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

**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.

**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, Hawaii is expected to see ...*

**DEMAND DATA FOR AUDIOLOGISTS ARE NOT AVAILABLE** - 20%  
**INCREASE IN DEMAND FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS**

**EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT IN HAWAII**

- **1** higher education institutions with communication sciences and disorders degree program in the state.

Where do Audiologists and SLPs work in Hawaii?

- **EDUCATION FACILITIES**  
  - 2% Audiologists  
  - 49% SLPs
- **HEALTH CARE FACILITIES**  
  - 86% Audiologists  
  - 39% SLPs
- **OTHER FACILITIES**  
  - 12% Audiologists  
  - 12% SLPs
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