



STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

Dallas County: Attorney Statistical Profile (2023-24)

This report profiles active Dallas County 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 Dallas County attorneys has increased by 9%, from 15,889 attorneys in 2013 to 17,365 in 2023.

	Dallas County Attorneys				All Active Attorneys			
	2013-14 N = 15,889		2023-24 N = 17,365		2013-14 N = 94,804		2023-24 N = 113,771	
Sex								
	<i>(N = 15,725)</i>		<i>(N = 17,365)</i>		<i>(N = 93,910)</i>		<i>(N = 113,303)</i>	
Male	10,507	67%	10,718	62%	62,004	66%	69,487	61%
Female	5,218	33%	6,583	38%	31,906	34%	43,816	39%
Race/Ethnicity								
	<i>(N = 15,046)</i>		<i>(N = 16,451)</i>		<i>(N = 89,549)</i>		<i>(N = 108,046)</i>	
White	12,827	85%	13,062	79%	73,287	82%	81,956	76%
Black/African-American	815	5%	1,141	7%	4,406	5%	6,759	6%
Hispanic/Latino	679	5%	1,119	7%	7,393	8%	11,739	11%
Asian/Pacific Islander	434	3%	669	4%	2,678	3%	4,532	4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	47	<1%	62	<1%	289	<1%	372	<1%
Two or More Races	84	1%	198	1%	506	1%	1,219	1%
Other Race	160	1%	200	1%	990	1%	1,469	1%
Years Licensed *								
2 or less years	1,440	9%	1,450	8%	8,453	9%	8,105	7%
3 to 6 years	1,981	12%	1,759	10%	10,986	12%	10,192	9%
7 to 10 years	1,734	11%	1,762	10%	10,392	11%	11,656	10%
11 to 15 years	1,953	12%	2,149	12%	11,480	12%	14,694	13%
16 to 20 years	1,822	11%	1,924	11%	11,211	12%	13,794	12%
21 to 25 years	1,624	10%	1,703	10%	10,295	11%	11,522	10%
Over 25 years	5,335	34%	6,618	38%	31,987	34%	43,807	39%
Median Years Licensed	18 Years		19 Years		18 Years		20 Years	
Age								
21 to 25 years	40	<1%	52	<1%	234	<1%	301	<1%
26 to 30 years	1,493	9%	1,470	8%	7,793	8%	7,292	6%
31 to 35 years	2,094	13%	1,927	11%	11,627	12%	11,207	10%
36 to 40 years	1,927	12%	2,118	12%	10,916	12%	13,686	12%
41 to 45 years	1,932	12%	2,054	12%	11,404	12%	14,103	12%
46 to 50 years	1,683	11%	1,768	10%	10,125	11%	12,098	11%
51 to 55 years	1,847	12%	1,725	10%	10,452	11%	12,003	11%
56 to 60 years	1,662	10%	1,523	9%	10,506	11%	10,178	9%
61 to 65 years	1,322	8%	1,544	9%	9,033	10%	9,595	8%
More than 65 years	1,889	12%	3,184	18%	12,709	13%	23,307	20%
Median Age	47 Years		48 Years		48 Years		49 Years	
Member Class—TYLA/Senior**								
TYLA Member	4,803	30%	5,778	33%	26,566	28%	35,165	31%
Senior Member	11,086	70%	11,587	67%	68,238	72%	78,606	69%

