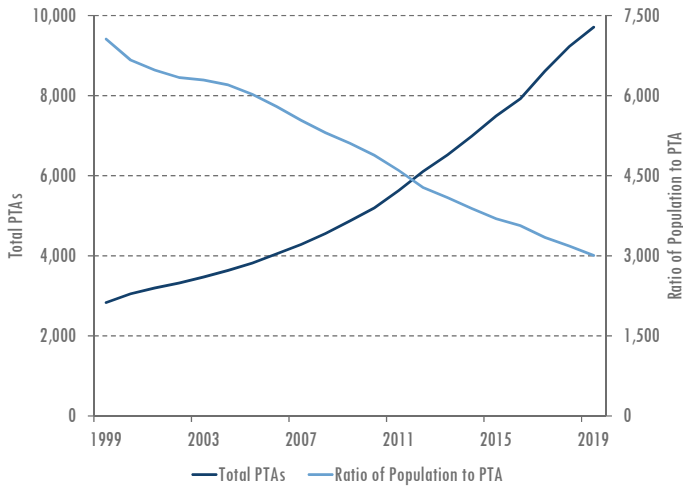




Physical Therapist Assistants

2019

PTA Growth Trends

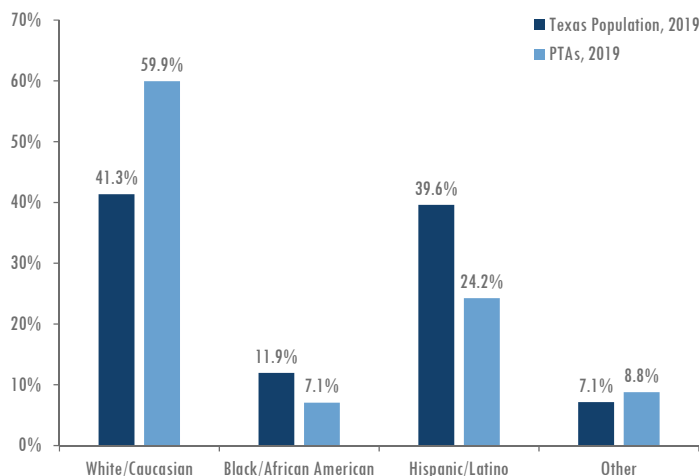


In 2019, there were 9,711 actively licensed physical therapist assistants (PTAs) providing care in Texas.

- This number represented a 38.9% increase since 2014 and a 99.4% increase since 2009.
- Relative to population growth, the size of the PTA workforce has improved by 41.1% over the past 10 years.

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

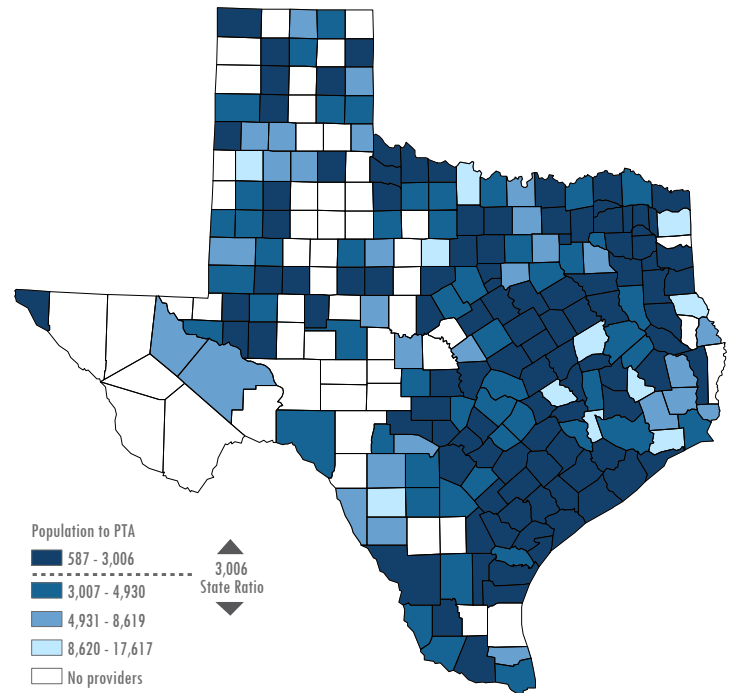
Race/Ethnicity of PTAs



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

¹ Race/ethnicity data were available for 9,710 of the state's 9,711 PTAs.

Ratio of Texas Population to PTA by County



| Geographic Designation | Ratio of Population to PTA |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Metropolitan | 3,067 |
| Non-metropolitan | 2,577 |
| Border | 2,811 |
| Non-border | 3,029 |
| Texas | 3,006 |

PTAs were not evenly distributed throughout the state.

