	1,822	2%
Construction Law	1,990	2%	2,435	2%	2,078	2%	2,609	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	1,260	1%	1,103	1%	1,294	1%	1,164	1%
Corporate Counsel	3,637	4%	4,498	5%	3,902	4%	4,919	4%
Criminal Justice	3,054	4%	2,803	3%	3,119	3%	2,882	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	548	1%	636	1%	584	1%	700	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	1,284	2%	1,092	1%	1,388	1%	1,232	1%
Family Law	5,644	7%	5,528	6%	5,691	6%	5,631	5%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	2,066	2%	1,796	2%	2,108	2%	1,878	2%
Government Lawyers	825	1%	1,016	1%	860	1%	1,058	1%
Health Law	1,424	2%	1,412	1%	1,540	2%	1,561	1%
Hispanic Issues	337	<1%	606	1%	355	<1%	640	1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	868	1%	1,425	1%	941	1%	1,576	1%
Insurance Law	1,606	2%	2,096	2%	1,686	2%	2,271	2%
Intellectual Property Law	2,142	3%	1,989	2%	2,381	3%	2,254	2%
International Law	784	1%	589	1%	888	1%	678	1%
James C. Watson Inn	135	<1%	89	<1%	138	<1%	90	<1%
Judicial	956	1%	992	1%	963	1%	999	1%
Justice of the Peace Courts	72	<1%	184	<1%	73	<1%	187	<1%
Juvenile Law	839	1%	744	1%	845	1%	756	1%
Labor and Employment Law	2,801	3%	2,941	3%	2,959	3%	3,176	3%
Legislative and Campaign Law	--	--	477	<1%	--	--	491	<1%
LGBT Law	292	<1%	648	1%	306	<1%	698	1%
Litigation	7,252	9%	7,862	8%	7,446	8%	8,251	7%
Litigation -Sustaining	195	<1%	123	<1%	200	<1%	408	<1%
Military and Veterans Law	333	<1%	385	<1%	409	<1%	464	<1%
Municipal Judges	286	<1%	244	<1%	286	<1%	244	<1%
Native American Law	108	<1%	132	<1%	118	<1%	149	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	4,196	5%	3,624	4%	4,476	5%	3,979	3%
Poverty Law	416	<1%	709	1%	425	<1%	732	1%
Public Utility Law	434	1%	507	1%	47	<1%	548	<1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	7,530	9%	8,902	9%	7,732	8%	9,429	8%
School Law	652	1%	777	1%	664	1%	812	1%
Tax	1,898	2%	1,961	2%	2,031	2%	2,177	2%
Women and the Law	585	1%	1,869	2%	610	1%	1,987	2%
Workers' Compensation	302	<1%	279	<1%	312	<1%	307	<1%

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<b>Board Certifications</b>								
Board Certified Attorneys	7,017	8%	6,754	7%	7,120	8%	6,869	6%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	77,783	92%	91,591	93%	87,684	92%	106,902	94%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	5,918	7%	5,875	6%	6,011	6%	5,978	5%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	980	1%	781	1%	989	1%	792	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	119	<1%	98	<1%	120	<1%	99	0%
<b>Attorneys Board Certified In:</b>								
Administrative Law	149	<1%	92	<1%	152	<1%	95	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	135	<1%	97	<1%	141	<1%	99	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	133	<1%	95	<1%	135	<1%	96	<1%
Child Welfare Law	--	--	124	<1%	--	--	126	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	429	1%	401	<1%	430	<1%	406	<1%
Civil Trial Law	1,025	1%	748	1%	1,037	1%	759	1%
Construction Law	--	--	129	<1%	--	--	132	<1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	68	<1%	71	<1%	69	<1%	72	<1%
Criminal Appellate	103	<1%	125	<1%	105	<1%	127	<1%
Criminal Law	835	1%	773	1%	845	1%	786	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	672	1%	656	1%	680	1%	666	1%
Family Law	761	1%	841	1%	767	1%	843	1%
Health Law	53	<1%	72	<1%	56	<1%	75	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	135	<1%	164	<1%	139	<1%	169	<1%
Juvenile Law	69	<1%	68	<1%	70	<1%	68	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	587	1%	624	1%	610	1%	648	1%
Legislative and Campaign Law	--	--	13	<1%	--	--	13	<1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	297	<1%	372	<1%	300	<1%	376	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	1,598	2%	1,279	1%	1,615	2%	1,299	1%
Property Owners Association Law	--	--	56	<1%	--	--	56	<1%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	487	1%	388	<1%	490	1%	393	<1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	97	<1%	65	<1%	98	<1%	67	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	305	<1%	238	<1%	306	<1%	241	<1%
Tax Law	213	<1%	163	<1%	218	<1%	170	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	94	<1%	89	<1%	96	<1%	90	<1%

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### Footnotes

- \* Based on year first licensed in any jurisdiction.
- \*\* Texas Young Lawyers Association membership is automatic for attorneys licensed 12 years or less at the beginning of each fiscal year (June 1). For years prior to 2022, membership was automatic for attorneys age 36 or younger and for attorneys of any age who were in their first five years of practice.

### General Notes

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