

Highlights and Trends

Annual Counts of the ASHA Membership and Affiliation, 2002

Constituents -- How many are there? How have the numbers changed?

- ◆ ASHA currently represents **109,667** speech-language pathologists, audiologists, and speech, language, and hearing scientists. Compared to year-end 2001 counts, this number has increased by 4,328 or 4.1%. Of this number, **104,273** are members.
- The number of members without certification has continued to decrease. There are now **378** individuals in this category, 54 fewer than at year-end 2001 (432).
- In addition, **237** individuals in 42 countries are affiliated with ASHA.
- **Audiologists.** The number of certified *members* at year-end 2002 is **11,371**, an increase of 162 from year-end 2001 (11,209). Certified *nonmembers* decreased from 1,302 to **1,279** since year-end 2001. Nonmember certificate holders constituted 10.1% of all certified audiologists at year-end 2002 compared to 10.4% at year-end 2001, 10.7% in 2000, 11.2% in 1999, 11.9% in 1998, and 12.1% in 1997.
- **Speech-Language Pathologists.** Certified *members* increased from 85,427 to **90,098** between year-end 2001 and 2002, while certified *nonmembers* decreased from 3,937 to **3,806**. Nonmember certificate holders constituted 4.1% of all certified speech-language pathologists at year-end 2002, compared to 4.4% at year-end 2001, 4.8% in 2000, 5.1% in 1999, 5.8% in 1998, and 6.3% in 1997.
- **Dual Certification.** Individuals holding dual certification increased slightly from 1,392 at year-end 2001 to **1,395** at year-end 2002.
- **In Process.** At year-end 2002, in-process constituents numbered **1,103** compared to 1,374 at year-end 2001, a decrease of nearly 20%.

Demographics -- Who are they?

- ◆ Males currently comprise 4.7% of speech-language pathologists, 19.3% of audiologists, and 31.0% of those with dual certification. Overall, the proportion of male ASHA constituents has declined steadily from 8.3% in 1997 to 8.0% in 1998, 7.7% in 1999, 7.5% in 2000, 7.2% in 2001, and 6.9% in 2002.
- ◆ Approximately 4.9% of ASHA members, nonmember certificate holders, and international affiliates are members of a racial minority (compared to 24.9% of the U.S. population according to the 2000 Census), and 0.8% have self identified as multiracial (compared to 2.4% of the U.S. population). Additionally, 2.5% identified their ethnicity as Hispanic or Latino, compared to 12.5% of the U.S. population.
- ◆ Approximately 15.1% of ASHA members, nonmember certificate holders, and international affiliates (specifically, 13.1% of audiologists, 14.5% of speech-language pathologists, and 51.3% of those with dual certification) are 55 years old or older.

TABLE 1**AMERICAN SPEECH-LANGUAGE-HEARING ASSOCIATION
SUMMARY MEMBERSHIP AND AFFILIATION COUNTS
JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002**

	CCC in Speech	CCC in Audiology	Dual CCC	Certified Subtotal	In Process	Not Certified	Total
Member Only	0	0	0	0	0	378	378
Member/Certificate Holder	90,098	11,371	1,338	102,807	1,088	0	103,895
ASHA Membership Sub-Total	90,098	11,371	1,338	102,807	1,088	378	104,273
Non-Member Certificate Holder	3,806	1,279	57	5,142	15	0	5,157
International Affiliate	0	0	0	0	0	237	237
Grand Total	93,904	12,650	1,395	107,949	1,103	615	109,667

TABLE 2

**AMERICAN SPEECH-LANGUAGE-HEARING ASSOCIATION
AFFILIATION BY STATE AND CERTIFICATION STATUS
JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002**

