

STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

State Bar of Texas Membership: All Sections: Attorney Statistical Profile (2023-24)

This report profiles active attorney members in every Section of the State Bar of Texas as of December 31, 2023. 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 last 10 years there was an 11% Increase in section membership from 39,950 attorneys in 2013 to 44,684 in 2023.

	All Sections 2023-24		All Active Attorneys 2023-24	
	N = 44	,684	N = 113,771	
Sex				
	(N = 44,	684)	(N = 113)	.303)
Male	26,227	59%	69,487	61%
Female	18,339	41%	43,816	39%
Race/Ethnicity				
	(N = 42,	862)	(N = 108,046)	
White	32,535	73%	81,956	76%
Black/African-American	2,788	6%	6,759	6%
Hispanic/Latino	4,720	11%	11,739	11%
Asian/Pacific Islander	1,630	4%	4,532	4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	154	<1%	372	<1%
Two or More Races	490	1%	1,219	1%
Other Race	545	1%	1,469	1%
Years Licensed *				
2 or less years	2,835	6%	8,105	7%
3 to 6 years	4,037	9%	10,192	9%
7 to 10 years	4,725	11%	11,656	10%
11 to 15 years	6,248	14%	14,694	13%
16 to 20 years	5,968	13%	13,794	12%
21 to 25 years	5,002	11%	11,522	10%
Over 25 years	15,869	36%	43,807	39%
Median Years Licensed	19 Years		20 Years	
Age				
21 to 25 years	76	<1%	301	<1%
26 to 30 years	2,479	6%	7,292	6%
31 to 35 years	4,308	10%	11,207	10%
36 to 40 years	5,573	12%	13,686	12%
41 to 45 years	5,984	13%	14,103	12%
46 to 50 years	5,347	12%	12,098	11%
51 to 55 years	5,468	12%	12,003	11%
56 to 60 years	4,772	11%	10,178	9%
61 to 65 years	4,582	10%	9,595	8%
More than 65 years	6,095	14%	23,307	20%
Median Age	6,095 14% 49 Years		49 Years	
Member Class—TYLA/Senior**	15 10		15 166	
TYLA Member	13,800	31%	35,165	31%
Senior Member	30,884	51% 69%	78,606	69%
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	All Sections All Active Attorneys				
	2023-24		2023-24		
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Law School Attended	14	11,001	14 - 11	,,,,	
Baylor University	2,625	6%	6,142	5%	
St. Mary's	•	7%			
SMU Dedman/Southern Methodist	3,278 3,591	7% 8%	7,705 8,650	7% 8%	
South Texas			·		
	4,916	11%	11,839	10%	
Texas Southern	1,340	3%	3,531	3%	
Texas Tech	3,025	7%	6,931	6%	
Texas A&M/Formerly Texas Wesleyan	1,823	4%	4,102	4%	
University of Houston	4,132	9%	10,403	9%	
University of Texas	6,206	14%	15,498	14%	
UNT Dallas/North Texas School of Law	197	<1%	434	<1%	
Out-of-State/Other Law School	13,551	30%	38,536	34%	
Primary Occupation					
	(N = .	34,644)	(N = 83,505)		
Private Practitioners					
Solo Practitioners	6,483	19%	17,412	21%	
2 to 5 attorneys	5,921	17%	12,315	15%	
6 to 10 attorneys	2,061	6%	4,140	5%	
11 to 24 attorneys	2,282	7%	4,460	5%	
25 to 40 attorneys	1,228	4%	2,313	3%	
41 to 60 attorneys	640	2%	1,280	2%	
More than 60 attorneys	5,471	16%	10,112	12%	
Subtotal	24,086	70%	52,032	62%	
Government Attorney	2,057	6%	8,435	10%	
Full-Time Judge	907	3%	1,723	2%	
Law Faculty	194	1%	578	1%	
Corporate/In-House Counsel	4,574	13%	10,167	12%	
Other Law Related	1,121	3%	2,992	4%	
Other Non-Law Related	616	2%	2,483	3%	
Public Interest Lawyer	660	2%	1,285	2%	
Retired-Not Working	282	1%	3,073	4%	
Unemployed-Looking	73	<1%	267	<1%	
Unemployed-Not Looking	74	<1%	470	1%	
Members of State Bar Sections					
Section Members	44,684	100%	44,684	39%	
Non Section Members	0	0%	69,087	61%	
Members of One Section	22,761	51%	22,761	20%	
Members of Two Sections	12,871	29%	12,871	11%	
Members of Three Sections	5,246	12%	5,246	5%	
Members of Four or More Sections	3,806	9%	3,806	3%	

