



Community Health Workers

2019

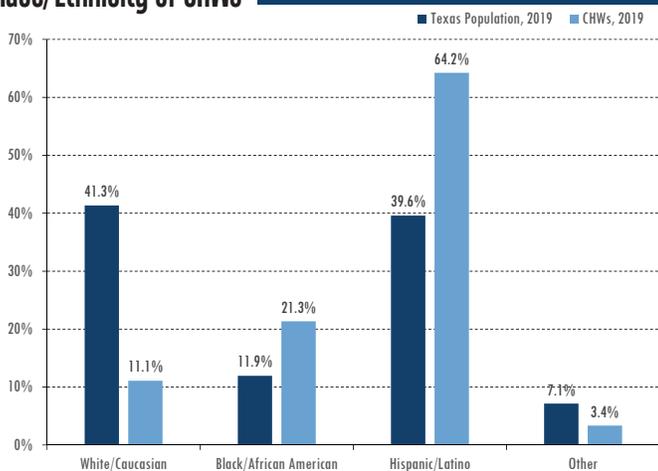
CHW Growth Trends



In 2019, there were 4,122 actively licensed CHWs in Texas.

- This number represented a 35.9% increase since 2014 and a 601.0% increase since 2009.
- Relative to population growth, the size of the CHW workforce has improved by 83.3% over the past 10 years.
- Despite these improvements, Texas still has fewer CHWs than the national average

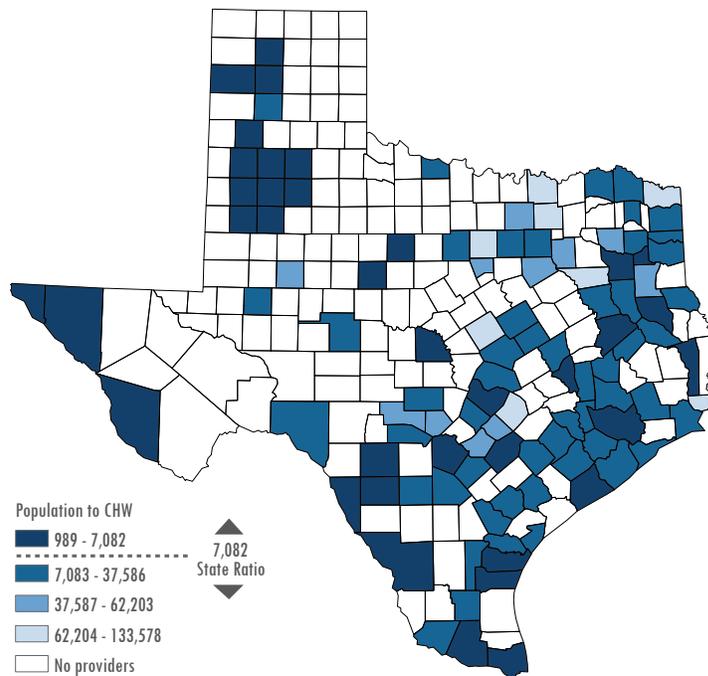
Race/Ethnicity of CHWs



The racial/ethnic distribution of Texas' CHWs differed greatly from that of the Texas population.¹

¹ Race/ethnicity data were available for 4,113 of the state's 4,122 CHWs.

Ratio of Texas Population to CHW by County



Geographic Designation	Ratio of Population to CHW
Metropolitan	6,669
Non-metropolitan	14,790
Border	3,201
Non-border	8,136
Texas	7,082

CHWs were not evenly distributed throughout the state.

- There was a 75.7% 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 was 87.1%.

Gender of CHWs

- In 2019, 88.9% of CHWs were female and 11.0% were male.²
- Unlike many other health professions, this gender disparity is not mediated by age

² Gender data were available for 4,115 of the state's 4,122 CHWs.