	CCC in Speech	CCC in Audiology	Dual CCC	Certified Subtotal	In Process	Not Certified	Total
Alabama	986	188	20	1,194	8	2	1,204
Alaska	221	29	7	257	1	0	258
Arizona	1,406	256	19	1,681	16	4	1,701
Arkansas	1,269	107	9	1,385	11	2	1,398
California	7,431	1,006	105	8,542	111	30	8,683
Colorado	1,676	323	30	2,029	12	6	2,047
Connecticut	1,589	177	19	1,785	8	4	1,797
Delaware	222	33	6	261	2	0	263
Dst of Columbia	160	39	5	204	3	1	208
Florida	4,908	611	89	5,608	80	13	5,701
Georgia	2,425	278	18	2,721	37	3	2,761
Hawaii	330	45	8	383	3	0	386
Idaho	407	54	7	468	2	0	470
Illinois	4,720	579	50	5,349	32	18	5,399
Indiana	1,624	273	27	1,924	26	9	1,959
Iowa	842	186	12	1,040	7	8	1,055
Kansas	1,141	139	19	1,299	8	9	1,316
Kentucky	1,319	111	15	1,445	17	1	1,463
Louisiana	1,522	196	39	1,757	21	6	1,784
Maine	539	49	3	591	11	2	604
Maryland	2,269	321	53	2,643	25	9	2,677
Massachusetts	2,967	344	40	3,351	33	21	3,405
Michigan	2,893	482	29	3,404	33	11	3,448
Minnesota	1,804	299	16	2,119	24	13	2,156
Mississippi	848	111	13	972	2	0	974
Missouri	2,262	243	21	2,526	26	7	2,559
Montana	241	21	18	280	1	0	281
Nebraska	713	99	9	821	11	4	836
Nevada	431	42	2	475	6	0	481
New Hampshire	549	44	3	596	5	1	602
New Jersey	3,101	366	42	3,509	29	10	3,548
New Mexico	926	95	15	1,036	10	0	1,046
New York	8,870	910	127	9,907	138	34	10,079
North Carolina	2,791	342	47	3,180	32	7	3,219
North Dakota	306	35	2	343	1	1	345
Ohio	3,424	649	41	4,114	38	17	4,169
Oklahoma	1,253	118	14	1,385	16	1	1,402
Oregon	1,081	155	24	1,260	8	1	1,269
Pennsylvania	3,830	562	86	4,478	35	9	4,522
Rhode Island	472	60	5	537	3	2	542
South Carolina	1,114	112	11	1,237	10	2	1,249
South Dakota	249	34	7	290	0	0	290
Tennessee	1,589	311	23	1,923	22	10	1,955
Texas	5,552	721	83	6,356	66	11	6,433
Utah	634	137	19	790	7	4	801
Vermont	321	27	5	353	5	1	359
Virginia	2,242	309	40	2,591	26	9	2,626
Washington	1,719	358	24	2,101	18	7	2,126
West Virginia	595	102	17	714	3	1	718
Wisconsin	2,451	272	24	2,747	22	13	2,782
Wyoming	191	25	6	222	1	2	225
U.S Subtotal	92,425	12,385	1,373	106,183	1,072	326	107,581
Outside U.S.	1,479	265	22	1,766	31	289	2,086
Total	93,904	12,650	1,395	107,949	1,103	615	109,667

TABLE 3

**AMERICAN SPEECH-LANGUAGE-HEARING ASSOCIATION
AFFILIATION BY STATE AND CATEGORY OF AFFILIATION
JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002**

	Member Only	Member/Certificate Holder	Membership Sub-Total	Non-Member Certificate Holder	International Affiliate	Total
Alabama	2	1,130	1,132	72	0	1,204
Alaska	0	246	246	12	0	258
Arizona	4	1,629	1,633	68	0	1,701
Arkansas	2	1,330	1,332	66	0	1,398
California	30	8,197	8,227	456	0	8,683
Colorado	6	1,882	1,888	159	0	2,047
Connecticut	4	1,742	1,746	51	0	1,797
Delaware	0	251	251	12	0	263
Dst of Columbia	1	203	204	4	0	208
Florida	13	5,480	5,493	208	0	5,701
Georgia	3	2,639	2,642	119	0	2,761
Hawaii	0	371	371	15	0	386
Idaho	0	456	456	14	0	470
Illinois	18	5,135	5,153	246	0	5,399
Indiana	9	1,853	1,862	97	0	1,959
Iowa	8	986	994	61	0	1,055
Kansas	9	1,251	1,260	56	0	1,316
Kentucky	1	1,399	1,400	63	0	1,463
Louisiana	6	1,687	1,693	91	0	1,784
Maine	2	587	589	15	0	604
Maryland	9	2,552	2,561	116	0	2,677
Massachusetts	21	3,303	3,324	81	0	3,405
Michigan	11	3,278	3,289	159	0	3,448
Minnesota	13	1,982	1,995	161	0	2,156
Mississippi	0	923	923	51	0	974
Missouri	7	2,423	2,430	129	0	2,559
Montana	0	269	269	12	0	281
Nebraska	4	782	786	50	0	836
Nevada	0	470	470	11	0	481
New Hampshire	1	588	589	13	0	602
New Jersey	10	3,391	3,401	147	0	3,548
New Mexico	0	984	984	62	0	1,046
New York	34	9,720	9,754	325	0	10,079
North Carolina	7	3,073	3,080	139	0	3,219
North Dakota	1	332	333	12	0	345
Ohio	17	3,878	3,895	274	0	4,169
Oklahoma	1	1,345	1,346	56	0	1,402
Oregon	1	1,197	1,198	71	0	1,269
Pennsylvania	9	4,263	4,272	250	0	4,522
Rhode Island	2	518	520	22	0	542
South Carolina	2	1,179	1,181	68	0	1,249
South Dakota	0	279	279	11	0	290
Tennessee	10	1,840	1,850	105	0	1,955
Texas	11	6,112	6,123	310	0	6,433
Utah	4	755	759	42	0	801
Vermont	1	348	349	10	0	359
Virginia	9	2,474	2,483	143	0	2,626
Washington	7	1,990	1,997	129	0	2,126
West Virginia	1	670	671	47	0	718
Wisconsin	13	2,587	2,600	182	0	2,782
Wyoming	2	218	220	5	0	225
U.S Subtotal	326	102,177	102,503	5,078	0	107,581
Outside U.S.	52	1,718	1,770	79	237	2,086
Total	378	103,895	104,273	5,157	237	109,667

