

VIRGINIA

TOTAL POPULATION

8.0 mil

NUMBER OF
AUDIOLOGISTS

367

NUMBER OF
SPEECH-LANGUAGE
PATHOLOGISTS

4,007



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, Virginia is expected to see ...

22%

INCREASE IN
DEMAND FOR
AUDIOLOGISTS

23%

INCREASE IN
DEMAND FOR
SPEECH-LANGUAGE
PATHOLOGISTS

EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT IN VIRGINIA



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

Where do Audiologists and SLPs work in Virginia?



**EDUCATION
FACILITIES**

13% Audiologists
47% SLPs



**HEALTH CARE
FACILITIES**

74% Audiologists
46% SLPs



**OTHER
FACILITIES**

13% Audiologists
7% SLPs

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ABOUT US

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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