



# STATE BAR OF TEXAS

## Department of Research and Analysis

### Dallas County: Attorney Statistical Profile (2021-22)

This report profiles active Dallas County attorney members of the State Bar of Texas 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 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 11%, from 15,200 attorneys in 2011 to 16,886 in 2021.

	Dallas County				All Active Attorneys			
	2011-12 N = 15,200		2021-22 N = 16,886		2011-12 N = 89,987		2021-22 N = 108,816	
<b>Sex</b>								
	<i>(N = 15,070)</i>		<i>(N = 16,868)</i>		<i>(N = 89,305)</i>		<i>(N = 108,701)</i>	
Male	10,189	68%	10,605	63%	59,692	67%	67,769	62%
Female	4,889	32%	6,263	37%	29,613	33%	40,932	38%
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>								
	<i>(N = 14,409)</i>		<i>(N = 16,050)</i>		<i>(N = 85,077)</i>		<i>(N = 103,596)</i>	
White	12,422	86%	12,939	81%	70,521	83%	79,937	77%
Black/African-American	749	5%	1,056	7%	4,046	5%	6,152	6%
Hispanic/Latino	602	4%	985	6%	6,702	8%	10,691	10%
Asian/Pacific Islander	383	3%	647	4%	2,299	3%	4,063	4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	43	<1%	57	<1%	262	0%	358	<1%
Two or More Races	55	<1%	178	1%	285	0%	1,061	1%
Other Race	155	1%	188	1%	962	1%	1,334	1%
<b>Years Licensed *</b>								
2 or less years	1,394	9%	1,293	8%	7,997	9%	7,356	7%
3 to 6 years	1,974	13%	1,775	11%	10,933	12%	10,252	9%
7 to 10 years	1,599	11%	1,843	11%	9,510	11%	11,780	11%
11 to 15 years	1,939	13%	2,167	13%	11,313	13%	14,375	13%
16 to 20 years	1,826	12%	1,793	11%	11,182	12%	12,458	11%
21 to 25 years	1,578	10%	1,685	10%	9,695	11%	11,208	10%
Over 25 years	4,890	32%	6,330	37%	29,357	33%	41,387	38%
Median Years Licensed	18 Years		19 Years		18 Years		19 Years	
<b>Age</b>								
21 to 25 years	27	<1%	51	<1%	215	0%	247	<1%
26 to 30 years	1,412	9%	1,299	8%	7,448	8%	6,657	6%
31 to 35 years	2,065	14%	1,959	12%	10,907	12%	11,424	10%
36 to 40 years	1,892	12%	2,181	13%	10,519	12%	13,607	13%
41 to 45 years	1,871	12%	1,992	12%	11,077	12%	13,125	12%
46 to 50 years	1,706	11%	1,726	10%	9,971	11%	11,398	10%
51 to 55 years	1,857	12%	1,676	10%	10,773	12%	11,486	11%
56 to 60 years	1,601	11%	1,562	9%	10,442	12%	9,891	9%
61 to 65 years	1,220	8%	1,573	9%	8,408	9%	9,844	9%
More than 65 years	1,548	10%	2,867	17%	10,217	11%	21,137	19%
Median Age	47 Years		48 Years		48 Years		49 Years	
<b>Member Class—TYLA/Senior**</b>								
TYLA Member	4,592	30%	5,704	34%	25,183	28%	34,452	32%
Senior Member	10,608	70%	11,182	66%	64,804	72%	74,364	68%

