

## 2021 MRID INTERPRETER CENSUS RESULTS

Interpreting Community,

The MRID Census Committee is proud to present the completion of the 2021 MRID Interpreter Census results with you. The data is broken down into five general sections that made the data easier for analysis and distribution, not necessarily because each question fit neatly into a category. The five parts are as follows:

- 1. Initial general data and demographics (page 6)
- 2. Work sectors, rates, and hours (page 23)
- 3. Certification and licensure (page 45)
- 4. Education K-12 interpreting (page 60)
- 5. Day-to-day interpreting and experience breakdowns (page 74)

This document will be locked as "view only", though you will be able to download or print as desired, and it is meant to be a "living document". The committee is happy to calculate additional data points that the community needs and add them to the collected data. Make sure you are always using the most recent version by checking the bottom right corner for the version date. Please submit any requests for additional data using this link to our Google Form.

We thank you for your patience while we analyzed the survey data. We are very proud of the work that has gone into this and are excited to see how the results of this census will benefit the community at large.

Sincerely,

MRID Census Committee census@mrid.org

## **BACKGROUND**

Enclosed are the results of the 2021 MRID Census, a survey that was used to capture the current landscape of the Minnesota interpreting community at large prompted by:

MRID Motion 2020:12:03: Move to establish an ad hoc committee for a 2021 MN Interpreter Census, in which the creation of the census questions would be in collaboration with various organizations and stakeholders. The results of the survey will be compiled and interpreted as a committee and distributed to the public (Zapko/Bolduc) CARRIED.

The 60 survey questions were developed with the input and support of various stakeholders throughout the state. Thank you again to all those whose ideas and feedback helped shape the final design and delivery of the census. A complete list of stakeholders that were invited to be involved in this process can be found at this link.

While this survey is not all encompassing, questions range from demographic information to current workload, rates, and more. The survey was available for individuals to take from 11/23/2021-1/7/2022 and received 662 total responses. Through the process of reviewing the data, the committee identified 72 responses that were duplicates.

Out of the 590 valid survey responses, 66 individuals answered the first question as "I am not an interpreter" or "I've worked as interpreter but not currently working as one" which ended their survey, and 9 other individuals chose to end the survey after the first question. As the survey went on, individuals ended the survey at various data points. These factors all combine to mean there are varying total answers for each question. You will see the number of people answering any given question indicated on the data set.

One final note, the order of results displayed here do not match the order of which the questions were asked on the survey. Various data points have been crossed to give more information and inserted where they fit.

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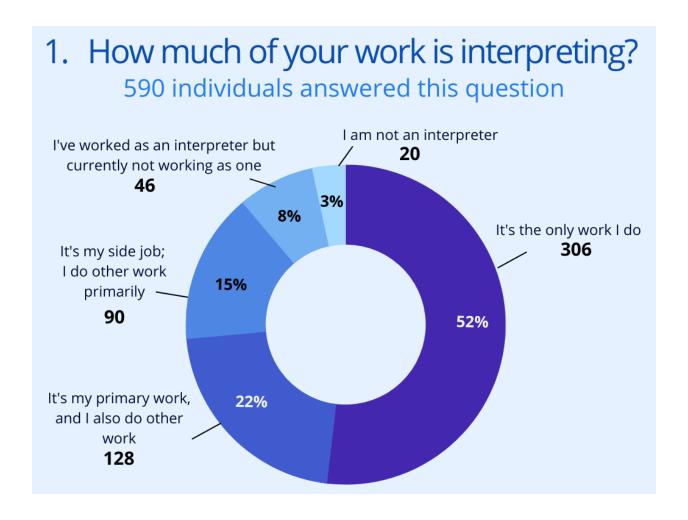
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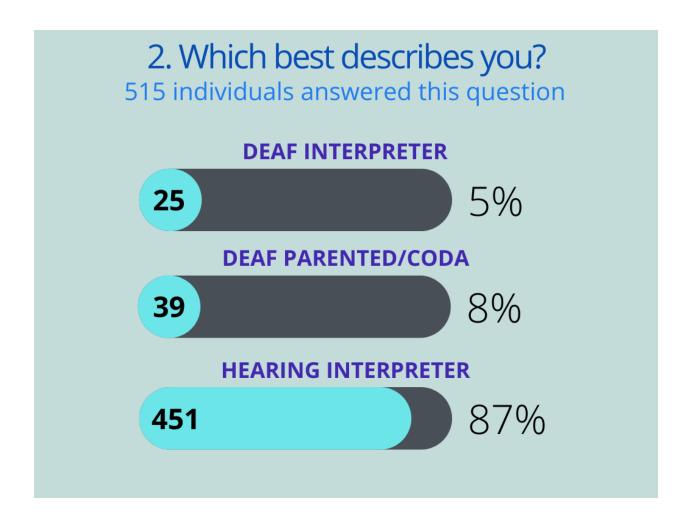


#### 1. HOW MUCH OF YOUR WORK IS INTERPRETING?

590 individuals answered this question

The donut chart above indicates:

- 306 people (52%) It's the only work I do
- 128 people (22%) It's my primary work, and I also do other work
- 90 people (15%) It's my side job; I do other work primarily
- 46 people (8%) I've worked as an interpreter but not currently working as one
- 20 people (3%) I am not an interpreter

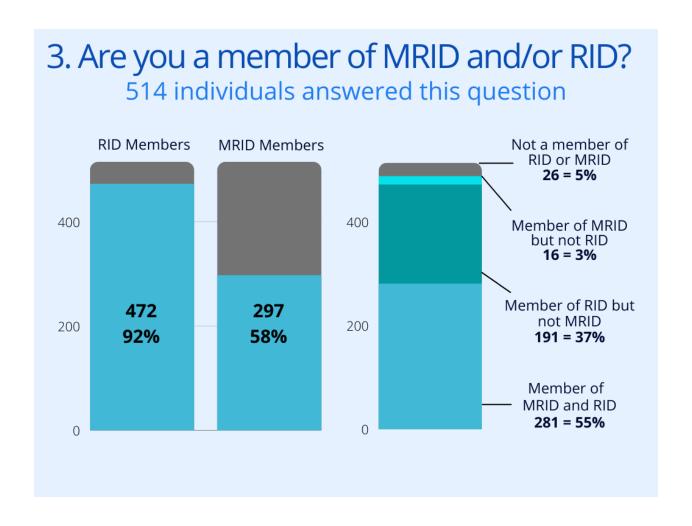


## 2. WHICH BEST DESCRIBES YOU-DEAF INTERPRETER, DEAF PARENTED/CODA, HEARING INTERPRETER?

515 individuals answered this question in a "check all that apply" format

The chart above indicates:

- 25 people (5%) Deaf Interpreter
- 39 people (39%) Deaf Parented/CODA
- 451 people (87%) Hearing Interpreter

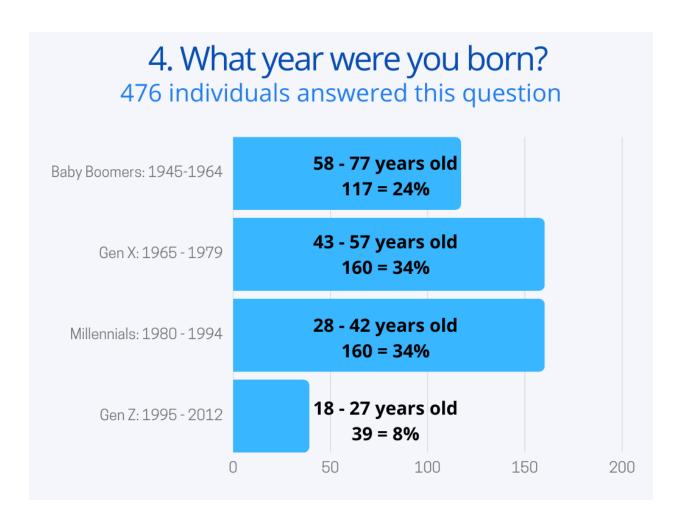


## 3. ARE YOU A MEMBER OF MRID AND/OR RID?

514 individuals answered this question

The chart above indicates:

- 472 people (92%) RID Members
- 297 people (58%) MRID Members
- 281 people (55%) Member of RID and MRID
- 191 people (37%) Member of RID but not MRID
- 16 people (3%) Member of MRID but not RID
- 26 people (5%) Not a member of RID or MRID

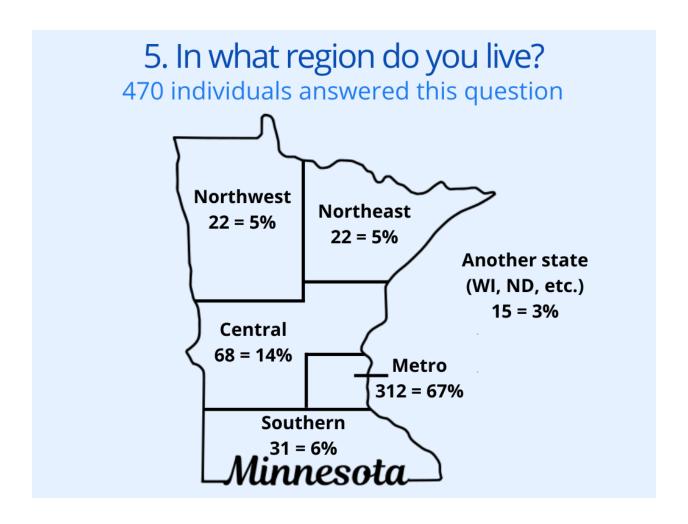


#### 4. WHAT YEAR WERE YOU BORN?

476 individuals answered this question

The bar graph above indicates:

- 117 people (24%) Baby Boomers: 1945-1964, 58-77 years old
- 160 people (34%) Gen X: 1965-1979, 43-57 years old
- 160 people (34%) Millennials: 1980-1994, 28-42 years old
- 39 people (8%) Gen Z: 1995-2012, 18-27 years old

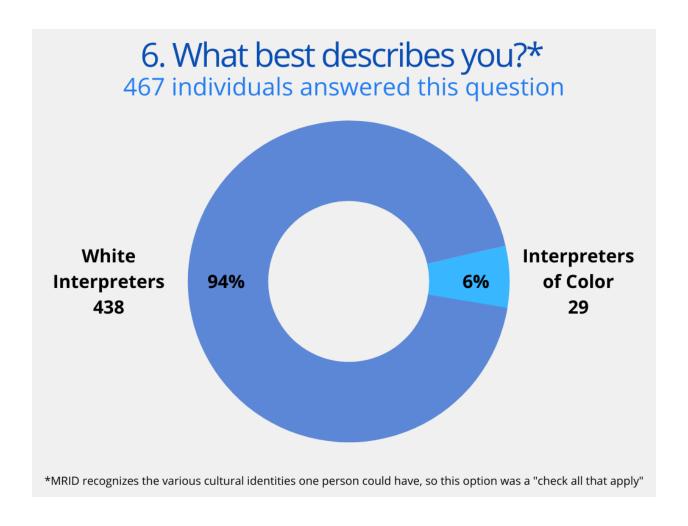


#### 5. IN WHAT REGION DO YOU LIVE?

470 individuals answered this question

The Minnesota shaped chart above indicates:

- 22 people (5%) Northwest
- 22 people (5%) Northeast
- 68 people (14%) Central
- 312 people (67%) Metro
- 31 people (6%) Southern



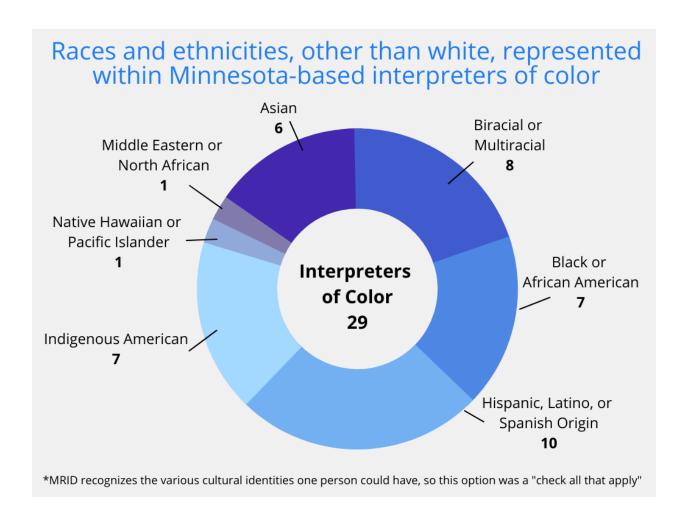
# 6. WHAT BEST DESCRIBES YOU\*- RACE AND ETHNICITY BREAKDOWN OF WHITE INTERPRETERS AND INTERPRETERS OF COLOR OVERALL

467 individuals answered this question

The donut chart above indicates:

- 29 people (6%) Interpreters of Color
- 438 people (94%) White Interpreters

<sup>\*</sup>MRID recognizes the various cultural identities one person could have, so this option was a "check all that apply"



# 6. WHAT BEST DESCRIBES YOU\*- RACE AND ETHNICITY (Continued) RACES AND ETHNICITIES, OTHER THAN WHITE, REPRESENTED WITHIN MINNESOTA-BASED INTERPRETERS OF COLOR

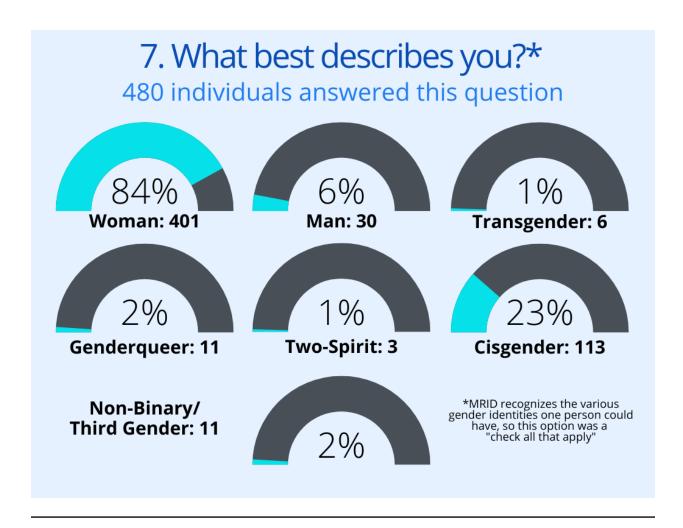
29 individuals represented in this data

The donut chart above indicates:

- 6 Asian
- 8 Biracial or Multicultural
- 7 Black or African American
- 10 Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish Origin

- 7 Indigenous American
- 1 Middle Eastern or North African
- 1 Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

<sup>\*</sup>MRID recognizes the various cultural identities one person could have, so this option was a "check all that apply"



# 7. WHAT BEST DESCRIBES YOU\*- GENDER IDENTITY WOMAN, MAN, TRANSGENDER, GENDERQUEER, TWO-SPIRIT, CISGENDER, NON-BINARY/THIRD GENDER

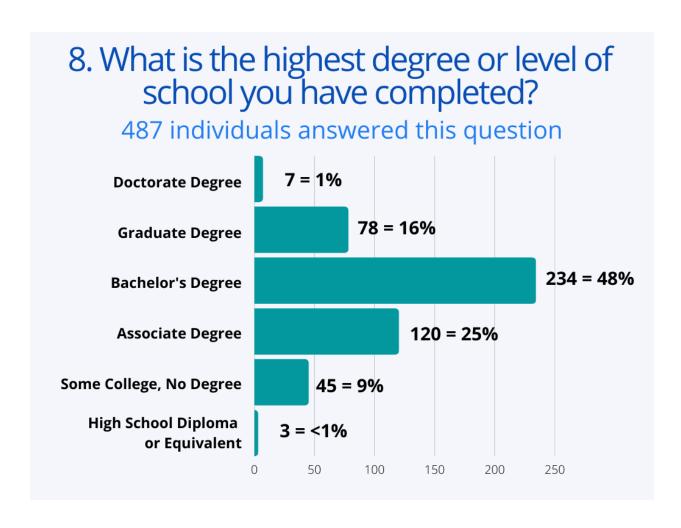
480 individuals answered this question

The donut charts above indicate:

