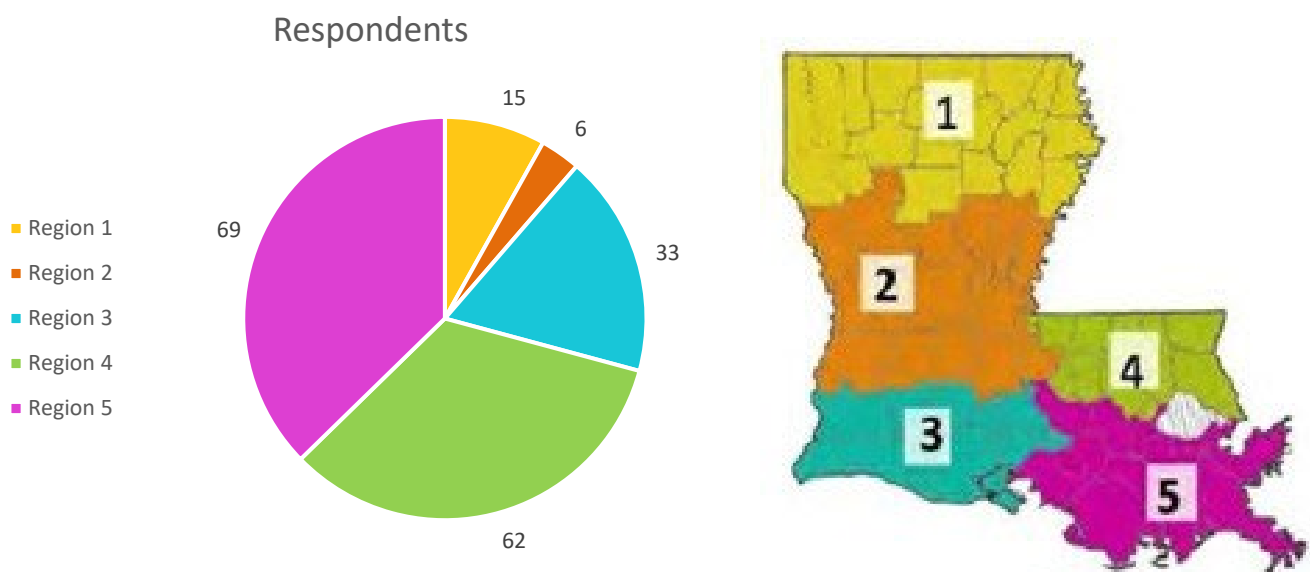




Louisiana Notary Association 2022 Customary Fee Survey Results

The Louisiana Notary Association conducted its biennial Customary Fee Survey in 2022 to provide members with valuable information on customary fees for notarial services as well as statistical information on various aspects of notarial practice. Respondents were presented with a series of questions about their individual practice along with a list of the most common notarial services; respondents were asked to provide their standard fee for each service (if provided within the past year).

Of the 188 responses, 98.92% identified themselves as non-attorney notaries and 1.08% as attorney notaries. The chart below shows a breakdown of respondents by region of the state:



*Your seal stands for something. It stands for authority, knowledge, protection – it stands for you. **So do we.***

Survey Results

The first section of the survey listed question on general notarial practice. These required a simple yes/no response. Below are the results.

	Yes	No	N/A
Full Time Notary	34.76%	65.24%	
Own a Business	66.67%	33.33%	
Hired because they are a notary	12.22%	87.78%	
Employer pays for bond and/or E&O	26.92%	73.08%	
Statewide Jurisdiction	79.64%	20.36%	
Provide weekend service	83.22%	16.78%	
Charge weekend travel surcharge	34.92%	65.08%	
Charge weekend mileage surcharge	25.83%	74.17%	
Provide services at client's premises or other onsite location	86.71%	13.29%	
Process I-9's	34.97%	65.03%	
COVID affected fee decisions	16.31%	83.69%	
RON Certified	29.79%	70.21%	
If not RON Certified, do you intend to become certified	50.00%	50.00%	

The second section of the survey listed several of the most common notarial services and asked that the respondent provide their customary fee for that service; if the respondent did not offer the service the fee was left blank. Fee data for each service is provided and includes the low, high and average fee charged among all respondents. Fees listed as "-" in the Low column indicate that one or more respondents listed their fee as \$0 for that service.

Service Type	Average	Low	High
Simple Will	\$153.42	\$30.00	\$350.00
General Mandate	\$91.09	\$15.00	\$350.00
Medical Mandate	\$76.45	\$15.00	\$250.00
Small Succession	\$231.95	\$25.00	\$500.00
Living Will	\$57.93	-	\$350.00
Auto Title Transfers (Title & Bill of Sale)	\$37.31	\$20.00	\$150.00
Business Entities	\$97.33	-	\$300.00
Operating Agreements	\$124.03	-	\$500.00
Acknowledgement of Paternity	\$53.32	\$15.00	\$200.00

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Provisional Custody by Mandate	\$63.00	\$20.00	\$200.00
Customized Affidavits (drafting & execution)	\$60.13	\$15.00	\$250.00
Customized Authentic Act	\$82.86	\$20.00	\$250.00
Form Affidavit (i.e., Affidavits of non-Use, etc.)	\$33.93	\$10.00	\$200.00
Personal Acknowledgement	\$32.09	\$10.00	\$200.00
Cash Sale of Real Property	\$167.29	\$20.00	\$500.00
Act of Sale with Mortgage (Real Property)	\$225.25	\$20.00	\$621.00
Mortgage Closing	\$151.92	\$20.00	\$300.00
Loan Modifications	\$81.14	\$5.00	\$250.00
Witness Acknowledgements	\$31.00	\$5.00	\$130.00
Gun Permits	\$35.61	-	\$100.00
Trusts	\$190.22	-	\$475.00
Promissory Note – Movable	\$66.86	\$10.00	\$350.00
Promissory Note – Immovable	\$83.48	-	\$350.00
School Residency Forms	\$26.40	\$10.00	\$75.00
Certified Copies	\$19.35	-	\$75.00
Notarizations only, no drafting or executing	\$22.16	-	\$60.00
Hourly rate for drafting and/or execution of documents	\$59.83	-	\$150.00
Weekend travel surcharge	\$10.00	-	\$70.00
Weekend travel surcharge (per mile)	\$0.50 per mile	\$0.62 per mile (federal rate)	\$45 flat rate
Travel Onsite Surcharge	\$23.25	-	\$75.00

About This Survey

The Louisiana Notary Association conducts a Customary Fee Survey every two years to provide members with a guide to the most common fees charged for notarial series in the previous calendar year. The survey is open to LNA members only and is strictly voluntary; results are compiled based on participant responses only.