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<b>Law School Attended</b>								
Baylor University	974	6%	1,021	6%	5,486	6%	6,006	6%
St. Mary's	552	4%	565	3%	6,531	7%	7,587	7%
SMU Dedman/Southern Methodist	3,969	26%	4,215	25%	7,478	8%	8,533	8%
South Texas	390	3%	419	2%	9,967	11%	11,561	11%
Texas Southern	195	1%	236	1%	2,897	3%	3,524	3%
Texas Tech	895	6%	1,066	6%	5,775	6%	6,811	6%
Texas A&M/Formerly Texas Wesleyan	650	4%	837	5%	2,550	3%	3,932	4%
University of Houston	483	3%	476	3%	9,462	11%	10,293	9%
University of Texas	2,278	15%	2,173	13%	15,873	18%	15,800	15%
UNT Dallas/North Texas School of Law		0%	132	1%	--	--	319	<1%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	4,814	32%	5,746	34%	23,968	27%	34,450	32%
<b>Primary Occupation</b>								
	<i>(N = 12,818)</i>		<i>(N = 12,823)</i>		<i>(N = 76,043)</i>		<i>(N = 83,206)</i>	
<b>Private Practitioners</b>								
Solo Practitioners	2,309	18%	2,104	16%	18,225	24%	18,034	22%
2 to 5 attorneys	1,781	14%	1,648	13%	12,051	16%	12,281	15%
6 to 10 attorneys	762	6%	776	6%	3,842	5%	4,123	5%
11 to 24 attorneys	883	7%	790	6%	4,199	6%	4,402	5%
25 to 40 attorneys	429	3%	485	4%	2,031	3%	2,253	3%
41 to 60 attorneys	324	3%	317	2%	1,154	2%	1,250	2%
More than 60 attorneys	2,755	21%	2,757	22%	8,514	11%	9,648	12%
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>9,243</i>	<i>72%</i>	<i>8,877</i>	<i>69%</i>	<i>50,016</i>	<i>66%</i>	<i>51,991</i>	<i>62%</i>
Government Attorney	854	7%	738	6%	8,289	11%	8,402	10%
Full-Time Judge	191	1%	162	1%	1,626	2%	1,706	2%
Law Faculty	50	<1%	62	<1%	596	1%	597	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	1,492	12%	1,715	13%	7,979	10%	9,869	12%
Other Law Related	284	2%	391	3%	2,340	3%	2,980	4%
Other Non-Law Related	334	3%	354	3%	2,205	3%	2,516	3%
Public Interest Lawyer	--	--	103	1%	--	--	1,159	1%
Retired-Not Working	245	2%	337	3%	2,006	3%	3,226	4%
Unemployed-Looking	60	<1%	30	<1%	490	1%	277	<1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	65	1%	54	<1%	496	1%	483	1%
<b>Members of State Bar Sections</b>								
Section Members	2,781	18%	7,741	46%	37,733	42%	44,198	41%
Non Section Members	7,919	52%	9,145	54%	52,254	58%	64,618	59%
Members of One Section	3,827	25%	4,070	24%	19,464	22%	22,371	21%
Members of Two Sections	2,111	14%	2,230	13%	10,622	12%	12,601	12%
Members of Three Sections	788	5%	841	5%	4,411	5%	5,262	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	555	4%	600	4%	3,236	4%	3,964	4%

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Attorneys can belong to multiple sections, therefore the percents do not sum to 100%

