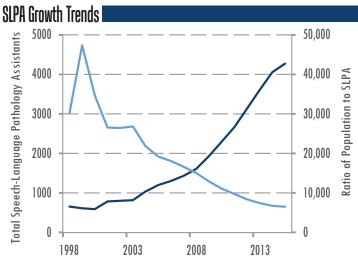
Trends, Distribution, and Demographics

Speech-Language Pathology Assistants







—Total Speech-Language Pathology Assistants — Ratio of Population to SLPA In 2015, there were 4,278 actively licensed speech-language pathology assistants (SLPA) providing care in Texas.

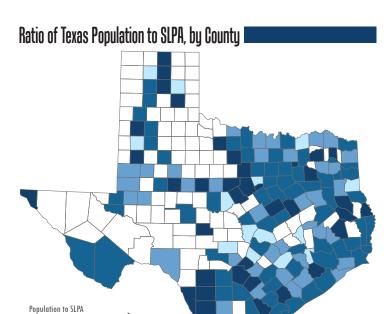
This number represented a 86.5% increase since 2010 and a 257.1% increase since 2005.

Age Distribution of SLPAs

Age Group	#SLPA	%SLPA
≤25	848	19.8%
26-30	1,273	29.8%
31-35	774	18.1%
36-40	484	11.3%
41-45	375	8.8%
46-50	216	5.0%
51-55	170	4.0%
56-60	82	1.9%
61-65	34	0.8%
>65	22	0.5%
Total	4,278	100%

Within ten years, only 3.2% of SLPAs will be at or approaching retirement age.

- In 2015, 17.8% were between 41 and 55 years of age.
- 79% of SLPAs were 40 years of age or younger in 2015.



Geographic Distribution of SLPAs

592 - 6,474

6,475 - 12,764

12,765 - 22,671

22,672 - 56,112 No providers

SLPAs were not evenly distributed throughout the state.

- There was an 1.6% difference between the number of SLPAs in metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas even after controlling for population differences.
- Between border and non-border areas the percent difference was 127.6%.

Geographic Designation	Ratio of population to SLPA	
Metropolitan	6,462	
Non-metropolitan	6,569	
Border	1,956	
Non-border	8,849	
Texas	6,474	

