

### Barristers subject to reports

In 2020 the Bar Standards Board received reports about 891 barristers.


The characteristics<sup>1</sup> of these barristers were:


Age		
<p>“ From the list of age bands below, please indicate the category that includes your current age in years:</p>		
Response	Barristers	Percentage of total
16 - 24	10	1.1%
25 - 34	120	13.5%
35 - 44	211	23.7%
45 - 54	227	25.5%
55 - 64	130	14.6%
65 +	54	6.1%
Prefer not to say	6	0.7%
No information	133	14.9%

Gender		
<p>“ What is your gender?</p>		
Response	Barristers	Percentage of total
Male	585	65.7%
Female	274	30.8%
Prefer not to say	9	1.0%
No information	23	2.6%

Gender Identity		
<p>“ Is your gender identity the same as the sex that you were assigned at birth?</p>		
Response	Barristers	Percentage of total
Yes	294	33.0%
No	3	0.3%
Prefer not to say	9	1.0%
No information	585	65.7%

Disability		
<p>“ Do you consider yourself to have a disability according to the definition in the Equality Act?</p>		
Response	Barristers	Percentage of total
Yes	39	4.4%
No	419	47.0%
Prefer not to say	19	2.1%
No information	414	46.5%
<p>“ Are your day-to-day activities limited because of a health problem or disability which has lasted, or is expected to last, at least 12 months?</p>		
Response	Barristers	Percentage of total
Yes, limited a lot	13	1.5%
Yes, limited a little	28	3.1%
No	293	32.9%
Prefer not to say	16	1.8%
No information	541	60.7%

Ethnic Group		
 What is your ethnic group?		
Response	Barristers	Percentage of total
<b>Asian/Asian British</b>		
Bangladeshi	8	0.9%
Chinese	6	0.7%
Indian	24	2.7%
Pakistani	33	3.7%
Any other Asian background	6	0.7%
<b>Black/African/Caribbean/Black British</b>		
African	17	1.9%
Caribbean	17	1.9%
Any other black/Caribbean/Black British background	1	0.1%
<b>Mixed/multiple ethnic groups</b>		
White and Asian	6	0.7%
White and Black African	3	0.3%
White and Black Caribbean	3	0.3%
White and Chinese	1	0.1%
Any other Mixed/multiple ethnic background	7	0.8%
<b>White</b>		
British/English/Welsh/Northern Irish/Scottish	577	64.8%
Irish	24	2.7%
Gypsy or Irish Traveller	0	0.0%
Any other White background	33	3.7%
<b>Other ethnic group</b>		
Arab	2	0.2%
Any other ethnic group	16	1.8%
<b>Prefer not to say</b>		
Prefer not to say	15	1.7%
<b>No information</b>		
No information	92	10.3%

Religion or belief		
 What is your religion or belief?		
Response	Barristers	Percentage of total
No religion or belief	124	13.9%
Buddhist	6	0.7%
Christian	202	22.7%
Hindu	6	0.7%
Jewish	22	2.5%
Muslim	20	2.2%
Sikh	5	0.6%
Any other religion	8	0.9%
Prefer not to say	44	4.9%
No information	454	51.0%

Sexual orientation		
<p>“ What is your sexual orientation?</p>		
Response	Barristers	Percentage of total
Bisexual	9	1.0%
Gay man	10	1.1%
Gay woman/lesbian	7	0.8%
Heterosexual/straight	402	45.1%
Other	1	0.1%
Prefer not to say	0	0.0%
No information	462	51.9%

Socio-economic background		
<p>“ If you went to University (to study a BA, BSc course or higher), were you part of the first generation of your family to do so?</p>		
Response	Barristers	Percentage of total
Yes	203	22.8%
No	219	24.6%
Did not attend University	1	0.1%
Prefer not to say	17	1.9%
No Information	451	50.6%
<p>“ Did you mainly attend a state or fee paying school between the ages 11-18?</p>		
Response	Barristers	Percentage of total
UK State School	257	28.8%
UK Independent/Fee-paying School	142	15.9%
Attended school outside the UK	38	4.3%
Prefer not to say	26	2.9%
No Information	428	48.0%

Caring responsibilities		
<p>“ Are you a primary carer for a child or children under 18?</p>		
Response	Barristers	Percentage of total
Yes	111	12.5%
No	331	37.1%
Prefer not to say	19	2.1%
No Information	430	48.3%
<p>“ Do you look after, or give any help or support to family members, friends, neighbours or others because of either: — Long-term physical or mental ill-health/disability — Problems related to old age?</p>		
Response	Barristers	Percentage of total
No	355	39.8%
Yes, 1 - 19 hours a week	53	5.9%
Yes, 20 - 49 hours a week	3	0.3%
Yes, 50 or more hours a week	10	1.1%
Prefer not to say	23	2.6%
No Information	447	50.2%