Section Membership	Dallas County				All Active Attorneys			
	2011-12 N = 15,200		2021-22 N = 16,886		2011-12 N = 89,987		2021-22 N = 108,816	
Administrative and Public Law	75	<1%	63	<1%	1,116	1%	1,200	1%
African-American Lawyers	79	1%	273	2%	397	<1%	1,235	1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	202	1%	174	1%	1,190	1%	1,196	1%
Animal Law	55	<1%	29	<1%	331	<1%	320	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	371	2%	273	2%	1,077	1%	799	1%
Appellate	337	2%	333	2%	1,770	2%	2,163	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	62	<1%	79	<1%	252	<1%	365	<1%
Aviation Law	66	<1%	77	<1%	260	<1%	306	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	454	3%	378	2%	1,577	2%	1,524	1%
Business Law	1,058	7%	1,008	6%	4,033	4%	4,228	4%
Child Protection Law	--	--	87	1%	--	--	1,064	1%
Civil Liberties & Civil Rights	34	<1%	75	<1%	225	<1%	479	<1%
Collaborative Law	--	--	42	<1%	--	--	249	<1%
Computer and Technology	345	2%	304	2%	1,837	2%	1,897	2%
Construction Law	405	3%	469	3%	2,033	2%	2,555	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	235	2%	222	1%	1,355	2%	1,180	1%
Corporate Counsel	798	5%	993	6%	3,479	4%	4,636	4%
Criminal Justice	372	2%	296	2%	3,130	3%	2,934	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	132	1%	155	1%	548	1%	652	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	155	1%	122	1%	1,358	2%	1,265	1%
Family Law	705	5%	678	4%	5,331	6%	6,009	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	260	2%	281	2%	1,971	2%	1,988	2%
Government Lawyers	93	1%	72	<1%	864	1%	1,073	1%
Health Law	285	2%	335	2%	1,380	2%	1,637	2%
Hispanic Issues	50	<1%	94	1%	343	<1%	623	1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	--	--	210	1%	--	--	1,422	1%
Insurance Law	410	3%	456	3%	1,659	2%	2,305	2%
Intellectual Property Law	575	4%	552	3%	--	--	2,325	2%
International Law	150	1%	119	1%	867	1%	718	1%
James C. Watson Inn	19	<1%	11	<1%	143	<1%	105	<1%
Judicial	83	1%	68	<1%	955	1%	881	1%
Justice of the Peace Courts	8	<1%	14	<1%	70	<1%	181	<1%
Juvenile Law	79	1%	58	<1%	836	1%	764	1%
Labor and Employment Law	611	4%	638	4%	2,823	3%	3,218	3%
Legislative and Campaign Law	--	--	28	<1%	--	--	471	<1%
LGBT Law	66	<1%	115	1%	265	<1%	618	1%
Litigation	1,630	11%	1,616	10%	7,579	8%	8,400	8%
Litigation -Sustaining	35	<1%	50	<1%	169	<1%	373	<1%
Military and Veterans Law	28	<1%	29	<1%	348	<1%	454	<1%
Municipal Judges	44	<1%	20	<1%	283	<1%	313	<1%
Native American Law	16	<1%	16	<1%	105	<1%	142	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	381	3%	427	3%	3,661	4%	4,145	4%
Poverty Law	46	<1%	107	1%	490	1%	849	1%
Public Utility Law	55	<1%	40	<1%	458	1%	529	<1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	1,502	10%	1,571	9%	7,374	8%	9,123	8%
School Law	83	1%	79	<1%	671	1%	774	1%
Tax	454	3%	497	3%	1,925	2%	2,188	2%
Women and the Law	106	1%	361	2%	493	1%	1,682	2%
Workers' Compensation	42	<1%	44	<1%	268	<1%	331	<1%

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<b>Board Certifications</b>								
Board Certified Attorneys	1,086	7%	1,044	6%	7,068	8%	7,190	7%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	14,115	93%	15,842	94%	82,919	92%	101,626	93%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	968	6%	935	6%	5,992	7%	6,241	6%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	111	1%	103	1%	954	1%	839	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	6	<1%	6	<1%	122	<1%	110	<1%
<b>Attorneys Board Certified In:</b>								
Administrative Law	5	<1%	1	<1%	153	<1%	105	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	29	<1%	21	<1%	150	<1%	107	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	15	<1%	12	<1%	142	<1%	108	<1%
Child Welfare Law	--	--	5	<1%	--	--	103	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	79	1%	73	<1%	419	<1%	416	<1%
Civil Trial Law	181	1%	133	1%	1,088	1%	828	1%
Construction Law	--	--	37	<1%	--	--	131	<1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	5	<1%	8	<1%	67	<1%	75	<1%
Criminal Appellate	--	--	20	<1%	--	--	131	<1%
Criminal Law	105	1%	86	1%	846	1%	836	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	108	1%	105	1%	675	1%	695	1%
Family Law	131	1%	129	1%	732	1%	870	1%
Health Law	12	<1%	26	<1%	54	<1%	75	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	24	<1%	34	<1%	131	<1%	172	<1%
Juvenile Law	5	<1%	3	<1%	68	<1%	69	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	160	1%	173	1%	575	1%	666	1%
Legislative and Campaign Law	--	--	--	<1%	--	--	5	<1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	23	<1%	24	<1%	272	<1%	377	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	200	1%	164	1%	1,661	2%	1,406	1%
Property Owners Association Law	--	--	7	<1%	--	--	52	<1%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	49	<1%	34	<1%	499	1%	433	<1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	2	<1%	1	<1%	102	<1%	70	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	18	<1%	13	<1%	322	<1%	253	<1%
Tax Law	42	<1%	38	<1%	222	<1%	188	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	15	<1%	12	<1%	98	<1%	93	<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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