- 401 people (84%) Women
- 30 people (6%) Man
- 6 people (1%) Transgender
- 11 people (2%) Genderqueer

- 3 people (1%) Two-Spirit
- 113 people (23%) Cisgender
- 11 people (2%) Non-Binary/Third Gender

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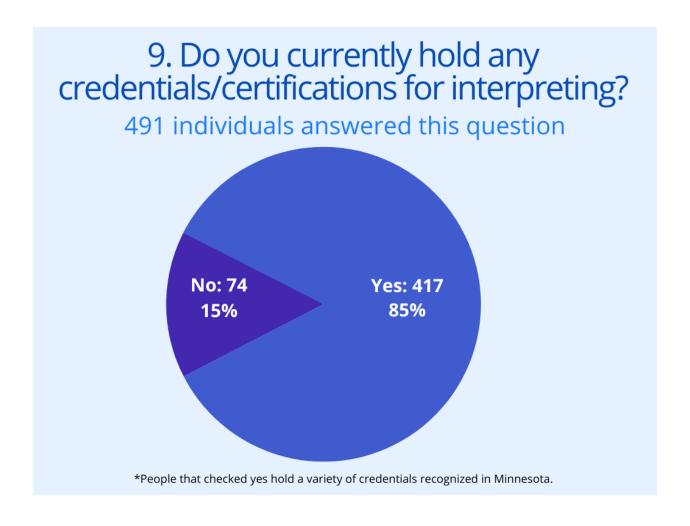


#### 8. WHAT IS THE HIGHEST DEGREE OR LEVEL OF SCHOOL YOU HAVE COMPLETED?

487 individuals answered this question

The bar graph above indicates:

- 7 people (1%) Doctorate Degree
- 78 people (16%) Graduate Degree
- 234 people (48%) Bachelor's Degree
- 120 people (25%) Associate Degree
- 45 people (9%) Some College, No Degree
- 3 people (<1%) High School Diploma or Equivalent

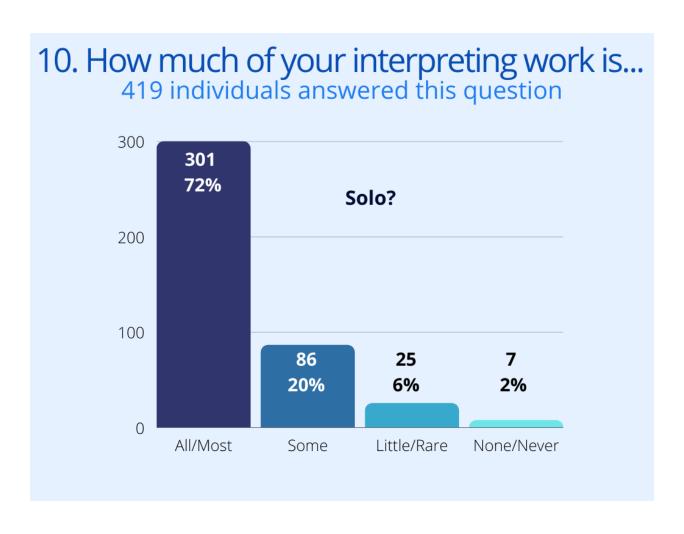


## 9. DO YOU CURRENTLY HOLD ANY CREDENTIALS/CERTIFICATIONS FOR INTERPRETING?

491 individuals answered this question

The pie chart above indicates:

- 74 people (15%) No
- 417 people (85%) Yes

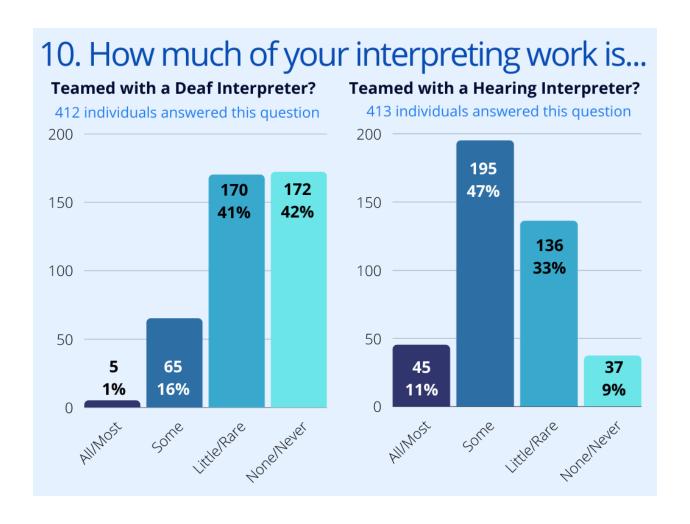


# **10. HOW MUCH OF YOUR INTERPRETING WORK IS... SOLO?**

419 individuals answered this question

The bar graph above indicates:

- 301 people (72%) All/Most
- 86 people (20%) Some
- 25 people (6%) Little/Rare
- 7 people (2%) None/Never



## 10. HOW MUCH OF YOUR INTERPRETING WORK IS... TEAMED WITH A DEAF INTERPRETER?

412 individuals answered this question. The bar graph above indicates:

- 5 people (1%) All/Most
- 65 people (16%) Some

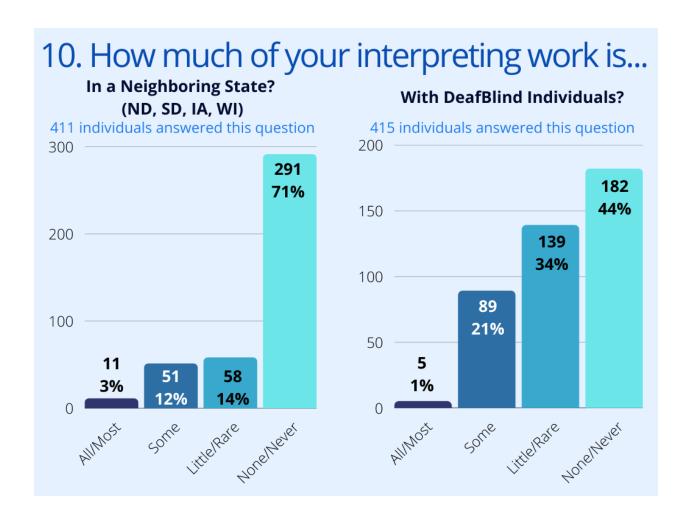
- 170 people (41%) Little/Rare
- 172 people (42%) None/Never

# 10. HOW MUCH OF YOUR INTERPRETING WORK IS... TEAMED WITH A HEARING INTERPRETER?

413 individuals answered this question. The bar graph above indicates:

- 45 people (11%) All/Most
- 195 people (47%) Some

- 136 people (33%) Little/Rare
- 37 people (9%) None/Never



# 10. HOW MUCH OF YOUR INTERPRETING WORK IS... IN A NEIGHBORING STATE? (ND, SD, IA, WI)

411 individuals answered this question. The bar graph above indicates:

- 11 people (3%) All/Most
- 51 people (12%) Some

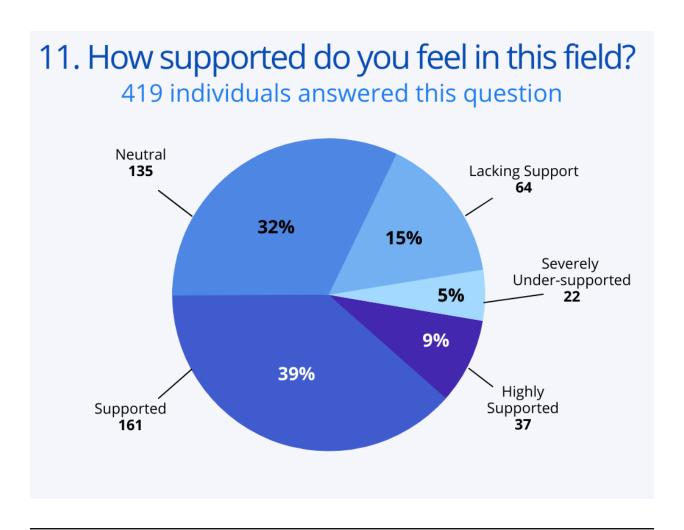
- 58 people (14%) Little/Rare
- 291 people (71%) None/Never

# 10. HOW MUCH OF YOUR INTERPRETING WORK IS... WITH DEAFBLIND INDIVIDUALS?

415 individuals answered this question. The bar graph above indicates:

- 5 people (1%) All/Most
- 89 people (21%) Some

- 139 people (34%) Little/Rare
- 182 people (44%) None/Never

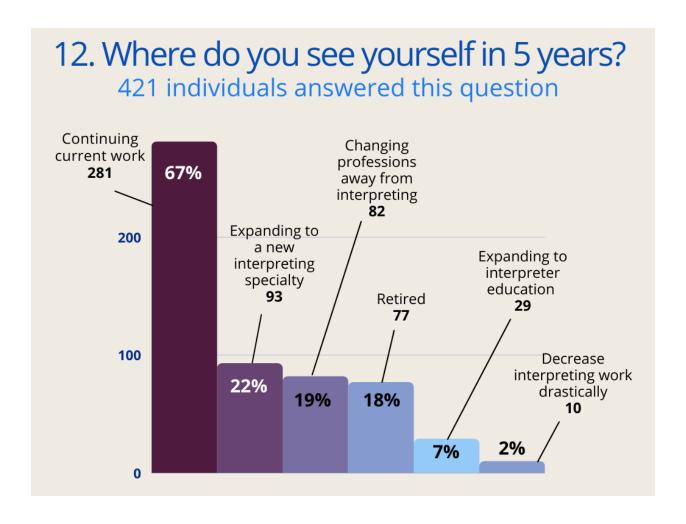


## 11. HOW SUPPORTED DO YOU FEEL IN THIS FIELD?

419 individuals answered this question

The bar graph above indicates:

- 22 people (5%) Severely Under-supported
- 64 people (15%) Lacking Support
- 135 people (32%) Neutral
- 161 people (39%) Supported
- 37 people (9%) Highly Supported

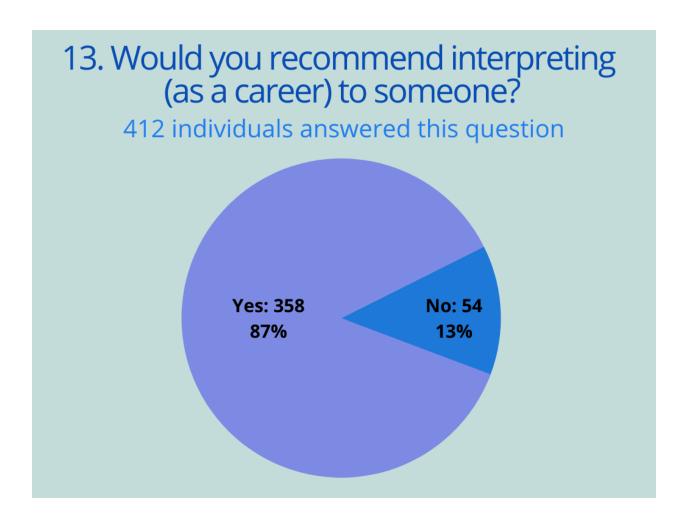


## 12. WHERE DO YOU SEE YOURSELF IN 5 YEARS?

421 individuals answered this question

The bar graph above indicates:

- 281 people (67%) Continuing current work
- 93 people (22%) Expanding to a new interpreting specialty
- 82 people (19%) Changing professions away from interpreting
- 77 people (18%) Retired
- 29 people (7%) Expanding into interpreter education
- 10 people (2%) Decrease interpreting work drastically



## 13. WOULD YOU RECOMMEND INTERPRETING (AS A CAREER) TO SOMEONE?

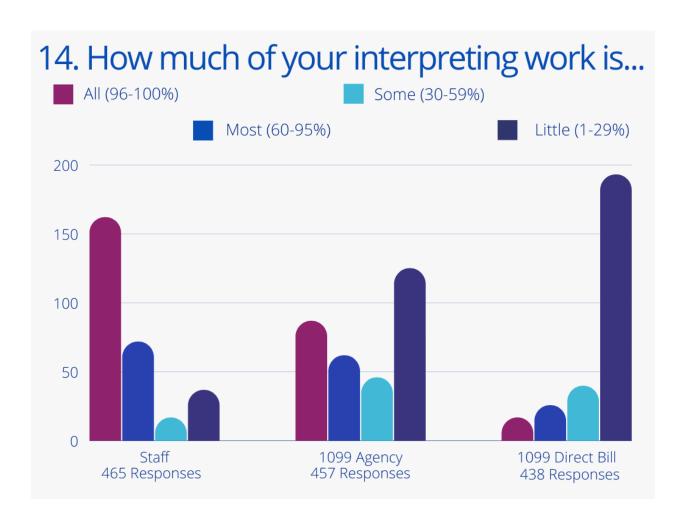
412 individuals answered this question

The pie chart above indicates:

- 358 people (87%) Yes
- 54 people (13%) No

## **RESULTS PART 2**

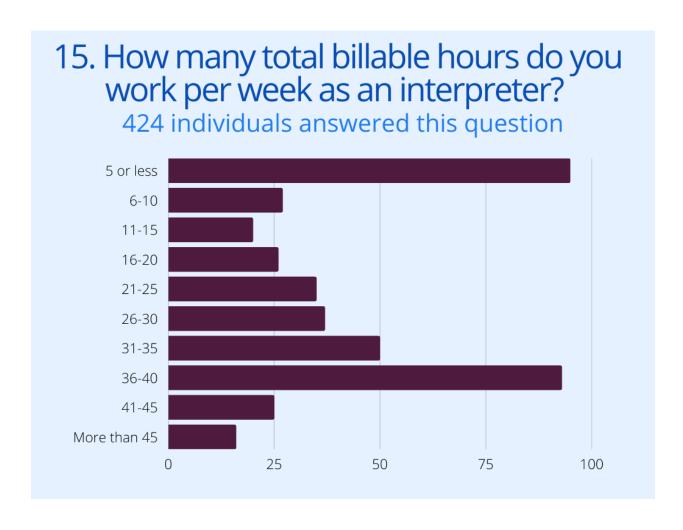
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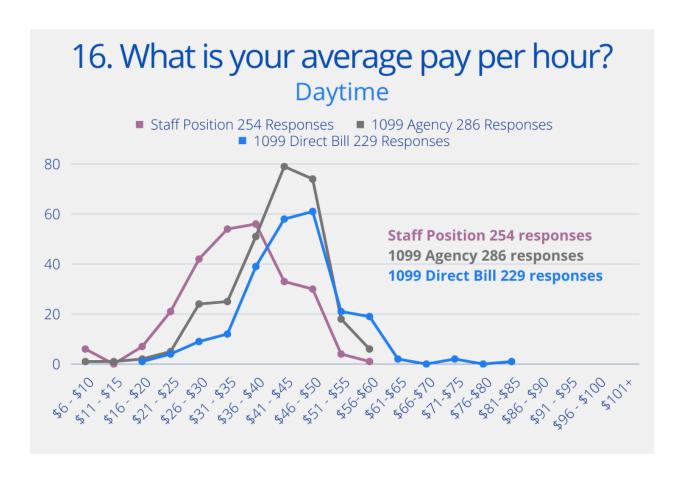
	Staff Position (465 Responses)	1099 Agency (457 Responses)	1099 Direct Bill (438 Responses)
None (0%)	177	137	132
Little (1-29%)	37	125	193
Some (30-59%)	17	46	40
Most (60-95%)	72	62	26
All (96-100%)	162	87	17



# 15. HOW MANY TOTAL BILLABLE HOURS DO YOU WORK PER WEEK AS AN INTERPRETER? (Including paid travel, billable prep, cancellations, and 2-hour minimums)

424 individuals answered this question. The bar graph above indicates:

- 95 people (22.4%) 5 or less billable hours per week
- 27 people (6.4%) 6 to 10 billable hours per week
- 20 people (4.7%) 11 to 15 billable hours per week
- 26 people (6.1%) 16 to 20 billable hours per week
- 35 people (8.3%) 21 to 25 billable hours per week
- 37 people (8.7%) 26 to 30 billable hours per week
- 50 people (11.8%) 31 to 35 billable hours per week
- 93 people (21.9%) 36 to 40 billable hours per week
- 25 people (5.9%) 41 to 45 billable hours per week
- 16 people (3.8%) more than 45 billable hours per week



