Making effective communication, a human right, accessible and achievable for all.

DEFINING THE PROFESSIONALS

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

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

Audiologists and SLPs provide treatment to people of all ages, from infants to older adults.

NATIONAL AND STATE DATA

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| 6-8 million Americans have some form of language impairment. | 37.5 million Americans have some degree of hearing loss. |

From 2016-2026, Connecticut is expected to see ...  

- **9%** increase in demand for audiologists  
- **9%** increase in demand for speech-language pathologists

EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT

- 3 accredited higher education institutions with communication sciences and disorders degree program in the state.

Where do Audiologists and SLPs work in Connecticut?

- **EDUCATION FACILITIES**  
  - 14% Audiologists  
  - 64% SLPs

- **HEALTH CARE FACILITIES**  
  - 76% Audiologists  
  - 30% SLPs

- **OTHER FACILITIES**  
  - 10% Audiologists  
  - 6% SLPs
SOURCES


ABOUT US

The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) is the national professional, scientific, and credentialing association for 211,000 members and affiliates who are audiologists; speech-language pathologists; speech, language, and hearing scientists; audiology and speech-language pathology support personnel; and students.