



STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

Minority Attorneys: Attorney Statistical Profile (2004-05)

This report profiles active State Bar of Texas minority attorneys as of December 30, 2004, 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, age, graduating law school, primary occupation, law firm size, TYLA membership, section membership, and board certification. Inclusion of Bar fiscal year 1994-95 data allows for comparison.

	Minority Attorneys				All State Bar Attorneys			
	1994-95		2004-05		1994-95		2004-05	
	N = 4,989		N = 9,662		N = 59,495		N = 74,675	
Gender								
Male	3,244	65%	5,633	58%	45,056	76%	52,371	70%
Female	1,745	35%	4,019	42%	14,439	24%	22,075	30%
Race/Ethnicity								
Caucasian/Anglo	0	0%	0	0%	50,640	91%	60,772	86%
African-American/Black	1,721	34%	2,788	29%	1,721	3%	2,788	4%
Hispanic/Latino	2,521	51%	4,759	49%	2,521	5%	4,759	7%
Asian/Pacific Islander	323	6%	1,111	11%	323	1%	1,111	2%
Native American Indian	124	2%	203	2%	124	<1%	203	<1%
Other Race	300	6%	801	8%	300	1%	801	1%
Years Licensed*								
2 or less years	1,275	26%	1,615	17%	7,703	13%	7,005	9%
3 to 6 years	1,103	22%	2,056	21%	9,047	15%	9,363	13%
7 to 10 years	721	14%	1,912	20%	8,361	14%	9,026	12%
11 to 15 years	765	15%	1,565	16%	9,859	17%	10,997	15%
16 to 20 years	628	13%	864	9%	8,710	15%	9,641	13%
21 to 25 years	243	5%	707	7%	5,597	9%	9,098	12%
Over 25 years	253	5%	943	10%	10,211	17%	19,545	26%
Median years licensed	7 yrs.		9 yrs.		13 yrs.		16 yrs.	
Age								
21 to 25 years	95	2%	92	1%	569	1%	477	1%
26 to 30 years	923	19%	1,452	15%	6,682	11%	6,566	9%
31 to 35 years	1,034	21%	2,176	23%	9,336	16%	9,869	13%
36 to 40 years	967	19%	1,771	18%	10,651	18%	9,634	13%
41 to 45 years	869	17%	1,308	14%	10,342	17%	10,214	14%
46 to 50 years	567	11%	1,055	11%	8,305	14%	10,724	14%
51 to 55 years	251	5%	866	9%	4,900	8%	10,035	13%
56 to 60 years	111	2%	519	5%	2,641	4%	7,614	10%
61 to 65 years	73	1%	218	2%	2,085	4%	4,128	6%
More than 65 years	99	2%	205	2%	3,984	7%	5,412	7%
Median Age	38 yrs.		38 yrs.		42 yrs.		46 yrs.	
Member Class--TYLA/Senior**								
TYLA Member	2,532	51%	4,900	51%	20,423	34%	22,852	31%
Senior Member	2,457	49%	4,762	49%	39,068	66%	51,823	69%

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Law School Attended								
Baylor	93	2%	199	2%	4,119	7%	4,526	7%
St. Mary's	378	8%	882	10%	4,278	7%	5,007	7%
South Texas	315	6%	737	8%	6,166	11%	7,529	11%
Southern Methodist	243	5%	471	5%	5,393	9%	5,821	9%
Texas Southern	876	18%	1,331	15%	1,304	2%	1,910	3%
Texas Tech	160	3%	334	4%	3,324	6%	4,312	6%
Texas Wesleyan	16	<1%	184	2%	158	<1%	1,255	2%
University of Houston	641	13%	960	11%	6,709	11%	7,593	11%
University of Texas	1,102	22%	1,574	18%	13,958	24%	13,991	21%
Out-of-State Law School	1,120	23%	2,053	24%	13,188	23%	15,840	23%
Primary Occupation								
Private law practice	2,879	73%	5,736	66%	37,980	75%	46,625	68%
Government Attorney	590	15%	1,393	16%	4,670	9%	7,379	11%
Full-time Judge	127	3%	230	3%	1,098	2%	1,490	2%
Law Faculty	22	1%	58	1%	268	1%	468	1%
Corporate/In-house Counsel	197	5%	618	7%	3,936	8%	6,352	9%
Other Law related	63	2%	284	3%	769	2%	1,940	3%
Other Non-Law related	38	1%	173	2%	1,016	2%	1,973	3%
Retired-not working	33	1%	46	1%	1,160	2%	1,483	2%
Unemployed-looking	---	---	87	1%	---	---	403	1%
Unemployed-not looking	---	---	40	<1%	---	---	465	1%
Law Firm Size (private practitioners only)								
Solo practitioners	1,103	49%	2,248	42%	11,320	35%	15,559	35%
2 to 5 attorneys	676	30%	1,313	25%	7,933	24%	10,140	23%
6 to 10 attorneys	147	6%	306	6%	2,784	9%	3,312	7%
11 to 24 attorneys	128	6%	386	7%	2,923	9%	3,776	9%
25 to 40 attorneys	51	2%	191	4%	1,682	5%	1,912	4%
41 to 60 attorneys	29	1%	92	2%	901	3%	1,192	3%
Over 60 (94-95) / 61 to 100 attorneys (04-05)	135	6%	607	11%	4,971	15%	6,970	16%
101 to 200 attorneys	---	---	16	<1%	---	---	158	<1%
Over 200 attorneys	---	---	136	3%	---	---	1,300	3%
Median Firm Size	2 attys.		3 attys.		4 attys.		4 attys.	
Members of State Bar Sections								
Section Members	1,480	30%	3,032	31%	25,238	42%	29,690	40%
Non Section Members	3,509	70%	6,630	69%	34,257	58%	44,985	60%
Members of One Section	634	13%	1,416	15%	11,278	19%	14,551	19%
Members of Two Sections	461	9%	896	9%	7,842	13%	8,681	12%
Members of Three Sections	221	4%	427	4%	3,500	6%	3,796	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	164	3%	293	3%	2,618	4%	2,662	4%