## 16. WHAT IS YOUR AVERAGE PAY PER HOUR\*? DAYTIME

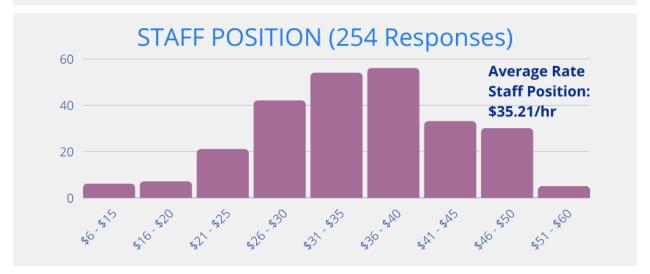
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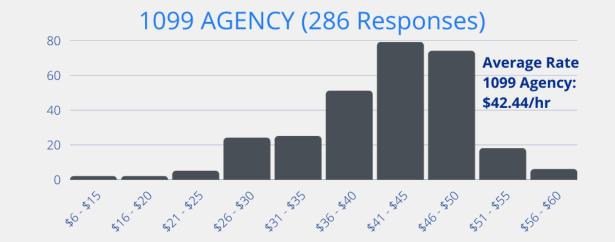
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	Position	Agency	Direct Bill
	(254	(286	(229
	Responses)	Responses)	Responses)
\$6 - \$10	6	1	0
\$11 - \$15	0	1	0
\$16 - \$20	7	2	1
\$21 - \$25	21	5	4
\$26 - \$30	42	24	9
\$31 - \$35	54	25	12
\$36 - \$40	56	51	39
\$41 - \$45	33	79	58
\$46 - \$50	30	74	61
\$51 - \$55	4	18	21
\$56 - \$60	1	6	19

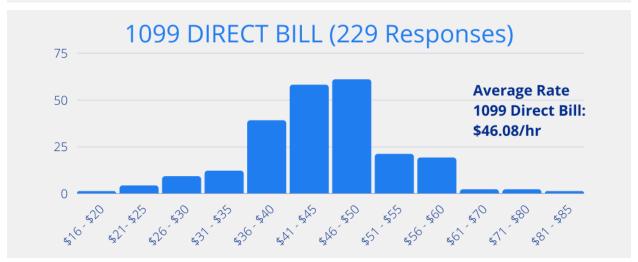
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	Responses)	Responses)	Responses)
\$61 - \$65			2
\$66 - \$70			0
\$71 - \$75			2
\$76 - \$80			0
\$81 - \$85			1
\$86 - \$90			
\$91 - \$95			
\$96 - 100			
\$101+			
Average	¢2E 21	\$42.44	¢46.09
Rate/Hour	\$35.21	\$42.44	\$46.08

<sup>\*</sup>Note, rates provided at \$5 and under were eliminated from the data as anomalies so as not to skew averages and perceptions.

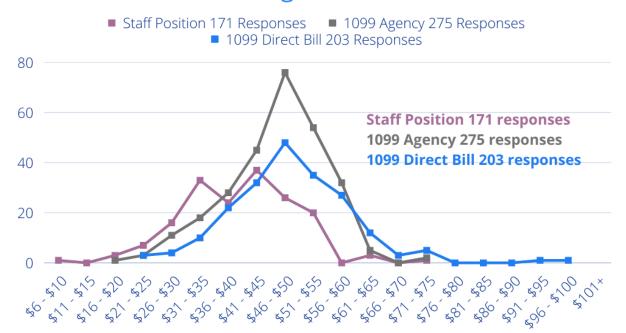
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# 17. What is your average pay per hour? Evening/Weekends



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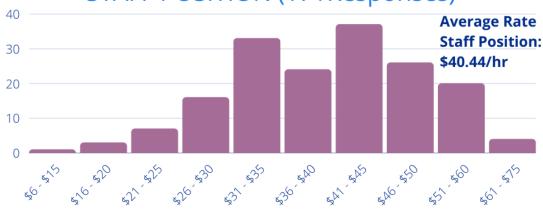
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\$11 - \$15	0	0	0
\$16 - \$20	3	1	0
\$21 - \$25	7	3	3
\$26 - \$30	16	11	4
\$31 - \$35	33	18	10
\$36 - \$40	24	28	22
\$41 - \$45	37	45	32
\$46 - \$50	26	76	48
\$51 - \$55	20	54	35
\$56 - \$60	0	32	27

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	Responses)	Responses)	Responses)
\$61 - \$65	3	5	12
\$66 - \$70	0	0	3
\$71 - \$75	1	2	5
\$76 - \$80			0
\$81 - \$85			0
\$86 - \$90			0
\$91 - \$95			1
\$96 - 100			1
\$101+			
Average Rate/Hour	\$40.44	\$47.18	\$52.89

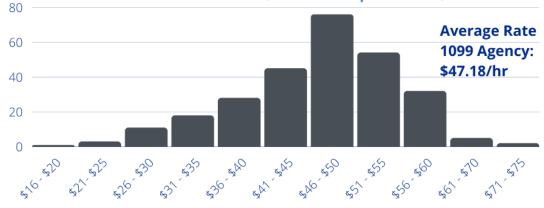
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# 17. What is your average pay per hour? Evening/Weekends

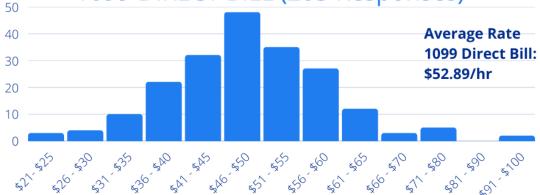
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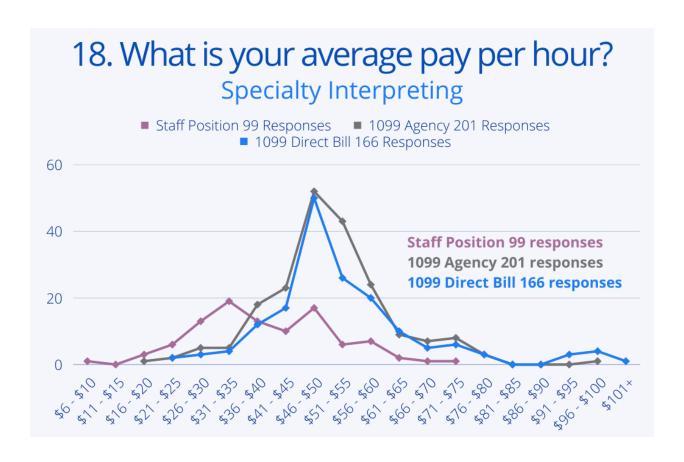


## 1099 AGENCY (275 Responses)



## 1099 DIRECT BILL (203 Responses)





## 18. WHAT IS YOUR AVERAGE PAY PER HOUR? SPECIALTY INTERPRETING

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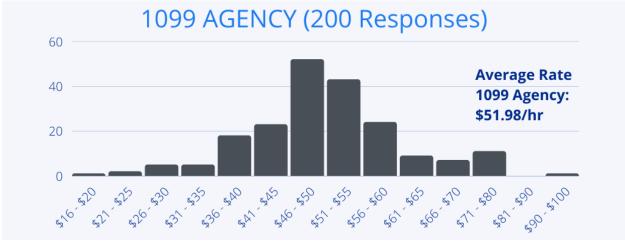
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	Position	Agency	Direct Bill
	(99	(201	(166
	Responses)	Responses)	Responses)
\$6 - \$10	1	0	0
\$11 - \$15	0	0	0
\$16 - \$20	3	1	0
\$21 - \$25	6	2	2
\$26 - \$30	13	5	3
\$31 - \$35	19	5	4
\$36 - \$40	13	18	12
\$41 - \$45	10	23	17
\$46 - \$50	17	52	50
\$51 - \$55	6	43	26
\$56 - \$60	7	24	20

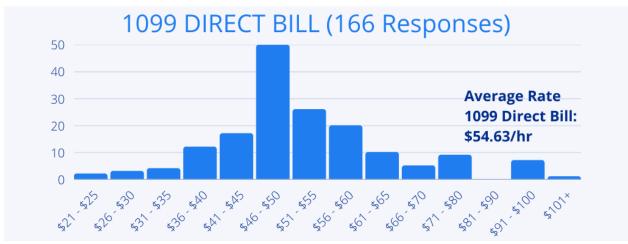
	Staff	1099	1099
	Position	Agency	Direct Bill
	(99	(201	(166
	Responses)	Responses)	Responses)
\$61 - \$65	2	9	10
\$66 - \$70	1	7	5
\$71 - \$75	1	8	6
\$76 - \$80		3	3
\$81 - \$85		0	0
\$86 - \$90		0	0
\$91 - \$95		0	3
\$96 - 100		1	4
\$101+			1
Average	\$39.95	\$51.68	\$54.63
Rate/Hour	Ş39.93 -	\$31.00	۶۶4.05

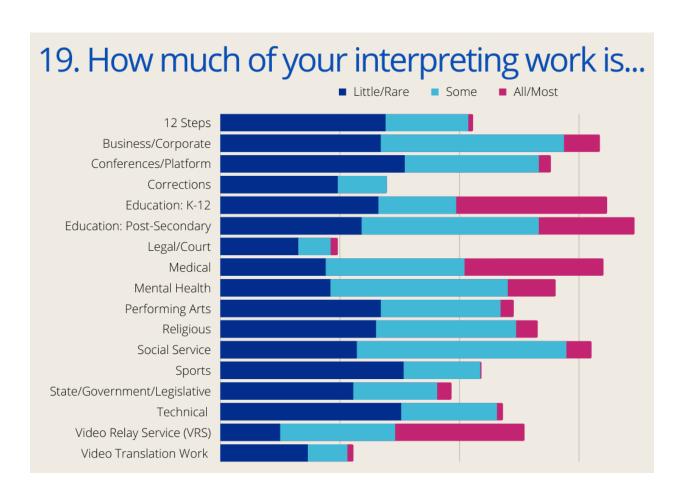
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# 18. What is your average pay per hour? Specialty Interpreting









## 19. HOW MUCH OF YOUR INTERPRETING WORK IS... IN EACH SECTOR

The bar graph above and subsequent bar graphs indicate:

### 12 Steps (AA, NA, OA, SA, etc.)

4 people (0.9%) – All/Most

69 people (15.2%) – Some

138 people (30.4%) – Little/Rare

211 people (46.5%) indicated they work in this area

## **Business/Corporate**

30 people (6.6%) - All/Most

153 people (33.7%) - Some

134 people (29.5%) - Little/Rare

317 people (69.8%) indicated they work in this area

## Conferences/Platform

10 people (2.2%) - All/Most

112 people (24.7%) - Some

154 people (34.0%) – Little/Rare

276 people (60.9%) indicated they work in this area

### 454 individuals responded

243 people (53.5%) - None/Never

## 454 individuals responded

137 people (30.2%) – None/Never

#### 453 individuals responded

177 people (39.1%) – None/Never

Corrections

451 individuals responded

0 people (0%) – All/Most

312 people (69.2%) - None/Never

41 people (9.1%) – Some

98 people (21.7%) - Little/Rare

139 people (30.8%) indicated they work in this area

**Education: K-12** 

472 individuals responded

151 people (32%) – None/Never

126 people (26.7%) – All/Most 63 people (13.3%) – Some

132 people (28%) – Little/Rare

321 people (68%) indicated they work in this area

**Education: Post-Secondary** 

461 individuals responded

115 people (24.9%) - None/Never

80 people (17.4%) – All/Most 148 people (32.1%) – Some

118 people (25.6%) – Little/Rare

346 people (75.1%) indicated they work in this area

Legal/Court

450 individuals responded

352 people (78.2%) – None/Never

6 people (1.3%) – All/Most 27 people (6.0%) – Some

65 people (14.4%) - Little/Rare

98 people (21.8%) indicated they work in this area

Medical

459 individuals responded

139 people (30.3%) - None/Never

116 people (25.3%) – Some

88 people (19.2%) - Little/Rare

116 people (25.3%) – All/Most

320 people (69.7%) indicated they work in this area

**Mental Health** 

452 individuals responded

172 people (38.1%) - None/Never

40 people (8.8%) – All/Most 148 people (32.7%) – Some

92 people (20.4%) - Little/Rare

280 people (61.9%) indicated they work in this area

**Performing Arts** 

450 individuals responded

205 people (45.6%) - None/Never

11 people (2.4%) – All/Most 100 people (22.2%) – Some

134 people (29.8%) – Little/Rare

245 people (54.4%) indicated they work in this area

Religious

452 individuals responded

187 people (41.1%) – None/Never

18 people (4%) – All/Most 117 people (25.9%) – Some

130 people (28.8%) – Little/Rare

265 people (58.8%) indicated they work in this area

## Social Services (Voc. Rehab, Social Work, WIC appts, etc.) 454 individuals responded

21 people (4.6%) – All/Most

144 people (31.7%) – None/Never

175 people (38.5%) – Some

114 people (25.1%) – Little/Rare

310 people (68.3%) indicated they work in this area

## Sports 455 individuals responded

1 person (0.2%) – All/Most

237 people (52.1%) – None/Never

64 people (14.1%) – Some

<u>153 people (33.6%) – Little/Rare</u>

218 people (47.9%) indicated they work in this area

## State/Government/Legislative 448 individuals responded

12 people (2.7%) – All/Most

255 people (56.9%) - None/Never

70 people (15.6%) – Some

111 people (24.8%) – Little/Rare

245 people (54.4%) indicated they work in this area

## Technical (Car mechanics, engineering, computers, etc.) 452 individuals responded

5 people (1.1%) – All/Most

216 people (47.8%) - None/Never

80 people (17.7%) - Some

151 people (33.4%) - Little/Rare

265 people (58.8%) indicated they work in this area

#### Video Relay Service 464 individuals responded

108 people (23.3%) – All/Most

210 people (45.3%) - None/Never

96 people (20.7%) - Some

50 people (10.8%) – Little/Rare

310 people (68.3%) indicated they work in this area

### Video Translation Work (pre-recorded, scripted, etc.) 445 individuals responded

5 people (1.1%) – All/Most

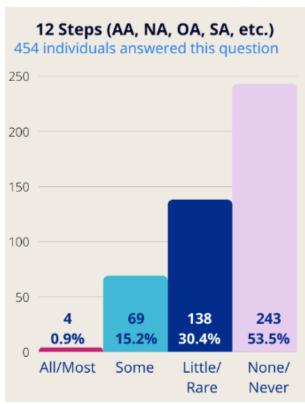
334 people (75.1%) - None/Never

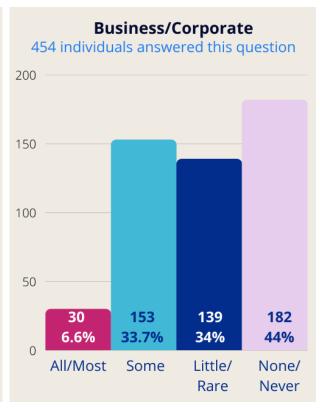
33 people (7.4%) - Some

73 people (16.4%) – Little/Rare

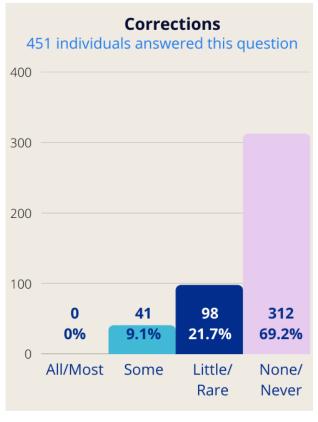
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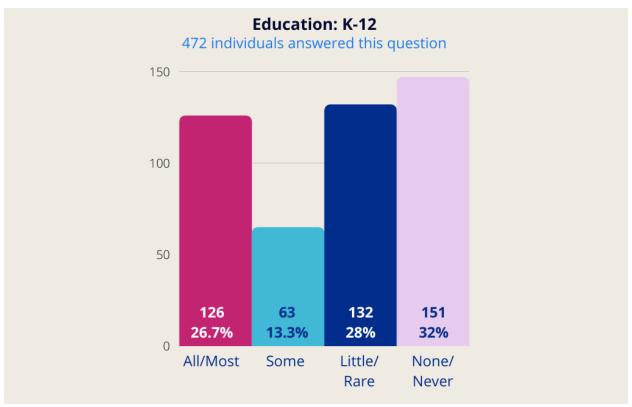


