



STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

Women Attorneys: Attorney Statistical Profile (2014-15)

This report profiles active State Bar of Texas women attorney members with membership in the State Bar of Texas as of December 31, 2014. Not all demographic data is provided by every attorney. Separate population totals are provided in italics in each category that is lacking all demographic data. Percentages may not sum to one hundred due to rounding. Over the last 10 years the number of Texas women attorneys has increased by 50 percent, growing from 22,075 attorneys in 2004 to 33,136 in 2014.

	Active Women Attorneys				All Active State Bar Attorneys			
	2004-05		2014-15		2004-05		2014-15	
	N = 22,075		N = 33,136		N = 74,675		N = 96,912	
Sex								
	<i>(N = 22,075)</i>		<i>(N = 33,136)</i>		<i>(N = 74,446)</i>		<i>(N = 96,332)</i>	
Male	0	0%	0	0%	52,371	70%	63,196	66%
Female	22,075	100%	33,136	100%	22,075	30%	33,136	34%
Race/Ethnicity								
	<i>(N = 21,219)</i>		<i>(N = 31,952)</i>		<i>(N = 70,434)</i>		<i>(N = 91,966)</i>	
White	17,200	77%	23,917	75%	60,772	86%	74,740	81%
Black/African-American	1,437	6%	2,672	8%	2,788	4%	4,638	5%
Hispanic/Latino	1,662	7%	3,132	10%	4,759	7%	7,806	8%
Asian/Pacific Islander	546	2%	1,427	4%	1,111	2%	2,851	3%
American Indian/Alaska Native	64	<1%	105	<1%	203	<1%	302	<1%
Two or More Races	--	--	293	1%	--	--	599	1%
Other Race	310	1%	406	1%	801	1%	1,030	1%
Years Licensed *								
2 or less years	3,287	15%	3,594	11%	7,005	9%	8,227	8%
3 to 6 years	3,843	17%	4,989	15%	9,363	13%	11,165	12%
7 to 10 years	3,477	16%	4,926	15%	9,026	12%	10,774	11%
11 to 15 years	4,080	18%	4,899	15%	10,997	15%	11,720	12%
16 to 20 years	3,353	15%	4,261	13%	9,641	13%	11,136	11%
21 to 25 years	2,464	11%	3,928	12%	9,098	12%	10,732	11%
Over 25 years	1,571	7%	6,539	20%	19,545	26%	33,158	34%
Median Years Licensed	11 Years		13 Years		16 Years		18 Years	
Age								
	<i>(N = 22,073)</i>		<i>(N = 33,135)</i>		<i>(N = 74,673)</i>		<i>(N = 96,906)</i>	
21 to 25 years	287	1%	124	<1%	477	1%	213	<1%
26 to 30 years	3,092	14%	3,804	11%	6,566	9%	7,753	8%
31 to 35 years	3,986	18%	5,321	16%	9,869	13%	11,814	12%
36 to 40 years	3,442	16%	4,923	15%	9,634	13%	11,411	12%
41 to 45 years	3,427	16%	4,409	13%	10,214	14%	11,299	12%
46 to 50 years	3,294	15%	3,758	11%	10,724	14%	10,351	11%
51 to 55 years	2,500	11%	3,516	11%	10,035	13%	10,411	11%
56 to 60 years	1,300	6%	3,259	10%	7,614	10%	10,476	11%
61 to 65 years	452	2%	2,315	7%	4,128	6%	9,396	10%
More than 65 years	293	1%	1,706	5%	5,412	7%	13,782	14%
Median Age	41 Years		43 Years		46 Years		48 Years	
Member Class—TYLA/Senior**								
TYLA Member	9,625	44%	12,236	37%	22,852	31%	26,867	28%
Senior Member	12,450	56%	20,900	63%	51,823	69%	70,045	72%

