



STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

State Bar of Texas Membership: Dallas County Attorney Statistical Profile (2008-09)

This report profiles active Dallas County State Bar of Texas attorney members with membership in the State Bar of Texas as of December 31, 2008, roughly the midpoint of the Bar's fiscal year. Numbers and percents are given by key demographic variables including gender, race/ethnicity, years licensed in any jurisdiction, graduating law school, primary occupation, law firm size, section membership, and board certification.

	Dallas County Active Attorneys 2008-09 N = 14,636		All State Bar Attorneys 2008-09 N = 83,713	
Gender				
Male	9,959	69%	56,562	68%
Female	4,571	31%	26,508	32%
Race				
Caucasian/Anglo	12,098	83%	66,361	84%
African-American/Black	652	4%	3,435	4%
Hispanic/Latino	509	3%	5,801	7%
Asian/Pacific Islander	304	2%	1,712	2%
Native American Indian	46	<1%	246	<1%
Two or More Races	17	<1%	55	<1%
Other Race	1010	7%	1003	1%
Years Licensed *				
2 or less years	1,537	11%	7,997	10%
3 to 6 years	1,867	13%	9,763	12%
7 to 10 years	1,710	12%	9,316	11%
11 to 15 years	1,948	13%	11,322	14%
16 to 20 years	1,682	11%	10,474	13%
21 to 25 years	1,669	11%	9,499	11%
Over 25 years	4,223	29%	25,333	30%
Median Years Licensed	17 Years		18 Years	
Age				
21 to 25 years	45	0%	196	<1%
26 to 30 years	1,568	11%	7,196	9%
31 to 35 years	1,912	13%	9,689	12%
36 to 40 years	2,032	14%	10,897	13%
41 to 45 years	1,734	12%	9,924	12%
46 to 50 years	1,881	13%	10,510	13%
51 to 55 years	1,742	12%	10,796	13%
56 to 60 years	1,462	10%	9,635	12%
61 to 65 years	1,022	7%	6,877	8%
More than 65 years	1,232	8%	7,969	10%
Median Age	46 Years		48 Years	
Member Class—TYLA/Senior**				
TYLA Member	4,682	32%	23,802	28%
Senior Member	9,954	68%	59,911	72%

State Bar Members: Dallas County Attorney Statistical Profile (2008-09)

	Dallas County Active Attorneys		All State Bar Attorneys	
	2008-09		2008-09	
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Law School Attended				
Baylor University	952	7%	5,264	6%
St. Mary's	551	4%	6,135	7%
South Texas	378	3%	9,183	11%
Southern Methodist	3,796	26%	6,987	8%
Texas Southern	184	1%	2,566	3%
Texas Tech	910	6%	5,353	6%
Texas Wesleyan	532	4%	2,031	2%
University of Houston	482	3%	8,978	11%
University of Texas	2,326	16%	14,515	17%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	4,525	31%	24,732	30%
Primary Occupation				
Private Law Practice	9,531	73%	50,346	67%
Government Attorney	826	6%	8,134	11%
Full-Time Judge	192	1%	1,586	2%
Law Faculty	43	<1%	529	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	1,451	11%	7,454	10%
Other Law Related	294	2%	2,173	3%
Other Non-Law Related	325	2%	2,065	3%
Retired-Not Working	233	2%	1,772	2%
Unemployed-Looking	51	<1%	378	1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	68	1%	475	1%
Firm Size (private practitioners only)				
Solo Practitioners	2,202	24%	17,074	35%
2 to 5 attorneys	1,686	18%	11,370	24%
6 to 10 attorneys	737	8%	3,656	8%
11 to 24 attorneys	831	9%	4,065	8%
25 to 40 attorneys	397	4%	1,967	4%
41 to 60 attorneys	283	3%	1,053	2%
Over 60 / 61 to 100 attorneys	1,029	11%	3,293	7%
101 to 200 attorneys	275	3%	861	2%
Over 200 attorneys	1,714	19%	4,850	10%
Median Firm Size	11 attorneys		4 attorneys	
Members of State Bar Sections				
Section Members	6,943	47%	34,109	41%
Non Section Members	7,693	53%	49,604	59%
Members of One Section	3,619	25%	17,229	21%
Members of Two Sections	2,025	14%	9,786	12%
Members of Three Sections	756	5%	4,049	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	543	4%	3,045	4%

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Section Membership	Dallas County Active Attorneys		All State Bar Attorneys	
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Administrative and Public Law	79	1%	1,134	1%
African-American Lawyers	73	<1%	406	<1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	224	2%	1,163	1%
American Indian Law	17	<1%	118	<1%
Animal Law	41	<1%	284	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	379	3%	1,114	1%
Appellate	348	2%	1,769	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	55	<1%	223	<1%
Aviation Law	64	<1%	248	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	376	3%	1,328	<1%
Business Law	1,079	7%	4,023	5%
Computer and Technology	193	1%	796	1%
Construction Law	403	3%	2,014	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	229	2%	1,351	2%
Corporate Counsel	790	5%	3,188	4%
Criminal Justice	307	2%	2,502	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	115	1%	514	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	170	1%	1,371	2%
Family Law	692	5%	4,892	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	293	2%	1,984	2%
Government Lawyers	67	<1%	786	1%
Health Law	265	2%	1,249	1%
Hispanic Issues	60	<1%	432	1%
Individual rights and Responsibilities	31	<1%	214	<1%
Insurance Law	402	3%	1,574	2%
Intellectual Property Law	574	4%	2,054	2%
International Law	165	1%	909	1%
James C. Watson Inn	21	<1%	158	<1%
Judicial Law	4	<1%	37	<1%
Justice of the Peace	6	<1%	64	<1%
Juvenile Law	87	1%	829	1%
Labor and Employment Law	639	4%	2,833	3%
Litigation	1,658	11%	7,752	9%
Military law	19	<1%	282	<1%
Municipal Judges	35	<1%	242	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	357	2%	2,915	3%
Poverty Law	34	<1%	440	1%
Public Utility Law	53	<1%	445	1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	1,536	10%	7,320	9%
School Law	67	<1%	615	1%
Sexual Orientation & Gender Identification Issues	40	<1%	183	<1%
Taxation	469	3%	1,884	2%
Women and the Law	103	1%	446	1%
Workers' Compensation	42	<1%	234	<1%

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Board Certifications				
Board Certified Attorneys	1,094	7%	6,995	8%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	13,542	93%	76,718	92%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	964	7%	5,865	7%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	121	1%	1,004	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	9	0%	126	<1%
Attorneys Board Certified In:				
Administrative Law	3	<1%	157	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	34	<1%	159	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	21	<1%	153	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	75	1%	405	<1%
Civil Trial Law	191	1%	1,140	1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	6	<1%	68	<1%
Criminal Law	117	1%	834	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	102	1%	650	1%
Family Law	126	1%	706	1%
Health Law	12	<1%	50	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	20	<1%	110	<1%
Juvenile Law	4	<1%	62	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	157	1%	550	1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	25	<1%	263	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	210	1%	1,703	2%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	51	<1%	499	1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	2	<1%	99	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	18	<1%	329	<1%
Tax Law	41	<1%	227	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	18	<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 less than 37 years of age and for attorneys of any age who have been licensed for less than four years.

General Notes

All data represent active attorney Bar members in good standing. Some figures are estimates as not all demographic data is known for all attorneys; individual data items will not sum to the column headers in these instances. Percentages may not sum to one hundred due to rounding. Note that this profile only includes those attorneys who were active and in good standing as of December 31, 2008.