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## Summary of Self-Reported Pro Bono Service for 2015

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### Response Rates

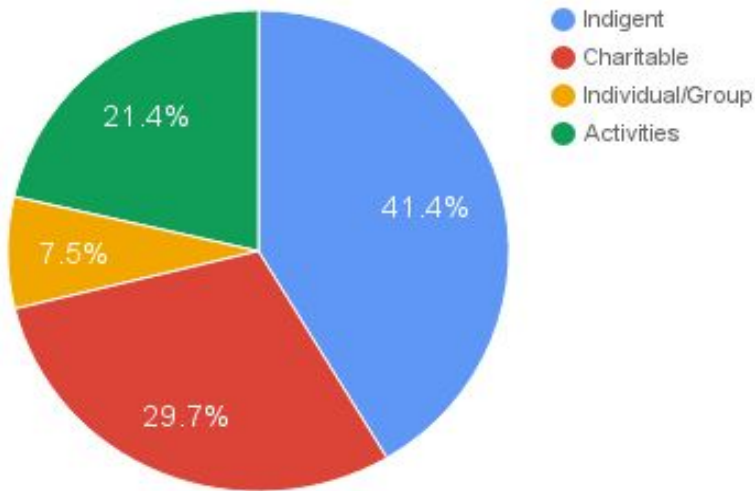
A total of 3916 Arkansas-licensed attorneys out of 5970 completed and returned a pro bono form to the Clerk of the Arkansas Supreme Court in conjunction with their annual license renewal fees and mandatory IOLTA Compliance Report. Of the 3916, 614 (15.6%) reported having performed NO pro bono services, while 3302 (84.3%) reported having performed SOME pro bono service. Of the 3,015 attorneys that reported their pro bono hours, 768 (25.5%) reported fifty or more hours, satisfying rule 6.1 of the Arkansas Rules of Professional Conduct. Of those who reported their hours, attorneys averaged 36.42 hours. In total, Arkansas attorneys reported 110,026.46 hours in 2015.

1. Number of “Y” applications (3021)
2. Number of “N” applications (614)
3. Number of “U” applications (189)

The previous reporting year (2014), 31.3% reported NO pro bono service and 68.7% reported pro bono hours, so there has been a very significant improvement in participation. However, the average amount of hours served, along with the total hours reported, were very similar between 2014 and 2015.

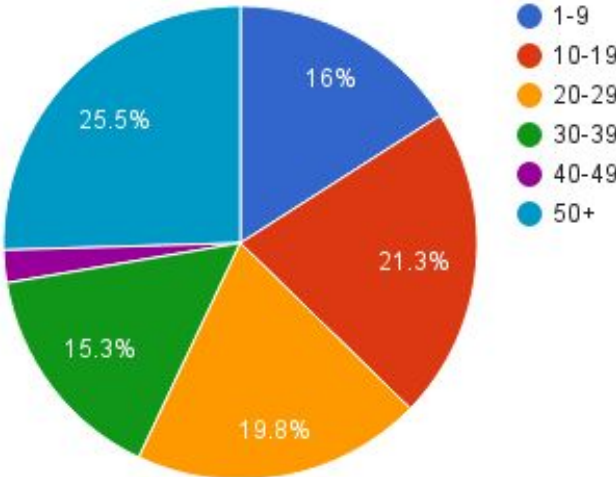
**Chart 1: Volunteer Activity by Category**

1. Indigent (2267)
2. Charitable (1625)
3. Individual/Group (410)
4. Activities (1169)



**Chart 2: Pro Bono Hours Worked by Those Who Reported Hours (3,015 of 3,916)**

- 1. 0-9 (481)
- 2. 10-19 (643)
- 3. 20-29 (596)
- 4. 30-39 (460)
- 5. 40-49 (67)
- 6. 50+ (768)



**Chart 3: Reasons For Not Providing or Reporting Pro Bono Service**

1. Inactive (20)
2. Full time legal aid/nonprofit/military attorney (11)
3. Out of state (10)
4. Unknown (9)
5. No longer practicing (6)
6. Judge (3)
7. Public defender (1)
8. State prosecutor (1)
9. Donated money (1)
10. Illness (1)
11. Unable to practice privately (1)
12. Chose not to answer (1)

