

2000 Law Societies Statistics

2000 - Statistiques des ordres professionnels de juristes

This research document gathers statistics on the number of lawyers and law firms within each Canadian jurisdiction, insurance fees and coverage, fees remitted to Law Societies, and the number of claims and amounts paid out from the compensation funds. The statistics were provided to the Federation of Law Societies of Canada by the thirteen (13) Law Societies in Canada. The information is for the period of January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000.

Ce document de travail rassemble des statistiques portant sur le nombre de membres et de cabinets dans chaque juridiction canadienne, la couverture et les frais associés à l'assurance, le montant des cotisations prélevées par les ordres professionnels de juristes et les montants déboursés des fonds d'indemnisation. Ces renseignements sont remis à la Fédération des ordres professionnels de juristes du Canada par les treize (13) ordres professionnels de juristes au Canada. La période rapportée est celle du 1 janvier 2000 au 31 décembre 2000.

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MEMBERSHIP

As at December 31, 2000
Au 31 décembre 2000

NOMBRE DE MEMBRES

Law Society of Barreau de la province	British Columbia/e- Britannique	Alberta	Saskat- chewan	Manitoba	Ontario	Barreau du Québec	Chambre des Notaires du Québec	New/ Nouveau- Brunswick	Nova Scotia Nouvelle- Écosse	P. E. I. I.-P.-É.	Newfound land / Terre- Neuve	Northwest Territories / T.N.-O.	Yukon	TOTAL
Practising Members – Insured Membres en exercice – Assurés														
Female / Femme	1,607	1,256	350	314	4,068	5,077	1,384	213	448	43	125	20	20	14,925
Male / Homme	5,060	3,761	999	1,089	13,151	7,939	1,747	679	1,074	95	316	47	38	35,995
Total	6,667	5,017	1,349	1,403	17,219	13,016	3,131	892	1,522	138	441	67	58	50,920
Practising Members – Exempted From Insurance / Membres en exercice - Exempts de l'Assurance														
Female / Femme	829	551	47	116	2,503	2,800	D/A	84	0	29	47	23	21	7,050
Male / Homme	923	778	92	157	2,989	3,032	D/A	142	1	25	88	24	26	8,277
Total	1,752	1,329	139	273	5,492	5,832	D/A	226	1	54	135	47	47	15,327
Practising Members - Non-Resident Membres en exercice - Non-résidents														
Female / Femme	127	99	86	9	162	Included in Practising / Compris ds	D/A	38	13	1	2	32	18	587
Male / Homme	263	349	15	52	407	<i>Membres en exercice</i>	D/A	68	48	6	15	131	100	1,454
Total	390	448	101	61	569		D/A	106	61	7	17	163	118	2,041
Non Practising Members Membres non en exercice														
Female / Femme	579	679	183	94	2,722	Included in Exempted members/ Compris ds exempts de l'assurance	34	123	289	13	53	53	2	4,824
Male / Homme	765	1,224	382	157	4,524		309	136	402	19	104	95	8	8,125
Total	1,344	1,903	565	251	7,246		343	259	691	32	157	148	10	12,949
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP / TOTAL DE MEMBRES	10,153	8,697	2,154	1,988	30,526	18,848	3,474	1,483	2,275	231	750	425	233	81,237

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP CHART

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NOMBRE TOTAL DE MEMBRES

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Practising - Non-Resident En exercice - Non-résident	390	448	101	61	569	Included in Practising / <i>Compris ds</i> <i>Membres en</i> <i>exercice</i>	D/A	106	61	7	17	163	118	2,041
Non Practising and Others / Non en exercice et autres These categories vary from society to society. It is difficult to compare the results. / Ces catégories varient entre les ordres. Il est difficile de comparer les résultats.	1,344 Non- practising Retired	1,903 Non- practising Retired Judges	565 Non- practising Retired / Senior life member	251	7,246	Included in Exempted members/ <i>Compris ds</i> <i>exempts de</i> <i>l'assurance</i>	343 <i>Membres</i> <i>non en</i> <i>exercice et</i> <i>non inscrits</i> <i>au Tableau</i> <i>de l'ordre</i>	259	691 Judge, Life Retired Honorary Suspended	32 Non- practising Retired Suspended	157 Non- practising Honorary	148 Non- practising Suspended	10 Suspended	12,949
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP / NOMBRE TOTAL DE MEMBRES	10,153	8,697	2,154	1,988	30,526	18,848	3,474	1,483	2,275	231	750	425	233	81,237

