



# STATE BAR OF TEXAS

## Department of Research and Analysis

### Child Protection Law: Attorney Statistical Profile (2021-22)

This report profiles active attorney members of the State Bar of Texas in the Child Protection Law Section 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.

	Child Protection Law 2021-22 N = 1,064		All Active Attorneys 2021-22 N = 108,816	
<b>Sex</b>				
	<i>(N = 1,062)</i>		<i>(N = 108,701)</i>	
Male	282	27%	67,769	62%
Female	780	73%	40,932	38%
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>				
	<i>(N = 1,020)</i>		<i>(N = 103,596)</i>	
White	724	71%	79,937	77%
Black/African-American	101	10%	6,152	6%
Hispanic/Latino	144	14%	10,691	10%
Asian/Pacific Islander	14	1%	4,063	4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	6	1%	358	<1%
Two or More Races	14	1%	1,061	1%
Other Race	17	2%	1,334	1%
<b>Years Licensed *</b>				
2 or less years	57	5%	7,356	7%
3 to 6 years	98	9%	10,252	9%
7 to 10 years	100	9%	11,780	11%
11 to 15 years	170	16%	14,375	13%
16 to 20 years	164	15%	12,458	11%
21 to 25 years	144	14%	11,208	10%
Over 25 years	331	31%	41,387	38%
Median Years Licensed	19 Years		19 Years	
<b>Age</b>				
21 to 25 years	4	<1%	247	<1%
26 to 30 years	37	3%	6,657	6%
31 to 35 years	77	7%	11,424	10%
36 to 40 years	123	12%	13,607	13%
41 to 45 years	156	15%	13,125	12%
46 to 50 years	140	13%	11,398	10%
51 to 55 years	179	17%	11,486	11%
56 to 60 years	119	11%	9,891	9%
61 to 65 years	121	11%	9,844	9%
More than 65 years	108	10%	21,137	19%
Median Age	50 Years		49 Years	
<b>Member Class—TYLA/Senior**</b>				
TYLA Member	302	28%	34,452	32%
Senior Member	762	72%	74,364	68%

## State Bar of Texas Membership: Attorney Statistical Profile (2021-22)

	Child Protection Law 2021-22 N = 1,064		All Active Attorneys 2021-22 N = 108,816	
<b>Law School Attended</b>				
Baylor University	70	7%	6,006	6%
St. Mary's	120	11%	7,587	7%
SMU Dedman/Southern Methodist	70	7%	8,533	8%
South Texas	139	13%	11,561	11%
Texas Southern	58	5%	3,524	3%
Texas Tech	106	10%	6,811	6%
Texas A&M/Formerly Texas Wesleyan	94	9%	3,932	4%
University of Houston	73	7%	10,293	9%
University of Texas	109	10%	15,800	15%
UNT Dallas/North Texas School of Law	6	1%	319	<1%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	219	21%	34,450	32%
<b>Primary Occupation</b>				
	(N = 895)		(N = 83,206)	
<b>Private Practitioners</b>				
Solo Practitioners	392	44%	18,034	22%
2 to 5 attorneys	160	18%	12,281	15%
6 to 10 attorneys	16	2%	4,123	5%
11 to 24 attorneys	14	2%	4,402	5%
25 to 40 attorneys	1	<1%	2,253	3%
41 to 60 attorneys	1	<1%	1,250	2%
More than 60 attorneys	4	<1%	9,648	12%
<i>Subtotal</i>	588	66%	51,991	62%
Government Attorney	134	15%	8,402	10%
Full-Time Judge	78	9%	1,706	2%
Law Faculty	7	1%	597	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	10	1%	9,869	12%
Other Law Related	17	2%	2,980	4%
Other Non-Law Related	10	1%	2,516	3%
Public Interest Lawyer	31	3%	1,159	1%
Retired-Not Working	10	1%	3,226	4%
Unemployed-Looking	4	<1%	277	<1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	6	1%	483	1%
<b>Members of State Bar Sections</b>				
Section Members	1,064	100%	43,247	41%
Non Section Members	0	0%	63,344	59%
Members of One Section	179	17%	21,959	21%
Members of Two Sections	334	31%	12,187	12%
Members of Three Sections	272	26%	5,044	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	279	26%	4,057	4%

## State Bar of Texas Membership: Attorney Statistical Profile (2021-22)

Attorneys can belong to multiple sections, therefore the percents do not sum to 100%	Child Protection Law 2021-22 N = 1,064		All Active Attorneys 2021-22 N = 108,816	
Section Membership				
Administrative and Public Law	15	1%	1,200	1%
African-American Lawyers	48	5%	1,235	1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	73	7%	1,196	1%
Animal Law	25	2%	320	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	13	1%	799	1%
Appellate	66	6%	2,163	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	14	1%	365	<1%
Aviation Law	11	1%	306	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	16	2%	1,524	1%
Business Law	33	3%	4,228	4%
Child Protection Law	1,064	100%	1,064	1%
Civil Liberties & Civil Rights	25	2%	479	<1%
Collaborative Law	35	3%	249	<1%
Computer and Technology	75	7%	1,897	2%
Construction Law	15	1%	2,555	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	21	2%	1,180	1%
Corporate Counsel	22	2%	4,636	4%
Criminal Justice	157	15%	2,934	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	16	2%	652	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	12	1%	1,265	1%
Family Law	721	68%	6,009	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	86	8%	1,988	2%
Government Lawyers	23	2%	1,073	1%
Health Law	18	2%	1,637	2%
Hispanic Issues	28	3%	623	1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	42	4%	1,422	1%
Insurance Law	20	2%	2,305	2%
Intellectual Property Law	16	2%	2,325	2%
International Law	13	1%	718	1%
James C. Watson Inn	11	1%	105	<1%
Judicial	96	9%	881	1%
Justice of the Peace Courts	21	2%	181	<1%
Juvenile Law	200	19%	764	1%
Labor and Employment Law	20	2%	3,218	3%
Legislative and Campaign Law	26	2%	471	<1%
LGBT Law	59	6%	618	1%
Litigation	65	6%	8,400	8%
Litigation -Sustaining	11	1%	373	<1%
Military and Veterans Law	23	2%	454	<1%
Municipal Judges	17	2%	313	<1%
Native American Law	12	1%	142	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	20	2%	4,145	4%
Poverty Law	34	3%	849	1%
Public Utility Law	11	1%	529	<1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	137	13%	9,123	8%
School Law	42	4%	774	1%
Tax	20	2%	2,188	2%
Women and the Law	59	6%	1,682	2%
Workers' Compensation	10	1%	331	<1%

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<b>Board Certifications</b>				
Board Certified Attorneys	129	12%	7,190	7%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	935	88%	101,626	93%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	88	8%	6,241	6%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	33	3%	839	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	8	1%	110	<1%
Administrative Law	0	0%	105	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	0	0%	107	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	0	0%	108	<1%
Child Welfare Law	84	8%	103	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	3	<1%	416	<1%
Civil Trial Law	5	<1%	828	1%
Construction Law	0	0%	131	<1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	0	0%	75	<1%
Criminal Appellate	0	0%	131	<1%
Criminal Law	6	1%	836	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	2	0%	695	1%
Family Law	63	6%	870	1%
Health Law	0	0%	75	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	0	0%	172	<1%
Juvenile Law	14	1%	69	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	1	<1%	666	1%
Legislative and Campaign Law	0	0%	5	<1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	0	0%	377	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	2	<1%	1406	1%
Property Owners Association Law	0	0%	52	<1%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	0	0%	433	<1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	0	0%	70	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	0	0%	253	<1%
Tax Law	0	0%	188	<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 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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