TABLE 4

**AMERICAN SPEECH-LANGUAGE-HEARING ASSOCIATION
SUMMARY MEMBERSHIP AND AFFILIATION COUNTS
JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002**

Ethnicity	CCC in Speech	CCC in Audiology	Dual CCC	Certified Subtotal	In Process	Not Certified	Total
Hispanic or Latino	974	96	5	1,075	6	15	1,096
Not Hispanic or Latino	37,362	4,989	461	42,812	113	279	43,204
Not specified	55,568	7,565	929	64,062	984	321	65,367
Total	93,904	12,650	1,395	107,949	1,103	615	109,667

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native (only)	109	16	1	126	0	1	127
Asian (only)	553	123	8	684	3	36	723
Black or African American (only)	836	86	6	928	10	7	945
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander (only)	24	2	0	26	0	0	26
White (only)	36,553	4,818	447	41,818	104	244	42,166
Multi-racial	294	45	7	346	3	3	352
Not specified	55,535	7,560	926	64,021	983	324	65,328
Total	93,904	12,650	1,395	107,949	1,103	615	109,667

TABLE 5

DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF THE ASHA CONSTITUENTS
 JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002
 TOTAL n = 109,667

Employment Status (Source: Dues Notice 2003)	(n=73,399)
Employed Full-Time	73.6 %
Employed Part-Time	18.2 %
On Leave of Absence	1.1 %
Unemployed/Seeking Work	1.9 %
Unemployed/Not Seeking Work	3.2 %
Retired	1.9 %

Race (Source: Dues Notice 2001)	(n=44,339)
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.3 %
Asian	1.6 %
Black or African-American	2.1 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.1 %
White	95.1 %
Multi-racial	0.8 %

Primary Employment Facility (Source: Dues Notice 2003)	(n=86,659)
Educational Facility (54.5%)	
School (49.7%)	
Special School	2.4 %
Preschool	8.7 %
Elementary School	22.1 %
Secondary School	2.7 %
Several Schools	13.6 %
Schools, Unspecified	0.2 %
College/University	4.8 %
Health Care Facility (HCF) (39.9%)	
Hospital Facility	15.6 %
Residential HCF (7.2%)	
Skilled Nursing Facility	5.9 %
Other Residential Facility	1.3 %
Nonresidential HCF (17.1%)	
Home Health	3.8 %
Private Physician's Office	2.9 %
SLP's or AUD's Office	5.0 %
Speech & Hearing Center	2.5 %
Other Nonresidential Facility	3.0 %
All Other Facilities	5.6 %

Ethnicity (Source: Dues Notice 2001)	(n=44,300)
Hispanic or Latino	2.5 %
Not Hispanic or Latino	97.5 %

Primary Employment Function (Source: Dues Notice 2003)	(n=87,903)
Clinical Service Provider	82.5 %
Teacher (5.8%)	
Special Education Teacher	2.8 %
College/University Professor	3.0 %
Researcher	0.6 %
Consultant	2.2 %
Doctoral Candidate	0.3 %
Administrator (8.0%)	
Administrator/Exec. Officer	1.9 %
Chair/Dept. Head/Manager	3.1 %
Supervisor of Clinical Activity	1.4 %
Other Director/Supervisor	1.6 %
Other Position	0.6 %

Private Practice (Source: Dues Notice 2003)	(n=88,116)
Not Employed in Private Practice	78.5 %
Employed Full-Time	9.1 %
Employed Part-Time	12.4 %

Age (Source: Dues Notice 1999)	(n=74,305)
34 and younger	18.4 %
35 – 44	30.7 %
45 – 54	35.8 %
55 – 64	11.4 %
65 and older	3.7 %

Gender (Source: Multiple sources prior to 1996)	(n=100,373)
Female	93.1 %
Male	6.9 %

These counts include individuals who were ASHA members, nonmember certificate holders, or international affiliates during the period and whose dues/fees were paid. The percentages are for the number of respondents (n=respondents) to that question only; percentages may not total 100.0% due to rounding. For additional information about these figures, contact the Surveys and Information unit at (301) 897-5700, extensions 4175 or 4285.