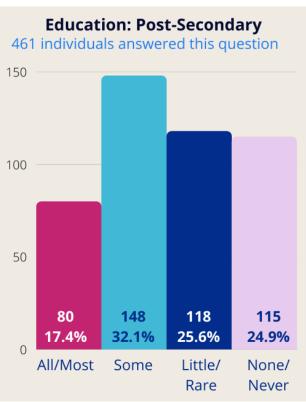


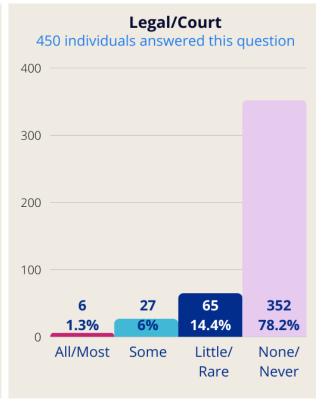




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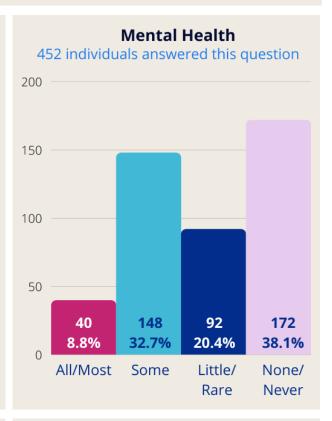


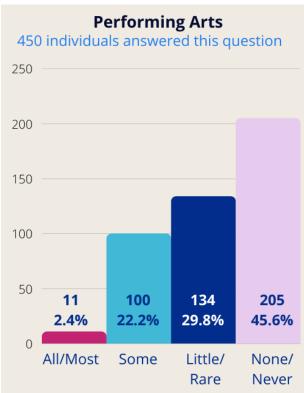




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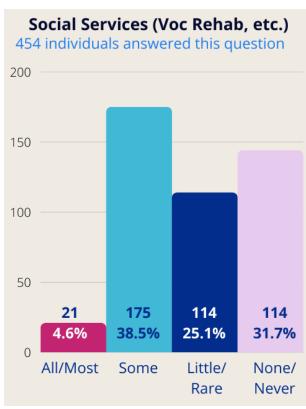


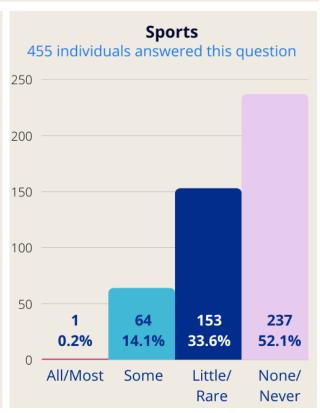


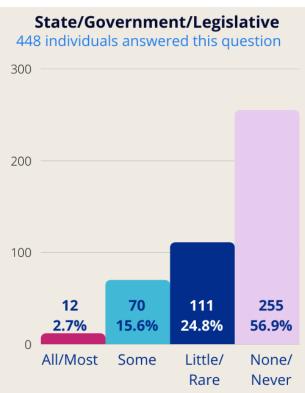




# 19. How much of your interpreting work is...

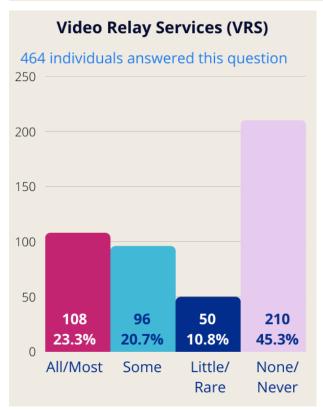


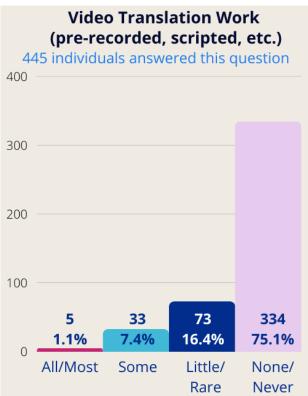


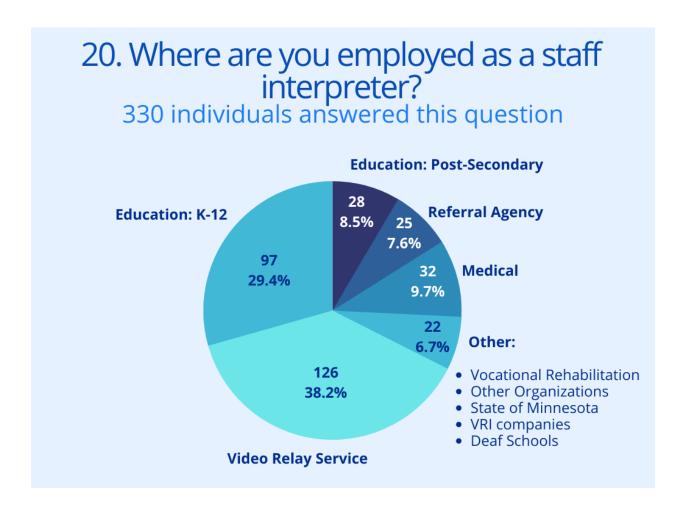




# 19. How much of your interpreting work is...







## 20. WHERE ARE YOU EMPLOYED AS A STAFF INTERPRETER?

330 individuals answered this question

The pie graph above indicates:

- 126 people (38.2%) Video Relay Service
- 97 people (29.4%) Education K-12
- 28 people (8.5%) Education Post-Secondary
- 25 people (7.6%) Referral Agency
- 32 people (9.7%) Medical
- 22 people (6.7%) Other
  - Vocational Rehabilitation
  - Other Organizations
  - o State of Minnesota
  - VRI Companies
  - Deaf Schools



4+ Agencies 60 = 19.1%

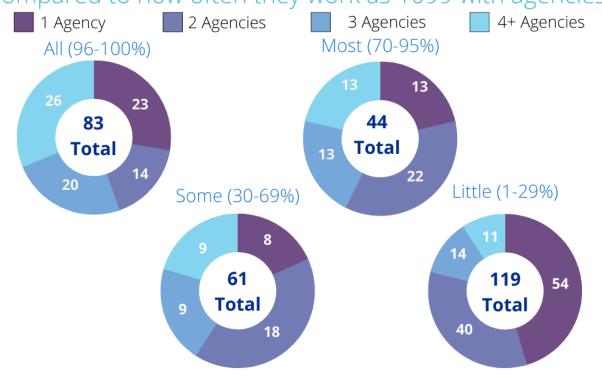
### 21. HOW MANY AGENCIES DO YOU CONTRACT WITH?

314 individuals answered this question

- 103 people (32.8%) 1 Agency
- 95 people (30.3%) 2 Agencies
- 56 people (17.8%) 3 Agencies
- 60 people (19.1%) 4 or more Agencies

# 22. Data comparison between 14 and 21 Number of agencies 1099 contractors work with

compared to how often they work as 1099 with agencies



### 22. DATA COMPARISON BETWEEN 14 AND 21

# Number of agencies 1099 contractors work with compared to how often they work as 1099 with agencies

307 data points for this comparison, the donut charts above indicate:

83 people answered all (96-100%) of their work was 1099 through agencies, of that:

- 23 people work with 1 agency
- 14 people work with 2 agencies
- 20 people work with 3 agencies
- 26 people work with 4+ agencies

44 people answered most (70-95%) of their work was 1099 through agencies, of that:

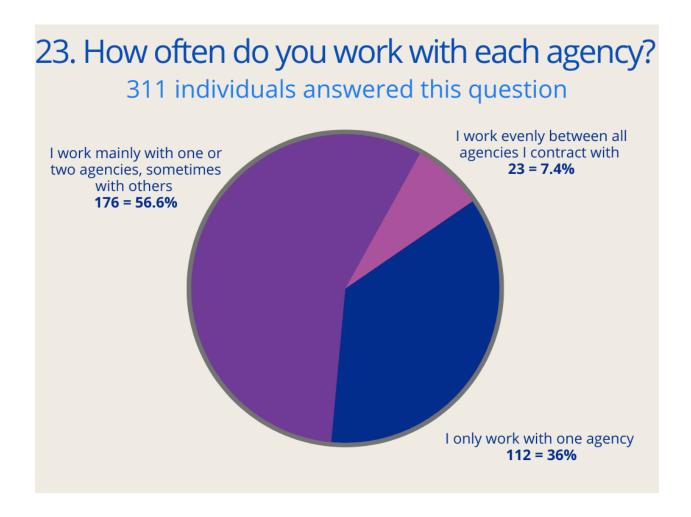
- 13 people work with 1 agency
- 22 people work with 2 agencies
- 13 people work with 3 agencies
- 13 people work with 4+ agencies

61 people answered all (30-69%) of their work was 1099 through agencies, of that:

- 8 people work with 1 agency
- 18 people work with 2 agencies
- 9 people work with 3 agencies
- 9 people work with 4+ agencies

119 people answered all (1-29%) of their work was 1099 through agencies, of that:

- 54 people work with 1 agency
- 40 people work with 2 agencies
- 14 people work with 3 agencies
- 11 people work with 4+ agencies

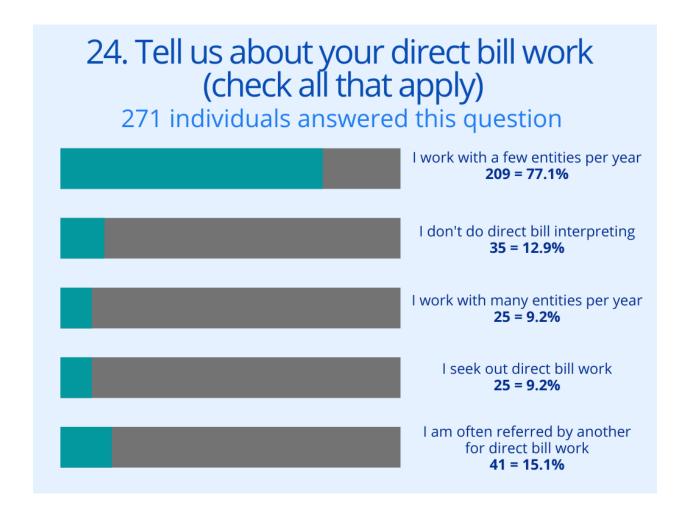


## 23. HOW OFTEN DO YOU WORK WITH EACH AGENCY?

311 individuals answered this question

The pie chart above indicates:

- 176 people (56.6%) I work mainly with one or two agencies, sometimes with others
- 23 people (7.4%) I work evenly between all agencies I contract with
- 112 people (36.0%) I only work with one agency



## 24. TELL US ABOUT YOUR DIRECT BILL WORK (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

271 individuals answered this question

- 209 people (77.1%) I work with a few entities per year
- 35 people (12.9%) I don't do direct bill interpreting
- 25 people (9.2%) I work with many entities per year
- 25 people (9.2%) I seek out direct bill work
- 41 people (15.1%) I am often referred by another for direct bill work

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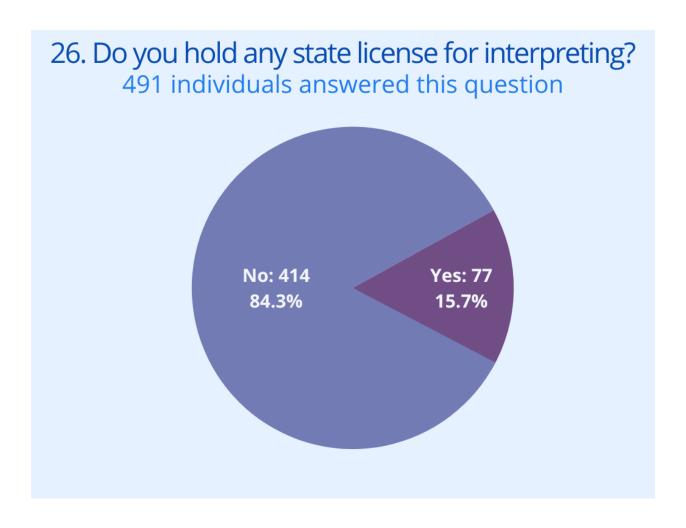
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				Blaine	1	8	9				
				Cedar	1	0	1				
Anoka	5	24	29	Columbia Heights	0	3	3				
711010		21	23	Coon Rapids	2	0	2				
				East Bethel	1	0	1				
				Fridley	0	3	3				
				Lino Lakes	0	2	2				
				Spring Lake Park	0	1	1				
Becker	0	1	1	Detroit Lakes	0	1	1				
Beltrami	1	1	2	Bemidji	1	1	2				
Benton	0	2	2	Sauk Rapids	0	2	2				
Blue Earth	0	2	2	Mankato	0	2	2				
Brown	0	2	2	New Ulm	0	2	2				
	0		3	Norwood Young America	0	1	1				
Carver		3		Victoria	0	1	1				
									Waconia	0	1
Cass	0	1	0	Poplar	0	1	1				
				Chisago City	0	3	3				
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Clay	1	6	7	Moorhead	1	3	4				
				Sabin	0	1	1				
Clearwater	0	1	1	Shevlin	0	1	1				
Cook	0	1	1	Tofte	0	1	1				
				Baxter	0	2	2				
Crow Wing	2	7	9	Brainerd	1	5	6				
				Fort Ripley	1	0	1				
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				Burnsville	1	3	4				
				Eagan	0	9	9				
				Farmington	0	4	4				
Dakota	3	31	34	Inver Grove Heights	1	1	2				
				Lakeville	0	3	3				
				South Saint Paul	0	4	4				
				West St Paul	1	2	3				
Dodgo	0	2	2	Dodge Center	0	1	1				
Dodge	U	2	2	West Concord	0	1	1				
Douglas	1	1	2	Alexandria	1	1	2				
	1		3	Kenyon	1	0	1				
Goodhue		2		Pine Island	0	1	1				
				Zumbrota	0	1	1				
				Bloomington	2	5	7				
				Champlin	0	2	2				
				Crystal	1	3	4				
				Eden Prairie	0	2	2				
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				Golden Valley	0	1	1				
				Hopkins	1	1	2				
				Maple Grove	0	4	4				
Hannanin	25	106	131	Minneapolis	13	71	84				
Hennepin	25	100	151	Minnetonka	3	0	3				
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				Osseo	0	1	1				
				Plymouth	1	2	3				
				Richfield	1	3	4				
				Robbinsdale	0	2	2				
				Rogers	0	1	1				
				St. Louis Park	2	3	5				
				Wayzata	0	1	1				
Hubbard	0	1	1	Lake George	0	1	1				

469 individuals answered both questions								
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Kandiyohi	0	1	1	Willmar	0	1	1	
Lake	1	0	1	Two Harbors	1	0	1	
Le Sueur	0	3	3	Cleveland	0	1	1	
Le Sueui	U	3	3	Montgomery	0	2	2	
Marshall	0	1	1	Warren	0	1	1	
Mcleod	0	1	1	Glencoe	0	1	1	
Meeker	0	1	1	Dassel	0	1	1	
				Little Falls	0	3	3	
Morrison	0	6	6	Motley	0	1	1	
				Royalton	0	2	2	
Olmsted	1	2	3	Oronoco	0	1	1	
Omsted	1	Z	3	Rochester	1	1	2	
Otter Tail	0	1	1	Perham	0	1	1	
Pennington	0	2	2	Thief River Falls	0	2	2	
Pope	0	1	1	Glenwood	0	1	1	
				Little Canada	0	1	1	
				Maplewood	0	3	3	
				Mendota Heights	0	1	1	
				Mounds View	0	2	2	
Ramsey	11	74	85	New Brighton	1	1	2	
Ramsey	11	74	83	North Saint Paul	1	1	2	
				Roseville	1	9	10	
				Shoreview	0	4	4	
				St. Paul	8	51	59	
				White Bear Lake	0	1	1	
Rice	4	5	9	Faribault	3	2	5	
Micc	-T	,		Northfield	1	3	4	
				Elko	1	1	2	
Scott	3	6	9	Prior Lake	0	2	2	
30011	3	U	3	Savage	2	0	2	
				Shakopee	1	3	4	

