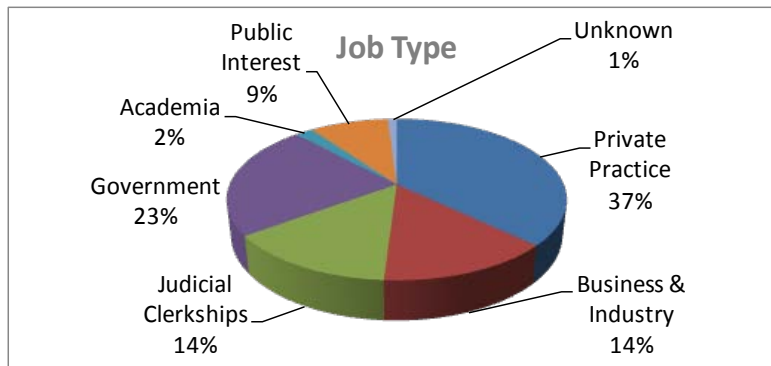


## Graduate Employment: 2010

Based on the known employment status of the class, 94% of our 2010 graduates secured employment by nine months after graduation. Graduates obtained jobs in the following categories: 37% in private practice; 14% in business and industry; 14% in judicial clerkships; 23% in government; 2% in academia; and 9% in public interest organizations; 1% job type unspecified.



**Percent Reporting:** 98%

### Private Practice

- Self-employed (1%)
- 2 to 10 attorney firms (44%)
- 11 to 25 attorney firms (5%)
- 26 to 50 attorney firms (4%)
- 51 to 100 attorney firms (7%)
- 101 to 250 attorney firm (10%)
- 251 to 500 attorney firm (10%)
- 501 or more attorney firms (16%)
- Firm size unknown (3%)

### Judicial Clerkships

- 81% in state courts
- 19% in federal courts

### Entry Level Starting Salaries

*Market for Law Graduates Changes with Recession:*

*Class of 2010 Faced New Challenges [employment and salaries]*

<http://www.nalp.org/09salpressrel>

- Class of 2010 UMD Law Graduates Percent Reporting Salary: 81%
- Private Sector Overall: 25<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$50,000; Median--\$70,000; 75<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$125,000
- Public Sector Overall: 25<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$45,000; Median--\$50,000; 75<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$60,000
- Private Practice: 25<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$50,000; Median--\$85,000; 75<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$145,000
- Government: 25<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$56,000; Median--\$60,000; 75<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$60,000
- Judicial Clerkships: 25<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$42,000; Median--\$45,000; 75<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$45,000
- Business/Industry: 25<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$60,000; Median--\$68,300; 75<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$70,000
- Public Interest: 25<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$45,000; Median--\$46,000; 75<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$48,000
- Academic: 25<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$45,000; Median--\$46,500; 75<sup>th</sup> percentile--\$63,000

### Government

- 79% federal
- 11% state
- 10% local

### Full-Time vs. Part-Time Employment

- 83% of positions obtained were full-time positions
- 17% of positions obtained were part-time positions

### Legal, Law-related and Other Professional Employment

- 78% of positions required bar admission
- 8% of positions were "JD Advantage" jobs where a JD was a qualifying degree
- 14% of positions were in professions unrelated to law
- 8% of positions obtained were law-school funded

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### **Geographic Locations**

- New England (CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, VT): 1%
- Mid-Atlantic (NJ, NY, PA): 4%
- East North Central (IL, IN, MI, OH, WI): 1%
- West North Central (IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, ND, SD): 1%
- South Atlantic (DC, MD, DE, VA, FL, GA, NC, SC, WV): 88%
- West South Central (AR, LA, OK, TX): 1%
- Mountain (AZ, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, UT, WY): 1%
- Pacific (AK, CA, HI, OR, WA): 1%
- Foreign: 2%

### **Employment Type**

**Bar Passage Required** – A position in this category requires the graduate to pass a bar exam and to be licensed to practice law in one or more jurisdictions. These positions are traditional entry level attorney positions in the private and public sector.

**JD Advantage** – A position in this category is one for which the employer sought an individual with a JD, and perhaps even required a JD, or for which the JD provided a demonstrable advantage in obtaining or performing the job, but itself does not require bar passage, an active law license, or involve practicing law. Examples of jobs in this category are Presidential Management Fellows; law school administration; legislative directors; industry, regulatory and policy analysts.

**Law School Funded** – A position that is funded in some part by the law school or its university campus. These positions include JD Legal Fellows, Clinical Law Program Fellows and academic program managers.