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

**Total Population**

1.6 mil

**Number of Audiologists**

55

**Number of Speech-Language Pathologists**

912

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**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.

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**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, Idaho is expected to see...

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**Demand for Audiologists is Being Met**

23%

**Increase in Demand for Speech-Language Pathologists**

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**Education and Employment in Idaho**

1 accredited higher education institution with communication sciences and disorders degree program in the state.

Where do Audiologists and SLPs work in Idaho?

- **Education Facilities**
  - 28% Audiologists
  - 39% SLPs

- **Health Care Facilities**
  - 64% Audiologists
  - 54% SLPs

- **Other Facilities**
  - 9% Audiologists
  - 7% 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.