



# ABA National Lawyer Population Survey

## Lawyer Population by State

Year 2019

Resident Active Attorney Count			
State	This Year	Last Year	% Change from Prior Year
Alabama	14,821	14,822	0.0%
Alaska	2,324	2,311	0.6%
American Samoa	55	59	-6.8%
Arizona	15,081	15,601	-3.3%
Arkansas	6,693	7,080	-5.5%
California	170,117	170,044	0.0%
Colorado	22,802	21,099	8.1%
Connecticut	21,036	21,111	-0.4%
Delaware	3,058	2,978	2.7%
Dist. of Columbia	56,135	53,778	4.4%
Florida	78,448	78,244	0.3%
Georgia	32,409	32,802	-1.2%
Guam	262	270	-3.0%
Hawaii	4,270	4,261	0.2%
Idaho	3,911	3,882	0.7%
Illinois	62,720	63,422	-1.1%
Indiana	15,845	15,826	0.1%
Iowa	7,306	7,454	-2.0%
Kansas	8,045	8,131	-1.1%
Kentucky	13,570	13,540	0.2%
Louisiana	20,568	18,918	8.7%
Maine	3,995	3,988	0.2%
Maryland	40,800	40,309	1.2%
Massachusetts	42,788	42,926	-0.3%
Michigan	35,453	35,362	0.3%
Minnesota	25,823	25,252	2.3%
Mississippi	6,886	7,007	-1.7%
Missouri	24,369	24,754	-1.6%
Montana	3,184	3,179	0.2%
Nebraska	5,555	5,565	-0.2%
Nevada	7,030	7,333	-4.1%
New Hampshire	3,523	3,523	0.0%
New Jersey	41,152	41,021	0.3%
New Mexico	5,612	5,428	3.4%
New York	182,296	179,600	1.5%
North Carolina	24,253	24,087	0.7%
North Dakota	1,687	1,694	-0.4%
North Mariana Islands	134	128	4.7%
Ohio	38,189	37,873	0.8%
Oklahoma	11,768	11,695	0.6%
Oregon	12,274	12,427	-1.2%
Pennsylvania	50,039	50,112	-0.1%
Puerto Rico	13,944	14,008	-0.5%
Rhode Island	4,071	4,154	-2.0%
South Carolina	10,568	10,445	1.2%
South Dakota	1,995	1,995	0.0%
Tennessee	18,702	18,695	0.0%
Texas	91,244	90,485	0.8%
Utah	8,362	8,285	0.9%
Vermont	3,612	2,227	62.2%
Virgin Islands	776	776	0.0%
Virginia	24,230	24,208	0.1%
Washington	26,182	26,057	0.5%
West Virginia	4,770	4,849	-1.6%
Wisconsin	15,512	15,539	-0.2%
Wyoming	1,773	1,716	3.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,352,027</b>	<b>1,342,335</b>	<b>0.7%</b>

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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. 2019 data is as of 12/31/2018. The numbers reflected here are the best available data provided to us from the respective associations or agencies.

Notes: Virgin Islands was not able to provide residency in 2018 due to Hurricanes Irma and Maria. In 2019, Maryland, Nevada, and New York provided corrected 2018 lawyer counts; this report reflects the corrected 2018 total attorney count. In 2019, four agencies had changes in the availability of residency data. Arkansas adopted a new software system and cleaned up data; the decrease in 2019 is a more accurate representation of Resident Active Lawyers. Louisiana changed how it reports residency status, causing an increase in the reported lawyer count. Minnesota and Vermont no longer track resident/non-resident status; the counts now reflects all active lawyers. New Hampshire, South Dakota, and Virgin Islands did not provide current data for 2019, so prior year's stats were used.

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