

# Oregon's Occupational Therapy Workforce

Based on data collected during 2017 and 2018

These fact sheets provide a snapshot of the state's occupational therapy workforce using data collected by the Oregon Health Authority in collaboration with the Oregon Occupational Therapy Licensing Board.

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The mission of the board is to protect the public by supervising occupational therapy practice.

The board is responsible for protecting the health, safety and welfare of individuals who receive occupational therapy services in Oregon. The role of the board is to investigate complaints and take appropriate action; make and enforce laws and rules regarding occupational therapy practice; establish continuing education requirements; process applications and issue license and renewals; collect fees and authorize disbursements of funds.

Workforce data were collected for occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants and are presented as individual occupational profiles.

If you would like more information about the Oregon Occupational Therapy Licensing Board, please visit: <http://www.oregon.gov/OITLB>

# Occupational Therapy Assistants (OTA)

## OTAS LICENSED IN OREGON

Increases may be due in part to a new Associates of OTA program in the state in 2010.



## ESTIMATED NUMBER OF OTAS WORKING IN OREGON:

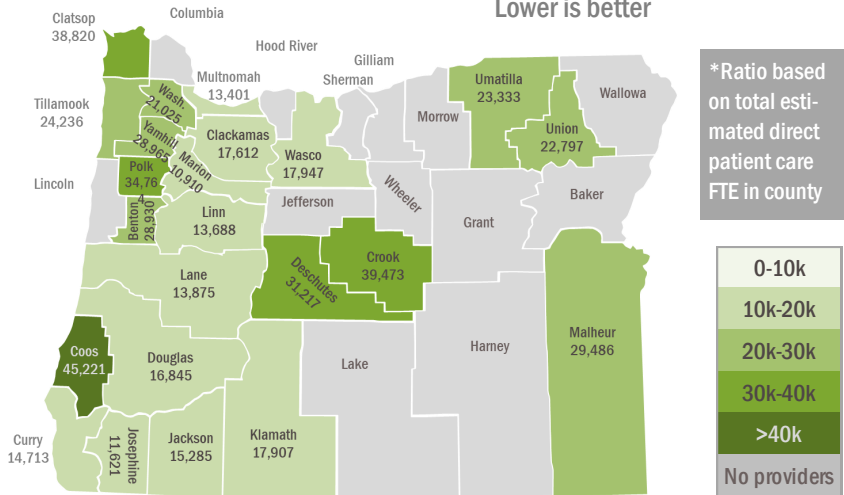
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## ESTIMATED PATIENT CARE FTE IN OREGON:

238

## ESTIMATED POPULATION-TO-PROVIDER RATIO\*

Lower is better

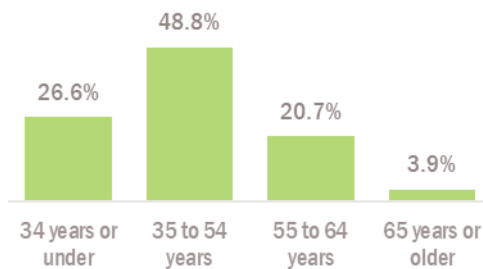


\*Ratio based on total estimated direct patient care FTE in county

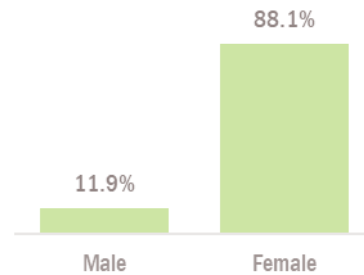
All subsequent data presented are from occupational therapist assistants who completed the Health Care Workforce Survey and are working in Oregon (n=334).

## WORKFORCE DEMOGRAPHICS

### AGE

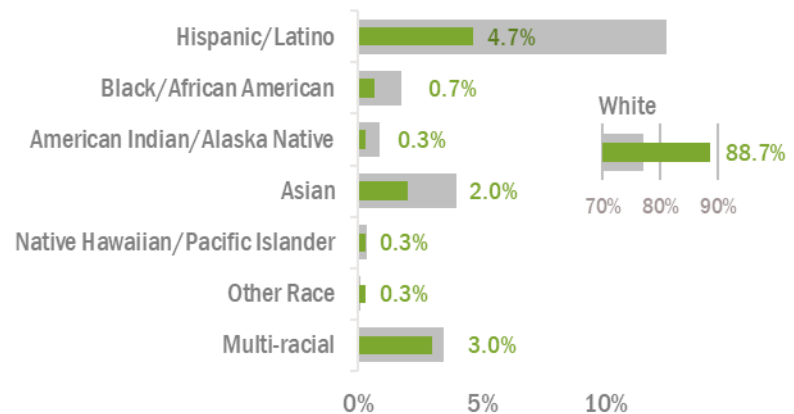


### GENDER



### RACE & ETHNICITY

#### WORKFORCE VS POPULATION\*



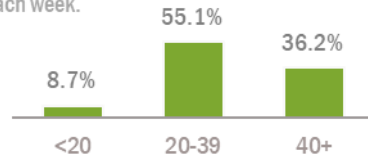
\* Licensees who did not report race and ethnicity data are excluded from this chart. 9.9% of workforce are either missing data (0.0%) or declined to answer (9.9%). Racial categories exclude Hispanic.