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Cla a ula coma a	2	6	0	Big Lake	1	1	2
Sherburne	3	6	9	Elk River	1	3	4
				Otsego	1	1	2
St. Louis	2	17	19	Duluth	2	15	17
St. Louis	2	17	19	Virginia	0	2	2
				Albany	0	2	2
				Kimball	0	2	2
Stearns	0	16	16	Paynesville	0	1	1
				Sartell	0	1	1
				St. Cloud	0	10	10
Steele	0	2	2	Owatonna	0	2	2
Todd	0	2	2	Long Prairie	0	2	2
Wabasha	1	1	2	Greenfield	0	1	1
Wabasiia	1	1	2	Wabasha	1	0	1
Waseca	0	2	2	Waseca	0	2	2
				Forest Lake	0	1	1
			19	Lake Elmo	0	1	1
				Oakdale	0	5	5
Washington	3	16		Saint Paul Park	1	0	1
				Scandia	1	0	1
				Stillwater	0	2	2
				Woodbury	1	7	8
Watonwan	0	1	1	Madelia	0	1	1
Winona	0	1	1	Winona	0	1	1
				Albertville	0	1	1
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Wright	1	5	б	Delano	0	1	1
				Monticello	1	1	2
				Northern MN	0	1	1
Othor	Pospones	for Minnesot	2	Rural City	1	0	1
Other	responses i	or willinesot	a	Suburbs	0	1	1
				Twin Cities	0	1	1
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	City	Certified	Certified	Total
	Outside Minnesota	0	1	1
	Fargo, ND	1	1	2
	Thompson, ND	0	1	1
	Las Vegas, NV	0	1	1
	Seattle, WA	0	1	1
Answers Outside of Minnesota	Baldwin, WI	0	1	1
Allswers Outside of Millinesota	Bay City, WI	0	1	1
	Hudson, WI	0	1	1
	Onalaska, WI	0	1	1
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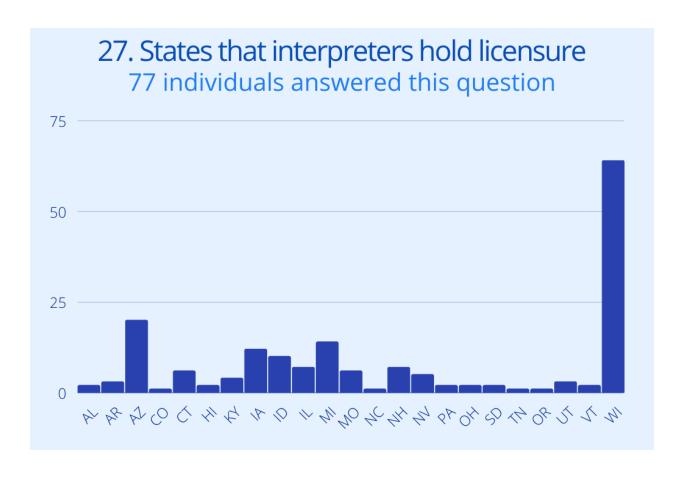


## 26. DO YOU HOLD ANY STATE LICENSE FOR INTERPRETING?

491 individuals answered this question

The pie chart above indicates:

- 414 people (84.3%) No
- 77 people (15.7%) Yes



## 27. STATES THAT INTERPRETERS HOLD LICENSURE

77 individuals answered this question

- 2 people Alabama
- 3 people Arkansas
- 20 people Arizona
- 1 person Colorado
- 6 people Connecticut
- 2 people Hawaii
- 4 people Kentucky
- 12 people Iowa
- 10 people Idaho
- 7 people Illinois
- 14 people Michigan
- 6 people Missouri

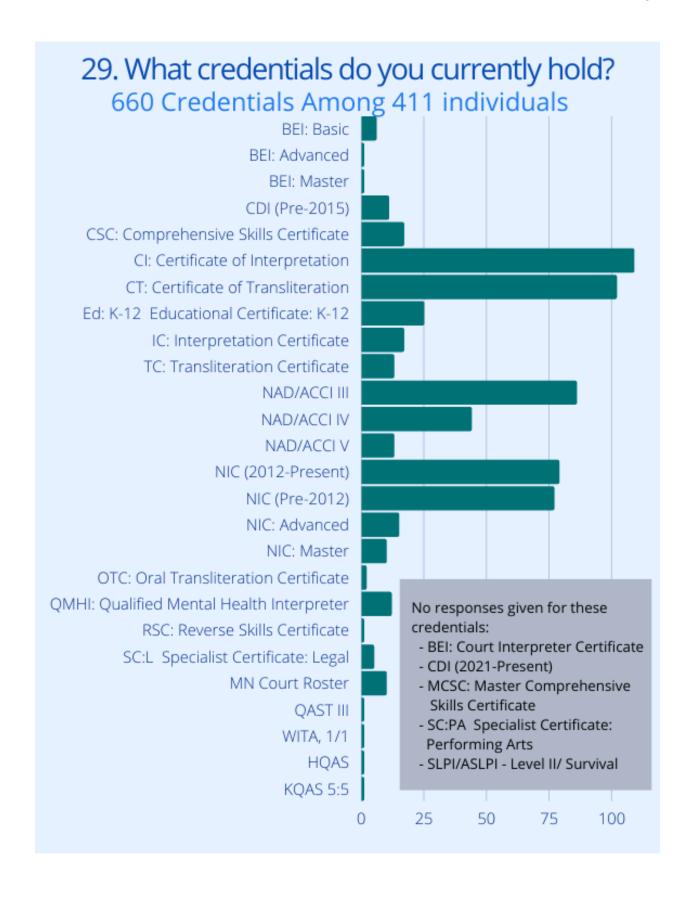
- 1 person North Carolina
- 7 people New Hampshire
- 5 people Nevada
- 2 people Pennsylvania
- 2 people Ohio
- 2 people- South Dakota
- 1 person Tennessee
- 1 person Oregon
- 3 people Utah
- 2 people Vermont
- 64 people Wisconsin



### 28. WHAT YEAR DID YOU FIRST BECOME CERTIFIED?

379 individuals answered this question

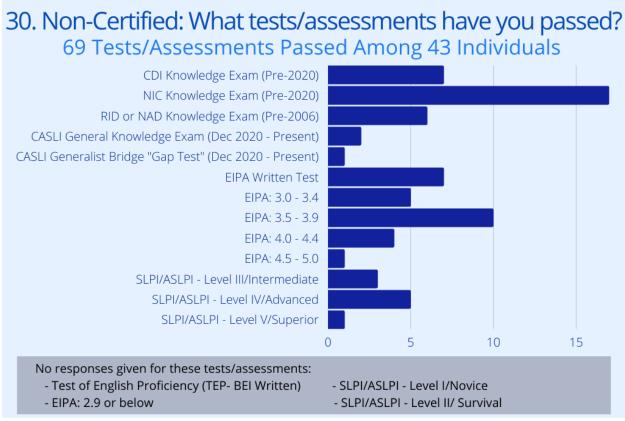
- 8 people (2.1%) 1975-1979
- 19 people (5%) 1980-1984
- 17 people (4.5%) 1985-1989
- 19 people (5%) 1990-1994
- 67 people (17.7%) 1995-1999
- 76 people (20.1%) 2000-2004
- 59 people (15.6%) 2005-2009
- 41 people (10.8%) 2010-2014
- 45 people (12.7%) 2015-2019
- 25 people (6.6%) 2020-2021

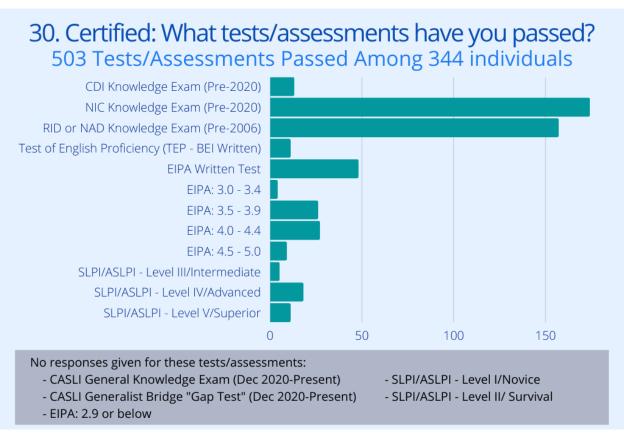


## 29. WHAT CREDENTIALS DO YOU CURRENTLY HOLD?

411 individuals answered this question, 660 total credentials

Certification Name	# Of Responses
BEI: Basic	6
BEI: Advanced	1
BEI: Master	1
BEI: Court Interpreter Certificate	0
CDI (Pre-2015)	11
CDI (2021-Present)	0
CSC: Comprehensive Skills Certificate	17
CI: Certificate of Interpretation	109
CT: Certificate of Transliteration	102
Ed: K-12 Educational Certificate: K-12	25
IC: Interpretation Certificate	17
TC: Transliteration Certificate	13
MCSC: Master Comprehensive Skills Certificate	0
NAD/ACCI III	86
NAD/ACCI IV	44
NAD/ACCI V	13
NIC (2012-Present)	79
NIC (Pre-2012)	77
NIC: Advanced	15
NIC: Master	10
OTC: Oral Transliteration Certificate	2
QMHI: Qualified Mental Health Interpreter	12
RSC: Reverse Skills Certificate	1
SC:L Specialist Certificate: Legal	5
SC:PA Specialist Certificate: Performing Arts	0
MN Court Roster	10
QAST III	1
WITA, 1/1	1
HQAS	1
KQAS 5:5	1





## 30. WHAT TESTS/ASSESSMENTS HAVE YOU PASSED?

344 certified individuals answered this question, total 503 tests/assessments passed 43 non-certified individuals answered this question, total 69 tests/assessments passed

Tests/Assessments Passed among MN Interpreters (not certifications)	# Non-Certified	# Certified
CDI Knowledge Exam (Pre-2020)	7	13
NIC Knowledge Exam (Pre-2020)	17	174
RID or NAD Knowledge Exam (Pre-2006)	6	157
CASLI General Knowledge Exam (Dec 2020 - Present)	2	0
CASLI Generalist Bridge "Gap Test" (Dec 2020 - Present)	1	0
Test of English Proficiency (TEP - BEI Written)	0	11
EIPA Written Test	7	48
EIPA: 2.9 or below	0	0
EIPA: 3.0 - 3.4	5	4
EIPA: 3.5 - 3.9	10	26
EIPA: 4.0 - 4.4	4	27
EIPA: 4.5 - 5.0	1	9
SLPI/ASLPI - Level I/Novice	0	0
SLPI/ASLPI - Level II/Survival	0	0
SLPI/ASLPI - Level III/Intermediate	3	5
SLPI/ASLPI - Level IV/Advanced	5	18
SLPI/ASLPI - Level V/Superior	1	11
Other (please specify)	0	0

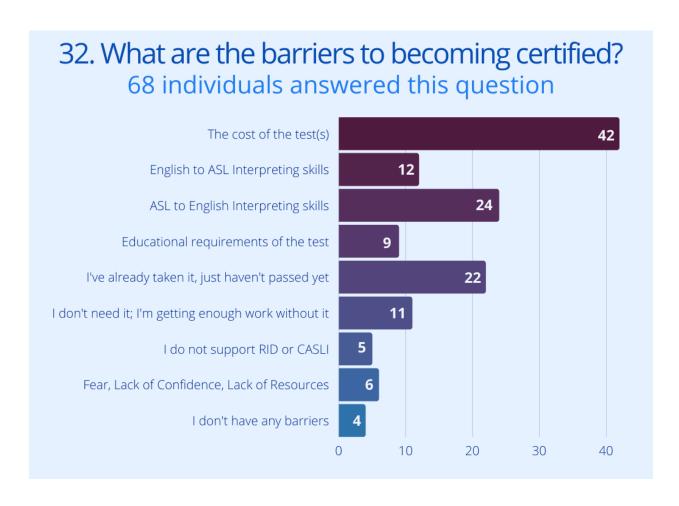


## 31. WHEN DO YOU PLAN ON TAKING A CERTIFICATION TEST?

\*Only those who responded "non-certified" were prompted to answer this question

71 individuals answered this question

- 29 people (40.8%) Within the next year
- 10 people (14.1%) Within the next 2-3 years
- 6 people (8.5%) Sometime 3+ years from now
- 9 people (12.7%) I've already taken it, and waiting for results
- 17 people (23.9%) I do not plan on taking any certification test



#### 32. WHAT ARE THE BARRIERS TO BECOMING CERTIFIED?

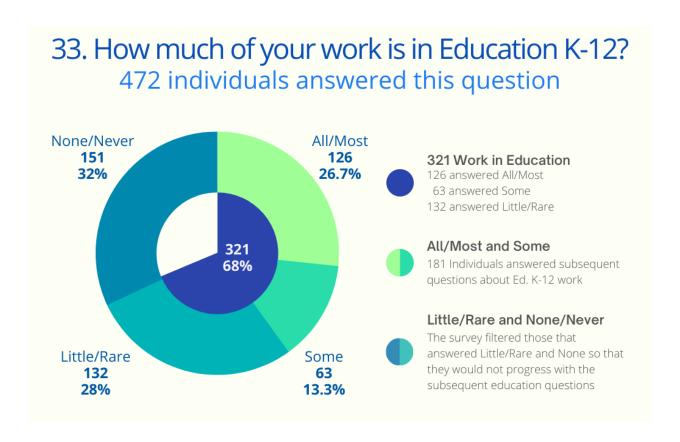
\*Only those who responded "non-certified" were prompted to answer this question

68 individuals answered this question

- 42 people The cost of the test(s)
- 12 people English to ASL Interpreting Skills
- 24 people ASL to English Interpreting Skills
- 9 people Educational requirements of the test
- 22 people I've already taken it, just haven't passed it yet
- 11 people I don't need it; I'm getting enough work without it
- 5 people I do not support RID or CASLI
- 6 people Fear, Lack of Confidence, Lack of Resources
- 4 people I don't have any barriers

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### 33. HOW MUCH OF YOUR WORK IS IN EDUCATION K-12?

