



STATE BAR OF TEXAS

Department of Research and Analysis

El Paso County Attorneys: Attorney Statistical Profile (2004-05)

This report profiles active attorney members of the State Bar of Texas 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.

		El Paso County Attorneys				All In-State Bar Attorneys			
		1994-95		2004-05		1994-95		2004-05	
		N = 1,032		N = 1,074		N = 54,616		N = 67,764	
Gender									
	Male	837	81%	816	76%	41,433	76%	47,647	71%
	Female	195	19%	258	24%	13,183	24%	19,919	29%
Race/Ethnicity									
	Caucasian/Anglo	722	76%	634	63%	46,455	91%	55,048	86%
	African-American/Black	5	1%	9	1%	1,569	3%	2,508	4%
	Hispanic/Latino	200	21%	337	33%	2,422	5%	4,502	7%
	Asian/Pacific Islander	1	<1%	7	1%	283	1%	971	2%
	Native American Indian	1	<1%	0	0%	109	<1%	174	<1%
	Other Race	15	2%	20	2%	282	1%	725	1%
Years Licensed*									
	2 or less years	112	11%	77	7%	7,191	13%	6,574	10%
	3 to 6 years	145	14%	115	11%	8,363	15%	8,459	12%
	7 to 10 years	132	13%	109	10%	7,574	14%	8,062	12%
	11 to 15 years	162	16%	168	16%	8,919	16%	9,941	15%
	16 to 20 years	178	17%	122	11%	7,819	14%	8,587	13%
	21 to 25 years	100	10%	153	14%	5,148	9%	8,196	12%
	Over 25 years	203	20%	330	31%	9,595	18%	17,945	26%
	Median years licensed	14 yrs.		19 yrs.		13 yrs.		16 yrs.	
Age									
	21 to 25 years	8	1%	3	<1%	542	1%	456	1%
	26 to 30 years	121	12%	73	7%	6,166	11%	6,038	9%
	31 to 35 years	138	13%	120	11%	8,566	16%	8,884	13%
	36 to 40 years	171	17%	148	14%	9,656	18%	8,650	13%
	41 to 45 years	181	18%	127	12%	9,351	17%	9,185	14%
	46 to 50 years	160	16%	164	15%	7,604	14%	9,658	14%
	51 to 55 years	78	8%	162	15%	4,531	8%	9,027	13%
	56 to 60 years	53	5%	122	11%	2,471	5%	6,924	10%
	61 to 65 years	47	5%	53	5%	1,979	4%	3,852	6%
	More than 65 years	75	7%	102	9%	3,750	7%	5,089	8%
	Median Age	42 yrs.		47 yrs.		42 yrs.		46 yrs.	
Member Class--TYLA/Senior**									
	TYLA Member	323	31%	291	27%	18,847	35%	20,858	31%
	Senior Member	709	69%	783	73%	35,765	65%	46,906	69%

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Law School Attended								
Baylor	37	4%	34	3%	3,948	7%	4,321	7%
St. Mary's	80	8%	100	10%	4,085	8%	4,786	8%
South Texas	38	4%	31	3%	5,892	11%	7,202	12%
Southern Methodist	29	3%	31	3%	5,033	9%	5,406	9%
Texas Southern	18	2%	32	3%	1,241	2%	1,820	3%
Texas Tech	173	17%	205	21%	3,160	6%	4,118	7%
Texas Wesleyan	1	<1%	4	<1%	155	<1%	1,205	2%
University of Houston	64	6%	58	6%	6,356	12%	7,140	12%
University of Texas	353	35%	280	28%	13,114	24%	13,040	21%
Out-of-State Law School	220	22%	222	22%	10,803	20%	12,716	21%
Primary Occupation								
Private law practice	755	79%	643	64%	36,286	76%	43,335	70%
Government Attorney	114	12%	218	22%	4,177	9%	6,534	10%
Full-time Judge	25	3%	51	5%	1,070	2%	1,435	2%
Law Faculty	2	<1%	2	<1%	239	1%	368	1%
Corporate/In-house Counsel	22	2%	17	2%	3,338	7%	5,360	9%
Other Law related	6	1%	24	2%	650	1%	1,613	3%
Other Non-Law related	13	1%	14	1%	851	2%	1,642	3%
Retired-not working	15	2%	18	2%	1,009	2%	1,303	2%
Unemployed-looking	---	---	3	<1%	---	---	331	1%
Unemployed-not looking	---	---	9	1%	---	---	372	1%
Law Firm Size (private practitioners only)								
Solo practitioners	261	41%	303	49%	10,953	35%	14,900	36%
2 to 5 attorneys	154	24%	148	24%	7,631	25%	9,588	23%
6 to 10 attorneys	48	8%	22	4%	2,627	8%	3,025	7%
11 to 24 attorneys	49	8%	54	9%	2,766	9%	3,445	8%
25 to 40 attorneys	44	7%	30	5%	1,608	5%	1,751	4%
41 to 60 attorneys	27	4%	50	8%	834	3%	1,079	3%
Over 60 (94-95) / 61 to 100 attorneys (04-05)	53	8%	10	2%	4,574	15%	6,117	15%
101 to 200 attorneys	---	---	0	0%	---	---	139	<1%
Over 200 attorneys	---	---	0	0%	---	---	1,216	3%
Median Firm Size	3 attys.		2 attys.		4 attys.		4 attys.	
Members of State Bar Sections								
Section Members	439	43%	336	31%	24,335	45%	28,580	42%
Non Section Members	593	57%	738	69%	30,281	55%	39,184	58%
Members of One Section	187	18%	162	15%	10,766	20%	13,875	20%
Members of Two Sections	150	15%	87	8%	7,586	14%	8,407	12%
Members of Three Sections	54	5%	48	4%	3,423	6%	3,694	5%
Members of Four or More Sections	48	5%	39	4%	2,560	5%	2,604	4%

