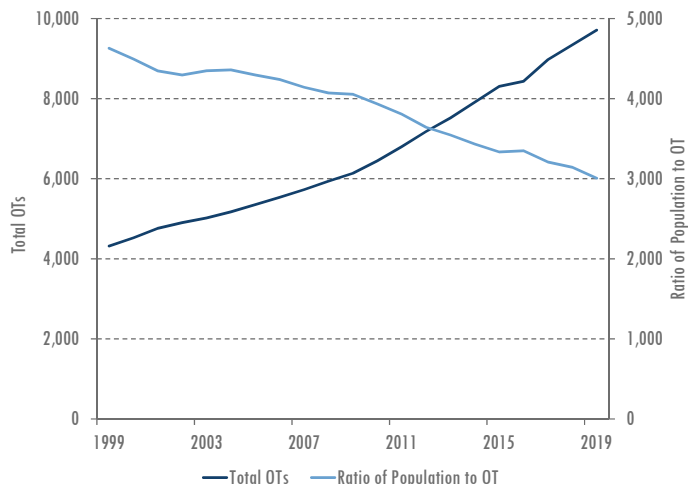




## Occupational Therapists

2019

### OT Growth Trends

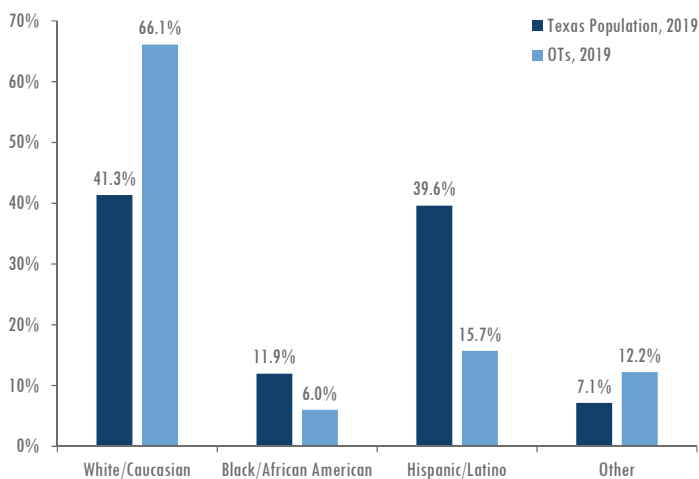


In 2019, there were 9,712 actively licensed occupational therapists (OTs) providing care in Texas.

- This number represented a 22.7% increase since 2014 and a 58.3% increase since 2009.
- Relative to population growth, the size of the OT workforce has improved by 25.9% over the past 10 years.

Despite these improvements, Texas still had fewer OTs than the national average.

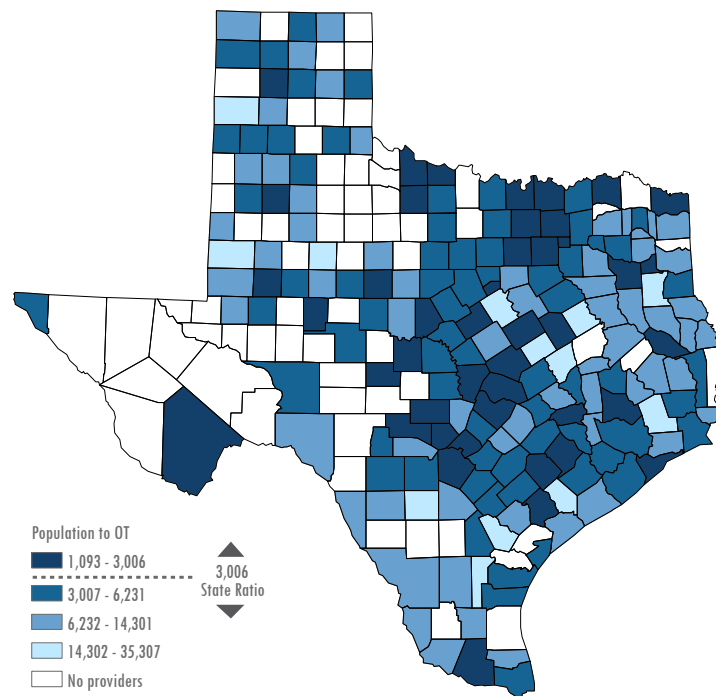
### Race/Ethnicity of OTs



The racial/ethnic distribution of Texas OTs differed greatly from that of the Texas population.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Race/ethnicity data were available for 9,672 of the state's 9,712 OTs.

