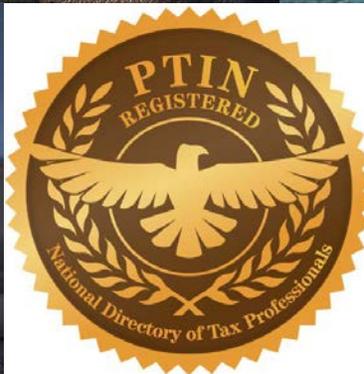


# Adherents of **THEIRS**



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*n.*

A supporter, as of a cause or individual: *a vote that pleased adherents of education reform.*

*adj.*

1. Sticking or holding fast.

2. *Botany* Joined but not united. Used of dissimilar parts or organs.

<http://www.thefreedictionary.com/Adherents>

Number of PTIN Holders Up 50,000

Accounting Today reports that the IRS Return Preparer Office has updated total numbers of federal return preparers who hold PTINs. According to the RPO, 743,331 preparers held PTINs as of January 3, up from the approximately 690,000 who held them last October. The by-credentials breakdown:

Data current as of 1/3/2014

<b>Number of Individuals with Current Preparer Tax Identification Numbers (PTINs) for 2013†</b>	<b>743,331</b>
Professional Credentials‡	
Attorneys	<b>33,349</b>
Certified Public Accountants	<b>223,320</b>
Enrolled Actuaries	<b>506</b>
Enrolled Agents	<b>50,635</b>
Enrolled Retirement Plan Agents	<b>738</b>
Other Categories	
Supervised Preparers*	<b>65,907</b>
Non-1040 Preparers*	<b>54,440</b>

† Cumulative number of individuals issued PTINs since 9/28/2010: **994,278**

‡ Some preparers have multiple professional credentials.

\* These numbers do not include attorneys, certified public accountants, or enrolled agents. Also, preparers may be both supervised and non-1040 filers.

Sources: IRS Return Preparer Office; Accounting Today at <http://www.accountingtoday.com/news/number-of-ptin-holders-up-50000-69361-1.html>