



STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

Dallas County: Attorney Statistical Profile (2017-18)

This report profiles active Dallas County attorney members with membership in the State Bar of Texas as of December 31, 2017. 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 16 percent, growing from 14,301 attorneys in 2007 to 16,574 in 2017.

	Dallas County Attorneys				All Active State Bar Attorneys			
	2007-08		2017-18		2007-08		2017-18	
	N = 14,301		N = 16,574		N = 81,601		N = 102,044	
Sex								
	<i>(N = 14,212)</i>		<i>(N = 16,498)</i>		<i>(N = 81,115)</i>		<i>(N = 101,629)</i>	
Male	9,837	69%	10,609	64%	55,625	69%	65,232	64%
Female	4,375	31%	5,889	36%	25,490	31%	36,397	36%
Race/Ethnicity								
	<i>(N = 13,512)</i>		<i>(N = 15,762)</i>		<i>(N = 76,822)</i>		<i>(N = 97,192)</i>	
White	11,920	88%	13,022	83%	65,160	85%	77,298	80%
Black/African-American	615	5%	942	6%	3,317	4%	5,266	5%
Hispanic/Latino	499	4%	858	5%	5,584	7%	8,932	9%
Asian/Pacific Islander	435	3%	575	4%	1,558	2%	3,405	4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	43	<1%	56	<1%	233	<1%	340	<1%
Two or More Races	--	--	132	1%	--	--	774	1%
Other Race	0	0%	177	1%	970	1%	1,177	1%
Years Licensed *								
2 or less years	1,508	11%	1,397	8%	7,963	10%	7,510	7%
3 to 6 years	1,799	13%	1,944	12%	9,560	12%	11,401	11%
7 to 10 years	1,716	12%	1,850	11%	9,273	11%	11,215	11%
11 to 15 years	1,940	14%	2,025	12%	11,285	14%	12,784	13%
16 to 20 years	1,664	12%	1,841	11%	10,193	12%	11,488	11%
21 to 25 years	1,690	12%	1,702	10%	9,474	12%	10,972	11%
Over 25 years	3,984	28%	5,815	35%	23,848	29%	36,674	36%
Median Years Licensed	16 Years		18 Years		17 Years		19 Years	
Age								
	<i>(N = 14,301)</i>		<i>(N = 16,574)</i>		<i>(N = 81,557)</i>		<i>(N = 102,044)</i>	
21 to 25 years	43	<1%	38	<1%	207	<1%	192	<1%
26 to 30 years	1,553	11%	1,459	9%	7,015	9%	7,122	7%
31 to 35 years	1,843	13%	2,132	13%	9,456	12%	12,011	12%
36 to 40 years	1,943	14%	2,118	13%	10,848	13%	12,762	13%
41 to 45 years	1,757	12%	1,823	11%	9,822	12%	11,253	11%
46 to 50 years	1,959	14%	1,770	11%	10,736	13%	11,506	11%
51 to 55 years	1,739	12%	1,636	10%	10,782	13%	10,074	10%
56 to 60 years	1,360	10%	1,755	11%	9,232	11%	10,362	10%
61 to 65 years	970	7%	1,475	9%	6,302	8%	9,765	10%
More than 65 years	1,134	8%	2,368	14%	7,157	9%	16,997	17%
Median Age	46 Years		48 Years		47 Years		49 Years	
Member Class—TYLA/Senior**								
TYLA Member	4,603	32%	4,750	29%	23,695	29%	26,829	26%
Senior Member	9,698	68%	11,824	71%	57,906	71%	75,215	74%