### Ratio of Texas Population to OT by County



Geographic Designation	Ratio of Population to OT
Metropolitan	2,853
Non-metropolitan	5,468
Border	3,570
Non-border	2,956
<b>Texas</b>	<b>3,006</b>

OTs were not evenly distributed throughout the state.

- There was a 62.9% difference between the number of OTs in metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas even after controlling for population differences.
- Between border and non-border areas, the percent difference was 18.8%.

### Gender of OTs

- In both 2009 and 2019, 88.0% of OTs were female and 12.0% were male.
- Among OTs aged 40 years or younger in 2019, 89.9% were female and 10.1% were male.



## Age Distribution of OTs by Gender

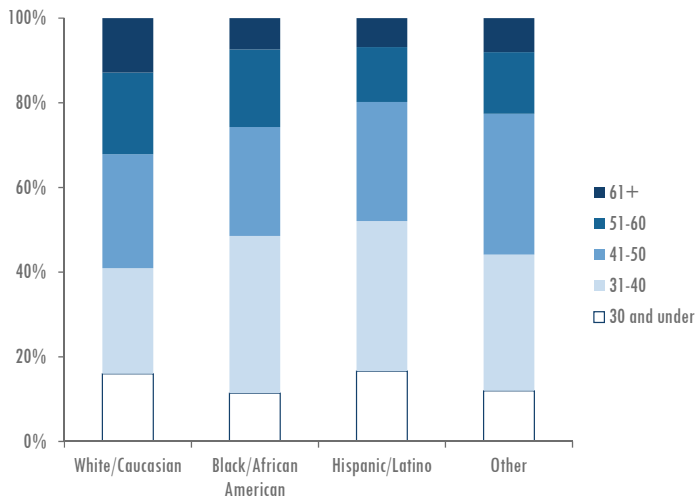
Age Group	Female	Male	Total
≤30	1,371	105	1,476
31-35	1,331	168	1,499
36-40	1,080	150	1,230
41-45	1,160	191	1,351
46-50	1,151	188	1,339
51-55	796	141	937
56-60	681	105	786
61-65	573	71	644
>65	387	44	431
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,530</b>	<b>1,163</b>	<b>9,693<sup>2</sup></b>

Within 10 years, 28.9% of the current Texas OT workforce will be at or past retirement age.

- 4.4% of active OTs in Texas were older than 65 years of age in 2019.
- 43.4% were 40 years of age or younger.
- Among OTs over 55 years of age, females comprised 88.2% of the OT workforce.

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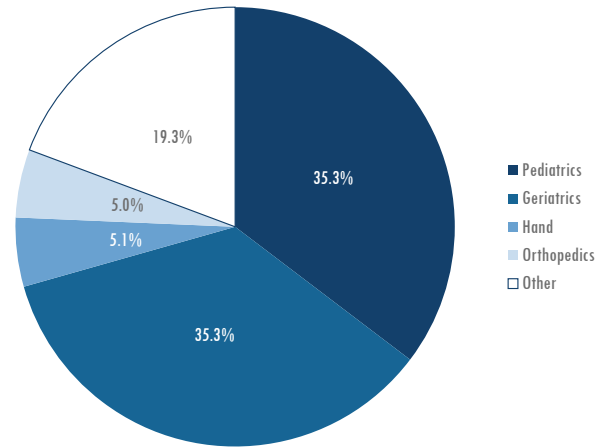
## Age Distribution of OTs by Race/Ethnicity



- Among white/Caucasian OTs, 40.9% were aged 40 years or younger. Another 26.9% were between 41 and 50 years of age.
- 48.5% of blacks/African Americans were aged 40 years or younger, while 7.4% were 61 years of age or older.
- 52.1% of Hispanics/Latinos were aged 40 years or younger, while 6.8% were 61 years of age or older.

## Employment Characteristics of OTs

### Primary Practice Specialty<sup>3</sup>



<sup>3</sup> Primary practice specialty data were available for 6,892 of the state's 9,712 OTs.

### Primary Practice Setting

Setting	Number of OTs
Outpatient facility	1,496
Home health	1,388
Hospital	1,364
Inpatient facility	1,147
School	993
Rehabilitation facility	795
Early childhood setting	227
College or university research institution	123
Mental health facility	59
Industrial or workplace environment	19
Community outreach facility	7
Hospice	3
Athletic facility	2
Fitness or sports center	2
Other	228
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,853<sup>4</sup></b>

<sup>4</sup> Primary practice setting data were available for 7,853 of the state's 9,712 OTs.