STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

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

This report profiles active State Bar of Texas attorney members in El Paso County 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.

	El Paso County Active Attorneys 2008-09 N = 1,136		All State Bar Attorneys 2008-09 N = 83,713	
Gender				
Male	841	74%	56,562	68%
Female	290	26%	26,508	32%
Race				
Caucasian/Anglo	626	55%	66,361	84%
African-American/Black	15	1%	3,435	4%
Hispanic/Latino	400	35%	5,801	7%
Asian/Pacific Islander	1	<1%	1,712	2%
Native American Indian	0	0%	246	<1%
Two or More Races	0	0%	55	<1%
Other Race	94	8%	1003	1%
Years Licensed *				
2 or less years	89	8%	7,997	10%
3 to 6 years	103	9%	9,763	12%
7 to 10 years	100	9%	9,316	11%
11 to 15 years	149	13%	11,322	14%
16 to 20 years	152	13%	10,474	13%
21 to 25 years	139	12%	9,499	11%
Over 25 years	404	36%	25,333	30%
Median Years Licensed	20 Years		18 Years	
Age				
21 to 25 years	2	<1%	196	<1%
26 to 30 years	79	7%	7,196	9%
31 to 35 years	99	9%	9,689	12%
36 to 40 years	129	11%	10,897	13%
41 to 45 years	147	13%	9,924	12%
46 to 50 years	138	12%	10,510	13%
51 to 55 years	164	14%	10,796	13%
56 to 60 years	143	13%	9,635	12%
61 to 65 years	114	10%	6,877	8%
More than 65 years	121	11%	7,969	10%
Median Age	50 Years		48 Years	
Member Class—TYLA/Senior**				
TYLA Member	262	23%	23,802	28%
Senior Member	874	77%	59,911	72%

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

	El Paso County Active Attorneys		All State Bar Attorneys	
	2008-09		2008-09	
	N = 1,136		N = 83,713	
Law School Attended				
Baylor University	40	4%	5,264	6%
St. Mary's	107	9%	6,135	7%
South Texas	34	3%	9,183	11%
Southern Methodist	29	3%	6,987	8%
Texas Southern	45	4%	2,566	3%
Texas Tech	224	20%	5,353	6%
Texas Wesleyan	6	1%	2,031	2%
University of Houston	64	6%	8,978	11%
University of Texas	289	25%	14,515	17%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	298	26%	24,732	30%
Primary Occupation				
Private Law Practice	657	62%	50,346	67%
Government Attorney	259	25%	8,134	11%
Full-Time Judge	53	5%	1,586	2%
Law Faculty	1	<1%	529	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	17	2%	7,454	10%
Other Law Related	12	1%	2,173	3%
Other Non-Law Related	17	2%	2,065	3%
Retired-Not Working	23	2%	1,772	2%
Unemployed-Looking	6	1%	378	1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	8	1%	475	1%
Firm Size (private practitioners only)				
Solo Practitioners	327	51%	17,074	35%
2 to 5 attorneys	160	25%	11,370	24%
6 to 10 attorneys	29	5%	3,656	8%
11 to 24 attorneys	45	7%	4,065	8%
25 to 40 attorneys	27	4%	1,967	4%
41 to 60 attorneys	41	6%	1,053	2%
Over 60 / 61 to 100 attorneys	3	<1%	3,293	7%
101 to 200 attorneys	5	1%	861	2%
Over 200 attorneys	4	1%	4,850	10%
Median Firm Size	3 attorneys		4 attorneys	
Members of State Bar Sections				
Section Members	386	34%	34,109	41%
Non Section Members	750	66%	49,604	59%
Members of One Section	191	17%	17,229	21%
Members of Two Sections	96	8%	9,786	12%
Members of Three Sections	60	5%	4,049	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	39	3%	3,045	4%

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Attorneys can belong to multiple sections, therefore the percents do not sum to 100%	El Paso County Active Attorneys 2008-09 N = 1,136		All State Bar Attorneys 2008-09 N = 83,713	
Section Membership				
Administrative and Public Law	5	<1%	1,134	1%
African-American Lawyers	1	<1%	406	<1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	13	1%	1,163	1%
American Indian Law	1	<1%	118	<1%
Animal Law	1	<1%	284	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	12	1%	1,114	1%
Appellate	22	2%	1,769	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	3	<1%	223	<1%
Aviation Law	2	<1%	248	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	17	1%	1,328	2%
Business Law	39	3%	4,023	5%
Computer and Technology	2	<1%	796	1%
Construction Law	38	3%	2,014	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	23	2%	1,351	2%
Corporate Counsel	9	1%	3,188	4%
Criminal Justice	41	4%	2,502	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	1	<1%	514	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	11	1%	1,371	2%
Family Law	83	7%	4,892	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	15	1%	1,984	2%
Government Lawyers	16	1%	786	1%
Health Law	16	1%	1,249	1%
Hispanic Issues	15	1%	432	1%
Individual rights and Responsibilities	3	<1%	214	<1%
Insurance Law	15	1%	1,574	2%
Intellectual Property Law	6	1%	2,054	2%
International Law	10	1%	909	1%
James C. Watson Inn	2	<1%	158	<1%
Judicial Law	0	0%	37	<1%
Justice of the Peace	0	0%	64	<1%
Juvenile Law	8	1%	829	1%
Labor and Employment Law	67	6%	2,833	3%
Litigation	98	9%	7,752	9%
Military law	4	<1%	282	<1%
Municipal Judges	1	<1%	242	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	3	<1%	2,915	3%
Poverty Law	26	2%	440	1%
Public Utility Law	5	0%	445	1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	91	8%	7,320	9%
School Law	14	1%	615	1%
Sexual Orientation & Gender Identification Issues	2	<1%	183	<1%
Taxation	22	2%	1,884	2%
Women and the Law	10	1%	446	1%
Workers' Compensation	6	1%	234	<1%

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Board Certifications				
Board Certified Attorneys	137	12%	6,995	8%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	999	88%	76,718	92%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	113	10%	5,865	7%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	24	2%	1,004	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	0	0%	126	<1%
Attorneys Board Certified In:				
Administrative Law	0	0%	157	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	7	1%	159	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	7	1%	153	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	11	1%	405	<1%
Civil Trial Law	21	2%	1,140	1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	3	<1%	68	<1%
Criminal Law	12	1%	834	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	9	1%	650	1%
Family Law	14	1%	706	1%
Health Law	0	0%	50	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	2	<1%	110	<1%
Juvenile Law	1	<1%	62	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	17	1%	550	1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	0	0%	263	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	37	3%	1,703	2%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	12	1%	499	1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	0	0%	99	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	4	<1%	329	<1%
Tax Law	4	<1%	227	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	0	0%	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.