TABLE 6

**DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF THE ASHA MEMBER AND NONMEMBER CERTIFICATE HOLDERS
CERTIFIED IN AUDIOLOGY ONLY
JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002
TOTAL n = 12,650**

Employment Status (Source: Dues Notice 2003)	(n=8,862)
Employed Full-Time	75.8 %
Employed Part-Time	17.5 %
On Leave of Absence	0.7 %
Unemployed/Seeking Work	2.1 %
Unemployed/Not Seeking Work	2.7 %
Retired	1.3 %

Primary Employment Facility (Source: Dues Notice 2003)	(n=10,095)
Educational Facility (17.0%)	
School (9.5%)	
Special School	1.5 %
Preschool	0.5 %
Elementary School	1.1 %
Secondary School	0.1 %
Several Schools	6.3 %
Schools, Unspecified	0.0 %
College/University	7.5 %
Health Care Facility (HCF) (72.6%)	
Hospital Facility	23.2 %
Residential HCF (1.6%)	
Skilled Nursing Facility	0.6 %
Other Residential Facility	1.0 %
Nonresidential HCF (47.8%)	
Home Health	0.3 %
Private Physician's Office	22.4 %
SLP's or AUD's Office	14.2 %
Speech & Hearing Center	5.9 %
Other Nonresidential Facility	5.0 %
All Other Facilities	10.4 %

Age (Source: Dues Notice 1999)	(n=9,175)
34 and younger	17.8 %
35 – 44	33.8 %
45 – 54	35.3 %
55 – 64	10.6 %
65 and older	2.5 %

Race (Source: Dues Notice 2001)	(n=5,090)
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.3 %
Asian	2.4 %
Black or African-American	1.7 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.0 %
White	94.7 %
Multi-racial	0.9 %

Ethnicity (Source: Dues Notice 2001)	(n=5,085)
Hispanic or Latino	1.9 %
Not Hispanic or Latino	98.1 %

Primary Employment Function (Source: Dues Notice 2003)	(n=10,409)
Clinical Service Provider	80.9 %
Teacher (4.9%)	
Special Education Teacher	0.7 %
College/University Professor	4.2 %
Researcher	1.6 %
Consultant	2.5 %
Doctoral Candidate	0.5 %
Administrator (8.6%)	
Administrator/Exec. Officer	2.0 %
Chair/Dept. Head/Manager	3.7 %
Supervisor of Clinical Activity	0.7 %
Other Director/Supervisor	2.2 %
Other Position	1.0 %

Private Practice (Source: Dues Notice 2003)	(n=10,514)
Not Employed in Private Practice	69.4 %
Employed Full-Time	18.9 %
Employed Part-Time	11.7 %

Gender (Source: Multiple sources prior to 1996)	(n=11,716)
Female	80.7 %
Male	19.3 %

These counts include individuals who held ASHA certification in only audiology during the period and whose dues/fees were paid. The percentages are for the number of respondents (n=respondents) to that question only; percentages may not total 100.0% due to rounding. For additional information about these figures, contact the Surveys and Information unit at (301) 897-5700, extensions 4175 or 4285.

TABLE 7

DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF THE ASHA MEMBER AND NONMEMBER CERTIFICATE HOLDERS
 CERTIFIED IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ONLY
 JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002
 TOTAL n = 93,904

Employment Status (Source: Dues Notice 2003)	(n=62,493)
Employed Full-Time	73.3 %
Employed Part-Time	18.4 %
On Leave of Absence	1.2 %
Unemployed/Seeking Work	1.9 %
Unemployed/Not Seeking Work	3.4 %
Retired	1.8 %

Race (Source: Dues Notice 2001)	(n=38,369)
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.3 %
Asian	1.4 %
Black or African-American	2.2 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.1 %
White	95.3 %
Multi-racial	0.8 %

