

STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

El Paso County: Attorney Statistical Profile (2009-10)

This report profiles active State Bar of Texas attorney members in El Paso County with membership in the State Bar of Texas as of December 31, 2009, roughly the midpoint of the Bar's fiscal year. Numbers and percents are given by key demographic variables including gender, race/ethnicity, years licensed in any jurisdiction, graduating law school, primary occupation, law firm size, section membership, and board certification.

	El Paso County Active Attorneys 2009-10 N = 1,167		All State Bar Attorneys 2009-10 N = 85,813	
Gender				
Male	849	73%	57,691	68%
Female	313	27%	27,501	32%
Race				
Caucasian/Anglo	632	57%	67,867	84%
African-American/Black	18	2%	3,627	4%
Hispanic/Latino	422	38%	6,074	8%
Asian/Pacific Islander	10	1%	1,908	2%
Native American Indian	1	<1%	254	<1%
Two or More Races	1	<1%	140	<1%
Other Race	22	2%	975	1%
Years Licensed *				
2 or less years	92	8%	7,986	9%
3 to 6 years	113	10%	10,335	12%
7 to 10 years	101	9%	9,249	11%
11 to 15 years	141	12%	11,243	13%
16 to 20 years	164	14%	10,911	13%
21 to 25 years	123	11%	9,522	11%
Over 25 years	433	37%	26,567	31%
Median Years Licensed	19 Years		18 Years	
Age				
21 to 25 years	2	<1%	208	<1%
26 to 30 years	80	7%	7,350	9%
31 to 35 years	121	10%	10,116	12%
36 to 40 years	122	10%	10,793	13%
41 to 45 years	144	12%	10,169	12%
46 to 50 years	118	10%	10,395	12%
51 to 55 years	166	14%	10,748	13%
56 to 60 years	167	14%	9,971	12%
61 to 65 years	115	10%	7,409	9%
More than 65 years	132	11%	8,643	10%
Median Age	50 Years		48 Years	
Member Class—TYLA/Senior*	**			
TYLA Member	270	23%	24,225	28%
Senior Member	897	77%	61,588	72%

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Law School Attended				
Baylor University	42	4%	5,332	6%
St. Mary's	107	9%	6,249	7%
South Texas	35	3%	9,461	11%
Southern Methodist	28	2%	7,184	8%
Texas Southern	50	4%	2,679	3%
Texas Tech	228	20%	5,504	6%
Texas Wesleyan	10	1%	2,206	3%
University of Houston	60	5%	9,147	11%
University of Texas	289	25%	15,781	18%
Out-of-State/Other Law School	318	27%	22,270	26%
Primary Occupation				
Private Law Practice	657	62%	50,994	67%
Government Attorney	260	24%	8,263	11%
Full-Time Judge	56	5%	1,610	2%
Law Faculty	1	<1%	518	1%
Corporate/In-House Counsel	21	2%	7,557	10%
Other Law Related	13	1%	2,228	3%
Other Non-Law Related	16	2%	2,121	3%
Retired-Not Working	24	2%	1,785	2%
Unemployed-Looking	4	<1%	497	1%
Unemployed-Not Looking	10	1%	501	1%
Firm Size (private practitioners only)			11	
Solo Practitioners	330	52%	17,453	36%
2 to 5 attorneys	157	25%	11,621	24%
6 to 10 attorneys	32	5%	3,739	8%
11 to 24 attorneys	42	7%	4,120	8%
25 to 40 attorneys	27	4%	1,941	4%
41 to 60 attorneys	39	6%	1,077	2%
61 to 100 attorneys	3	<1%	3,030	6%
101 to 200 attorneys	4	1%	811	2%
Over 200 attorneys	3	<1%	4,926	10%
Median Firm Size	2 Attorneys		5 Attorneys	
Members of State Bar Sections				
Section Members	415	36%	35,219	41%
Non Section Members	752	64%	50,594	59%
Members of One Section	224	19%	18,288	21%
Members of Two Sections	91	8%	9,917	12%
Members of Three Sections	56	5%	4,133	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	44	4%	2,881	3%

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therefore the percents do not sum to 100%	2009-10		2009-10	
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Section Membership				
Administrative and Public Law	3	<1%	1,119	1%
African-American Lawyers	1	<1%	390	<1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	13	1%	1,135	1%
American Indian Law	3	<1%	111	<1%
Animal Law	3	<1%	317	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	11	1%	1,097	1%
Appellate	23	2%	1,750	2%
Asian-Pacific Interest	3	<1%	238	<1%
Aviation Law	2	<1%	248	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	18	2%	1,418	2%
Business Law	35	3%	3,897	5%
Computer and Technology	3	<1%	774	1%
Construction Law	35	3%	2,051	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	17	1%	1,326	2%
Corporate Counsel	9	1%	3,159	4%
Criminal Justice	47	4%	2,621	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	3	<1%	523	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	7	1%	1,312	2%
Family Law	73	6%	4,944	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	18	2%	1,977	2%
Government Lawyers	19	2%	817	1%
Health Law	14	1%	1,292	2%
Hispanic Issues	12	1%	373	<1%
Individual rights and Responsibilities	1	<1%	218	<1%
Insurance Law	14	1%	1,588	2%
Intellectual Property Law	6	1%	2,084	2%
International Law	9	1%	847	1%
James C. Watson Inn	2	<1%	155	<1%
Judicial Law	37	3%	1,034	1%
Justice of the Peace	0	0%	62	<1%
Juvenile Law	6	1%	807	1%
Labor and Employment Law	68 87	6%	2,766	3% 9%
Litigation Military law	87 6	7% 1%	7,477 289	<1%
Municipal Judges Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	3 5	<1% <1%	292 3,007	<1% 4%
	14	1%	429	4% <1%
Poverty Law Public Utility Law	3	1 % <1 %	429	1%
Real Estate, Probate & Trust Law	88	8%	7,184	8%
School Law Sexual Orientation & Gender Identification	11	1%	625	1%
Issues	2	<1%	213	<1%
Taxation	23	2%	1,870	2%
Women and the Law	9	1%	440	1%
Workers' Compensation	5	<1%	267	<1%

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Board Certifications				
Board Certified Attorneys	134	11%	7,116	8%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	1,033	89%	78,697	92%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	113	10%	5,995	7%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	21	2%	994	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	0	0%	127	<1%
Attorneys Board Certified In:			-	
Administrative Law	1	<1%	154	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	7	1%	157	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	7	1%	149	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	11	1%	422	<1%
Civil Trial Law	19	2%	1,117	1%
Consumer and Commercial Law	3	<1%	69	<1%
Criminal Law	12	1%	856	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	9	1%	671	1%
Family Law	13	1%	715	1%
Health Law	0	0%	53	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	2	<1%	121	<1%
Juvenile Law	1	<1%	68	<1%
Labor and Employment Law	17	1%	578	1%
Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law	0	0%	267	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	33	3%	1,696	2%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	12	1%	513	1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	0	0%	104	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	4	<1%	331	<1%
Tax Law	4	<1%	229	<1%
Workers' Compensation Law	0	0%	104	<1%

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Footnotes

- * Based on year first licensed in any jurisdiction.
- ** Texas Young Lawyers Association membership is automatic for attorneys less than 37 years of age and for attorneys of any age who have been licensed for less than four years.

General Notes

All data represent active attorney Bar members in good standing. Some figures are estimates as not all demographic data is known for all attorneys; individual data items will not sum to the column headers in these instances. Percentages may not sum to one hundred due to rounding. Note that this profile only includes those attorneys who were active and in good standing as of December 31, 2009.