



STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

Out-of-State/Country: Attorney Statistical Profile (2021-22)

This report profiles active out-of-state/country attorneys with membership in the State Bar of Texas as of December 31, 2021. 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.

SUMMARY FINDINGS:

- There are 108,816 licensed attorneys in Texas. 13% of them practice out of state or the country. This group continues to grow, ten years ago they made up 10% of licensed Texas attorneys.
- From 2011 to 2021 the number of out-of-state/country attorneys increased by 45%, growing from 9,400 attorneys in 2011 to 13,620 in 2021. This compares to a 21% growth for all attorneys licensed in Texas.
- Where are they? The largest concentrations are in California, Louisiana, and Florida. Outside the country they are primarily in the United Kingdom and Canada.
- They are very similar to their in-state counterparts, but their occupations look a little different. 53% report working in private practice, compared to 62% of licensed Texas attorneys. 17% report working in corporate/in-house counsel, compared to 12% for the overall population.

Out of State/Country	2011	2021	10 Year Difference	10 Year Percent Change
Total Active Attorneys	89,987	108,816	18,829	21%
Out of State	9,155	13,259	4,104	45%
Out of Country	245	361	116	47%
Total Out of State/Country Attorneys	9,400	13,620	4,220	45%

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	Out of State/Country Attorneys				All Active Attorneys			
	2011-12		2021-22		2011-12		2021-22	
	N = 9,400		N = 13,620		N = 89,987		N = 108,816	
Sex								
	<i>(N = 9,285)</i>		<i>(N = 13,604)</i>		<i>(N = 89,305)</i>		<i>(N = 108,701)</i>	
Male	6,163	66%	8,668	64%	59,692	67%	67,769	62%
Female	3,122	34%	4,936	36%	29,613	33%	40,932	38%
Race/Ethnicity								
	<i>(N = 8,888)</i>		<i>(N = 12,955)</i>		<i>(N = 85,077)</i>		<i>(N = 103,596)</i>	
White	7,563	85%	10,398	80%	70,521	83%	79,937	77%
Black/African-American	455	5%	792	6%	4,046	5%	6,152	6%
Hispanic/Latino	377	4%	802	6%	6,702	8%	10,691	10%
Asian/Pacific Islander	302	3%	571	4%	2,299	3%	4,063	4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	40	<1%	66	1%	262	0%	358	<1%
Two or More Races	36	<1%	154	1%	285	0%	1,061	1%
Other Race	115	1%	172	1%	962	1%	1,334	1%
Years Licensed *								
2 or less years	615	7%	615	5%	7,997	9%	7,356	7%
3 to 6 years	1,012	11%	1,108	8%	10,933	12%	10,252	9%
7 to 10 years	1,084	12%	1,637	12%	9,510	11%	11,780	11%
11 to 15 years	1,416	15%	2,016	15%	11,313	13%	14,375	13%
16 to 20 years	1,295	14%	1,782	13%	11,182	12%	12,458	11%
21 to 25 years	1,066	11%	1,586	12%	9,695	11%	11,208	10%
Over 25 years	2,912	31%	4,876	36%	29,357	33%	41,387	38%
Median Years Licensed	Years		Years		18 Years		19 Years	
Age								
21 to 25 years	19	<1%	11	<1%	215	0%	247	<1%
26 to 30 years	598	6%	568	4%	7,448	8%	6,657	6%
31 to 35 years	1,133	12%	1,395	10%	10,907	12%	11,424	10%
36 to 40 years	1,233	13%	1,839	14%	10,519	12%	13,607	13%
41 to 45 years	1,343	14%	1,910	14%	11,077	12%	13,125	12%
46 to 50 years	1,138	12%	1,590	12%	9,971	11%	11,398	10%
51 to 55 years	1,179	13%	1,601	12%	10,773	12%	11,486	11%
56 to 60 years	1,157	12%	1,266	9%	10,442	12%	9,891	9%
61 to 65 years	858	9%	1,206	9%	8,408	9%	9,844	9%
More than 65 years	742	8%	2,234	16%	10,217	11%	21,137	19%
Median Age	47 Years		49 Years		48 Years		49 Years	
Member Class—TYLA/Senior**								
TYLA Member	2,408	26%	4,078	30%	25,183	28%	34,452	32%
Senior Member	6,992	74%	9,542	70%	64,804	72%	74,364	68%