Attorneys can belong to multiple sections,	All Sections		All Active Attorneys		
therefore the percents do not sum to 100%	2023-24		2023-24		
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Section Membership	1 110	201	1.110	40/	
Administrative and Public Law	1,118	3%	1,118	1%	
African-American Lawyers	1,356	3%	1,356	1%	
Alternative Dispute Resolution	1,154	3%	1,154	1%	
Animal Law	290	1%	290	<1%	
Antitrust and Business Litigation	735	2%	735	1%	
Appellate	2,052	5%	2,052	2%	
Asian-Pacific Interest	434	1%	434	<1%	
Aviation Law	310	1%	310	<1%	
Bankruptcy Law	1,333	3%	1,333	1%	
Business Law	4,267	10%	4,267	4%	
Child Protection Law	1,035	2%	1,035	1%	
Civil Liberties & Civil Rights	500	1%	500	<1%	
Collaborative Law	233	1%	233	<1%	
Computer and Technology	1,822	4%	1,822	2%	
Construction Law	2,609	6%	2,609	2%	
Consumer and Commercial Law	1,164	3%	1,164	1%	
Corporate Counsel	4,919	11%	4,919	4%	
Criminal Justice	2,882	6%	2,882	3%	
Entertainment and Sports Law	700	2%	700	3% 1%	
Environmental and Natural Resources	1,232	3%	1,232	1%	
Family Law	5,631	13%	5,631	1% 5%	
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	1,878	13% 4%	1,878	2%	
Government Lawyers	1,058	2%	1,058	1%	
Health Law	1,561	3%	1,561	1%	
Hispanic Issues	640	1%	640	1%	
Immigration and Nationality Law	1,576	4%	1,576	1%	
Insurance Law	2,271	5%	2,271	2%	
Intellectual Property Law	2,254	5%	2,254	2%	
International Law	678	2%	678	1%	
James C. Watson Inn	90	<1%	90	<1%	
Judicial	999	2%	999	1%	
Justice of the Peace Courts	187	<1%	187	<1%	
Juvenile Law	756	2%	756	1%	
Labor and Employment Law	3,176	7%	3,176	3%	
Legislative and Campaign Law	491	1%	491	<1%	
LGBT Law Litigation	698 8,251	2% 18%	698 8 251	1% 7%	
Litigation - Sustaining	408	1%	8,251 408	<1%	
Military and Veterans Law	464	1%	464	<1%	
Municipal Judges	244	1%	244	<1%	
Native American Law	149	<1%	149	<1%	
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	3,979 722	9% 2%	3,979	3% 1%	
Poverty Law Public Utility Law	732 548	2% 1%	732 548	1% <1%	
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Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	9,429	21%	9,429	8%	
School Law	812	2%	812	1%	
Tax	2,177	5%	2,177	2%	
Women and the Law	1,987 307	4% 1%	1,987 307	2% <1%	
Workers' Compensation	307	1%	307	<1%	

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Board Certifications				
Board Certified Attorneys	4,657	10%	6,869	6%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	40,027	90%	106,902	94%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	4,085	9%	5,978	5%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	503	1%	792	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	69	<1%	99	<1%
Attorneys Board Certified In:				
Administrative Law	60	<1%	95	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	70	<1%	99	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	69	<1%	96	<1%
Child Welfare Law	106	<1%	126	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	334	1%	406	<1%
Civil Trial Law	449	1%	759	1%
Construction Law	124	<1%	132	<1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	59	<1%	72	<1%
Criminal Appellate	44	<1%	127	<1%
Criminal Law	308	1%	786	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	524	1%	666	1%
Family Law	706	2%	843	1%
Health Law	67	<1%	75	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	126	<1%	169	<1%
Juvenile Law	55	<1%	68	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	515	1%	648	1%
Legislative and Campaign Law	13	<1%	13	<1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	314	1%	376	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	638	1%	1,299	1%
Property Owners Association Law	31	<1%	56	<1%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	293	1%	393	<1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	51	<1%	67	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	163	<1%	241	<1%
Tax Law	117	<1%	170	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	71	<1%	90	<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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