472 individuals answered this question

The donut chart and data above indicate:

126 people (26.7%) – All/Most

63 people (13.3%) - Some

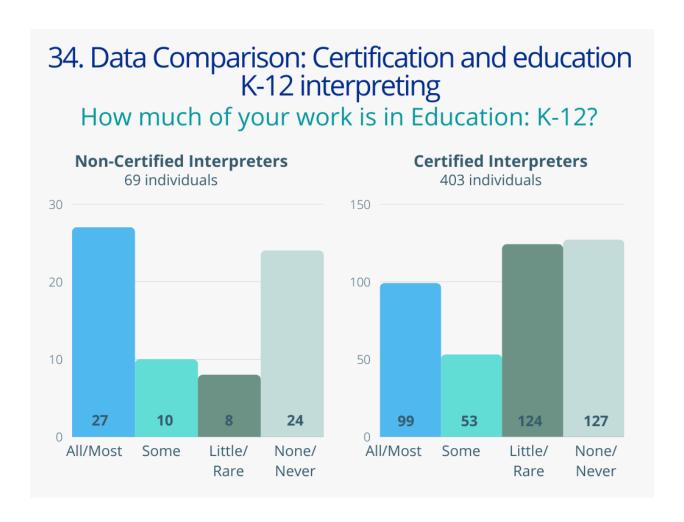
132 people (28%) – Little/Rare

321 people (68%) work in education

151 people (32%) – None Never

181 Individuals answered subsequent questions about Ed K-12 work

- 124 people who answered All/Most moving forward
  - Two (2) individuals did not answer subsequent questions
- 57 people who answered Some moving forward
  - Six (6) individuals did not answer subsequent questions
- Little/Rare and None/Never
  - The survey filtered those that answered Little/Rare and None/Never so that they would not progress with the subsequent education questions



### 34. COMPARISON POINT: CERTIFICATION AND EDUCATION K-12 INTERPRETING

## 472 individuals answered this question

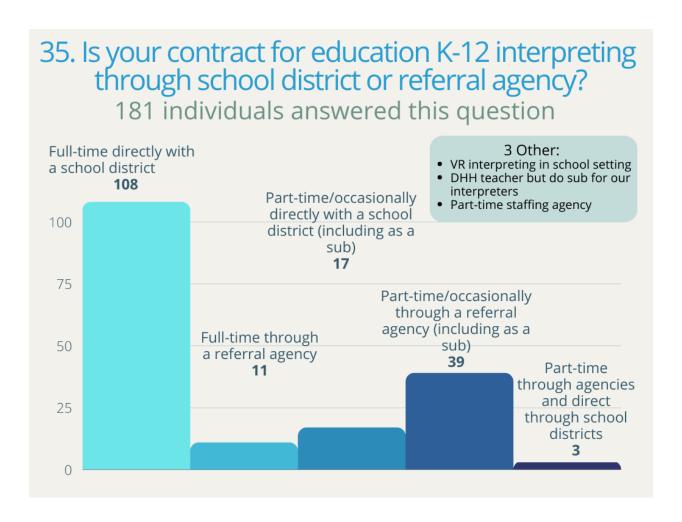
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### 69 Individuals Non-Certified Interpreters

- 27 people (39.1%) All/Most
- 10 people (14.5%) Some
- 8 people (11.6%) Little/Rare
- 24 people (34.8%) None/Never

### 403 Individuals Certified Interpreters

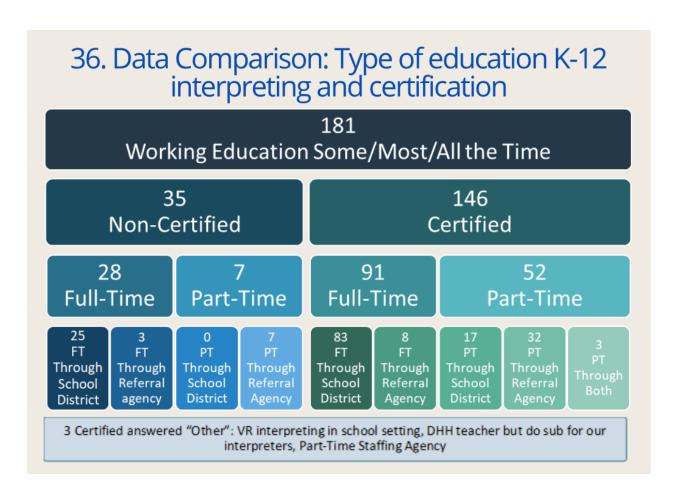
- 99 people (24.6%) All/Most
- 53 people (13.2%) Some
- 124 people (30.8%) Little/Rare
- 127 people (31.5%) None/Never



# 35. CONTRACT FOR EDUCATION K-12 INTERPRETING THROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT OR REFERRAL AGENCY?

181 individuals answered this question

- 108 people (59.7%) –Full-time directly with a school district
- 11 people (6.1%) Full-time through a referral agency
- 17 people (9.4%) Part-time/occasionally directly with school district (including as a sub)
- 39 people (21.5%) Part-time/occasionally through a referral agency (including as a sub)
- 3 people (1.7%) Part-time through agencies and direct through school districts
- 3 people (1.7%) Other:
  - VR Interpreting in school setting
  - DHH Teacher but do sub for our interpreters
  - Part-time staffing agency

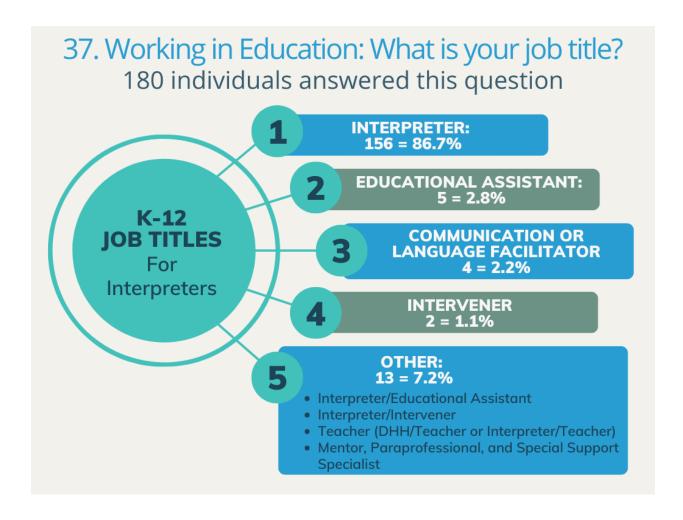


# 36. DATA COMPARISON: TYPE OF EDUCATION K-12 INTERPRETING AND CERTIFICATION

The chart above indicates of the 181 Working Education Some/Most/All the Time: 35 Non-Certified, 28 are full-time and 7 are part-time

- 25 people FT through school district
- 3 people FT through referral agency
- 146 Certified, 91 are full-time and 52 are part-time
  - 83 people FT through school district
  - 8 people FT through referral agency
  - 17 people PT through school district
  - 32 people PT through referral agency

- 0 people PT through school district
- 7 people PT through referral agency
- 3 Certified answered Other-
  - DHH Teacher but do sub for our interpreters
  - Part-Time Staffing Agency
  - VR Interpreting in School Setting



### 37. WORKING IN EDUCATION: WHAT IS YOUR JOB TITLE?

180 individuals answered this question

The graphic above indicates K-12 Job Titles for Interpreters:

- 156 people (86.7%) Interpreter
- 5 people (2.8%) Educational Assistant
- 4 people (2.2%) Communication or Language Facilitator
- 2 people (1.1%) Intervener
- 13 people (7.2%) Other
  - o Interpreter/Educational Assistant
  - Interpreter/Intervener
  - Teacher (DHH/Teacher or Interpreter/Teacher)
  - Mentor, Paraprofessional, and Special Support Specialist

# 38. Data Comparison: Certification and job titles in education K-12 interpreting

180 individuals answered this question

# Non-Certified Certified

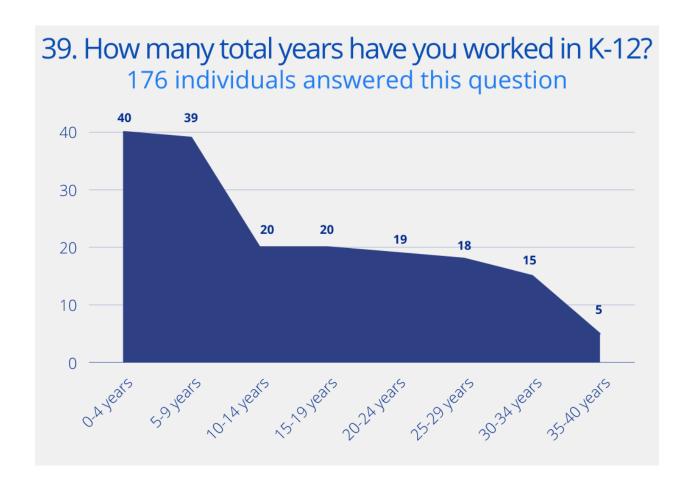
25	Interpreter	131
1	Educational Assistant	4
3	Communication or Language Facilitator	1
2	Intervener	0
1	Interpreter/Educational Assistant	3
0	Interpreter/Intervener	3
1	Teacher (DHH/Teacher or Interpreter/Teacher)	2
2	Mentor, Paraprofessional, Special Support Specialist	1
0	Interpreter/Intervener Teacher (DHH/Teacher or Interpreter/Teacher)	3

# 38. DATA COMPARISON: CERTIFICATION AND JOB TITLES IN EDUCATION K-12 INTERPRETING

180 individuals answered this question

The chart above indicates:

Job Title	# Non-Certified	# Certified
Interpreter	25	131
Educational Assistant	1	4
Communication or Language Facilitator	3	1
Intervener	2	0
Interpreter/Educational Assistant	1	3
Interpreter/Intervener	0	3
Teacher (DHH/Teacher or Interpreter/Teacher)	1	2
Mentor, Paraprofessional, and Special Support Specialist	2	1

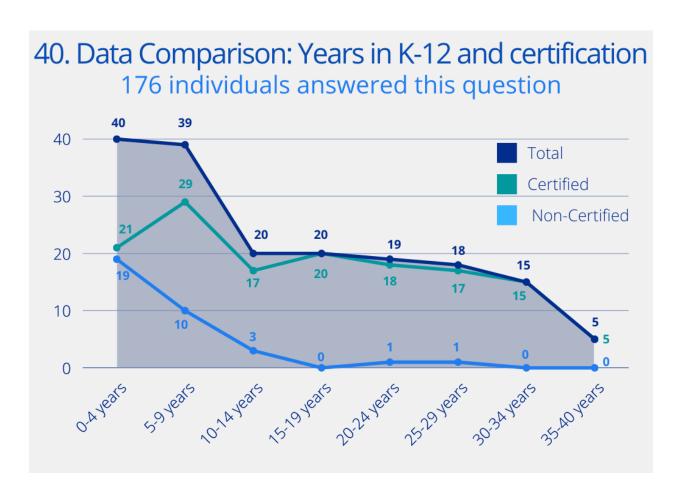


### 39. HOW MANY TOTAL YEARS HAVE YOU WORKED IN K-12?

176 individuals answered this question

The area chart above indicates:

- 40 people (22.7%) 0-4 years
- 39 people (22.2%) 5-9 years
- 20 people (11.4%) 10-14 years
- 20 people (11.4%) 15-19 years
- 19 people (10.8%) 20-24 years
- 18 people (10.2%) 25-29 years
- 15 people (8.5%) 30-34 years
- 5 people (2.8%) 35-40 years



### 40. DATA COMPARISON: YEARS IN K-12 AND CERTIFICATION?

## 176 individuals answered this question

Job Title	# Non-Certified	# Certified	# Total
0-4 years	19	21	40
5-9 years	10	29	39
10-14 years	3	17	20
15-19 years	0	20	20
20-24 years	1	18	19
25-29 years	1	17	18
30-34 years	0	15	15
35-40 years	0	5	5

# 41. Data Comparison: Education K-12 Interpreting and Hourly Rates

Average hourly rate educational interpreters vs. all interpreter categories

EDUCATIONAL INTERPRETERS (144 RESPONSES) \$31.80

ALL INTERPRETERS (590 RESPONSES) \$41.73

All interpreting categories average daytime hourly rate based on employment type

SCHOOL DISTRICT (90 RESPONSES) \$27.86

AGENCY (9 RESPONSES) \$37.66

Educational interpreters average FULL TIME hourly rate based on employment type

SCHOOL DISTRICT (8 RESPONSES) \$37.62

AGENCY (32 RESPONSES) \$39.96

Educational interpreters average PART TIME hourly rate based on employment type

STAFF POSITION (254 RESPONSES) \$35.21

AGENCY (286 RESPONSES) \$42.44

DIRECT BILL (229 RESPONSES) \$46.08

### 41. DATA COMPARISON: EDUCATION K-12 INTERPRETING AND HOURLY RATES

The bar graph above indicates:

Average hourly rate educational interpreters vs. all interpreter categories

- \$31.80 hourly Educational Interpreters (144 responses)
- \$41.73 hourly All Interpreters (590 responses)

All interpreting categories average daytime hourly rate based on employment type

- \$27.86 hourly School District (90 responses)
- \$37.66 hourly Agency (9 responses)

Educational interpreters average FULL TIME hourly rate based on employment type

- \$37.62 hourly School District (8 responses)
- \$39.96 hourly Agency (32 responses)

Educational interpreters average PART TIME hourly rate based on employment type

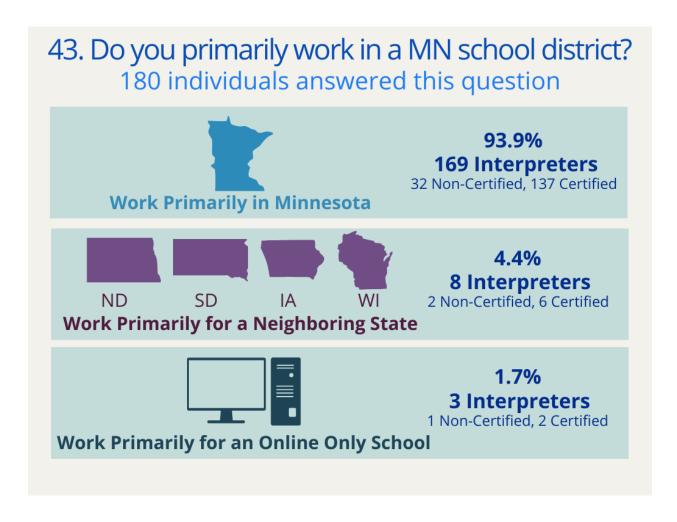
- \$35.21 hourly Staff Position (254 responses)
- \$42.44 hourly Agency (286 responses)
- \$46.08 hourly Direct Bill (229 responses)

# 42. Data Comparison: Education K-12 Interpreting Hourly Rates and Certification/EIPA Status



# 42. DATA COMPARISON: EDUCATION K-12 INTERPRETING HOURLY RATES AND CERTIFICATION/EIPA STATUS

- \$25.36 hourly Non-Certified (33 responses)
- \$34.44 hourly Certified (118 responses)
- \$23.11 hourly EIPA 3.0-3.4 (9 responses)
- \$33.07 hourly EIPA 3.5-3.9 (26 responses)
- \$32.77 hourly EIPA 4.0-4.4 (27 responses)
- \$33.33 hourly EIPA 4.5-5.0 (6 responses)

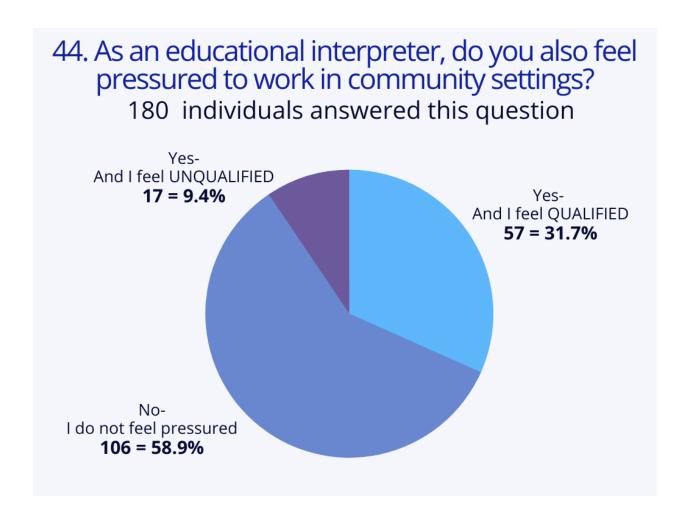


### 43. DO YOU PRIMARILY WORK IN A MN SCHOOL DISTRICT?

180 individuals answered this question

The graphic above indicates:

- 169 people (93.9%) Work primarily in Minnesota
  - o 32 Non-Certified
  - o 137 Certified
- 8 people (4.4%) Work primarily for a neighboring state (ND, SD, IA, WI)
  - 2 Non-Certified
  - o 6 Certified
- 3 people (1.7%) Work primarily for an online only school
  - o 1 Non-Certified
  - o 2 Certified



# 44. AS AN EDUCATIONAL INTERPRETER, DO YOU ALSO FEEL PRESSURED TO WORK IN COMMUNITY SETTINGS?

180 individuals answered this question

The pie chart above indicates:

- 17 people (9.4%) Yes, and I feel unqualified
- 57 people (31.7%) Yes, and I feel qualified
- 106 people (58.9%) No, I do not feel pressured

#### 45. Data Comparison: Certification and feeling pressured to work in community settings 180 individuals answered this quesiton 145 Certified 35 Non-Certified answered this question answered this question 17.1% of non-certified 7.6% of certified interpreters interpreters who feel pressured who feel pressured to interpret 6 to interpret in community in community settings feel settings feel unqualified unqualified 43 14 40% of non-certified interpreters 29.7% of certified interpreters who feel pressured to interpret who feel pressured to interpret in community settings feel in community settings feel qualified qualified 91 15 42.9% of non-certified interpreters 62.8% of certified interpreters do not feel pressured to interpret do not feel pressured to in community settings interpret in community settings

