

# IOWA

TOTAL POPULATION

2.9 mil

NUMBER OF  
AUDIOLOGISTS

180

NUMBER OF  
SPEECH-LANGUAGE  
PATHOLOGISTS

1,243



**ASHA**  
American  
Speech-Language-Hearing  
Association

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

## 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 elderly.

## NATIONAL AND STATE DATA

6-8 million

Americans have some form of language impairment.

36 million

Americans have some degree of hearing loss.

From 2016-2026, Iowa is expected to see ...

17%

INCREASE IN  
DEMAND FOR  
AUDIOLOGISTS

12%

INCREASE IN  
DEMAND FOR  
SPEECH-LANGUAGE  
PATHOLOGISTS

## EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT IN IOWA



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

Where do Audiologists and SLPs work in Iowa?



**EDUCATION  
FACILITIES**

23% Audiologists  
42% SLPs



**HEALTH CARE  
FACILITIES**

58% Audiologists  
43% SLPs



**OTHER  
FACILITIES**

19% Audiologists  
14% SLPs

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## ABOUT US

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The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) is the national professional, scientific, and credentialing association for 204,000 members and affiliates who are audiologists; speech-language pathologists; speech, language, and hearing scientists; audiology and speech-language pathology support personnel; and students.



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