



# STATE BAR OF TEXAS

## Department of Research and Analysis

### Dallas County: Attorney Statistical Profile (2016-17)

This report profiles active Dallas County attorney members with membership in the State Bar of Texas as of December 31, 2016. 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 Dallas County attorneys has increased by 11 percent, growing from 14,749 attorneys in 2006 to 16,369 in 2016.

	Dallas County Attorneys				All Active State Bar Attorneys			
	2006-07 N = 14,749		2016-17 N = 16,369		2006-07 N = 79,409		2016-17 N = 100,294	
<b>Sex</b>								
	<i>(N = 14,667)</i>		<i>(N = 16,252)</i>		<i>(N = 79,015)</i>		<i>(N = 99,636)</i>	
Male	10,171	69%	10,592	65%	54,546	69%	64,599	65%
Female	4,496	31%	5,660	35%	24,469	31%	35,037	35%
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>								
	<i>(N = 13,972)</i>		<i>(N = 15,575)</i>		<i>(N = 75,002)</i>		<i>(N = 95,433)</i>	
White	12,384	89%	12,981	83%	63,942	85%	76,509	80%
Black/African-American	610	4%	912	6%	3,153	4%	5,022	5%
Hispanic/Latino	491	4%	789	5%	5,334	7%	8,529	9%
Asian/Pacific Islander	272	2%	539	3%	1,433	2%	3,211	3%
American Indian/Alaska Native	45	<1%	56	<1%	225	<1%	326	<1%
Two or More Races	--	--	126	1%	--	--	709	1%
Other Race	170	1%	172	1%	915	1%	1,127	1%
<b>Years Licensed *</b>								
2 or less years	1,563	11%	1,367	8%	7,656	10%	7,630	8%
3 to 6 years	1,934	13%	1,951	12%	9,394	12%	11,461	11%
7 to 10 years	1,798	12%	1,891	12%	9,195	12%	11,310	11%
11 to 15 years	2,090	14%	1,927	12%	11,336	14%	12,250	12%
16 to 20 years	1,779	12%	1,814	11%	9,928	13%	11,225	11%
21 to 25 years	1,705	12%	1,749	11%	9,369	12%	10,960	11%
Over 25 years	3,880	26%	5,670	35%	22,526	28%	35,458	35%
Median Years Licensed	15 Years		18 Years		16 Years		19 Years	
<b>Age</b>								
	<i>(N = 14,747)</i>		<i>(N = 16,369)</i>		<i>(N = 79,410)</i>		<i>(N = 100,294)</i>	
21 to 25 years	143	1%	24	<1%	537	1%	194	<1%
26 to 30 years	1,643	11%	1,438	9%	7,257	9%	7,345	7%
31 to 35 years	2,033	14%	2,146	13%	9,583	12%	12,082	12%
36 to 40 years	2,042	14%	2,064	13%	10,554	13%	12,363	12%
41 to 45 years	1,944	13%	1,815	11%	9,895	12%	11,006	11%
46 to 50 years	1,991	14%	1,785	11%	10,832	14%	11,286	11%
51 to 55 years	1,766	12%	1,668	10%	10,671	13%	9,984	10%
56 to 60 years	1,351	9%	1,751	11%	8,683	11%	10,506	10%
61 to 65 years	822	6%	1,435	9%	5,088	6%	9,636	10%
More than 65 years	1,012	7%	2,243	14%	6,310	8%	15,892	16%
Median Age	44 Years		48 Years		46 Years		49 Years	
<b>Member Class—TYLA/Senior**</b>								
TYLA Member	4,915	33%	4,804	29%	23,424	29%	26,998	27%
Senior Member	9,834	67%	11,565	71%	55,985	71%	73,296	73%

