STATE BAR OF TEXAS
DEPARTMENT OF RESEARCH & ANALYSIS

Dallas County: Attorney Statistical Profile (2002-03)

		Dallas County 1995	Texas Population 1995	Dallas County 2002	Texas Population 2002
Population Figures[1]	Percentage of Texas Population	11%	…	10%	…
	Percentage of In-State Bar Membership[2]	21%	…	21%	…
	Attorney/Population Ratio	1:169	1:341	1:171	1:337

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Gender	Male	75%	72%	72%
	Female	25%	28%	28%
Race/Ethnicity[3]	Caucasian/Anglo	93%	90%	87%
	African-American/Black	3%	4%	4%
	Hispanic/Latino	2%	3%	7%
	Asian/Pacific Islander	1%	1%	1%
	Native American Indian	<1%	<1%	<1%
	Other	1%	1%	1%
Years Licensed[4]	2 years or less	13%	11%	10%
	3 to 6 years	16%	15%	13%
	7 to 10 years	14%	13%	13%
	11 to 15 years	16%	14%	14%
	16 to 20 years	14%	14%	13%
	21 to 25 years	10%	12%	13%
	More than 25 years	17%	22%	24%
	Median years licensed	*13 years*	*15 years*	*15 years*

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Age	21 to 25 years	1%	<1%	<1%
	26 to 30 years	13%	11%	8%
	31 to 35 years	18%	15%	14%
	36 to 40 years	18%	14%	13%
	41 to 45 years	16%	16%	15%
	46 to 50 years	13%	14%	15%
	51 to 55 years	8%	11%	13%
	56 to 60 years	5%	9%	10%
	61 to 65 years	3%	4%	5%
	More than 65	5%	6%	7%
	Median age	*41 years*	*43 years*	*46 years*
Law School Attended	Baylor	7%	7%	7%
	St. Mary's	4%	4%	8%
	South Texas	2%	3%	11%
	Southern Methodist	27%	26%	9%
	Texas Southern	1%	1%	3%
	Texas Tech	5%	6%	7%
	Texas Wesleyan	1%	3%	2%
	University of Houston	3%	3%	12%
	University of Texas	18%	17%	22%
	Out-of-State Law School	31%	30%	21%
Primary Occupation[5]	Private Practice	73%	74%	69%
	Government	7%	7%	11%
	Judiciary	2%	1%	2%
	Law Faculty	<1%	<1%	1%
	House Counsel	11%	10%	9%
	Other Law Related	2%	2%	3%
	Other Non-Law Related	3%	3%	3%
	Retired or Not Working	3%	2%	2%
	Unemployed: Looking for Work	----	1%	1%
	Unemployed: Not Looking for Work	----	1%	1%

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Law Firm Size (for private practitioners only)	Sole Practitioners	26%	26%	38%
	2 to 5 attorneys	20%	18%	23%
	6 to 10 attorneys	9%	8%	7%
	11 to 24 attorneys	9%	9%	8%
	25 to 40 attorneys	5%	4%	4%
	41 to 60 attorneys	2%	3%	2%
	More than 60 attorneys	29%	33%	18%
	Median firm size	*8 attorneys*	*9 attorneys*	*4 attorneys*
Percent Who Are Members of State Bar Sections	No Sections	52%	51%	54%
	One Section	21%	25%	23%
	Two Sections	16%	14%	13%
	Three Sections	7%	6%	6%
	More than Three Sections	4%	4%	4%
Section Members by Section[6]	Administrative and Public Law	2%	1%	4%
	African-American Lawyers	1%	1%	1%
	Alternative Dispute Resolution	5%	3%	4%
	American Indian Law	<1%	<1%	<1%
	Animal Law	----	1%	1%
	Antitrust and Business Litigation	7%	6%	4%
	Appellate	5%	5%	5%
	Asian Pacific Interest	----	1%	1%
	Aviation Law	1%	1%	1%
	Business Law	21%	17%	13%
	Computer and Technology	4%	4%	4%
	Construction Law	4%	5%	4%
	Consumer Law	6%	3%	5%
	Corporate Counsel	14%	13%	9%
	Criminal Justice	4%	4%	6%

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Section Members by Section (continued)	Entertainment and Sports Law	3%	2%	2%
	Environmental and Natural Resources	4%	3%	4%
	Family Law	10%	9%	14%
	General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	4%	11%	13%
	Government Lawyers	1%	1%	2%
	Health Law	4%	4%	4%
	Hispanic Issues	1%	1%	1%
	Individual Rights and Responsibilities	1%	1%	1%
	Insurance Law	----	5%	4%
	Intellectual Property Law	6%	8%	5%
	International Law	4%	3%	3%
	James C. Watson Inn	<1%	<1%	<1%
	Justice of the Peace	<1%	<1%	<1%
	Juvenile Law	1%	2%	2%
	Labor and Employment Law	11%	10%	9%
	Litigation	29%	24%	25%
	Military Law	<1%	<1%	1%
	Municipal Judges	1%	1%	1%
	Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	6%	4%	7%
	Public Utility Law	1%	1%	1%
	Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law	23%	21%	22%
	School Law	1%	1%	2%
	Sexual Orientation and Gender Identification Issues	----	1%	1%
	Taxation Law	8%	7%	6%
	Women and the Law	2%	1%	2%

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Percent Who Are Board Certified in:	No Areas	92%	89%	85%
	One Area	7%	10%	12%
	Two Areas	1%	2%	3%
	More than Two Areas	<1%	<1%	1%
Board Certified Attorneys by Area of Legal Specialization[7]	Administrative Law	<1%	1%	3%
	Bankruptcy Law: Business	4%	3%	3%
	Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	2%	2%	3%
	Civil Appellate Law	7%	7%	7%
	Civil Trial Law	22%	19%	18%
	Consumer and Commercial Law	1%	1%	1%
	Criminal Law	11%	13%	13%
	Estate Planning and Probate	8%	9%	10%
	Family Law	13%	14%	12%
	Immigration and Nationality Law	1%	2%	1%
	Labor Law	8%	12%	6%
	Oil, Gas and Mineral Law	4%	3%	4%
	Personal Injury Trial Law	20%	19%	24%
	Real Estate Law: Commercial	7%	6%	8%
	Real Estate Law: Farm & Ranch	<1%	<1%	2%
	Real Estate Law: Residential	3%	2%	6%
	Tax Law	5%	5%	4%

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Notes

[1] *Attorney population figures used to calculate statistics in the section titled Population Figures are from the State Bar's membership records as of December 31, 1995 and December 31, 2002. General population figures used to calculate 1995 statistics are estimates provided by the Texas State Data Center: Population Estimates and Projections Program, as of January 1, 1996. General population figures for 2001 are derived from the U.S. Census Bureau, as of July 1, 2001.*

[2] *Throughout the report, the statistical information on the In-State Bar membership includes Dallas County. All data represent active Bar members only. Some figures are estimates, as not all information is known for every active attorney.*

[3] *Race/ethnicity was known for 94 percent of the active Bar membership in 1995 and for 95 percent of the active Bar membership in December 2002.*

[4] *Based on year first licensed in any jurisdiction.*

[5] *Primary occupation and law firm size figures are estimates as these demographics are unknown for some attorneys.*

[6] *Percent of all attorneys who are members of any section and who hold membership in the listed section.*

[7] *Percent of all board certified attorneys who are certified in the listed area. Note that these figures do not include attorneys specialized in Juvenile Law as this data was not available at the time of analysis.*

---- Indicates that the sections were not in existence, and primary occupation was categorized differently at that time.