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Speech-language pathologists (SLPs) identify, assess, and treat speech, language, cognitive communication, and swallowing disorders.

Audiologists specialize in preventing and assessing hearing and balance disorders as well as providing audiology treatment, including hearing aids.

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DEFINING THE PROFESSIONALS

TOTAL POPULATION
3.2 mil

NUMBER OF AUDIOLOGISTS
171

NUMBER OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS
1,444

NATIONAL AND STATE DATA

About 7% Americans have some form of language impairment.

About 15% Americans have some degree of hearing loss.

INCREASE IN DEMAND FOR AUDIOLOGISTS
21%

INCREASE IN DEMAND FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS
30%

EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT IN IOWA

Where do Audiologists and SLPs work in Iowa?

EDUCATION FACILITIES
- 19% Audiologists
- 39% SLPs

HEALTH CARE FACILITIES
- 63% Audiologists
- 43% SLPs

OTHER FACILITIES
- 18% Audiologists
- 17% SLPs
The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) is the national professional, scientific, and credentialing association for 228,000 members and affiliates who are audiologists; speech-language pathologists; speech, language, and hearing scientists; audiology and speech-language pathology support personnel; and students.

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