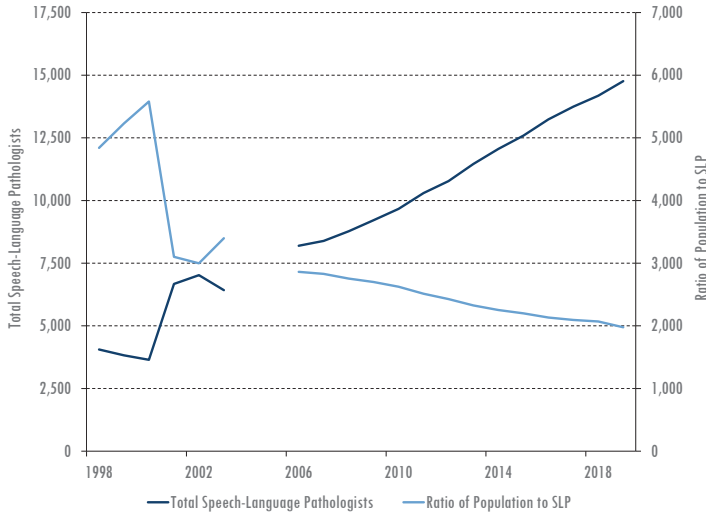




Speech-Language Pathologists

2019

SLP Growth Trends



In 2019, there were 14,764 actively licensed speech-language pathologists (SLPs) in Texas.

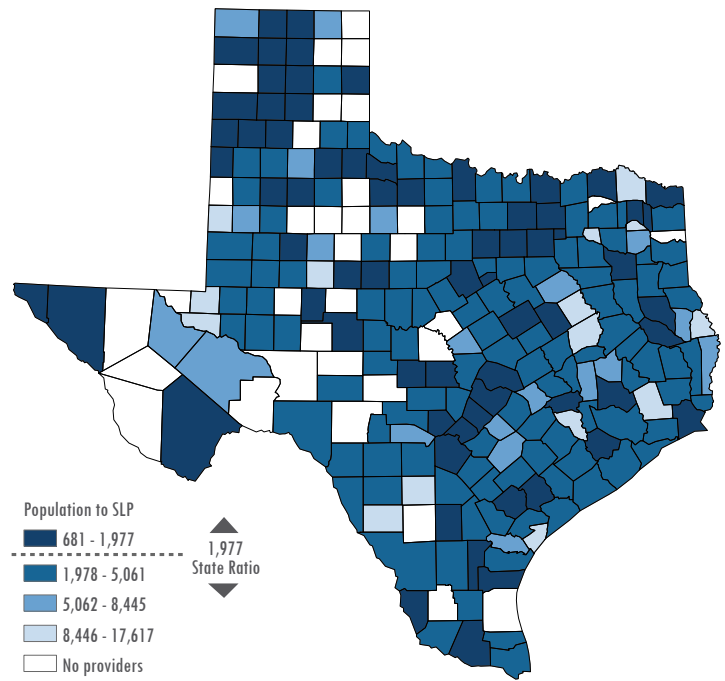
- This number represented a 22.4% increase since 2014 and a 60.2% increase since 2009.
- Relative to population growth, the size of the SLP workforce has improved by 26.7% over the past 10 years.
- Data were unavailable in 2004 and 2005

Age Distribution

| Age | Frequency | Percent |
|--------------|---------------|------------|
| <25 | 716 | 4.8 |
| 26-30 | 2,425 | 16.4 |
| 31-35 | 2,398 | 16.2 |
| 36-40 | 2,162 | 14.6 |
| 41-45 | 1,885 | 12.8 |
| 46-50 | 1,638 | 11.1 |
| 51-55 | 999 | 6.8 |
| 56-60 | 819 | 5.5 |
| 61-65 | 886 | 6 |
| >65 | 836 | 5.7 |
| Total | 14,764 | 100 |

- In 2019, 30.7% were between 41 and 55 years of age.
- 52.0% of SLPs were 40 years of age or younger in 2019.

Ratio of Texas Population to SLP by County



| Geographic Designation | Ratio of Population to SLP |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Metropolitan | 1,903 |
| Non-metropolitan | 2,952 |
| Border | 2,126 |
| Non-border | 1,963 |
| Texas | 1,977 |

SLPs were not evenly distributed throughout the state.

- There was a 67.0% difference between the number of SLPs in metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas even after controlling for population differences.
- Between border and non-border areas, the percent difference was 8.0%.