LAW FIRMS

As at December 31, 2000
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CABINETS D'AVOCATS

Law Society of Barreau de la province	British Columbia/- Britannique	Alberta	Saskat- chewan	Manitoba	Ontario	Barreau du Québec	Chambre des Notaires du Québec	New/ Nouveau- Brunswick	Nova Scotia Nouvelle- Écosse	P. E. I. I.-P.-É.	Newfound land / Terre- Neuve	Northwest Territories / T.N.-O.	Yukon
Law Firms Cabinets d'avocats													
Sole Practitioners Praticiens seuls	2,022	1,171	180	226	6,357	N/A	1,205	209	268	23	50	13	18
2 - 10 lawyers/avocats	700	507	141	116	1,859	392	512	123	129	20	59	12	9
11 - 25 lawyers/avocats	45	28	9	15	112	53	5	4	8	2	8	0	0
26 - 50 lawyers/avocats	13	17	4	1	24	22	0	3	3	0	1	0	0
51 + lawyers/avocats	14	10	0	5	28	23	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Professional Corporations <i>professionnelles</i>	1,668	1,669	D/A	27	D/A	D/A	D/A	46	74	11	D/A	D/A	30
Foreign legal consultants / Conseillers juridiques étrangers	8	0	0	D/A	N/A	D/A	D/A	0	0	0	0	D/A	D/A

LAWYERS IN LAW FIRMS

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AVOCATS AU SEIN DES CABINETS

Law Society of Barreau de la province	British Columbia/e- Britannique	Alberta	Saskat- chewan	Manitoba	Ontario	Barreau du Québec	Chambre des Notaires du Québec	New/ Nouveau- Brunswick	Nova Scotia Nouvelle- Écosse	P. E. I. I.-P.-É.	Newfound land / Terre- Neuve	Northwest Territories / T.N.-O.	Yukon
Lawyers in Law Firms Avocats au sein des cabinets													
Sole Practitioners													
Female / Femme	480	298	33	38	1,252	N/A	490	48	62	5	15	3	7
Male / Homme	1,542	873	147	188	5,105	N/A	715	161	206	18	35	10	11
Total	2,022	1,171	180	226	6,357	N/A	1,205	209	268	23	50	13	18
2 - 10 lawyers													
Female / Femme	557	446	108	83	1,028	N/A	434	78	114	29	46	19	11
Male / Homme	1,915	1,395	399	308	3,582	N/A	724	331	347	53	130	38	26
Total	2,472	1,841	509	391	4,610	459	1,158	409	461	82	176	57	37
11 - 25 lawyers													
Female / Femme	147	119	28	36	387	N/A	23	29	34	10	43	0	0
Male / Homme	514	337	118	186	1,258	N/A	36	50	111	23	104	0	0
Total	661	456	146	222	1,645	69	59	79	145	33	147	0	0
26 - 50 lawyers													
Female / Femme	114	148	26	5	240	N/A	0	18	26	0	9	0	0
Male / Homme	317	429	91	24	583	N/A	0	68	83	0	21	0	0
Total	431	577	117	29	823	49	0	86	109	0	30	0	0
51 + lawyers													
Female / Femme	298	230	0	69	1,116	N/A	0	15	42	0	0	0	0
Male / Homme	742	693	0	256	2,524	N/A	0	39	94	0	0	0	0
Total	1,040	923	0	325	3,640	N/A	0	54	136	0	0	0	0
Female / Femme	1,596	1,241	195	231	4,023	N/A	947	188	278	44	113	22	18
Male / Homme	5,030	3,727	755	962	13,052	N/A	1,475	649	841	94	290	48	37
TOTAL	6,626	4,968	950	1,193	17,075	577	2,422	837	1,119	138	403	70	55