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Law School Attended								
Baylor University	302	3%	386	3%	5,486	6%	6,006	6%
St. Mary's	284	3%	337	2%	6,531	7%	7,587	7%
SMU Dedman/Southern Methodist	577	6%	736	5%	7,478	8%	8,533	8%
South Texas	486	5%	604	4%	9,967	11%	11,561	11%
Texas Southern	166	2%	228	2%	2,897	3%	3,524	3%
Texas Tech	294	3%	371	3%	5,775	6%	6,811	6%
Texas A&M/Formerly Texas Wesleyan	110	1%	254	2%	2,550	3%	3,932	4%
University of Houston	662	7%	843	6%	9,462	11%	10,293	9%
University of Texas	1,236	13%	1,439	11%	15,873	18%	15,800	15%
UNT Dallas/North Texas School of Law	--	--	13	<1%	--	--	319	<1%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	5,283	56%	8,409	62%	23,968	27%	34,450	32%
Primary Occupation								
	<i>(N = 7,792)</i>		<i>(N = 10,078)</i>		<i>(N = 76,043)</i>		<i>(N = 83,206)</i>	
Private Practitioners								
Solo Practitioners	984	13%	1,348	13%	18,225	24%	18,034	22%
2 to 5 attorneys	787	10%	1,047	10%	12,051	16%	12,281	15%
6 to 10 attorneys	323	4%	396	4%	3,842	5%	4,123	5%
11 to 24 attorneys	383	5%	535	5%	4,199	6%	4,402	5%
25 to 40 attorneys	226	3%	267	3%	2,031	3%	2,253	3%
41 to 60 attorneys	153	2%	165	2%	1,154	2%	1,250	2%
More than 60 attorneys	1,164	15%	1,614	16%	8,514	11%	9,648	12%
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>4,020</i>	<i>52%</i>	<i>5,372</i>	<i>53%</i>	<i>50,016</i>	<i>66%</i>	<i>51,991</i>	<i>62%</i>
Government Attorney	999	13%	1,077	11%	8,289	11%	8,402	10%
Full-Time Judge	74	1%	83	1%	1,626	2%	1,706	2%
Law Faculty	151	2%	162	2%	596	1%	597	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	1,295	17%	1,677	17%	7,979	10%	9,869	12%
Other Law Related	378	5%	510	5%	2,340	3%	2,980	4%
Other Non-Law Related	377	5%	466	5%	2,205	3%	2,516	3%
Public Interest Lawyer	--	--	142	1%	--	--	1,159	1%
Retired-Not Working	268	3%	463	5%	2,006	3%	3,226	4%
Unemployed-Looking	77	1%	50	<1%	490	1%	277	<1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	94	1%	76	1%	496	1%	483	1%
Members of State Bar Sections								
Section Members	1,791	19%	2,920	21%	37,733	42%	44,198	41%
Board Certified Attorneys	90	1%	108	1%	7,068	8%	7,190	7%

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Out of State					
	CA	943	10%	1,489	11%
	LA	918	10%	1,218	9%
	FL	526	6%	961	7%
	CO	385	4%	799	6%
	VA	683	7%	794	6%
	DC	506	6%	623	5%
	OK	462	5%	593	4%
	NY	375	4%	556	4%
	IL	296	3%	432	3%
	AZ	265	3%	376	3%

		Out of Country Attorneys			
		2011-12		2021-22	
		N = 245		N = 361	
Out of Country					
	United Kingdom	44	18%	56	16%
	Canada	24	10%	45	12%
	South Korea	6	2%	19	5%
	Germany	11	4%	18	5%
	Saudi Arabia	9	4%	17	5%
	Switzerland	9	4%	15	4%
	France	11	4%	14	4%
	China	12	5%	13	4%
	Singapore	12	5%	12	3%
	Australia	4	2%	12	3%

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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

All demographic data is self-reported and represents active attorney bar members in good standing as of December 31, 2021. Not every attorney reports demographic data to the bar. Separate population totals are provided in italics in each category that is lacking full membership representation. Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding. The State Bar of Texas follows the U.S. Census Bureau and U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission guidelines for collecting information on sex and race/ethnicity.