



STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

Corporate Counsel: Attorney Statistical Profile (2019-20)

This report profiles active Corporate Counsel Section members of the State Bar of Texas as of December 31, 2019. 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 Corporate Counsel Section has increased by 47 percent, from 3,159 attorneys in 2009 to 4,633 in 2019.

	Corporate Counsel 2019-20 N = 4,633		All Active State Bar Attorneys 2019-20 N = 105,125	
Sex				
	<i>(N = 4,622)</i>		<i>(N = 105,125)</i>	
Male	2,887	62%	66,323	63%
Female	1,735	38%	38,624	37%
Race/Ethnicity				
	<i>(N = 4,452)</i>		<i>(N = 100,285)</i>	
White	3,608	81%	78,588	71%
Black/African-American	235	5%	5,677	5%
Hispanic/Latino	282	6%	9,812	9%
Asian/Pacific Islander	216	5%	3,708	3%
American Indian/Alaska Native	15	<1%	35	<1%
Two or More Races	37	1%	897	1%
Other Race	59	1%	1,253	1%
Years Licensed *				
2 or less years	212	5%	7,085	7%
3 to 6 years	413	9%	11,042	11%
7 to 10 years	565	12%	11,384	11%
11 to 15 years	741	16%	13,829	13%
16 to 20 years	691	15%	11,729	11%
21 to 25 years	653	14%	11,019	10%
Over 25 years	1,358	29%	39,037	37%
Median Years Licensed	18 Years		19 Years	
Age				
	<i>(N = 4,633)</i>		<i>(N = 105,125)</i>	
21 to 25 years	4	<1%	202	<1%
26 to 30 years	191	4%	6,680	6%
31 to 35 years	494	11%	11,734	11%
36 to 40 years	710	15%	13,376	13%
41 to 45 years	669	14%	12,018	11%
46 to 50 years	746	16%	11,668	11%
51 to 55 years	587	13%	10,437	10%
56 to 60 years	478	10%	10,182	10%
61 to 65 years	408	9%	9,743	9%
More than 65 years	346	7%	19,085	18%
Median Age	47 Years		49 Years	
Member Class—TYLA/Senior**				
TYLA Member	1,058	23%	26,311	25%
Senior Member	3,575	77%	78,814	75%

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Law School Attended				
Baylor University	198	4%	5,909	6%
St. Mary's	179	4%	7,458	7%
SMU Dedman/Southern Methodist	505	11%	8,428	8%
South Texas	478	10%	11,336	11%
Texas Southern	43	1%	3,493	3%
Texas Tech	216	5%	6,740	6%
Texas A&M/Formerly Texas Wesleyan	126	3%	3,738	4%
University of Houston	571	12%	10,186	10%
University of Texas	780	17%	15,988	15%
UNT Dallas/North Texas School of Law	5	<1%	405	<1%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	1,532	33%	31,444	30%
Primary Occupation				
	(N = 3,997)		(N = 83,102)	
Private Practitioners				
Solo Practitioners	241	6%	18,480	22%
2 to 5 attorneys	190	5%	12,434	15%
6 to 10 attorneys	73	2%	4,168	5%
11 to 24 attorneys	96	2%	4,369	5%
25 to 40 attorneys	58	1%	2,218	3%
41 to 60 attorneys	27	1%	1,279	2%
More than 60 attorneys	505	13%	9,382	11%
Subtotal	1,190	30%	52,330	63%
Government Attorney	53	1%	8,349	10%
Full-Time Judge	3	<1%	1,664	2%
Law Faculty	8	<1%	585	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	2,544	64%	9,774	12%
Other Law Related	88	2%	2,973	4%
Other Non-Law Related	71	2%	2,525	3%
Public Interest Lawyer	3	<1%	1,068	1%
Retired-Not Working	19	<1%	3,028	4%
Unemployed-Looking	9	<1%	290	<1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	9	<1%	516	1%
Members of State Bar Sections				
Section Members	4,633	100%	44,428	42%
Non Section Members	0	0%	60,697	58%
Members of One Section	1,054	23%	22,963	22%
Members of Two Sections	1,656	36%	12,574	12%
Members of Three Sections	985	21%	5,138	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	938	20%	3,753	4%

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Section Membership				
Administrative and Public Law	80	2%	1,149	1%
African-American Lawyers	111	2%	803	1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	69	1%	1,127	1%
Animal Law	29	1%	336	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	151	3%	862	1%
Appellate	47	1%	2,067	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	65	1%	343	<1%
Aviation Law	51	1%	291	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	69	1%	1,449	1%
Business Law	1,386	30%	4,403	4%
Child Protection Law	12	0%	882	1%
Civil Liberties & Civil Rights	29	1%	365	<1%
Collaborative Law	12	<1%	246	<1%
Computer and Technology	338	7%	1,994	2%
Construction Law	320	7%	2,414	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	196	4%	1,202	1%
Corporate Counsel	4633	100%	4,633	4%
Criminal Justice	39	1%	3,080	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	89	2%	585	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	154	3%	1,242	1%
Family Law	50	1%	5,901	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	156	3%	1,982	2%
Government Lawyers	85	2%	1,010	1%
Health Law	277	6%	1,707	2%
Hispanic Issues	47	1%	549	1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	41	1%	1,327	1%
Insurance Law	180	4%	2,148	2%
Intellectual Property Law	308	7%	2,406	2%
International Law	243	5%	856	1%
James C. Watson Inn	13	<1%	109	<1%
Judicial	9	<1%	922	1%
Justice of the Peace Courts	15	<1%	137	<1%
Juvenile Law	13	<1%	822	1%
Labor and Employment Law	545	12%	3,218	3%
Legislative and Campaign Law	40	1%	359	<1%
LGBT Law	35	1%	545	1%
Litigation	402	9%	8,235	8%
Litigation -Sustaining	17	<1%	333	<1%
Military and Veterans Law	26	1%	447	<1%
Municipal Judges	13	<1%	287	<1%
Native American Law	20	<1%	119	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	830	18%	4,687	4%
Poverty Law	12	<1%	602	1%
Public Utility Law	74	2%	472	<1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	717	15%	9,051	9%
School Law	47	1%	792	1%
Tax	177	4%	2,197	2%
Women and the Law	213	5%	1,268	1%
Workers' Compensation	37	1%	334	<1%

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Board Certifications				
Board Certified Attorneys	138	3%	7,277	7%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	4,495	97%	97,848	93%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	117	3%	6,292	6%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	18	<1%	876	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	3	<1%	339	<1%
Practice Areas				
Administrative Law	3	<1%	122	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	0	0%	121	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	0	0%	122	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	5	<1%	427	<1%
Civil Trial Law	16	<1%	892	1%
Construction Law	5	<1%	113	<1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	1	<1%	78	<1%
Criminal Appellate	0	0%	136	<1%
Criminal Law	1	<1%	853	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	9	<1%	703	1%
Family Law	2	<1%	878	1%
Health Law	6	<1%	66	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	1	<1%	166	<1%
Juvenile Law	0	0%	69	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	27	1%	663	1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	26	1%	402	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	19	<1%	1477	1%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	21	<1%	452	<1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	4	<1%	76	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	9	<1%	280	<1%
Tax Law	7	<1%	194	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	0	0%	93	<1%

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Footnotes

- * Based on year first licensed in any jurisdiction.
- ** Texas Young Lawyers Association membership is automatic for attorneys age 36 or younger and for attorneys of any age who are in their first five years of practice.

General Notes

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