ADMISSIONS

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ADMISSIONS

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Articling students <i>Étudiants stagiaires</i>													
Female / Femme	176	140	30	39	607	441	46	30	40	4	20	5	2
Male / Homme	173	137	33	37	564	249	11	16	37	7	14	4	2
Total	349	277	63	76	1,171	690	57	46	77	11	34	9	4
Students admitted to bar admission course / Étudiants inscrits au cours d'admission du barreau													
Female / Femme	159	140	30	39	615	567	29	30	37	4	18	4	<i>Bar Admission through PLTC of LSBC.</i>
Male / Homme	171	137	33	37	589	401	9	16	42	7	13	4	
Total	330	277	63	76	1,204	968	38	46	79	11	31	8	
Students called to the bar <i>Étudiants admis à la profession</i>													
Female / Femme	171	141	29	38	582	440	36	28	36	5	16	5	3
Male / Homme	148	144	26	37	583	285	12	22	32	2	16	1	0
Total	319	285	55	75	1,165	725	48	50	68	7	32	6	3
Transfers from other jurisdiction <i>Transferts d'une autre juridiction</i>													
Female / Femme	28	34	4	2	28	0	D/A	5	5	1	1	3	3
Male / Homme	42	34	5	6	46	0	D/A	2	5	1	2	12	0
Total	70	68	9	8	74	0	D/A	7	10	2	3	15	3
Occasional Appearance Certificates <i>Certificats occasionnels</i>													
Female / Femme	N/A	N/A	2	0	16	0	D/A	16	3	0	0	11	6
Male / Homme	N/A	3	33	4	84	0	D/A	67	11	0	0	57	25
Total	N/A	3	35	4	100	0	D/A	83	14	0	0	68	31

PRACTICING FEES

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FRAIS LIÉS À L'EXERCICE

Law Society of Barreau de la province	British Columbia/e- Britannique	Alberta	Saskat- chewan	Manitoba	Ontario	Barreau du Québec	Chambre des Notaires du Québec	New/ Nouveau- Brunswick	Nova Scotia Nouvelle- Écosse	P. E. I. I.-P.-É.	Newfound land / Terre- Neuve	Northwest Territories / T.N.-O.	Yukon
Practising Fee Cotisation pour membres en exercice	\$ 905	\$ 842	\$ 990	\$ 895	\$ 1,782	\$ 773 \$ 233 - 1st year \$ 489 - 2nd year \$ 591 - 3rd year	\$ 500	\$ 925	\$ 1,015 * A credit of \$75 was applied for net payment of \$1090.	\$ 1,730	\$1,095	\$ 425	\$ 600
Other mandatory practising fees / Autres frais associés à l'exercice	\$ 80 - Benevolent Society	—	\$ 495 Professors	\$ 100 Education Levy	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Non practising fee Cotisation pour membres Non en exercice	\$ 200	\$ 125	\$ 150	\$ 125	50% or 25% of full- time fees above	\$ 773.-	D/A	\$ 250	\$ 200	\$ 250	\$ 250	\$ 225	\$ 500
Other categories Autres catégories	\$ 75 - Retired \$ 125 - Application and Admission Fee	\$ 422 - Application and Admission Fee	\$175 Application and Admission Fee	\$ 475 - Application and Admission Fee	\$ 125 - Application and Admission Fee	—	—	\$ 46 - Life & retired members \$175 - Application and Admission Fee	\$ 50 Retired members	\$ 50 Retired members \$ 350 Application and Admission Fee	\$ 300 Application and Admission Fee	—	\$ 749 Application and Admission Fee