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Law School Attended								
Baylor University	1,059	5%	1,646	<1%	4,526	7%	5,689	6%
St. Mary's	1,573	8%	2,488	8%	5,007	7%	7,010	7%
South Texas	2,326	12%	3,846	12%	7,529	11%	10,709	11%
Southern Methodist	1,714	9%	2,754	8%	5,821	9%	7,935	8%
Texas Southern	655	3%	1,323	4%	1,910	3%	3,211	3%
Texas Tech	1,267	6%	2,133	6%	4,312	6%	6,246	6%
Texas A&M/Formerly Texas Wesleyan	512	3%	1,286	4%	1,255	2%	2,751	3%
University of Houston	2,668	13%	3,584	11%	7,593	11%	9,834	10%
University of Texas	3,550	18%	4,676	14%	13,991	21%	16,068	17%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	4,621	23%	9,400	28%	15,840	23%	27,459	28%
Primary Occupation								
	<i>(N = 19,004)</i>		<i>(N = 26,980)</i>		<i>(N = 66,272)</i>		<i>(N = 82,044)</i>	
Private Practitioners								
Solo Practitioners	3,486	18%	5,062	19%	15,559	23%	18,990	23%
2 to 5 attorneys	2,325	12%	3,616	13%	10,140	15%	12,667	15%
6 to 10 attorneys	759	4%	1,172	4%	3,312	5%	4,204	5%
11 to 24 attorneys	930	5%	1,210	4%	3,776	6%	4,500	5%
25 to 40 attorneys	524	3%	592	2%	1,912	3%	2,127	3%
41 to 60 attorneys	301	2%	344	1%	1,192	2%	1,148	1%
More than 60 attorneys	2,466	13%	2,552	9%	8,428	13%	8,879	11%
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>10,791</i>	<i>57%</i>	<i>14,548</i>	<i>54%</i>	<i>44,319</i>	<i>67%</i>	<i>52,515</i>	<i>64%</i>
Government Attorney	3,334	18%	4,106	15%	7,379	11%	8,464	10%
Full-Time Judge	443	2%	548	2%	1,490	2%	1,685	2%
Law Faculty	166	1%	266	1%	468	1%	577	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	2,070	11%	3,409	13%	6,352	10%	9,016	11%
Other Law Related	868	5%	1,348	5%	1,940	3%	2,756	3%
Other Non-Law Related	563	3%	961	4%	1,973	3%	2,539	3%
Public Interest Lawyer	--	--	488	2%	--	--	758	1%
Retired-Not Working	231	1%	551	2%	1,483	2%	2,515	3%
Unemployed-Looking	218	1%	356	1%	403	1%	645	1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	320	2%	399	1%	465	1%	574	1%
Members of State Bar Sections								
Section Members	8,412	38%	13,996	42%	29,690	40%	41,491	43%
Non Section Members	13,663	62%	19,140	58%	44,985	60%	55,421	57%
Members of One Section	4,578	21%	7,624	23%	14,551	19%	21,179	22%
Members of Two Sections	2,346	11%	3,893	12%	8,681	12%	11,759	12%
Members of Three Sections	927	4%	1,472	4%	3,796	5%	4,901	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	561	3%	1,007	3%	2,662	4%	3,652	4%