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Law School Attended									
Baylor University	1,003	6%	1,032	6%	5,660	6%	6,142	5%	
St. Mary's	577	4%	560	3%	6,878	7%	7,705	7%	
SMU Dedman/Southern Methodist	4,154	26%	4,189	24%	7,830	8%	8,650	8%	
South Texas	401	3%	429	2%	10,475	11%	11,839	10%	
Texas Southern	209	1%	232	1%	3,108	3%	3,531	3%	
Texas Tech	953	6%	1,043	6%	6,097	6%	6,931	6%	
Texas A&M/Formerly Texas Wesleyan	705	4%	869	5%	2,764	3%	4,102	4%	
University of Houston	476	3%	467	3%	9,718	10%	10,403	9%	
University of Texas	2,293	14%	2,112	12%	16,072	17%	15,498	14%	
UNT Dallas/North Texas School of Law	--	--	177	1%	--	--	434	<1%	
Out-of-State/Other Law School	5,118	32%	6,255	36%	26,202	28%	38,536	34%	
Primary Occupation									
	<i>(N = 13,408)</i>		<i>(N = 12,657)</i>		<i>(N = 80,431)</i>		<i>(N = 83,505)</i>		
Private Practitioners									
Solo Practitioners	2,350	18%	2,019	16%	18,733	23%	17,412	21%	
2 to 5 attorneys	1,849	14%	1,621	13%	12,526	16%	12,315	15%	
6 to 10 attorneys	805	6%	758	6%	4,057	5%	4,140	5%	
11 to 24 attorneys	889	7%	775	6%	4,406	5%	4,460	5%	
25 to 40 attorneys	455	3%	482	4%	2,082	3%	2,313	3%	
41 to 60 attorneys	318	2%	306	2%	1,134	1%	1,280	2%	
More than 60 attorneys	2,817	21%	2,828	22%	8,850	11%	10,112	12%	
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>9,483</i>	<i>71%</i>	<i>8,789</i>	<i>69%</i>	<i>51,788</i>	<i>64%</i>	<i>52,032</i>	<i>62%</i>	
Government Attorney	867	6%	717	6%	8,481	11%	8,435	10%	
Full-Time Judge	191	1%	160	1%	1,681	2%	1,723	2%	
Law Faculty	47	<1%	61	<1%	574	1%	578	1%	
Corporate/In-House Counsel	1,621	12%	1,700	13%	8,671	11%	10,167	12%	
Other Law Related	330	2%	391	3%	2,599	3%	2,992	4%	
Other Non-Law Related	360	3%	333	3%	2,396	3%	2,483	3%	
Public Interest Lawyer	66	<1%	101	1%	706	1%	1,285	2%	
Retired-Not Working	274	2%	324	3%	2,319	3%	3,073	4%	
Unemployed-Looking	92	1%	25	<1%	694	1%	267	<1%	
Unemployed-Not Looking	77	1%	56	<1%	522	1%	470	1%	
Members of State Bar Sections									
Section Members	7,563	48%	7,712	44%	39,950	42%	44,684	39%	
Non Section Members	8,326	52%	9,653	56%	54,854	58%	69,087	61%	
Members of One Section	3,960	25%	4,077	23%	20,467	22%	22,761	20%	
Members of Two Sections	2,240	14%	2,330	13%	11,322	12%	12,871	11%	
Members of Three Sections	804	5%	758	4%	4,663	5%	5,246	5%	
Members of Four or More Sections	559	4%	547	3%	3,498	4%	3,806	3%	

