



# STATE BAR OF TEXAS

## Department of Research and Analysis

### Harris County: Attorney Statistical Profile (2018-19)

This report profiles active Harris County attorney members with membership in the State Bar of Texas as of December 31, 2018. 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 Harris County attorneys has increased by 18 percent, growing from 20,265 attorneys in 2008 to 23,937 in 2018.

	Harris County				All Active State Bar Attorneys			
	2008-09 N = 20,265		2018-19 N = 23,937		2008-09 N = 83,713		2018-19 N = 103,342	
<b>Sex</b>								
	<i>(N = 20,133)</i>		<i>(N = 23,874)</i>		<i>(N = 83,070)</i>		<i>(N = 103,100)</i>	
Male	13,403	67%	14,891	62%	56,562	68%	65,623	64%
Female	6,730	33%	8,983	38%	26,508	32%	37,477	36%
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>								
	<i>(N = 20,265)</i>		<i>(N = 22,864)</i>		<i>(N = 78,613)</i>		<i>(N = 98,570)</i>	
White	15,633	77%	17,323	76%	66,361	84%	77,815	79%
Black/African-American	1,315	6%	1,895	8%	3,435	4%	5,441	6%
Hispanic/Latino	1,034	5%	1,806	8%	5,801	7%	9,373	10%
Asian/Pacific Islander	674	3%	1,231	5%	1,712	2%	3,557	4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	50	<1%	69	<1%	246	<1%	344	<1%
Two or More Races	12	<1%	195	1%	55	<1%	817	1%
Other Race	1,547	8%	345	2%	1,003	1%	1,223	1%
<b>Years Licensed *</b>								
2 or less years	2,253	11%	2,035	9%	7,997	10%	7,275	7%
3 to 6 years	2,517	12%	2,825	12%	9,763	12%	11,089	11%
7 to 10 years	2,197	11%	2,802	12%	9,316	11%	11,341	11%
11 to 15 years	2,628	13%	3,160	13%	11,322	14%	13,455	13%
16 to 20 years	2,574	13%	2,468	10%	10,474	13%	11,421	11%
21 to 25 years	2,236	11%	2,372	10%	9,499	11%	11,052	11%
Over 25 years	5,860	29%	8,275	35%	25,333	30%	37,709	36%
Median Years Licensed	17 Years		18 Years		18 Years		19 Years	
<b>Age</b>								
	<i>(N = 20,258)</i>		<i>(N = 23,937)</i>		<i>(N = 83,689)</i>		<i>(N = 103,342)</i>	
21 to 25 years	53	<1%	68	<1%	196	<1%	204	<1%
26 to 30 years	1,975	10%	1,926	8%	7,196	9%	6,837	7%
31 to 35 years	2,413	12%	3,055	13%	9,689	12%	11,794	11%
36 to 40 years	2,567	13%	3,213	13%	10,897	13%	13,153	13%
41 to 45 years	2,303	11%	2,582	11%	9,924	12%	11,533	11%
46 to 50 years	2,475	12%	2,525	11%	10,510	13%	11,684	11%
51 to 55 years	2,740	14%	2,181	9%	10,796	13%	10,181	10%
56 to 60 years	2,336	12%	2,195	9%	9,635	12%	10,234	10%
61 to 65 years	1,635	8%	2,309	10%	6,877	8%	9,785	9%
More than 65 years	1,761	9%	3,883	16%	7,969	10%	17,937	17%
Median Age	48 Years		48 Years		48 Years		49 Years	
<b>Member Class—TYLA/Senior**</b>								
TYLA Member	6,135	30%	6,944	29%	23,802	28%	26,555	26%
Senior Member	14,130	70%	16,993	71%	59,911	72%	76,787	74%

