

Shrinking Summers

Firm *	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Percent Change 2008-2009	Length of 2009 Program
Latham & Watkins	73	63	68	80	26	-68% ▼	10 weeks
Shearman & Sterling	75	98	71	133	53	-60% ▼	9 weeks
Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson	55	76	60	69	32	-54% ▼	10 weeks
Jones Day	45	35	45	49	25	-49% ▼	12 weeks
Simpson Thacher & Bartlett	92	132	111	111	57	-49% ▼	13 weeks
White & Case	54	66	44	113	59	-48% ▼	10 weeks
Clifford Chance	32	26	40	47	25	-47% ▼	10 weeks
Kaye Scholer	32	28	34	36	19	-47% ▼	10 weeks
Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy	54	61	79	87	56	-36% ▼	10 weeks
Willkie Farr & Gallagher	53	43	66	67	47	-30% ▼	12 weeks
Schulte Roth & Zabel	58	52	45	62	46	-26% ▼	8 weeks
Cravath, Swaine & Moore	79	101	92	161	121	-25% ▼	13 weeks
Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel	18	22	28	31	24	-23% ▼	10 weeks
Sullivan & Cromwell	97	79	104	135	105	-22% ▼	13 weeks
Dewey & LeBoeuf **	34; 22	39; 25	54; 59	79	63	-20% ▼	10 weeks
Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft	40	51	68	47	39	-17% ▼	12 weeks
Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom	94	96	157	114	104	-9% ▼	11 weeks
Weil, Gotshal & Manges	97	75	139	102	96	-6% ▼	10 weeks
Davis Polk & Wardwell	80	120	104	111	108	-3% ▼	13 weeks
Sidley Austin	52	51	54	45	44	-2% ▼	11 weeks
Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton	71	89	98	94	97	3% ▲	13 weeks
Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison	88	78	84	92	102	11% ▲	13 weeks
Kirkland & Ellis	45	39	48	40	48	20% ▲	10 weeks
Proskauer Rose	54	55	42	61	78	28% ▲	10 weeks
Debevoise & Plimpton	73	82	103	68	104	53% ▲	12 weeks

* The firms listed were numbers one through 25 in the December 2008 "NYLJ 100: Largest Private Law Offices in New York State" chart, as published in the December 2008 issue of the New York Law Journal Magazine. However, the firms are ranked here based on the percentage change in the size of their summer associate classes from 2008 to 2009, from largest negative change to largest positive change, with firms that tied listed alphabetically. All numbers are for the firms' New York offices and include only second-year students.

** The 2005, 2006 and 2007 numbers, and the percentage changes between those years, are for Dewey Ballantine and LeBoeuf, Lamb, Greene & MacRae, respectively, which merged to form Dewey & LeBoeuf effective Oct. 1, 2007.

SOURCE: information provided by the firms.
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