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	2006-07 N = 14,749		2016-17 N = 16,369		2006-07 N = 79,409		2016-17 N = 100,294	
<b>Law School Attended</b>								
Baylor University	1,000	7%	991	6%	5,120	7%	5,752	6%
St. Mary's	571	4%	581	4%	5,792	7%	7,198	7%
South Texas	391	3%	413	3%	8,704	11%	11,000	11%
Southern Methodist	3,765	26%	4,224	26%	6,712	9%	8,140	8%
Texas Southern	172	1%	223	1%	2,313	3%	3,370	3%
Texas Tech	921	6%	995	6%	5,031	6%	6,489	6%
Texas A&M/Formerly Texas Wesleyan	509	4%	605	4%	1,689	2%	3,349	3%
University of Houston	477	3%	480	3%	8,648	11%	9,974	10%
University of Texas	2,406	17%	2,271	14%	15,596	20%	16,093	16%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	4,277	30%	5,586	34%	18,456	24%	28,929	29%
<b>Primary Occupation</b>								
	<i>(N = 13,673)</i>		<i>(N = 13,589)</i>		<i>(N = 70,110)</i>		<i>(N = 83,678)</i>	
<b>Private Practitioners</b>								
Solo Practitioners	2,223	16%	2,364	17%	16,508	24%	19,199	23%
2 to 5 attorneys	1,770	13%	1,819	13%	10,889	16%	12,704	15%
6 to 10 attorneys	725	5%	852	6%	3,462	5%	4,348	5%
11 to 24 attorneys	828	6%	843	6%	3,900	6%	4,389	5%
25 to 40 attorneys	402	3%	499	4%	2,018	3%	2,167	3%
41 to 60 attorneys	323	2%	376	3%	1,120	2%	1,230	1%
More than 60 attorneys	3,163	23%	2,769	20%	8,919	13%	9,044	11%
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>9,434</i>	<i>69%</i>	<i>9,522</i>	<i>70%</i>	<i>46,816</i>	<i>67%</i>	<i>53,081</i>	<i>63%</i>
Government Attorney	908	7%	811	6%	7,871	11%	8,792	11%
Full-Time Judge	908	7%	190	1%	1,549	2%	1,740	2%
Law Faculty	44	<1%	57	<1%	507	1%	592	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	1,394	10%	1,720	13%	6,845	10%	9,439	11%
Other Law Related	314	2%	412	3%	2,079	3%	2,910	3%
Other Non-Law Related	340	2%	359	3%	2,059	3%	2,546	3%
Public Interest Lawyer	--	--	90	1%	--	--	873	1%
Retired-Not Working	214	2%	302	2%	1,599	2%	2,735	3%
Unemployed-Looking	53	<1%	66	<1%	378	1%	440	1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	64	<1%	60	<1%	407	1%	530	1%
<b>Members of State Bar Sections</b>								
Section Members	6,783	46%	8,080	49%	31,693	40%	44,081	44%
Non Section Members	7,966	54%	8,289	51%	47,716	60%	56,213	56%
Members of One Section	3,444	23%	4,290	26%	15,855	20%	22,804	23%
Members of Two Sections	2,040	14%	2,318	14%	9,247	12%	12,195	12%
Members of Three Sections	787	5%	870	5%	3,837	5%	5,272	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	512	3%	602	4%	2,754	3%	3,810	4%

