# DELAWARE

TOTAL POPULATION

## NUMBER OF AUDIOLOGISTS

49

2 provide Multilingual Services

## NUMBER OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS

539

23 provide Multilingual Services



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 older adults.

### NATIONAL AND STATE DATA

## About 7%

Americans have some form of language impairment.

## About 15%

Americans have some degree of hearing loss.

From 2020-2030, Delaware is expected to see ...

25%

INCREASE IN **DEMAND FOR** AUDIOLOGISTS

29%

INCREASE IN DEMAND FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS

#### **EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT IN DELAWARE**



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

Where do Audiologists and SLPs work in Delaware?



EDUCATION FACILITIES

14% Audiolgists 61% SLPs



HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

74% Audiolgists 34% SLPs



OTHER FACILITIES

12% Audiolgists 5% SLPs

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The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) is the national professional, scientific, and credentialing association for 228,000 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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