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## WORKFORCE SUPPLY

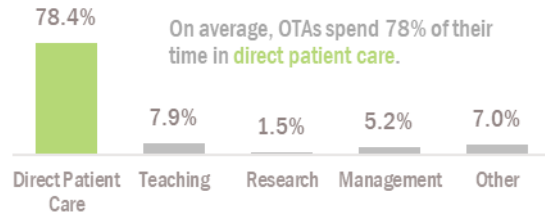
### HOURS WORKED PER WEEK

36% of OTAs work at least 40 hours each week.

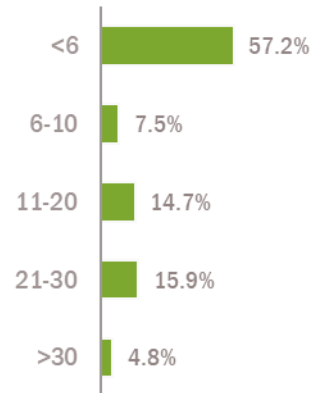


### HOW OTAS SPEND THEIR TIME

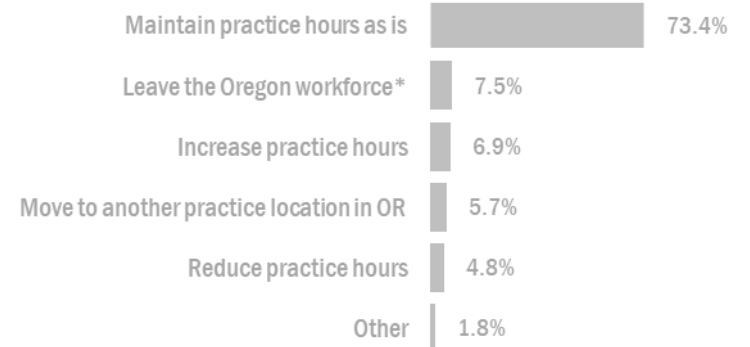
On average, OTAs spend 78% of their time in **direct patient care**.



### NUMBER OF YEARS LICENSED IN OREGON



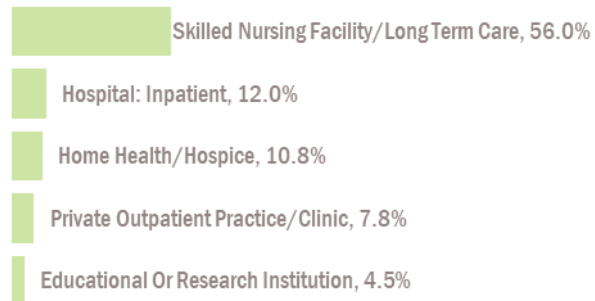
### PRACTICE PLANS IN THE NEXT TWO YEARS



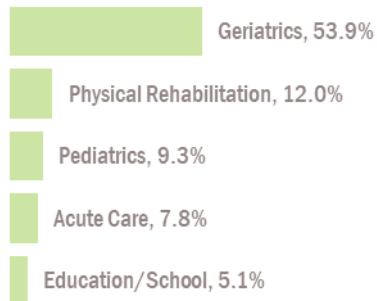
\* Leave the Oregon workforce includes those planning to retire, move to practice out of state, or leave the occupation.

## PRACTICE SETTINGS & SPECIALTIES

### TOP 5 PRACTICE SETTINGS



### TOP 5 SPECIALTIES



**About these fact sheets:**

The Health Care Workforce Reporting Program (HWRP) collects workforce-related information directly from health care professionals via a questionnaire embedded in the license renewal process. Data reported in this fact sheet were collected during a two-year period (2017-2018).

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**For more information about methodology and results, visit:**

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/hpa/analytics/Pages/Health-Care-Workforce-Reporting.aspx>

**Sources:**

- 2017 State and county population estimates come from Portland State University Population Research Center (<https://www.pdx.edu/prc/population-reports-estimates>)
- Statewide race & ethnicity data comes from five-year ACS estimates (data collected over 60-month period, 2012–2016)