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<b>Law School Attended</b>								
Baylor University	553	3%	647	3%	5,264	6%	5,867	6%
North Texas School of Law	--	--	0	0%	--	--	99	<1%
St. Mary's	351	2%	396	2%	6,135	7%	7,320	7%
South Texas	4,892	24%	5,743	24%	9,183	11%	11,207	11%
Southern Methodist	465	2%	523	2%	6,987	8%	8,255	8%
Texas Southern	1,156	6%	1,432	6%	2,566	3%	3,487	3%
Texas Tech	319	2%	439	2%	5,353	6%	6,675	6%
Texas A&M/Formerly Texas Wesleyan	46	<1%	90	<1%	2,031	2%	3,592	3%
University of Houston	4,875	24%	5,331	22%	8,978	11%	10,114	10%
University of Texas	3,113	15%	3,279	14%	14,515	17%	15,987	15%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	4,495	22%	6,057	25%	22,701	27%	30,739	30%
<b>Primary Occupation</b>								
	<i>(N = 17,290)</i>		<i>(N = 18,585)</i>		<i>(N = 72,255)</i>		<i>(N = 82,840)</i>	
<b>Private Practitioners</b>								
Solo Practitioners	3,834	22%	3,843	21%	17,074	24%	18,627	22%
2 to 5 attorneys	2,719	16%	2,890	16%	11,370	16%	12,473	15%
6 to 10 attorneys	953	6%	1,006	5%	3,656	5%	4,213	5%
11 to 24 attorneys	1,122	6%	1,074	6%	4,065	6%	4,377	5%
25 to 40 attorneys	479	3%	501	3%	1,967	3%	2,155	3%
41 to 60 attorneys	206	1%	281	2%	1,053	1%	1,279	2%
More than 60 attorneys	2,822	16%	2,913	16%	9,004	12%	9,172	11%
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>12,135</i>	<i>70%</i>	<i>12,508</i>	<i>67%</i>	<i>48,189</i>	<i>67%</i>	<i>52,296</i>	<i>63%</i>
Government Attorney	918	5%	902	5%	8,134	11%	8,363	10%
Full-Time Judge	207	1%	202	1%	1,586	2%	1,628	2%
Law Faculty	97	1%	95	1%	529	1%	583	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	2,279	13%	2,684	14%	7,454	10%	9,634	12%
Other Law Related	598	3%	681	4%	2,173	3%	2,933	4%
Other Non-Law Related	510	3%	553	3%	2,065	3%	2,550	3%
Public Interest Lawyer	--	--	180	1%	--	--	972	1%
Retired-Not Working	348	2%	572	3%	1,772	2%	2,986	4%
Unemployed-Looking	94	1%	80	<1%	378	1%	351	<1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	104	1%	128	1%	475	1%	544	1%
<b>Members of State Bar Sections</b>								
Section Members	8,797	43%	11,420	48%	34,109	41%	44,530	43%
Non Section Members	11,468	57%	12,517	52%	49,604	59%	58,812	57%
Members of One Section	4,502	22%	5,971	25%	17,229	21%	22,952	22%
Members of Two Sections	2,468	12%	3,122	13%	9,786	12%	12,482	12%
Members of Three Sections	1,057	5%	1,335	6%	4,049	5%	5,210	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	770	4%	992	4%	3,045	4%	3,886	4%

