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

MASSACHUSETTS

TOTAL POPULATION
6.9 mil

NUMBER OF AUDIOLOGISTS
437

NUMBER OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS
5,070

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

About 7% Americans have some form of language impairment.

About 15% Americans have some degree of hearing loss.

From 2018–2028, Massachusetts is expected to see ...

5% INCREASE IN DEMAND FOR AUDIOLOGISTS

15% INCREASE IN DEMAND FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS

EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT IN MASSACHUSETTS

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

Where do Audiologists and SLPs work in Massachusetts?

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The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) is the national professional, scientific, and credentialing association for 218,000 members and affiliates who are audiologists; speech-language pathologists; speech, language, and hearing scientists; audiology and speech-language pathology support personnel; and students.