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Law School Attended								
Baylor University	937	7%	1,000	6%	5,193	6%	5,821	6%
North Texas School of Law	--	--	10	<1%	--	--	24	<1%
St. Mary's	540	4%	585	4%	5,976	7%	7,282	7%
South Texas	378	3%	418	3%	8,960	11%	11,111	11%
Southern Methodist	3,697	26%	4,248	26%	6,822	8%	8,225	8%
Texas Southern	174	1%	243	1%	2,459	3%	3,466	3%
Texas Tech	903	6%	1,030	6%	5,200	6%	6,576	6%
Texas A&M/Formerly Texas Wesleyan	493	3%	804	5%	1,885	2%	3,500	3%
University of Houston	456	3%	475	3%	8,824	11%	10,037	10%
University of Texas	2,335	16%	2,266	14%	15,631	19%	16,088	16%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	4,388	31%	5,495	33%	22,536	28%	29,914	29%
Primary Occupation								
	<i>(N = 12,478)</i>		<i>(N = 13,566)</i>		<i>(N = 77,837)</i>		<i>(N = 84,154)</i>	
Private Practitioners								
Solo Practitioners	2,176	17%	2,325	17%	16,815	22%	19,146	23%
2 to 5 attorneys	1,676	13%	1,833	14%	11,135	14%	12,721	15%
6 to 10 attorneys	716	6%	833	6%	3,583	5%	4,325	5%
11 to 24 attorneys	806	6%	841	6%	3,972	5%	4,375	5%
25 to 40 attorneys	392	3%	497	4%	1,993	3%	2,180	3%
41 to 60 attorneys	285	2%	391	3%	1,087	1%	1,282	2%
More than 60 attorneys	3,069	25%	2,745	20%	9,001	12%	9,161	11%
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>9,120</i>	<i>73%</i>	<i>9,465</i>	<i>70%</i>	<i>47,586</i>	<i>61%</i>	<i>53,190</i>	<i>63%</i>
Government Attorney	816	7%	805	6%	7,927	10%	8,727	10%
Full-Time Judge	185	1%	186	1%	1,583	2%	1,759	2%
Law Faculty	45	<1%	64	<1%	521	1%	602	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	1,363	11%	1,745	13%	7,175	9%	9,566	11%
Other Law Related	296	2%	401	3%	2,123	3%	2,951	4%
Other Non-Law Related	319	3%	375	3%	2,068	3%	2,579	3%
Public Interest Lawyer	--	--	93	1%	--	--	923	1%
Retired-Not Working	220	2%	315	2%	1,687	2%	2,895	3%
Unemployed-Looking	43	<1%	53	<1%	370	<1%	413	<1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	71	1%	64	<1%	453	1%	549	1%
Members of State Bar Sections								
Section Members	6,730	47%	8,120	49%	33,084	41%	44,442	44%
Non Section Members	7,571	53%	8,454	51%	48,517	59%	57,602	56%
Members of One Section	3,415	24%	4,207	25%	16,673	20%	22,488	22%
Members of Two Sections	2,018	14%	2,384	14%	9,513	12%	12,508	12%
Members of Three Sections	756	5%	890	5%	3,992	5%	5,334	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	541	4%	639	4%	2,906	4%	4,112	4%