## Harris County: Attorney Statistical Profile (2018-19)

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

Section Membership	Harris County				All Active State Bar Attorneys			
	2008-09 N = 20,265		2018-19 N = 23,937		2008-09 N = 83,713		2018-19 N = 103,342	
Administrative and Public Law	131	1%	132	1%	1,134	1%	1,183	1%
African-American Lawyers	162	1%	232	1%	406	<1%	686	1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	305	2%	351	1%	1,163	1%	1,139	1%
Animal Law	72	<1%	77	<1%	284	<1%	330	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	366	2%	291	1%	1,114	1%	915	1%
Appellate	539	3%	609	3%	1,769	2%	2,058	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	77	<1%	112	<1%	223	<1%	317	<1%
Aviation Law	57	<1%	58	<1%	248	<1%	302	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	344	2%	378	2%	1,328	2%	1,461	1%
Business Law	1,160	6%	1,139	5%	4,023	5%	4,467	4%
Child Protection Law	--	--	106	<1%	--	--	775	1%
Civil Liberties & Civil Rights	45	<1%	88	<1%	214	<1%	375	<1%
Collaborative Law	--	--	43	<1%	--	--	258	<1%
Computer and Technology	194	1%	461	2%	796	1%	2,062	2%
Construction Law	570	3%	733	3%	2,014	2%	2,393	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	396	2%	343	1%	1,351	2%	1,303	1%
Corporate Counsel	1,059	5%	1,525	6%	3,188	4%	4,620	4%
Criminal Justice	460	2%	552	2%	2,502	3%	3,186	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	144	1%	138	1%	514	1%	606	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	400	2%	344	1%	1,371	2%	1,254	1%
Family Law	983	5%	1,193	5%	4,892	6%	6,038	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	393	2%	408	2%	1,984	2%	2,151	2%
Government Lawyers	112	1%	131	1%	786	1%	1,018	1%
Health Law	307	2%	352	1%	1,249	1%	1,700	2%
Hispanic Issues	103	1%	126	1%	432	1%	549	1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	--	--	399	2%	--	--	1,270	1%
Insurance Law	451	2%	604	3%	1,574	2%	2,162	2%
Intellectual Property Law	595	3%	610	3%	2,054	2%	2,460	2%
International Law	413	2%	371	2%	909	1%	865	1%
James C. Watson Inn	33	<1%	19	<1%	158	<1%	120	<1%
Judicial	11	<1%	193	1%	37	<1%	1,156	1%
Justice of the Peace Courts	11	<1%	36	<1%	64	<1%	142	<1%
Juvenile Law	162	1%	129	1%	829	1%	851	1%
Labor and Employment Law	785	4%	916	4%	2,833	3%	3,270	3%
Legislative and Campaign Law	--	--	35	<1%	--	--	335	<1%
LGBT Law	54	<1%	118	<1%	183	<1%	496	<1%
Litigation	2,591	13%	2,553	11%	7,752	9%	8,378	8%
Litigation -Sustaining	--	--	90	<1%	--	--	295	<1%
Military and Veterans Law	32	<1%	61	<1%	282	<1%	459	<1%
Municipal Judges	52	<1%	70	<1%	242	<1%	313	<1%
Native American Law	15	<1%	24	<1%	118	<1%	140	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	1,028	5%	1,822	8%	2,915	3%	4,709	5%
Poverty Law	59	<1%	114	<1%	440	1%	617	1%
Public Utility Law	70	<1%	71	<1%	445	1%	496	<1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	1,735	9%	1,934	8%	7,320	9%	9,107	9%
School Law	81	<1%	141	1%	615	1%	769	1%
Tax	558	3%	648	3%	1,884	2%	2,228	2%
Women and the Law	160	1%	293	1%	446	1%	1,123	1%
Workers' Compensation	52	<1%	68	<1%	234	<1%	339	<1%

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<b>Board Certifications</b>								
Board Certified Attorneys	1,770	9%	1,799	8%	6,995	8%	7,251	7%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	18,495	91%	22,138	92%	76,718	92%	96,091	93%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	1,513	7%	1,585	7%	5,865	7%	6,256	6%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	239	1%	199	1%	1,004	1%	895	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	18	<1%	15	<1%	126	<1%	100	<1%
<b>Attorneys Board Certified In:</b>								
Administrative Law	3	<1%	1	<1%	157	<1%	134	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	44	<1%	30	<1%	159	<1%	119	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	41	<1%	29	<1%	153	<1%	122	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	114	1%	125	1%	405	<1%	428	<1%
Civil Trial Law	285	1%	238	1%	1,140	1%	921	1%
Construction Law	--	--	22	<1%	--	--	104	<1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	20	<1%	21	<1%	68	<1%	78	<1%
Criminal Appellate	--	--	20	<1%	--	--	132	<1%
Criminal Law	133	1%	125	1%	834	1%	841	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	168	1%	170	1%	650	1%	698	1%
Family Law	168	1%	185	1%	706	1%	850	1%
Health Law	8	<1%	8	<1%	50	<1%	67	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	50	<1%	68	<1%	110	<1%	164	<1%
Juvenile Law	13	<1%	12	<1%	62	<1%	68	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	159	1%	203	1%	550	1%	652	1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	82	<1%	113	<1%	263	<1%	387	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	448	2%	391	2%	1,703	2%	1,491	1%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	151	1%	141	1%	499	1%	461	<1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	9	<1%	8	<1%	99	<1%	78	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	77	<1%	62	<1%	329	<1%	266	<1%
Tax Law	54	<1%	41	<1%	227	<1%	200	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	18	<1%	15	<1%	98	<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 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, 2018. 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.