

### Orthotist and Prosthetist Growth Trends

This fact sheet is an overview of the trends, distribution, and demographics of licensed orthotists and prosthetists (LOPs) in Texas. In 2020, there were 458 actively licensed LOPs in Texas.

- This number represented an 8.0% increase since 2010 and a 16.8% increase since 2015.
- Relative to population growth, the size of the LOP workforce has stayed fairly constant with a decrease of 0.1% over 10 years.

Figure 1. Total LOPs

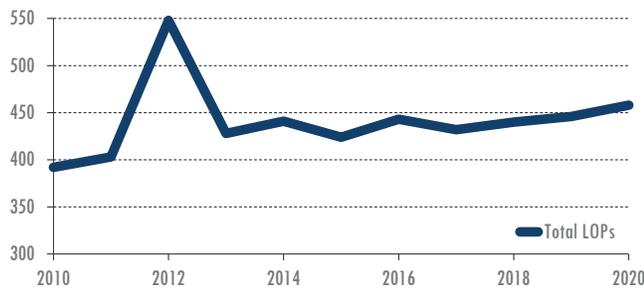
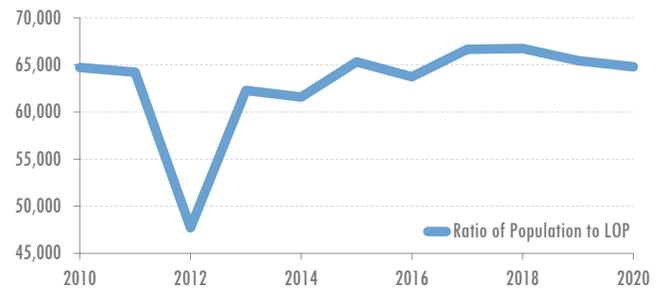


Figure 2. Ratio of Population to LOP



### Geographic Distribution of Orthotists and Prosthetists

Figure 3. Ratio of Texas Population to LOP by County

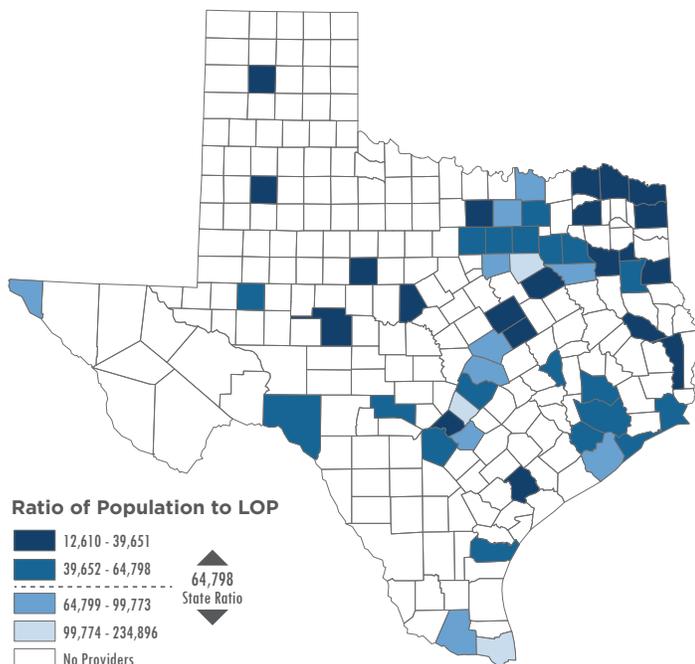


Table 1. Ratio of Texas Population to LOP by Geographic Designation

Geographic Designation	Ratio of Population to LOP
Metropolitan	60,500
Non-metropolitan	164,108
Border	123,452
Non-border	61,697
Texas	64,798

LOPs were not evenly distributed throughout the state.

- Per capita, metropolitan counties had 2.7 times as many LOPs as non-metropolitan counties.
- Per capita, non-border counties had 2.0 times as many LOPs as border counties.

## Demographics of Othortists and Prosthetists

### Age Distribution of LOPs

Within 10 years, 32.5% of the current Texas LOP workforce will be over 65 years of age.<sup>1</sup>

- 10.9% of active LOPs in Texas were over 65 years of age in 2020.

**Table 2. Age Distribution of LOPs**

Age Group	Number	Percent
≤30	44	9.6%
31-35	50	10.9%
36-40	48	10.5%
41-45	44	9.6%
46-50	59	12.9%
51-55	64	14.0%
56-60	64	14.0%
61-65	35	7.6%
>65	50	10.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

<sup>1</sup> The earliest retirement age for social security is 62.