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Section Membership								
Administrative and Public Law	81	1%	65	<1%	1,156	1%	1,118	1%
African-American Lawyers	91	1%	308	2%	432	<1%	1,356	1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	195	1%	159	1%	1,141	1%	1,154	1%
Animal Law	46	<1%	40	<1%	353	<1%	290	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	334	2%	235	1%	985	1%	735	1%
Appellate	325	2%	314	2%	1,838	2%	2,052	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	67	<1%	82	<1%	257	<1%	434	<1%
Aviation Law	66	<1%	71	<1%	279	<1%	310	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	413	3%	319	2%	1,532	2%	1,333	1%
Business Law	1,095	7%	1,007	6%	4,215	4%	4,267	4%
Child Protection Law	--	--	73	<1%	--	--	1,035	1%
Civil Liberties & Civil Rights	33	<1%	76	<1%	206	<1%	500	<1%
Collaborative Law	41	<1%	37	<1%	237	<1%	233	<1%
Computer and Technology	424	3%	314	2%	2,836	3%	1,822	2%
Construction Law	392	2%	437	3%	2,078	2%	2,609	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	243	2%	209	1%	1,294	1%	1,164	1%
Corporate Counsel	862	5%	1,029	6%	3,902	4%	4,919	4%
Criminal Justice	377	2%	300	2%	3,119	3%	2,882	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	127	1%	156	1%	584	1%	700	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	151	1%	116	1%	1,388	1%	1,232	1%
Family Law	731	5%	612	4%	5,691	6%	5,631	5%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	277	2%	258	1%	2,108	2%	1,878	2%
Government Lawyers	88	1%	75	<1%	860	1%	1,058	1%
Health Law	326	2%	328	2%	1,540	2%	1,561	1%
Hispanic Issues	44	<1%	105	1%	355	<1%	640	1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	133	1%	224	1%	941	1%	1,576	1%
Insurance Law	399	3%	448	3%	1,686	2%	2,271	2%
Intellectual Property Law	611	4%	522	3%	2,381	3%	2,254	2%
International Law	141	1%	114	1%	888	1%	678	1%
James C. Watson Inn	17	<1%	8	<1%	138	<1%	90	<1%
Judicial	81	1%	73	<1%	963	1%	999	1%
Justice of the Peace Courts	7	<1%	16	<1%	73	<1%	187	<1%
Juvenile Law	81	1%	60	<1%	845	1%	756	1%
Labor and Employment Law	632	4%	636	4%	2,959	3%	3,176	3%
Legislative and Campaign Law	--	--	32	<1%	--	--	491	<1%
LGBT Law	76	<1%	143	1%	306	<1%	698	1%
Litigation	1,596	10%	1,537	9%	7,446	8%	8,251	7%
Litigation -Sustaining	37	<1%	46	<1%	200	<1%	408	<1%
Military and Veterans Law	23	<1%	35	<1%	409	<1%	464	<1%
Municipal Judges	39	<1%	20	<1%	286	<1%	244	<1%
Native American Law	18	<1%	16	<1%	118	<1%	149	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	445	3%	385	2%	4,476	5%	3,979	3%
Poverty Law	42	<1%	71	<1%	425	<1%	732	1%
Public Utility Law	42	<1%	37	<1%	47	<1%	548	<1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	1,598	10%	1,558	9%	7,732	8%	9,429	8%
School Law	83	1%	92	1%	664	1%	812	1%
Tax	498	3%	456	3%	2,031	2%	2,177	2%
Women and the Law	130	1%	426	2%	610	1%	1,987	2%
Workers' Compensation	50	<1%	41	<1%	312	<1%	307	<1%

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Board Certifications								
Board Certified Attorneys	1,098	7%	998	6%	7,120	8%	6,869	6%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	14,791	93%	16,367	94%	87,684	92%	106,902	94%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	972	6%	896	5%	6,011	6%	5,978	5%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	119	1%	96	1%	989	1%	792	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	7	<1%	6	<1%	120	<1%	99	0%
Attorneys Board Certified In:								
Administrative Law	5	<1%	1	<1%	152	<1%	95	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	29	<1%	20	<1%	141	<1%	99	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	16	<1%	11	<1%	135	<1%	96	<1%
Child Welfare Law	--	--	7	<1%	--	--	126	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	17	<1%	72	<1%	430	<1%	406	<1%
Civil Trial Law	170	1%	121	1%	1,037	1%	759	1%
Construction Law	--	--	35	<1%	--	--	132	<1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	6	<1%	8	<1%	69	<1%	72	<1%
Criminal Appellate	17	<1%	19	<1%	105	<1%	127	<1%
Criminal Law	101	1%	82	<1%	845	1%	786	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	111	1%	103	1%	680	1%	666	1%
Family Law	138	1%	123	1%	767	1%	843	1%
Health Law	15	<1%	28	<1%	56	<1%	75	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	25	<1%	34	<1%	139	<1%	169	<1%
Juvenile Law	5	<1%	3	<1%	70	<1%	68	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	168	1%	168	1%	610	1%	648	1%
Legislative and Campaign Law	--	--	0	0%	--	--	13	<1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	26	<1%	25	0%	300	<1%	376	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	191	1%	154	1%	1,615	2%	1,299	1%
Property Owners Association Law	--	--	7	<1%	--	--	56	<1%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	48	<1%	27	<1%	490	1%	393	<1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	2	<1%	1	<1%	98	<1%	67	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	16	<1%	10	<1%	306	<1%	241	<1%
Tax Law	43	<1%	36	<1%	218	<1%	170	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	16	<1%	11	<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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