



ABA National Lawyer Population Survey

Lawyer Population by State

Year 2017

| Resident Active Attorney Count | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| State | This Year | Last Year | % Change from Prior Year |
| Alabama | 14,717 | 14,666 | 0.3% |
| Alaska | 2,402 | 2,439 | -1.5% |
| American Samoa | 59 | 98 | -39.8% |
| Arizona | 14,960 | 15,926 | -6.1% |
| Arkansas | 6,851 | 7,320 | -6.4% |
| California | 168,746 | 167,690 | 0.6% |
| Colorado | 22,164 | 21,781 | 1.8% |
| Connecticut | 21,341 | 21,517 | -0.8% |
| Delaware | 2,978 | 2,952 | 0.9% |
| Dist. of Columbia | 54,692 | 52,711 | 3.8% |
| Florida | 77,008 | 75,697 | 1.7% |
| Georgia | 31,672 | 31,499 | 0.5% |
| Guam | 266 | 266 | 0.0% |
| Hawaii | 4,236 | 4,224 | 0.3% |
| Idaho | 3,836 | 3,714 | 3.3% |
| Illinois | 62,782 | 63,060 | -0.4% |
| Indiana | 15,826 | 18,546 | -14.7% |
| Iowa | 7,523 | 7,560 | -0.5% |
| Kansas | 8,218 | 8,234 | -0.2% |
| Kentucky | 13,509 | 13,451 | 0.4% |
| Louisiana | 19,307 | 19,099 | 1.1% |
| Maine | 3,940 | 3,931 | 0.2% |
| Maryland | 38,800 | 24,142 | 60.7% |
| Massachusetts | 43,442 | 43,221 | 0.5% |
| Michigan | 35,236 | 35,087 | 0.4% |
| Minnesota | 25,483 | 24,952 | 2.1% |
| Mississippi | 7,067 | 7,094 | -0.4% |
| Missouri | 24,787 | 24,922 | -0.5% |
| Montana | 3,159 | 3,140 | 0.6% |
| Nebraska | 5,545 | 5,506 | 0.7% |
| Nevada | 7,281 | 7,219 | 0.9% |
| New Hampshire | 3,507 | 3,506 | 0.0% |
| New Jersey | 41,168 | 41,569 | -1.0% |
| New Mexico | 5,524 | 5,581 | -1.0% |
| New York | 177,035 | 175,195 | 1.1% |
| North Carolina | 23,694 | 23,325 | 1.6% |
| North Dakota | 1,698 | 1,669 | 1.7% |
| North Mariana Islands | 123 | 126 | -2.4% |
| Ohio | 38,623 | 38,237 | 1.0% |
| Oklahoma | 13,470 | 13,431 | 0.3% |
| Oregon | 12,227 | 12,475 | -2.0% |
| Pennsylvania | 49,406 | 49,644 | -0.5% |
| Puerto Rico | 14,293 | 13,673 | 4.5% |
| Rhode Island | 4,167 | 4,219 | -1.2% |
| South Carolina | 10,316 | 10,208 | 1.1% |
| South Dakota | 1,933 | 1,960 | -1.4% |
| Tennessee | 18,461 | 18,288 | 0.9% |
| Texas | 89,361 | 87,957 | 1.6% |
| Utah | 8,204 | 8,468 | -3.1% |
| Vermont | 2,326 | 2,326 | 0.0% |
| Virgin Islands | 372 | 561 | -33.7% |
| Virginia | 24,249 | 24,193 | 0.2% |
| Washington | 25,786 | 25,577 | 0.8% |
| West Virginia | 4,862 | 4,922 | -1.2% |
| Wisconsin | 15,549 | 15,072 | 3.2% |
| Wyoming | 1,776 | 1,715 | 3.6% |
| TOTAL | 1,335,963 | 1,315,561 | 1.6% |

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* Individual state bar associations or licensing agencies are asked to provide the number of resident and active attorneys as of December 31st of the prior year, e.g. 2017 data is as of 12/31/2016. The numbers reflected here are the best available data provided to us from the respective associations or agencies.

Note: Vermont was not able to provide current data for 2017 so the data from the most recent submission were used. Also, four states had changes to the way they reported data from the prior year. The source of the Maryland data changed from the voluntary Maryland State Bar to the Maryland Supreme Court, which does not track residency status. Indiana was not able to provide a breakout of Active/Inactive status for Resident attorneys in 2016, but was able to for 2017. American Samoa had not provided Residency or Active status details in recent years, but was able to provide it for the 2017 survey. Virgin Islands changed their classifications for the Active/Inactive status for the 2017 survey.

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