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

Section Membership	Dallas County Attorneys				All Active State Bar Attorneys			
	2006-07		2016-17		2006-07		2016-17	
	N = 14,749		N = 16,369		N = 79,409		N = 100,294	
Administrative and Public Law	90	1%	79	<1%	1,081	1%	1,231	1%
African-American Lawyers	56	<1%	133	1%	336	<1%	589	1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	236	2%	199	1%	1,139	1%	1,170	1%
Animal Law	37	<1%	52	<1%	253	<1%	367	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	372	3%	320	2%	1,119	1%	966	1%
Appellate	354	2%	341	2%	1,713	2%	1,996	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	46	<1%	85	1%	186	<1%	309	<1%
Aviation Law	79	1%	75	<1%	244	<1%	273	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	344	2%	400	2%	1,238	2%	1,551	2%
Business Law	1,098	7%	1,172	7%	3,879	5%	4,519	5%
Collaborative Law	--	--	56	<1%	--	--	275	<1%
Computer and Technology	210	1%	370	2%	786	1%	2,203	2%
Construction Law	388	3%	408	2%	1,802	2%	2,250	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	222	2%	251	2%	1,306	2%	1,398	1%
Corporate Counsel	762	5%	1,010	6%	2,878	4%	4,488	4%
Criminal Justice	291	2%	358	2%	2,214	3%	3,214	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	132	1%	152	1%	523	1%	637	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	167	1%	129	1%	1,269	2%	1,310	1%
Family Law	649	4%	727	4%	4,462	6%	6,093	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	266	2%	294	2%	1,785	2%	2,320	2%
Government Lawyers	68	<1%	85	1%	725	1%	987	1%
Health Law	274	2%	374	2%	1,215	2%	1,741	2%
Hispanic Issues	62	<1%	71	<1%	402	1%	539	1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	--	--	175	1%	--	--	1,146	1%
Individual rights and Responsibilities	29	<1%	30	<1%	182	<1%	196	<1%
Insurance Law	402	3%	442	3%	1,520	2%	2,046	2%
Intellectual Property Law	547	4%	601	4%	1,850	2%	2,519	3%
International Law	160	1%	161	1%	811	1%	915	1%
James C. Watson Inn	20	<1%	18	<1%	154	<1%	139	<1%
Judicial	7	<1%	87	1%	56	<1%	987	1%
Justice of the Peace Courts	1	<1%	12	<1%	51	<1%	134	<1%
Juvenile Law	84	1%	83	1%	813	1%	910	1%
Labor and Employment Law	664	5%	704	4%	2,799	4%	3,228	3%
Legislative and Campaign Law	--	--	18	<1%	--	--	240	<1%
LGBT Law	41	<1%	105	1%	170	<1%	501	<1%
Litigation	1,668	11%	1,721	11%	7,416	9%	8,563	9%
Litigation -Sustaining	--	--	40	<1%	--	--	251	<1%
Military and Veterans Law	18	<1%	43	<1%	230	<1%	544	1%
Municipal Judges	38	<1%	40	<1%	245	<1%	302	<1%
Native American Law	12	<1%	19	<1%	105	<1%	138	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	267	2%	476	3%	2,357	3%	4,694	5%
Poverty Law	35	<1%	48	<1%	340	<1%	561	1%
Public Utility Law	53	<1%	46	<1%	403	1%	493	<1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	1,489	10%	1,683	10%	7,020	9%	8,954	9%
School Law	68	<1%	96	1%	574	1%	747	1%
Tax	449	3%	513	3%	1,674	2%	2,189	2%
Women and the Law	105	1%	209	1%	424	1%	1,004	1%
Workers' Compensation	--	--	45	<1%	--	--	328	<1%

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<b>Board Certifications</b>								
Board Certified Attorneys	1,125	8%	1,059	6%	7,060	9%	7,197	7%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	13,624	92%	15,310	94%	72,349	91%	93,097	93%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	992	7%	935	6%	5,907	7%	6,151	6%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	124	1%	118	1%	1,029	1%	936	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	9	<1%	6	<1%	124	<1%	110	<1%
<b>Attorneys Board Certified In:</b>								
Administrative Law	3	<1%	4	<1%	162	<1%	145	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	32	<1%	28	<1%	160	<1%	127	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	20	<1%	15	<1%	159	<1%	132	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	75	1%	77	<1%	408	1%	428	<1%
Civil Trial Law	197	1%	157	1%	1,173	1%	978	1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	6	<1%	7	<1%	68	<1%	73	<1%
Criminal Appellate	--	--	21	<1%	--	--	127	<1%
Criminal Law	113	1%	98	1%	836	1%	832	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	101	1%	110	1%	654	1%	695	1%
Family Law	129	1%	129	1%	705	1%	818	1%
Health Law	13	<1%	18	<1%	47	<1%	67	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	19	<1%	27	<1%	102	<1%	162	<1%
Juvenile Law	4	<1%	3	<1%	58	<1%	68	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	162	1%	172	1%	544	1%	637	1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	27	<1%	27	<1%	262	<1%	373	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	229	2%	186	1%	1,768	2%	1,551	2%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	54	<1%	41	<1%	490	1%	476	<1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	2	<1%	2	<1%	99	<1%	87	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	19	<1%	13	<1%	329	<1%	282	<1%
Tax Law	42	<1%	41	<1%	231	<1%	208	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	20	<1%	13	<1%	92	<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 36 years or younger and for attorneys of any age who are in their first five years of practice.

### General Notes

All demographic data is self-reported and represents active attorney Bar members in good standing as of December 31, 2016. Not all demographic data is provided by every attorney. Separate population totals are provided in italics in each category that is lacking full membership representation. Percentages may not sum to one hundred due to rounding.