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Section Membership

Administrative and Public Law	10	1%	6	1%	1,061	2%	1,026	2%
African-American Lawyers	0	0%	1	<1%	170	<1%	262	<1%
Alternative Dispute Resolution	16	2%	13	1%	1,245	2%	1,081	2%
American Indian Law	3	<1%	3	<1%	109	<1%	89	<1%
Animal Law	---	---	2	<1%	---	---	243	<1%
Antitrust and Business Litigation	21	2%	14	1%	1,155	2%	1,118	2%
Appellate	29	3%	29	3%	1,445	3%	1,645	2%
Asian Pacific Islander Interest	---	---	1	<1%	---	---	137	<1%
Aviation Law	4	<1%	0	0%	203	<1%	214	<1%
Bankruptcy Law	---	---	15	1%	---	---	1,062	2%
Business Law	63	6%	36	3%	3,765	7%	3,487	5%
Computer and Technology	15	1%	2	<1%	783	1%	793	1%
Construction Law	16	2%	23	2%	911	2%	1,572	2%
Consumer Law	48	5%	17	2%	2,094	4%	1,218	2%
Corporate Counsel	22	2%	7	1%	2,297	4%	2,567	4%
Criminal Justice	32	3%	36	3%	1,521	3%	1,920	3%
Entertainment and Sports Law	8	1%	2	<1%	554	1%	452	1%
Environmental and Natural Resources	26	3%	9	1%	1,641	3%	1,171	2%
Family Law	72	7%	64	6%	3,523	6%	4,296	6%
General Practice, Solo, and Small Firm	30	3%	20	2%	1,739	3%	1,745	3%
Government Lawyers	17	2%	10	1%	604	1%	674	1%
Health Law	22	2%	13	1%	1,067	2%	1,150	2%
Hispanic Issues	13	1%	11	1%	260	<1%	328	<1%
Individual Rights and Responsibilities	5	<1%	1	<1%	268	<1%	158	<1%
Insurance Law	---	---	12	1%	---	---	1,473	2%
Intellectual Property Law	2	<1%	5	<1%	1,045	2%	1,574	2%
International Law	25	2%	11	1%	977	2%	755	1%
James C. Watson Inn	1	<1%	3	<1%	77	<1%	101	<1%
Judicial Sections	0	0%	0	0%	2	<1%	26	<1%
Justice of the Peace	3	<1%	2	<1%	55	<1%	59	<1%
Juvenile Law	6	1%	10	1%	458	1%	754	1%
Labor and Employment Law	68	7%	51	5%	2,027	4%	2,622	4%
Litigation	152	15%	107	10%	7,116	13%	7,279	11%
Military Law	3	<1%	2	<1%	159	<1%	175	<1%
Municipal Judges	6	1%	3	<1%	218	<1%	246	<1%
Oil, Gas and Energy Resources Law	10	1%	2	<1%	2,193	4%	1,945	3%
Public Utility Law	10	1%	2	<1%	322	1%	377	1%
Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law	100	10%	83	8%	5,605	10%	6,490	10%
School Law	12	1%	13	1%	466	1%	553	1%
Sexual Orientation/Gender Identification Issues	---	---	1	<1%	---	---	177	<1%
Taxation Law	27	3%	20	2%	1,501	3%	1,603	2%
Women and the Law	8	1%	5	<1%	559	1%	420	1%

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Board Certifications

Board Certified Attorneys	141	14%	145	14%	5,520	10%	6,639	10%
Attorneys Not Board Certified	891	86%	929	86%	49,096	90%	61,125	90%
Attorneys Board Certified in One Area	105	10%	119	11%	4,369	8%	5,510	8%
Attorneys Board Certified in Two Areas	35	3%	26	2%	1,021	2%	1,007	1%
Attorneys Board Certified in Three or More Areas	1	<1%	0	0%	130	<1%	122	<1%

Attorneys Board Certified In:

Administrative Law	0	0%	0	0%	163	<1%	172	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Business	10	1%	7	1%	180	<1%	160	<1%
Bankruptcy Law: Consumer	6	1%	7	1%	149	<1%	152	<1%
Civil Appellate Law	9	1%	11	1%	313	1%	392	1%
Civil Trial Law	35	3%	24	2%	1,236	2%	1,178	2%
Consumer and Commercial Law	0	0%	1	<1%	16	<1%	61	<1%
Criminal Law	10	1%	15	1%	630	1%	785	1%
Estate Planning and Probate Law	12	1%	10	1%	470	1%	613	1%
Family Law	19	2%	12	1%	609	1%	669	1%
Health Law	---	---	0	0%	---	---	34	<1%
Immigration and Nationality Law	3	<1%	2	<1%	64	<1%	79	<1%
Juvenile Law	---	---	1	<1%	---	---	50	<1%
Labor Law	7	1%	16	1%	212	<1%	460	1%
Oil, Gas and Mineral Law	0	0%	0	0%	259	<1%	258	<1%
Personal Injury Trial Law	43	4%	42	4%	1,405	3%	1,732	3%
Real Estate Law: Commercial	9	1%	12	1%	467	1%	477	1%
Real Estate Law: Farm and Ranch	0	0%	0	0%	112	<1%	94	<1%
Real Estate Law: Residential	6	1%	4	<1%	316	1%	311	<1%
Tax Law	9	1%	7	1%	216	<1%	223	<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.

Bar geography, such as county membership and various district memberships, is based on members' official address. In 1994-95, bar members' official address was determined by preferred mailing address, either home or work. Starting in 2003-04, bar members' official address was determined by work address; if work address was unavailable, home address was used.