



NOVA SCOTIA BARRISTERS' SOCIETY

## STATISTICAL SNAPSHOT

August 2012

<b>Membership</b>					
	<b>Male</b>	<b>% of Total</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>% of Total</b>	
<b>Practising</b>	1188	62.5%	712	37.5%	1900
<b>Practising – More than 50 Years</b>	13	100%	0	0.0%	13
<b>Non – Practising Including Retired</b>	420	52.0%	387	48.0%	807
<b>Life</b>	37	90.2%	4	9.8%	41
<b>Articling Clerks - NS</b>	36	55.4%	29	44.6%	65

### **Practising Membership – Geographical Distribution (Note 1)**

	<b>Male</b>	<b>% of District</b>	<b>% of Male Population</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>% of District</b>	<b>% of Female Population</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>% by District</b>
<b>HRM</b>	796	60.5%	66.3%	520	39.5%	73.0%	1316	68.8%
<b>Southwestern</b>	154	75.9%	12.8%	49	24.1%	6.9%	203	10.6%
<b>Central</b>	111	60.7%	9.3%	72	39.3%	10.1%	183	9.6%
<b>Cape Breton</b>	90	67.2%	7.5%	44	32.8%	6.2%	134	7.0%
<b>Outside NS</b>	50	64.9%	4.2%	27	35.1%	3.8%	77	4.0%

### **Practising Membership – Diversity (from 2012 Annual Member Report)**

	<b>% of Population</b>
<b>Acadian/Acadien</b>	3.2%
<b>African Nova Scotian / Black</b>	2.1%
<b>Mi'kmaq / Aboriginal</b>	2.2%
<b>Visible Minority</b>	0.7%
<b>Gay Lesbian Bi-Sexual Transgendered</b>	2.0%
<b>Disabled</b>	1.3%
<b>None of The Above</b>	61.6%
<b>Chose not to answer</b>	26.0%

### **Type of Practise (from 2012 Annual Member Report) (Note 2)**

	<b>Male</b>	<b>% of Type</b>	<b>% of Male Population</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>% of Type</b>	<b>% of Female Population</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>% by Type</b>
<b>Partner</b>	368	78.5%	30.6%	101	21.5%	14.2%	469	24.5%
<b>Government / Public Sector</b>	258	52.3%	21.5%	235	47.7%	33.0%	493	25.8%
<b>Associate</b>	173	52.9%	14.4%	154	47.1%	21.6%	327	17.1%
<b>Sole Practitioner</b>	200	76.0%	16.7%	63	24.0%	8.8%	263	13.7%
<b>Employed Lawyer</b>	74	56.5%	6.2%	57	43.5%	8.0%	131	6.8%
<b>All other</b>	128	55.7%	10.7%	102	44.3%	14.3%	230	12.0%



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<b>Area of Law</b> (percentage of time – from 2012 Annual Member Report)					
	<b>Male</b>		<b>Female</b>		<b>Aggregate</b>
<b>Civil Litigation</b>	16.7%		14.3%		15.8%
<b>Criminal</b>	15.6%		12.1%		14.3%
<b>Real Estate</b>	15.5%		7.2%		12.5%
<b>Corporate</b>	12.6%		9.9%		11.6%
<b>“Other”</b>	10.5%		13.0%		11.4%
<b>Family</b>	6.4%		15.6%		9.8%
<b>All others</b> (7 areas including Administrative, Wills, Tax, etc)	22.7%		27.9%		24.6%

  

<b>Years Since Call</b>				
	<b>2006</b>		<b>2012</b>	
<b>0-7</b>	432	24.5%	452	24.0%
<b>8-16</b>	451	25.6%	441	23.3%
<b>17-26</b>	448	25.4%	437	23.2%
<b>27+</b>	432	24.5%	557	29.5%

**Notes:**

- (1) Geographic Distribution: “% of District” refers to the gender split within the District – in the case of HRM, 60.5% of the 1,316 Practising Members are Male. “% of Male Population” refers to the gender distribution among the Districts – in the case of Male Practising Lawyers, 66.3% of the 1,201 Practising Male Lawyers work in the HRM. “% by District” refers to the total distribution of all practising members by district.
- (2) Type of Practise Distribution: “% of Type” refers to the gender split within each of the identified Types of Practice. In the case of Partners, 78.5% of the 469 Partners are Male. “% of Male Population” refers to the gender distribution among the Practise Types – in the case of Males, 30.6% of the 1,201 Practising Male Lawyers are Partners.

Some percentages may not add to 100% due to Rounding. In the case of the “Diversity” percentages, a member may fall into more than one group, therefore those percentages will not add to 100%.