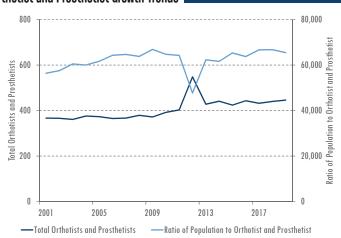
# Trends, Distribution, and Demographics

## **Orthotists and Prosthetists**

2019

#### Orthotist and Prosthetist Growth Trends



In 2019, there were 446 actively licensed orthotists and prosthetists providing care in Texas.

- This number represented a 1.1% increase since 2014 and a 19.9% increase since 2009.
- Relative to population growth, the size of the orthotist and prosthetist workforce has improved by 2.1% over the past 10 years.

Despite these improvements, Texas still had fewer orthotists and prosthetists than the national average.

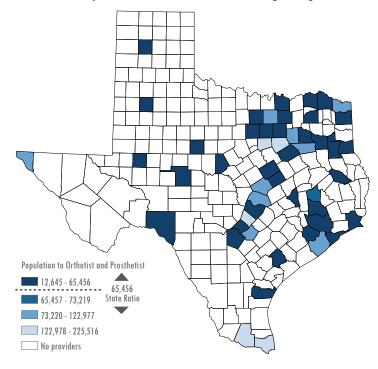
### Age Distribution of Orthotists and Prosthetists

Age Group	Number	Percent
≤30	44	9.9%
31-35	49	11.0%
36-40	48	10.8%
41-45	42	9.4%
46-50	66	14.8%
51-55	63	14.1%
56-60	59	13.2%
61-65	31	7.0%
>65	44	9.9%
Total	446	100.0%

Within 10 years, 44.2% of the current Texas orthotist and prosthetist workforce will be at or past retirement age.

- 9.9% of active orthotists and prosthetists in Texas were older than 65 years of age in 2019.
- 20.2% were between the ages of 56 and 65.

#### Ratio of Texas Population to Orthotist and Prosthetist by County



Geographic Designation	Ratio of Population to Orthotist and Prosthetist
Metropolitan	60,952
Non-metropolitan	172,549
Border	134,122
Non-border	62,063
Texas	65,456

Orthotists and prosthetists were not evenly distributed throughout the state.

- There was a 95.6% difference between the number of orthotists and prosthetists in metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas even after controlling for population differences.
- Between border and non-border areas, the percent difference was 73.5%.