

Athletic Trainers Growth Trends

This fact sheet is an overview of the trends, distribution, and demographics of athletic trainers in Texas. In 2022, there were 3,819 actively licensed athletic trainers in Texas.

- This number represented a 16.1% increase since 2017 and a 46.3% increase since 2012 (Figure 1).
- The ratio of the Texas population per one athletic trainer in 2012 was 10,298:1 and in 2022 it was 8,030:1. The ratio has decreased by 19.8% over the past 10 years (Figure 2).¹

Figure 1. Total Athletic Trainers in Texas

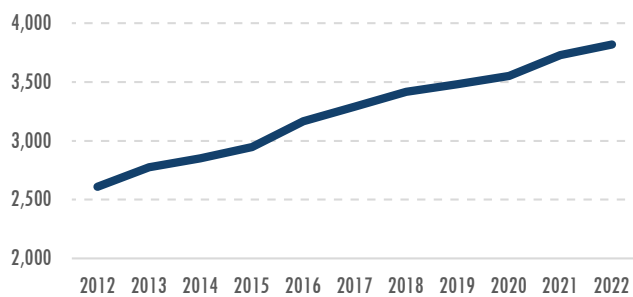
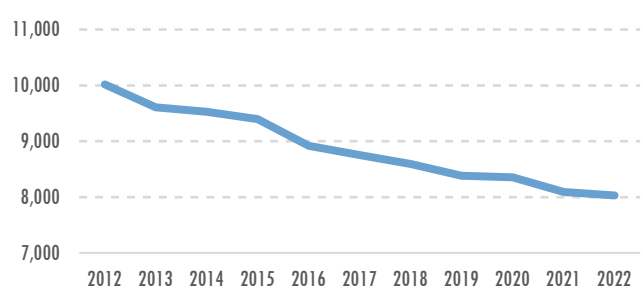


Figure 2. Ratio of Texas Population to Athletic Trainer¹



Geographic Distribution of Athletic Trainers

Figure 3. Ratio of Texas Population to Athletic Trainer by County¹

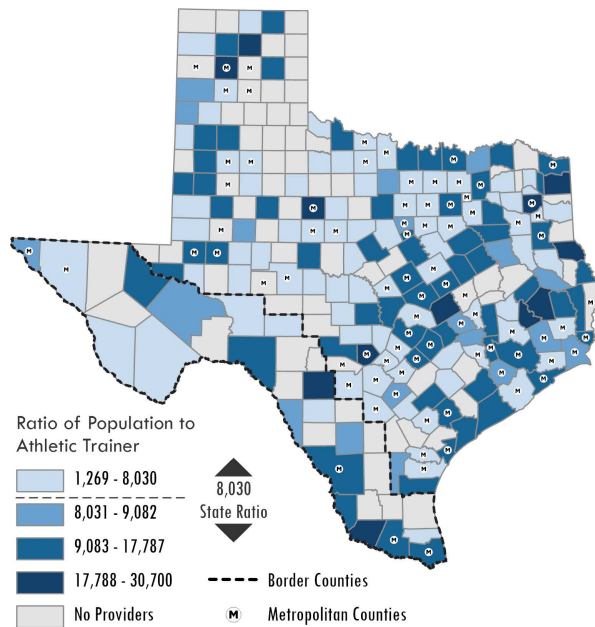


Table 1. Ratio of Texas Population to Athletic Trainer by Geographic Designation¹

Geographic Designation	Ratio of Population to Athletic Trainer
Metropolitan	7,964:1
Non-metropolitan	8,656:1
Border	9,942:1
Non-border	7,873:1
Texas	8,030:1

Athletic trainers were not evenly distributed throughout the state.

- The ratio of the population to athletic trainers was higher in non-metropolitan counties than metropolitan counties.
- The ratio of the population to athletic trainers was higher in border counties than non-border counties.
- 73 counties had no athletic trainers (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 Athletic Trainers

Age Distribution

Within 10 years, 8.3% of the current Texas athletic trainers workforce will be over 65 years of age.

- 2.0% of active athletic trainers in Texas were over 65 years of age in 2022.
- 23.6% of athletic trainers were ages 26-30 (Figure 4).

Figure 4. Age Distribution of Athletic Trainers