Primary Employment Facility (Source: Dues Notice 2003)	(n=74,498)
Educational Facility (59.6%)	
School (55.7%)	
Special School	2.6 %
Preschool	10.0 %
Elementary School	25.2 %
Secondary School	3.0 %
Several Schools	14.7 %
Schools, Unspecified	0.2 %
College/University	4.0 %
Health Care Facility (HCF) (35.6%)	
Hospital Facility	14.6 %
Residential HCF (8.1%)	
Skilled Nursing Facility	6.7 %
Other Residential Facility	1.4 %
Nonresidential HCF (12.9%)	
Home Health	4.3 %
Private Physician's Office	0.2 %
SLP's or AUD's Office	3.7 %
Speech & Hearing Center	2.0 %
Other Nonresidential Facility	2.8 %
All Other Facilities	4.8 %

Ethnicity (Source: Dues Notice 2001)	(n=38,336)
Hispanic or Latino	2.5 %
Not Hispanic or Latino	97.5 %

Primary Employment Function (Source: Dues Notice 2003)	(n=75,384)
Clinical Service Provider	83.4 %
Teacher (5.6%)	
Special Education Teacher	3.1 %
College/University Professor	2.5 %
Researcher	0.3 %
Consultant	2.0 %
Doctoral Candidate	0.2 %
Administrator (7.8%)	
Administrator/Exec. Officer	1.9 %
Chair/Dept. Head/Manager	2.9 %
Supervisor of Clinical Activity	1.5 %
Other Director/Supervisor	1.5 %
Other Position	0.6 %

Private Practice (Source: Dues Notice 2003)	(n=75,343)
Not Employed in Private Practice	79.8 %
Employed Full-Time	7.7 %
Employed Part-Time	12.5 %

Age (Source: Dues Notice 1999)	(n=63,337)
34 and younger	18.9 %
35 – 44	30.7 %
45 – 54	36.0 %
55 – 64	11.2 %
65 and older	3.3 %

Gender (Source: Multiple sources prior to 1996)	(n=86,100)
Female	95.3 %
Male	4.7 %

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TABLE 8

DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF THE ASHA MEMBER AND NONMEMBER CERTIFICATE HOLDERS
 CERTIFIED IN BOTH SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY
 JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002
 TOTAL n = 1,395

Employment Status <i>(Source: Dues Notice 2003)</i>	(n=1,213)
Employed Full-Time	69.8 %
Employed Part-Time	14.1 %
On Leave of Absence	0.5 %
Unemployed/Seeking Work	1.6 %
Unemployed/Not Seeking Work	2.2 %
Retired	11.7 %

Race <i>(Source: Dues Notice 2001)</i>	(n=469)
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.2 %
Asian	1.7 %
Black or African-American	1.3 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.0 %
White	95.3 %
Multi-racial	1.5 %

Primary Employment Facility <i>(Source: Dues Notice 2003)</i>	(n=1,102)
Educational Facility (41.7%)	
School (26.1%)	
Special School	3.2 %
Preschool	3.4 %
Elementary School	8.0 %
Secondary School	1.4 %
Several Schools	10.3 %
Schools, Unspecified	0.0 %
College/University	15.5 %
Health Care Facility (HCF) (48.5%)	
Hospital Facility	14.8 %
Residential HCF (5.8%)	
Skilled Nursing Facility	4.0 %
Other Residential Facility	1.8 %
Nonresidential HCF (27.9%)	
Home Health	2.4 %
Private Physician's Office	5.8 %
SLP's or AUD's Office	12.0 %
Speech & Hearing Center	4.7 %
Other Nonresidential Facility	3.0 %
All Other Facilities	9.9 %

Ethnicity <i>(Source: Dues Notice 2001)</i>	(n=466)
Hispanic or Latino	1.1 %
Not Hispanic or Latino	98.9 %

Primary Employment Function <i>(Source: Dues Notice 2003)</i>	(n=1,148)
Clinical Service Provider	64.2 %
Teacher (12.3%)	
Special Education Teacher	1.6 %
College/University Professor	10.7 %
Researcher	1.7 %
Consultant	5.7 %
Doctoral Candidate	0.3 %
Administrator (15.2%)	
Administrator/Exec. Officer	4.1 %
Chair/Dept. Head/Manager	7.9 %
Supervisor of Clinical Activity	1.0 %
Other Director/Supervisor	2.3 %
Other Position	0.6 %

Private Practice <i>(Source: Dues Notice 2003)</i>	(n=1,181)
Not Employed in Private Practice	64.4 %
Employed Full-Time	17.1 %
Employed Part-Time	18.5 %

Age <i>(Source: Dues Notice 1999)</i>	(n=1,254)
34 and younger	2.9 %
35 – 44	14.8 %
45 – 54	31.0 %
55 – 64	22.2 %
65 and older	29.1 %

Gender <i>(Source: Multiple sources prior to 1996)</i>	(n=1,371)
Female	69.0 %
Male	31.0 %

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