Minority Attorneys: Attorney Statistical Profile (2004-05)

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Section Membership								
Administrative and Public Law	82	2%	106	1%	1,083	2%	1,044	1%
African-American Lawyers	149	3%	250	3%	175	<1%	270	<1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	62	1%	93	1%	1,292	2%	1,113	1%
American Indian Law	15	<1%	26	<1%	116	<1%	100	<1%
Animal Law	---	---	21	<1%	---	---	246	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	32	1%	61	1%	1,196	2%	1,156	2%
Appellate	76	2%	114	1%	1,467	2%	1,669	2%
Asian Pacific Islander Interest	---	---	105	1%	---	---	148	<1%
Aviation Law	7	<1%	11	<1%	220	<1%	234	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	---	---	103	1%	---	---	1,085	1%
Business Law	106	2%	230	2%	3,897	7%	3,607	5%
Computer and Technology	37	1%	73	1%	808	1%	844	1%
Construction Law	34	1%	112	1%	939	2%	1,606	2%
Consumer Law	110	2%	104	1%	2,118	4%	1,243	2%
Corporate Counsel	91	2%	233	2%	2,431	4%	2,728	4%
Criminal Justice	168	3%	319	3%	1,540	3%	1,952	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	60	1%	76	1%	570	1%	470	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	73	1%	88	1%	1,751	3%	1,245	2%
Family Law	280	6%	601	6%	3,553	6%	4,329	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	112	2%	194	2%	1,775	3%	1,763	2%
Government Lawyers	67	1%	119	1%	617	1%	697	1%
Health Law	52	1%	92	1%	1,110	2%	1,202	2%
Hispanic Issues	176	4%	274	3%	264	<1%	347	<1%
Individual Rights and Responsibilities	22	<1%	19	<1%	278	<1%	167	<1%
Insurance Law	---	---	134	1%	---	---	1,526	2%
Intellectual Property Law	55	1%	165	2%	1,135	2%	1,718	2%
International Law	93	2%	123	1%	1,062	2%	843	1%
James C. Watson Inn	3	<1%	7	<1%	77	<1%	101	<1%
Judicial Sections	1	<1%	6	<1%	2	<1%	26	<1%
Justice of the Peace	4	<1%	12	<1%	55	<1%	59	<1%
Juvenile Law	74	1%	149	2%	459	1%	758	1%
Labor and Employment Law	176	4%	383	4%	2,112	4%	2,730	4%
Litigation	418	8%	661	7%	7,258	12%	7,436	10%
Military Law	5	<1%	19	<1%	171	<1%	221	<1%
Municipal Judges	29	1%	52	1%	218	<1%	246	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	56	1%	100	1%	2,327	4%	2,070	3%
Public Utility Law	15	<1%	40	<1%	341	1%	402	1%
Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law	170	3%	359	4%	5,730	10%	6,609	9%
School Law	51	1%	93	1%	472	1%	560	1%
Sexual Orientation/Gender Identification Issues	---	---	21	<1%	---	---	185	<1%
Taxation Law	70	1%	120	1%	1,567	3%	1,677	2%
Women and the Law	52	1%	69	1%	563	1%	428	1%

Minority Attorneys: Attorney Statistical Profile (2004-05)

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Board Certifications								
Board Certified Attorneys	179	4%	319	3%	5,556	9%	6,710	9%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	4,810	96%	9,343	97%	53,939	91%	67,965	91%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	158	3%	293	3%	4,396	7%	5,577	7%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	19	<1%	22	<1%	1,028	2%	1,011	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	2	<1%	4	<1%	132	<1%	122	<1%
Attorneys Board Certified In:								
Administrative Law	9	<1%	9	<1%	165	<1%	175	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	1	<1%	2	<1%	182	<1%	162	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	4	<1%	6	<1%	151	<1%	153	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	9	<1%	10	<1%	313	1%	393	1%
Civil Trial Law	26	1%	30	<1%	1,241	2%	1,188	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	0	0%	3	<1%	17	<1%	62	<1%
Criminal Law	39	1%	66	1%	631	1%	794	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	6	<1%	8	<1%	472	1%	617	1%
Family Law	20	<1%	31	<1%	610	1%	671	1%
Health Law	---	---	1	<1%	---	---	35	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	12	<1%	23	<1%	68	<1%	84	<1%
Juvenile Law	---	---	8	<1%	---	---	50	<1%
Labor Law	7	<1%	41	<1%	217	<1%	478	1%
Oil, Gas and Mineral Law	8	<1%	8	<1%	262	<1%	261	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	46	1%	87	1%	1,410	2%	1,739	2%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	7	<1%	5	<1%	474	1%	479	1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	1	<1%	1	<1%	114	<1%	94	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	3	<1%	3	<1%	320	1%	311	<1%
Tax Law	4	<1%	7	<1%	217	<1%	229	<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.

--- Indicates that the given category or group was not in existence.

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.