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Section Membership	Dallas County Attorneys				All Active State Bar Attorneys			
	2007-08 N = 14,301		2017-18 N = 16,574		2007-08 N = 81,601		2017-18 N = 102,044	
Administrative and Public Law	85	1%	84	1%	1,134	1%	1,229	1%
African-American Lawyers	66	<1%	135	1%	358	<1%	656	1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	230	2%	194	1%	1,148	1%	1,204	1%
Animal Law	36	<1%	52	<1%	265	<1%	346	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	380	3%	320	2%	1,124	1%	1,001	1%
Appellate	347	2%	341	2%	1,729	2%	2,129	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	58	<1%	82	<1%	211	<1%	318	<1%
Aviation Law	60	<1%	80	<1%	225	<1%	308	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	360	3%	397	2%	1,254	2%	1,530	1%
Business Law	1,063	7%	1,160	7%	3,933	5%	4,668	5%
Collaborative Law	--	--	67	<1%	--	--	268	<1%
Computer and Technology	205	1%	376	2%	800	1%	2,135	2%
Construction Law	382	3%	437	3%	1,866	2%	2,420	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	223	2%	258	2%	1,313	2%	1,424	1%
Corporate Counsel	756	5%	1,024	6%	3,019	4%	4,640	5%
Criminal Justice	287	2%	393	2%	2,325	3%	3,441	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	125	1%	149	1%	518	1%	639	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	160	1%	139	1%	1,326	2%	1,350	1%
Family Law	653	5%	732	4%	4,705	6%	6,109	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	285	2%	305	2%	1,866	2%	2,336	2%
Government Lawyers	64	<1%	94	1%	745	1%	1,078	1%
Health Law	262	2%	403	2%	1,245	2%	1,780	2%
Hispanic Issues	62	<1%	90	1%	430	1%	547	1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	--	--	200	1%	--	--	1,302	1%
Individual rights and Responsibilities	29	<1%	30	<1%	195	<1%	182	<1%
Insurance Law	382	3%	461	3%	1,494	2%	2,099	2%
Intellectual Property Law	560	4%	582	4%	1,998	2%	2,507	2%
International Law	164	1%	168	1%	878	1%	929	1%
James C. Watson Inn	22	<1%	14	<1%	153	<1%	122	<1%
Judicial	3	<1%	81	<1%	--	--	1,003	1%
Justice of the Peace Courts	1	<1%	10	<1%	50	<1%	143	<1%
Juvenile Law	77	1%	83	1%	803	1%	932	1%
Labor and Employment Law	640	4%	703	4%	2,810	3%	3,342	3%
Legislative and Campaign Law	--	--	23	<1%	--	--	315	<1%
LGBT Law	41	<1%	108	1%	159	<1%	510	<1%
Litigation	1,684	12%	1,711	10%	7,769	10%	8,469	8%
Litigation -Sustaining	30	<1%	47	<1%	--	--	286	<1%
Military and Veterans Law	18	<1%	29	<1%	248	<1%	4,774	5%
Municipal Judges	39	<1%	47	<1%	241	<1%	319	<1%
Native American Law	14	<1%	20	<1%	100	<1%	122	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	294	2%	465	3%	2,579	3%	4,774	5%
Poverty Law	40	<1%	55	<1%	387	<1%	555	1%
Public Utility Law	52	<1%	44	<1%	421	1%	497	<1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	1,496	10%	1,726	10%	7,205	9%	9,331	9%
School Law	73	1%	100	1%	606	1%	811	1%
Tax	445	3%	510	3%	1,792	2%	2,205	2%
Women and the Law	102	1%	220	1%	462	1%	997	1%
Workers' Compensation	33	<1%	48	<1%	--	--	334	<1%

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Board Certifications								
Board Certified Attorneys	1,095	8%	1,067	6%	6,977	9%	7,285	7%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	13,206	92%	15,507	94%	74,624	91%	94,759	93%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	968	7%	945	6%	5,842	7%	6,253	6%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	119	1%	116	1%	1,011	1%	924	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	8	<1%	6	<1%	124	<1%	108	<1%
Attorneys Board Certified In:								
Administrative Law	3	<1%	2	<1%	159	<1%	141	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	32	<1%	27	<1%	159	<1%	126	5%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	19	<1%	14	<1%	157	<1%	129	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	73	1%	76	<1%	404	<1%	429	<1%
Civil Trial Law	194	1%	151	1%	1,158	1%	956	1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	6	<1%	7	<1%	67	<1%	73	<1%
Criminal Appellate	--	--	20	<1%	--	--	127	<1%
Criminal Law	112	1%	93	1%	824	1%	840	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	99	1%	108	1%	646	1%	691	1%
Family Law	127	1%	127	1%	698	1%	838	1%
Health Law	13	<1%	19	<1%	47	<1%	67	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	18	<1%	28	<1%	103	<1%	163	<1%
Juvenile Law	5	<1%	3	<1%	59	<1%	65	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	158	1%	171	1%	537	1%	652	1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	24	<1%	24	<1%	262	<1%	383	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	219	2%	182	1%	1,737	2%	1,532	2%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	50	<1%	43	<1%	486	1%	476	<1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	1	<1%	2	<1%	98	<1%	85	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	17	<1%	14	<1%	326	<1%	275	<1%
Tax Law	41	<1%	41	<1%	228	<1%	205	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	19	<1%	13	<1%	91	<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, 2017. 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.