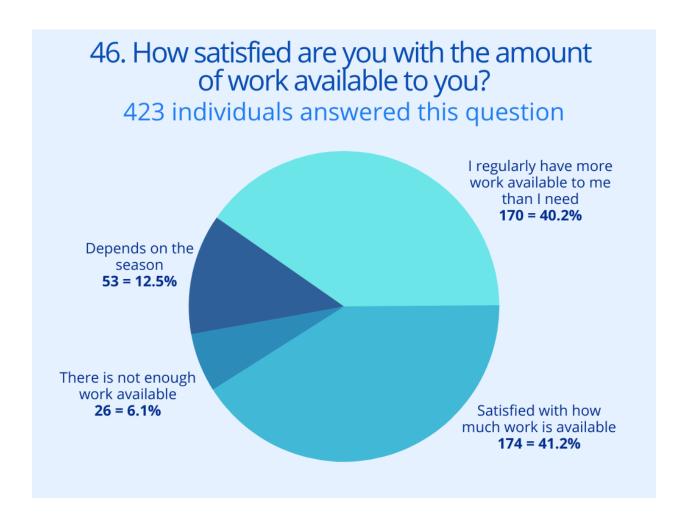
## 45. DATA COMPARISON: CERTIFICATION AND FEELING PRESSURED TO WORK IN COMMUNITY SETTINGS

180 individuals answered this question. The chart above indicates:

- 35 Non-Certified answered this question
  - o 6 people (17.1%) of non-certified interpreters who feel pressured to interpret in community settings feel unqualified
  - 14 people (40%) of non-certified interpreters who feel pressured to interpret in community settings feel qualified
  - 15 people (42.9%) of non-certified interpreters do not feel pressured to interpret in community settings
- 145 Certified answered this question
  - 11 people (7.6%) of certified interpreters who feel pressured to interpret in community settings feel unqualified
  - 43 people (29.7%) of certified interpreters who feel pressured to interpret in community settings feel qualified
  - 91 people (62.8%) of certified interpreters do not feel pressured to interpret in community settings

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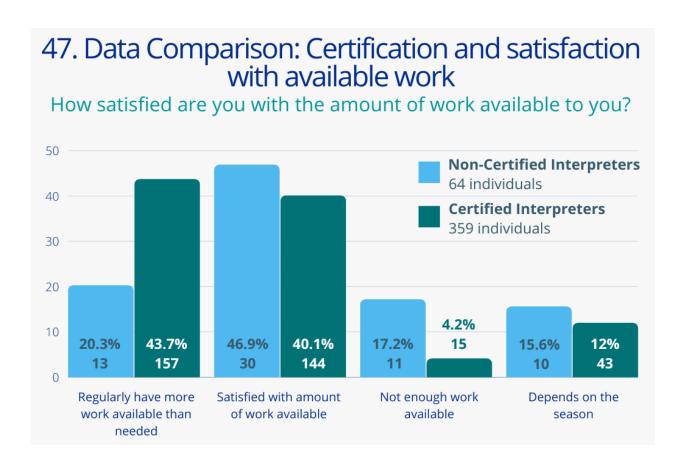
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## 46. HOW SATISFIED ARE YOU WITH THE AMOUNT OF WORK AVAILABLE TO YOU?

423 individuals answered this question

- 170 people (40.2%) I regularly have more work available to me than I need
- 174 people (41.2%) Satisfied with how much work is available
- 26 people (6.1%) There is not enough work available
- 53 people (12.5%) Depends on the season

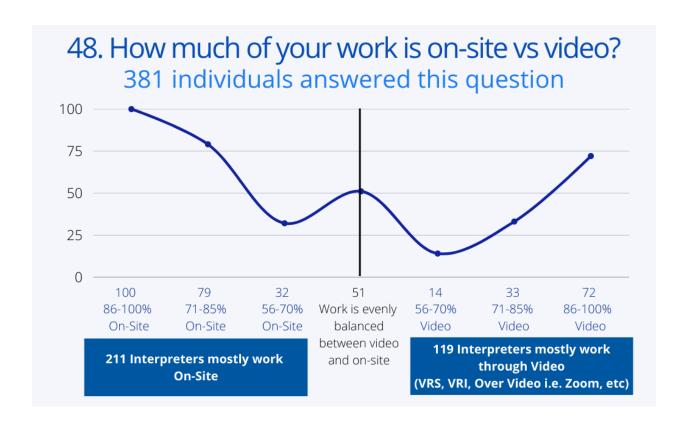


## 47. DATA COMPARISON: CERTIFICATION AND SATISFACTION WITH AVAILABLE WORK

How satisfied are you with the amount of work available to you? 64 non-certified individuals answered this question 359 certified individuals answered this question

#### The bar chart above indicates:

- 13 people (20.3%) Non-Certified: Regularly have more work available than needed
- 157 people (43.7%) Certified: Regularly have more work available than needed
- 30 people (46.9%) Non-Certified: Satisfied with amount of work available
- 144 people (40.1%) Certified: Satisfied with amount of work available
- 11 people (17.2%) Non-Certified: Not enough work available
- 15 people (4.2%) Certified: Not enough work available
- 10 people (15.6%) Non-Certified: Depends on the season
- 43 people (12%) Certified: Depends on the season

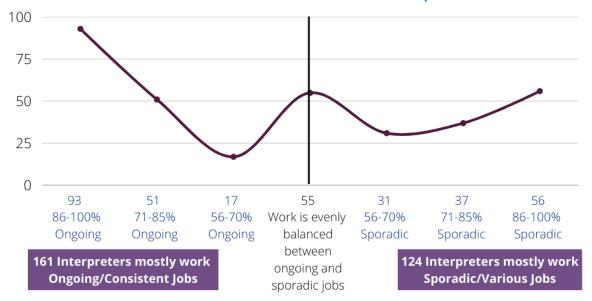


#### 48. HOW MUCH OF YOUR WORK IS ON SITE V. VIDEO?

#### 381 individuals answered this question

- 211 people (55.4%) mostly work on-site
  - o 100 people (26.2%) work on-site 86-100% of the time
  - o 79 people (20.7%) work on-site 71-85% of the time
  - o 32 people (8.4%) work on-site 56-70% of the time
- 51 people (13.4%) work is evenly balanced between video and on-site
- 119 people (31.2%) mostly work through video (VRS, VRI, Over Video i.e., Zoom, etc.)
  - o 14 people (3.7%) work through video 56-70% of the time
  - o 33 people (8.7%) work through video 71-85% of the time
  - o 72 people (18.9%) work through video 86-100% of the time

## 49. How much of your work is ongoing v. sporadic? 340 individuals answered this question



#### 49. HOW MUCH OF YOUR WORK IS ON ONGOING/CONSISTENT V. SPORADIC?

340 individuals answered this question

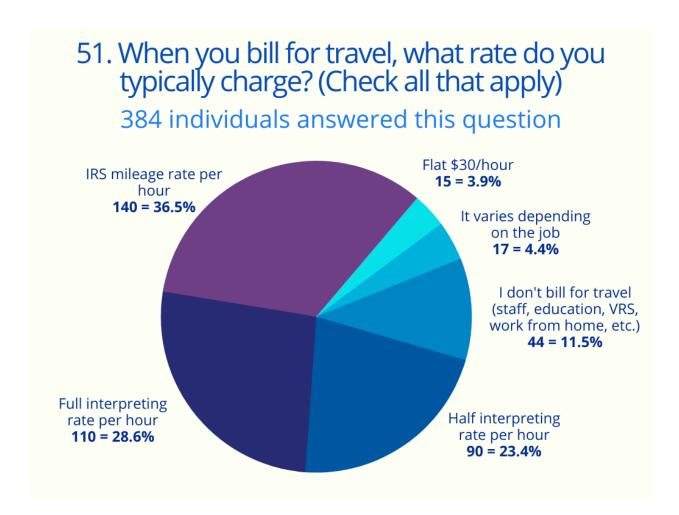
- 161 people (47.4%) mostly work ongoing/consistent jobs
  - o 93 people (27.4%) work ongoing/consistent jobs 86-100% of the time
  - o 51 people (15%) work ongoing/consistent jobs 71-85% of the time
  - o 17 people (5%) work ongoing/consistent jobs 56-70% of the time
- 55 people (16.2%) work is evenly balanced between ongoing and sporadic jobs
- 124 people (36.5%) mostly work sporadic/various jobs
  - o 31 people (9.1%) work sporadic/various jobs 56-70% of the time
  - o 37 people (10.9%) work sporadic/various jobs 71-85% of the time
  - o 56 people (16.5%) work sporadic/various jobs 86-100% of the time



#### 50. HOW TOTAL TIME DO YOU SPEND COMMUTING FOR INTERPRETING WORK?

352 individuals answered this question

- 84 people (23.9%) 0 hours
- 125 people (35.5%) 1 hour
- 92 people (26.1%) 2 hours
- 28 people (8.0%) 3 hours
- 12 people (3.4%) 4 hours
- 11 people (3.1%) 5 hours

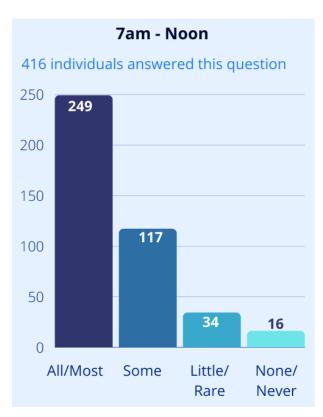


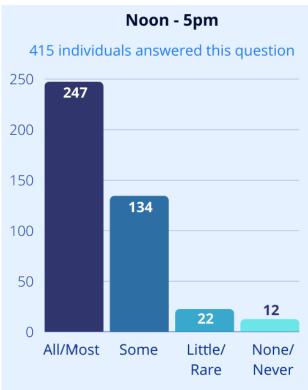
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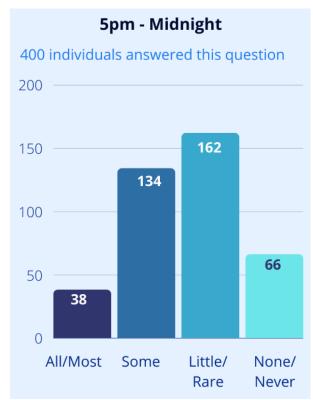
384 individuals answered this question

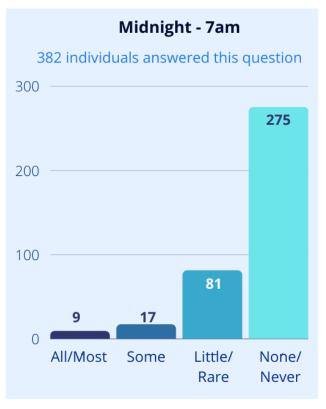
- 15 people (3.9%) Flat \$30/hour
- 17 people (4.4%) It varies depending on the job
- 44 people (11.5%) I don't bill for travel (staff, education, VRS, work from home, etc.)
- 90 people (23.4%) Half interpreting rate per hour
- 110 people (28.6%) Full interpreting rate per hour
- 140 people (36.5%) IRS mileage rate per hour

### 52. How often do you work during....









#### 52. HOW OFTEN DO YOU WORK DURING... TIME OF DAY/NIGHT

The bar charts above indicate:

#### 7am - Noon

#### 416 individuals responded

16 people (3.8%) – None/Never

249 people (59.9%) – All/Most 117 people (28.1%) – Some

34 people (8.2%) – Little/Rare

400 people (96.2%) indicated they work during at this time of day

#### Noon - 5pm

#### 415 individuals responded

12 people (2.9%) - None/Never

134 people (32.3%) – Some

22 people (5.3%) - Little/Rare

247 people (59.5%) – All/Most

403 people (97.1%) indicated they work during this time of day

#### 5pm - Midnight

#### 400 individuals responded

66 people (16.5%) – None/Never

38 people (9.5%) – All/Most 134 people (33.5%) – Some

162 people (40.5%) – Little/Rare

334 people (83.5%) indicated they work during this time of day

#### Midnight - 7am

#### 382 individuals responded

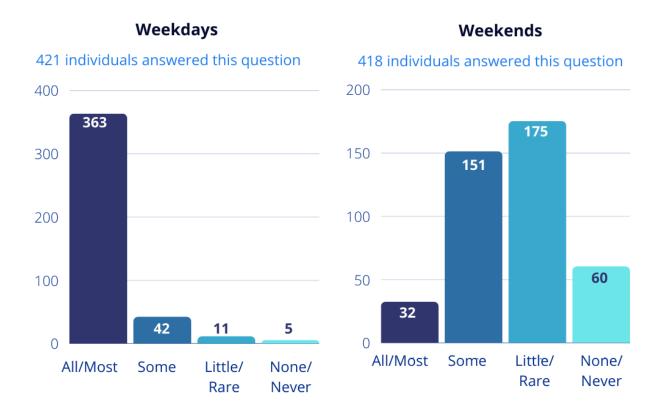
275 people (72%) - None/Never

9 people (2.4%) – All/Most 17 people (4.5%) – Some

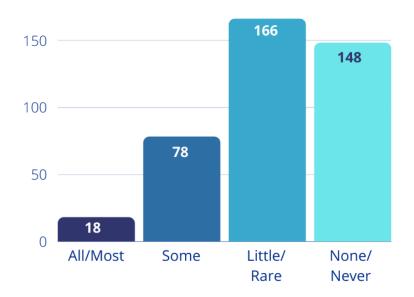
81 people (21.2%) – Little/Rare

107 people (28%) indicated they work during this time of day

### 53. How often do you work during....



**Holidays**410 individuals answered this question



#### 53. HOW OFTEN DO YOU WORK DURING... WEEKDAYS, WEEKENDS, HOLIDAYS

The bar charts above indicate:

#### Weekdays

421 individuals responded

363 people (86.2%) – All/Most 5 people (1.2%) – None/Never

42 people (10%) – Some

11 people (2.6%) – Little/Rare

416 people (98.8%) indicated they work during these days

#### Weekends

418 individuals responded

60 people (14.4%) – None/Never

32 people (7.7%) – All/Most 151 people (36.1%) – Some

<u>175 people (41.9%) – Little/Rare</u>

358 people (85.6%) indicated they work during these days

#### **Holidays**

410 individuals responded

148 people (36.1%) – None/Never

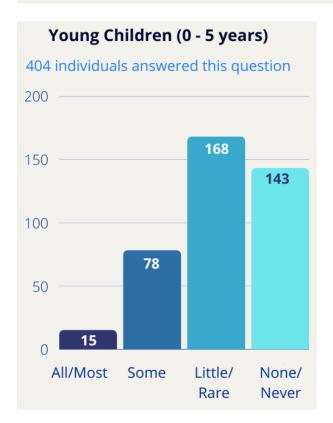
78 people (19%) - Some

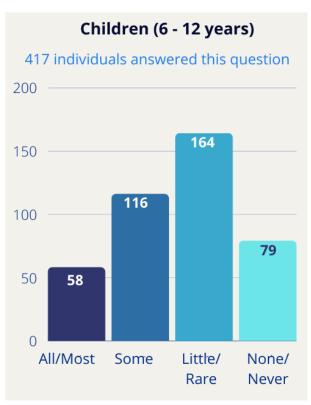
78 people (40.5%) – Little/Rare

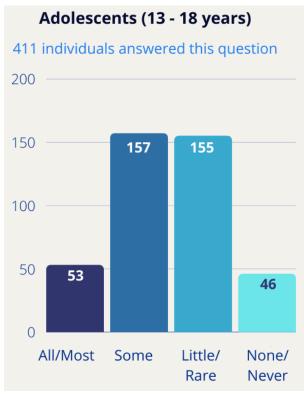
18 people (4.4%) – All/Most

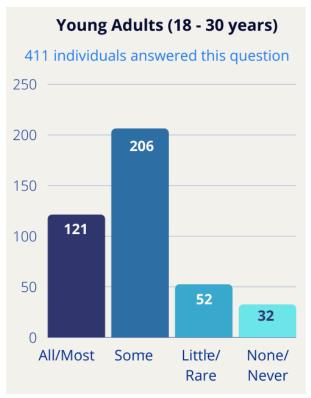
262 people (63.9%) indicated they work during these days