- There was a 17.4% difference between the number of PTAs in metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas even after controlling for population differences.
- Between border and non-border areas, the percent difference was 7.5%.

Gender of PTAs

- In 2019, 67.3% of PTAs were female and 32.7% were male.
- In 2009, 72.2% were female and 27.8% were male.
- Among PTAs aged 40 years or younger in 2019, 66.6% were female and 33.4% were male.

Age Distribution of PTAs by Gender

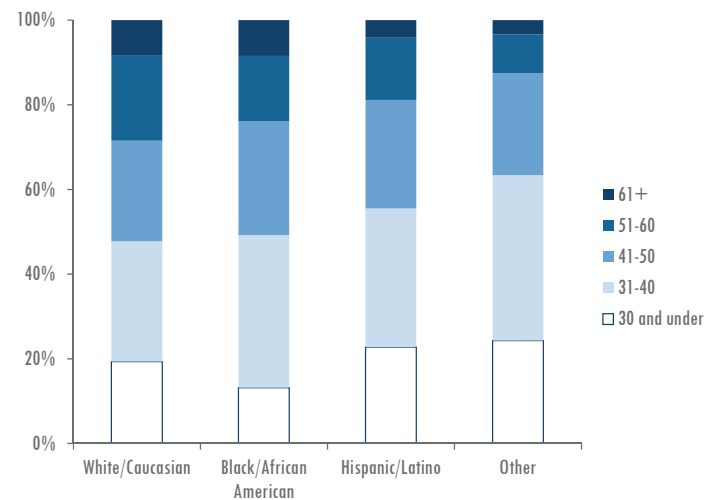
| Age Group | Female | Male | Total |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| ≤30 | 1,309 | 643 | 1,952 |
| 31-35 | 1,043 | 530 | 1,573 |
| 36-40 | 950 | 482 | 1,432 |
| 41-45 | 727 | 427 | 1,154 |
| 46-50 | 799 | 420 | 1,219 |
| 51-55 | 663 | 304 | 967 |
| 56-60 | 557 | 184 | 741 |
| 61-65 | 338 | 123 | 461 |
| >65 | 140 | 64 | 204 |
| Total | 6,526 | 3,177 | 9,703² |

Within 10 years, 24.5% of the current Texas PTA workforce will be at or past retirement age.

- 2.1% of active PTAs in Texas were older than 65 years of age in 2019.
- 51.1% were 40 years of age or younger.
- Among PTAs over 55 years of age, females comprised 73.6% of the PTA workforce.

² Gender data were available for 9,703 of the state's 9,711 PTAs.

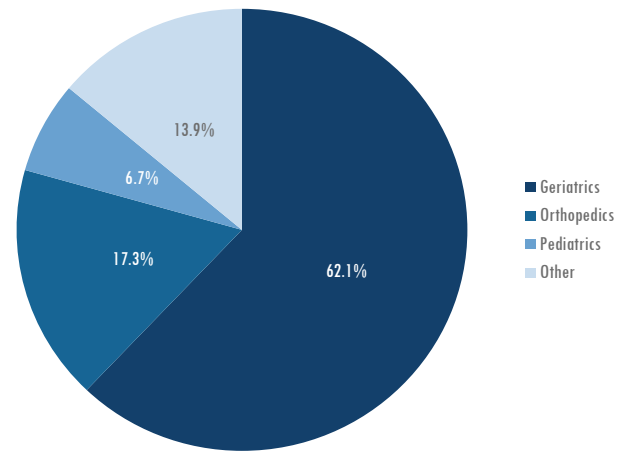
Age Distribution of PTAs by Race/Ethnicity



- Among white/Caucasian PTAs, 47.8% were aged 40 years or younger, while 8.2% were 61 years of age or older.
- 49.2% of blacks/African Americans were aged 40 years or younger, while 8.5% were 61 years of age or older.
- 55.5% of Hispanics/Latinos were aged 40 years or younger, while 4.2% were 61 years of age or older.

Employment Characteristics of PTAs

Primary Practice Specialty³



³ Primary practice specialty data were available for 6,271 of the state's 9,711 PTAs.

Primary Practice Setting

| Setting | Number of PTAs |
|--|--------------------------|
| Home health | 2,513 |
| Inpatient facility | 2,086 |
| Outpatient facility | 1,363 |
| Hospital | 723 |
| Rehabilitation facility | 448 |
| School | 133 |
| College or university research institution | 30 |
| Early childhood setting | 22 |
| Mental health facility | 12 |
| Industrial or workplace environment | 9 |
| Fitness or sports center | 8 |
| Athletic facility | 3 |
| Community outreach facility | 1 |
| Hospice | 1 |
| Other | 108 |
| Total | 7,460⁴ |

⁴ Primary practice setting data were available for 7,460 of the state's 9,711 PTAs.