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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.

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**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, Utah is expected to see ...

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**EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT IN UTAH**

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

Where do Audiologists and SLPs work in Utah?

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ABOUT US

The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) is the national professional, scientific, and credentialing association for 223,000 members and affiliates who are audiologists; speech-language pathologists; speech, language, and hearing scientists; audiology and speech-language pathology support personnel; and students.