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Section Membership								
Administrative and Public Law	354	2%	429	1%	1,044	1%	1,213	1%
African-American Lawyers	138	1%	254	1%	270	<1%	473	<1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	301	1%	394	1%	1,113	1%	1,148	1%
American Indian Law	31	<1%	55	<1%	100	<1%	156	<1%
Animal Law	142	1%	249	1%	246	<1%	372	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	165	1%	162	<1%	1,156	2%	968	1%
Appellate	540	2%	671	2%	1,669	2%	1,911	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	58	<1%	113	<1%	148	<1%	269	<1%
Aviation Law	33	<1%	46	<1%	234	<1%	290	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	310	1%	453	1%	1,085	1%	1,550	2%
Business Law	695	3%	959	3%	3,607	5%	4,325	4%
Collaborative Law	--	--	152	<1%	--	--	259	<1%
Computer and Technology	170	1%	575	2%	844	1%	2,144	2%
Construction Law	284	1%	415	1%	1,606	2%	2,133	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	189	1%	271	1%	1,243	2%	1,337	1%
Corporate Counsel	759	3%	1,398	4%	2,728	4%	4,153	4%
Criminal Justice	476	2%	868	3%	1,952	3%	3,110	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	102	<1%	171	1%	470	1%	611	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	345	2%	462	1%	1,245	2%	1,397	1%
Family Law	1,771	8%	2,919	9%	4,329	6%	5,871	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	378	2%	632	2%	1,763	2%	2,309	2%
Government Lawyers	286	1%	383	1%	697	1%	908	1%
Health Law	440	2%	721	2%	1,202	2%	1,650	2%
Hispanic Issues	124	1%	190	1%	347	0%	481	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	--	--	489	1%	--	--	996	1%
Individual rights and Responsibilities	50	<1%	55	<1%	167	<1%	214	<1%
Insurance Law	371	2%	479	1%	1,526	2%	1,814	2%
Intellectual Property Law	333	2%	551	2%	1,718	2%	2,449	3%
International Law	204	1%	258	1%	843	1%	898	1%
James C. Watson Inn	12	<1%	27	<1%	101	<1%	150	<1%
Judicial Law	10	<1%	327	1%	26	<1%	1,093	1%
Justice of the Peace	17	<1%	35	<1%	59	<1%	115	<1%
Juvenile Law	328	1%	416	1%	758	1%	870	1%
Labor and Employment Law	977	4%	1,299	4%	2,730	4%	3,062	3%
Legislative and Campaign Law	--	--	89	<1%	--	--	270	<1%
Litigation	1,557	7%	1,708	5%	7,436	10%	7,588	8%
Litigation -Sustaining	--	--	46	<1%	--	--	212	<1%
Military law	29	<1%	144	<1%	221	<1%	493	1%
Municipal Judges	69	<1%	122	<1%	246	<1%	302	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	280	1%	1,183	4%	2,070	3%	5,024	5%
Poverty Law	--	--	303	1%	--	--	475	<1%
Public Utility Law	116	1%	160	<1%	402	1%	499	1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	1,465	7%	2,453	7%	6,609	9%	8,158	8%
School Law	238	1%	340	1%	560	1%	716	1%
LGBT Law	66	<1%	190	1%	185	<1%	399	<1%
Taxation	306	1%	531	2%	1,677	2%	2,115	2%
Women and the Law	413	2%	719	2%	428	1%	735	1%
Workers' Compensation	--	--	110	<1%	--	--	303	<1%

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Board Certifications								
Board Certified Attorneys	1,159	5%	1,528	5%	6,710	9%	7,130	7%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	20,916	95%	31,608	95%	67,965	91%	89,782	93%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	1,079	5%	1,419	4%	5,577	7%	6,037	6%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	72	<1%	100	<1%	1,011	1%	976	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	8	<1%	9	<1%	122	<1%	117	<1%
Attorneys Board Certified In:								
Administrative Law	57	<1%	44	<1%	175	<1%	146	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	20	<1%	16	<1%	162	<1%	137	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	25	<1%	21	<1%	153	<1%	133	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	116	1%	36	<1%	393	1%	428	<1%
Civil Trial Law	67	<1%	64	<1%	1,188	2%	1,014	1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	6	<1%	7	<1%	62	0%	73	<1%
Criminal Appellate	--	--	36	<1%	--	--	121	<1%
Criminal Law	118	1%	136	<1%	794	1%	829	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	138	1%	184	1%	617	1%	682	1%
Family Law	243	1%	332	1%	671	1%	786	1%
Health Law	11	<1%	25	<1%	35	<1%	89	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	30	<1%	62	<1%	84	<1%	143	<1%
Juvenile Law	30	<1%	39	<1%	50	<1%	69	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	153	1%	240	1%	478	1%	628	1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	16	<1%	24	<1%	261	<1%	322	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	116	1%	122	<1%	1,739	2%	1,588	2%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	45	<1%	64	<1%	479	1%	487	1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	6	<1%	10	<1%	94	<1%	94	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	30	<1%	41	<1%	311	<1%	300	<1%
Tax Law	20	<1%	24	<1%	229	<1%	215	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	--	--	33	<1%	--	--	96	<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

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