In 2014, there were 3,032 actively certified community health workers (CHWs) in Texas.

- This number represented a 415.6% increase since 2009 and a 784.0% increase since 2004.
- Relative to population growth, the size of the CHW workforce has improved by 86.4% over the past decade. Despite these improvements, Texas still has slightly fewer CHWs than the national average.

Race/Ethnicity of CHWs

The racial/ethnic distribution of Texas CHWs differs greatly from that of the Texas population.

CHWs are not evenly distributed throughout the state.

- There is a 85.9% difference between the number of CHWs in metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas even after controlling for population differences.
- Between border and non-border areas the percent difference is 71.6%.

Gender of CHWs

- In 2014, 87.4% of CHWs were female and 12.6% were male.
- Unlike many other health professions, this gender disparity is not mediated by age of CHW.