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Insurance – Practising Assurance - En exercice													
Base Insurance Fee / Contribution au fonds d'assurance	\$ 1,500	\$ 2,436	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,600	\$ 2,800	\$ 1	\$ 2,950	\$ 1,900	\$ 1,400	\$ 3,730	\$ 3,800	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,123
Adjustments/ Surcharges Ajustements/ Surcharges	\$ 1,000 surcharge on paid indemnity claim each year for 5 years	Surcharge on paid claims in last 5 years: 30% for 1 paid claim 75% for 2 paid claims 150% for 3 paid claims 300% for 4 or more paid claims	30% for 1 paid claim 75% for 2 paid claims 150% for 3 or more paid claims during the policy year	Surcharge is imposed based on claims history	Surcharge on paid claims in last 5 years: 1 or 2 claims: \$2500 / claim 3-5 claims: \$5,000 / claim 6 + claims: \$10,000 / claim	N/A	<i>Surprime de 25% sur 1e indemnité supérieure 10,000.00\$ sur période de 5 ans: surprime de 60% sur 2 indemnité et 100% sur 3e indemnité</i>	50% increase in fee for 3 years after 2 paid claims within 7 policy period: 75% for 3 paid claims, 87.5% for 4 paid claims and 100% for 5 paid claims.	N/A	Graduated surcharge in increments of 50% of base premium for successive paid claims in 5-year period.	Surcharge of \$5,000 if 2 claims paid in 5 year period: \$10,000 for 3 claims, \$15,000 for 4 claims, \$25,000 for 5 claims.	30% increase for 1 paid claim in last 5 years: 75% for 2 paid claims, 150% for 3 paid claims 300% for 4 paid claims	One charge to member for paid claim - 30% increase, therefore paid \$2,780 for year.
Compensation fund Fond d'indemnisation													
\$	\$ 150	\$ 92	\$ 20	\$ 75	\$ 235 (also broken down to 50% or 25%)	\$ 25	\$ 240 (+cotisation supplément- aire de \$120)	\$ 50	\$ 45	\$ 100 (Practising) \$ 50 (non-pract.)	\$ 52	\$ 125	\$ 100
Canadian Bar Association Ass. du Barreau Canadien													
Minimum \$	\$ 220.65	D/A	D/A	D/A	D/A	D/A	D/A	\$ 106.55	D/A	D/A	D/A	D/A	D/A
Maximum \$	\$ 343.15	D/A	D/A	D/A	D/A	D/A	D/A	\$ 348.62	D/A	D/A	D/A	D/A	D/A

INSURANCE

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ASSURANCE

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COVERAGE COUVERTURE													
Compulsory coverage Couverture obligatoire													
\$	1 million	1 million	1 million	1 million	1 million	5 million	1 million	1 million	1 million	1 million	1 million	1 million	1 million
Annual aggregate Limite annuelle													
\$	2 million	2 million	2 million	2 million	2 million	D/A	1 million	2 million	2 million	2 million	2 million	2 million	2 million
Group deductible Franchise de groupe													
\$	N/A	300,000	200,000	300,000	\$ 0 - \$25,000 depending on options that member elects	D/A	2 million	200,000	300,000	D/A	0	D/A	D/A
Individual deductible * Franchise individuelle *													
\$ Minimum	\$ 5,000	\$5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 0 -	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 5,000	\$ 0	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	D/A
\$ Maximum		Waived on claims re- ported after July.01.97.	\$ 7,500 \$ 10,000	\$ 20,000	\$25,000 depending on options that member elects		\$ 0	\$ 10,000	\$ D/A	D/A	D/A	D/A	D/A
The individual deductible in some Law Societies increases according to the number of claims which have been paid against the member, generally over a 5 year period. The insurance premium can also increase according to the number of claims paid against the member. / <i>Chez certains ordres, la franchise individuelle augmente selon le nombre de réclamations payées contre le membre. La cotisation peut également augmenter selon le nombre de réclamations payées.</i>													

COMPENSATION FUND

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FONDS D'INDEMNISATION

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COVERAGE COUVERTURE													
Limit of coverage Limite de couverture													
\$ Per lawyer Par avocat	No cap Aucune	No cap Aucune	\$250,000	No cap Aucune	No cap Aucune	\$250,000	No cap Aucune	While there are no prescribed limitations. Council may impose limits that it deems reasonable	\$0	½ of amount in fund at July 1 st *	\$ 1,000,000	No cap Aucune	No cap Aucune
Per claim Par récl.	No cap Aucune	No cap Aucune	No cap Aucune	No cap Aucune	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$100,000		1,000,000	No cap Aucune	1,000,000	50,000	500,000
Annual Aggregate	Yes	None Aucune	None Aucune	None Aucune	None Aucune	None Aucune	None Aucune	None Aucune	2,000,000	None Aucune	2,000,000	300,000	None Aucune
CLAIMS RÉCLAMATIONS													
New Received Nouvelles reçues	30	10	0	9	261	47	150	0	245	0	39	0	0
Outstanding En réserve	39	11	1	11	209	54	190	3	322	0	80	0	0
Claims paid Récl. payées	10	6	3	7	185	39	69	0	31	0	11	0	0
Amount paid Montant payé	\$363,022	\$ 54,336	\$ 1,168	\$ 49,955	\$4,658,491	\$192,894	\$383 239	\$ 0	\$307,814	\$ 0	\$597,036	\$ 0	\$ 0

D/A = Does not apply / Ne s'applique pas.

N/A = Not available / Non disponible.

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