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

TOTAL POPULATION
0.7 mil

NUMBER OF AUDIOLOGISTS
44

NUMBER OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS
380

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

6-8 million
Americans have some form of language impairment.

37.5 million
Americans have some degree of hearing loss.

From 2016-2026, District of Columbia is expected to see ...

20% INCREASE IN DEMAND FOR AUDIOLOGISTS
18% INCREASE IN DEMAND FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS

EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT IN DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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

Where do Audiologists and SLPs work in District of Columbia?

EDUCATION FACILITIES
30% Audiologists
46% SLPs

HEALTH CARE FACILITIES
67% Audiologists
44% SLPs

OTHER FACILITIES
3% Audiologists
11% 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.