TRENDS, DISTRIBUTION, AND DEMOGRAPHICS

MASSAGE THERAPISTS

Massage Therapists Growth Trends

This fact sheet is an overview of the trends, distribution, and demographics of massage therapists in Texas. In 2022, there were 23,918 actively licensed massage therapists in Texas.

- This number represented a 12.1% decrease since 2017 and an 8.6% decrease since 2013 (Figure 1).
- The ratio of the Texas population per one massage therapist in 2013 was 1,019:1 and in 2022 it was 1,282:1. The ratio has increased by 25.8% over the past 9 years (Figure 2).¹

Figure 1. Total Massage Therapists in Texas



Figure 2. Ratio of Texas Population to Massage Therapist¹



Geographic Distribution of Massage Therapists

Figure 3. Ratio of Texas Population to Massage Therapist by County¹

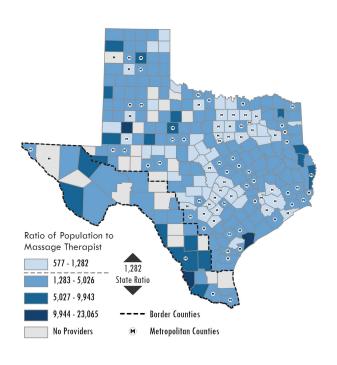


Table 1. Ratio of Texas Population to Massage Therapist by Geographic Designation¹

Geographic Designation	Ratio of Population to Massage Therapist
Metropolitan	1,231:1
Non-metropolitan	2,022:1
Border	2,598:1
Non-border	1,218:1
Texas	1,282:1

Massage therapists were not evenly distributed throughout the state.

- The ratio of the population to massage therapist was higher in non-metropolitan counties than metropolitan counties.
- The ratio of the population to massage therapist was higher in border counties than non-border counties.
- 23 counties had no massage therapists (Figure 3).

¹Population numbers are sourced from the Texas Demographic Center (previously the Texas State Data Center). The center regularly updates the demographic projections. Therefore, population numbers for a particular year may differ depending on the date the data was retrieved.

Demographics of Massage Therapists

Age

Within 10 years, 25.7% of the current Texas massage therapist workforce will be over 65 years of age.

- 7.5% of active message therapists in Texas were over 65 years of age in 2022.
- 12.6% of active massage therapists were 51-55 years of age (Figure 4).

Figure 4. Age Distribution of Massage Therapists