### 54. How often do you work with these ages?

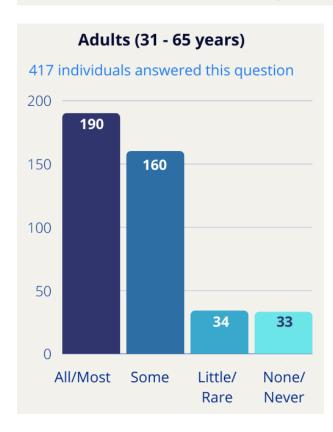


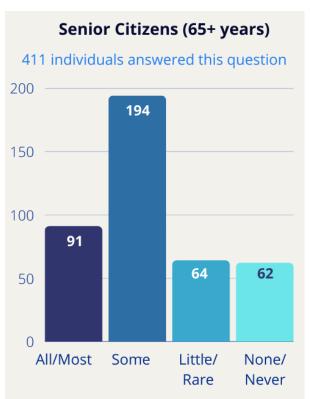






### 54. How often do you work with these ages?





#### 54. HOW OFTEN DO YOU WORK WITH THESE AGES?

The bar charts above indicate:

#### Young Children (0-5 years)

15 people (3.7%) – All/Most 78 people (19.3%) – Some

168 people (41.6%) – Little/Rare

261 people (64.6%) indicated they work with these ages

#### Children (6-12 years)

58 people (13.9%) – All/Most 116 people (27.8%) – Some 164 people (39.3%) – Little/Rare

338 people (81.1%) indicated they work with these ages

#### 404 individuals responded

143 people (3.8%) – None/Never

417 individuals responded

79 people (18.9%) - None/Never

#### Adolescents (13-18 years)

411 individuals responded

53 people (12.9%) – All/Most

46 people (11.2%) – None/Never

157 people (38.2%) – Some

<u>155 people (37.7%) – Little/Rare</u>

365 people (88.8%) indicated they work with these ages

#### Young Adults (18-30 years)

411 individuals responded

121 people (29.4%) – All/Most

32 people (7.8%) – None/Never

206 people (50.1%) – Some

52 people (12.7%) – Little/Rare

379 people (92.2%) indicated they work with these ages

#### Adults (31-65 years)

417 individuals responded

190 people (45.6%) – All/Most

33 people (7.9%) – None/Never

160 people (38.4%) – Some

34 people (8.2%) – Little/Rare

384 people (92.1%) indicated they work with these ages

#### Senior Citizens 65+ years)

411 individuals responded

62 people (15.1%) – None/Never

91 people (22.1%) – All/Most

194 people (47.2%) – Some

64 people (15.6%) – Little/Rare

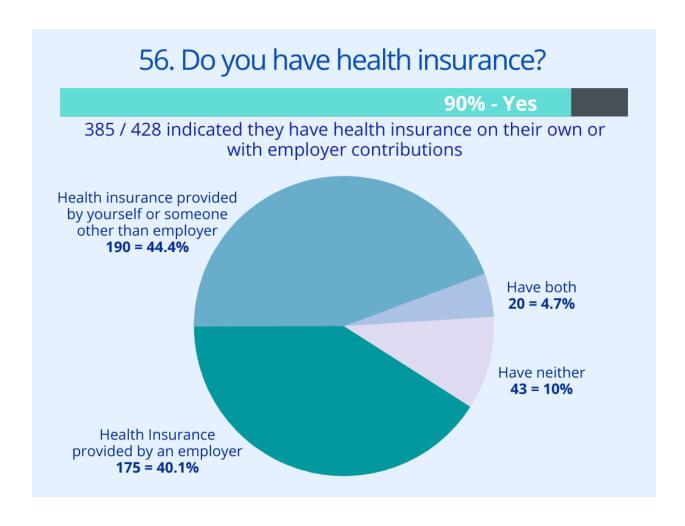
349 people (84.9%) indicated they work with these ages



#### 55. DO YOU HAVE PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE?

412 individuals answered this question

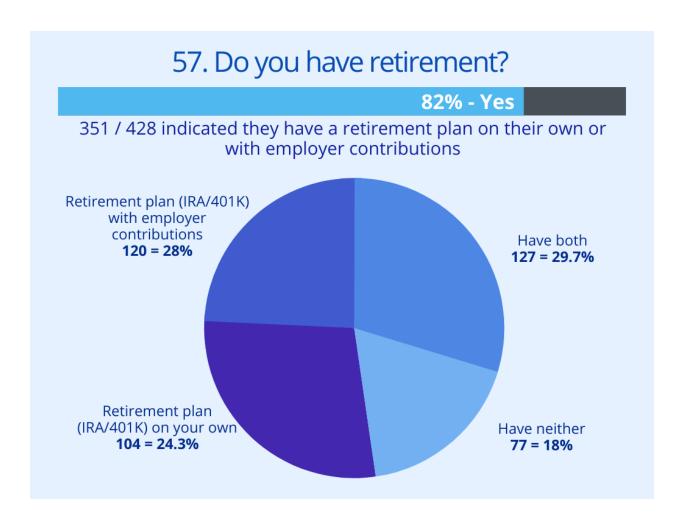
- 238 people (57.5%) Yes
- 174 people (42.2%) No



#### **56. DO YOU HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE?**

385 of 428 (90%) Indicated they have health insurance on their own or with employer contributions

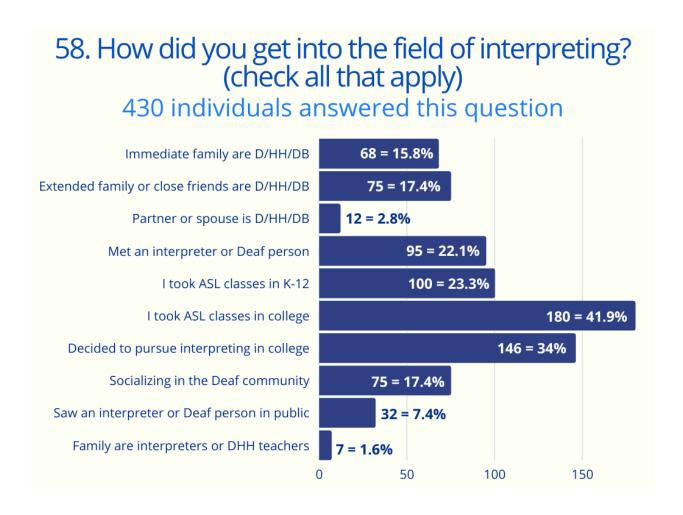
- 190 people (44.4%) Health insurance provided by yourself or someone other than employer
- 175 people (40.1%) Health insurance provided by an employer
- 20 people (4.7%) Have both
- 43 people (10%) Have neither



#### **57. DO YOU HAVE RETIREMENT?**

351 of 428 (82%) Indicated they have a retirement plan on their own or with employer contributions

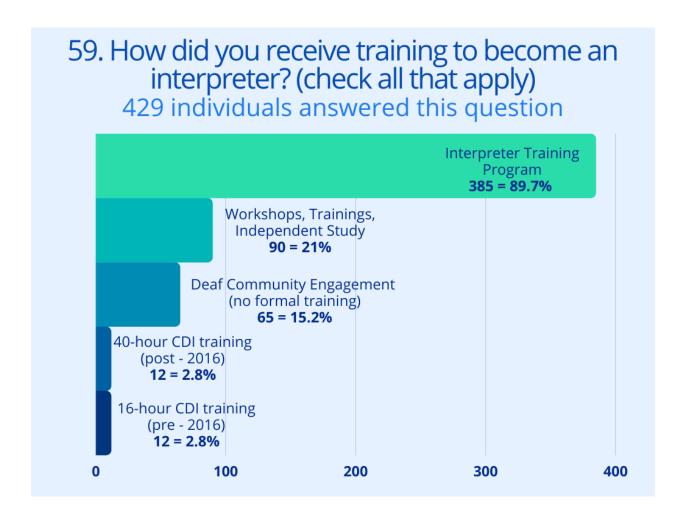
- 120 people (28%) Retirement plan (IRA/401K) with employer contributions
- 104 people (24.3%) Retirement plan (IRA/401K) on your own
- 127 people (29.7%) Have both
- 77 people (18%) Have neither



#### 58. HOW DID YOU GET INTO THE FIELD OF INTERPRETING?

430 individuals answered this question

- 68 people (15.8%) Immediate family are D/HH/DB
- 75 people (17.4%) Extended family or close friends are D/HH/DB
- 12 people (2.8%) Partner or spouse is D/HH/DB
- 95 people (22.1%) Met an interpreter or Deaf person
- 100 people (23.3%) I took ASL classes in K-12
- 180 people (41.9%) I took ASL classes in college
- 146 people (34%) Decided to pursue interpreting in college
- 75 people (17.4%) Socializing in the Deaf community
- 32 people (7.4%) Saw an interpreter or Deaf person in public
- 7 people (1.6%) Family are interpreters or DHH teachers



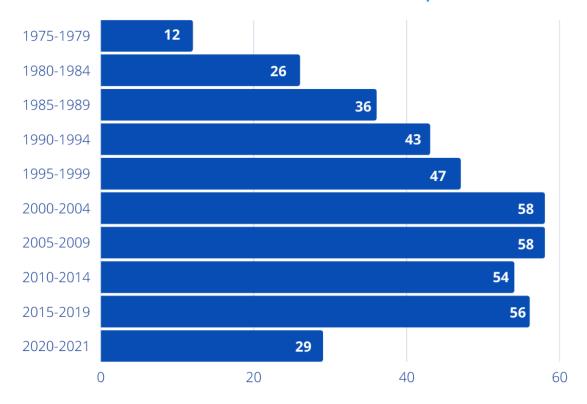
## 59. HOW DID YOU RECEIVE TRAINING TO BECOME AN INTERPRETER? (Check all that apply)

429 individuals answered this question

The donut chart above indicates:

- 385 people (89.7%) Interpreter Training Program
- 90 people (21%) Workshops, Trainings, Independent Study
- 65 people (15.2%) Deaf Community Engagement (no formal training)
- 12 people (2.8%) 40-hour CDI training (Post 2016)
- 12 people (2.8%) 16-hour CDI Training (pre-2016)

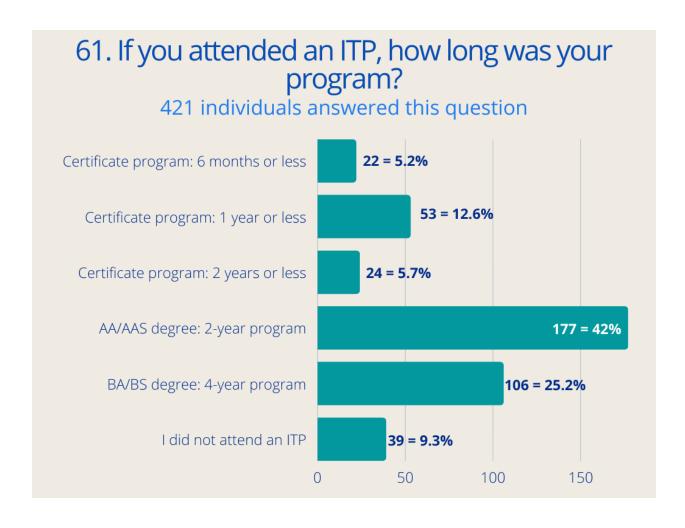
# 60. What year did you begin interpreting for pay? 419 individuals answered this question



#### 60. WHAT YEAR DID YOU BEGIN INTERPRETING FOR PAY?

419 individuals answered this question

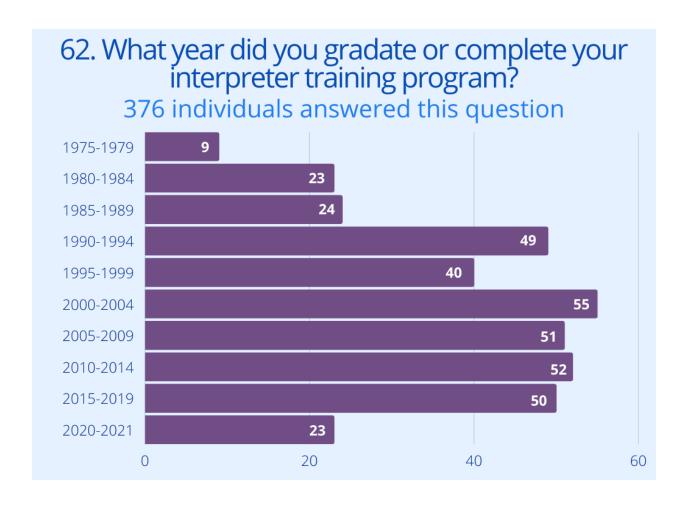
- 12 people 1975-1979
- 26 people 1980-1984
- 36 people 1985-1989
- 43 people 1990-1994
- 47 people 1995-1999
- 58 people 2000-2004
- 58 people 2005-2009
- 54 people 2010-2014
- 56 people 2015-2019
- 29 people 2020-2021



#### 61. IF YOU ATTENDED AN ITP, HOW LONG WAS YOUR PROGRAM?

#### 421 individuals answered this question

- 22 people (5.2%) Certificate program: 6 months or less
- 53 people (12.6%) Certificate program: 1 year or less
- 24 people (5.7%) Certificate program: 2 years or less
- 177 people (42%) AA/AAS degree: 2-year program
- 106 people (25.2%) BA/BS degree: 4-year program
- 39 people (9.3%) I did not attend an ITP



### 62. WHAT YEAR DID YOU GRADUATE OR COMPLETE YOUR INTERPRETER TRAINING PROGRAM?

376 individuals answered this question

- 9 people 1975-1979
- 23 people 1980-1984
- 24 people 1985-1989
- 49 people 1990-1994
- 40 people 1995-1999
- 55 people 2000-2004
- 51 people 2005-2009
- 52 people 2010-2014
- 50 people 2015-2019
- 23 people 2020-2021



## 63. YOUR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MOST COMMONLY CONSISTS OF? (Choose 3)

417 individuals answered this question

- 105 people (25.2%) Mentoring/practice sessions
- 126 people (30.2%) Community involvement
- 141 people (33.8%) Independent study
- 314 people (75.3%) In-Person workshops or conferences
- 292 people (70%) Live webinars
- 58 people (13.9%) Immersion opportunities (i.e., Camp ASL)
- 130 people (31.2%) Regional or National conferences

# 64. How many hours of professional development do you do per year?

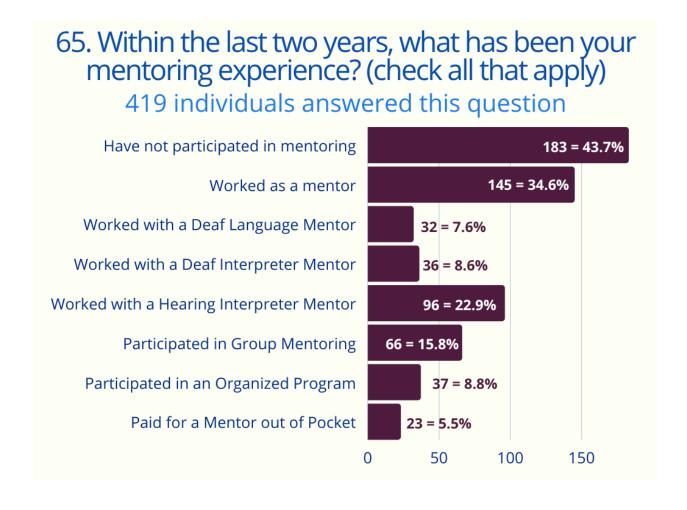
### 418 individuals answered this question



### 64. HOW MANY HOURS OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DO YOU DO PER YEAR?

418 individuals answered this question

- 83 people (19.9%) 0-10 hours
- 150 people (35.9%) 11-20 hours
- 99 people (23.7%) 21-30 hours
- 33 people (7.9%) 31-40 hours
- 53 people (12.7%) 40+ hours

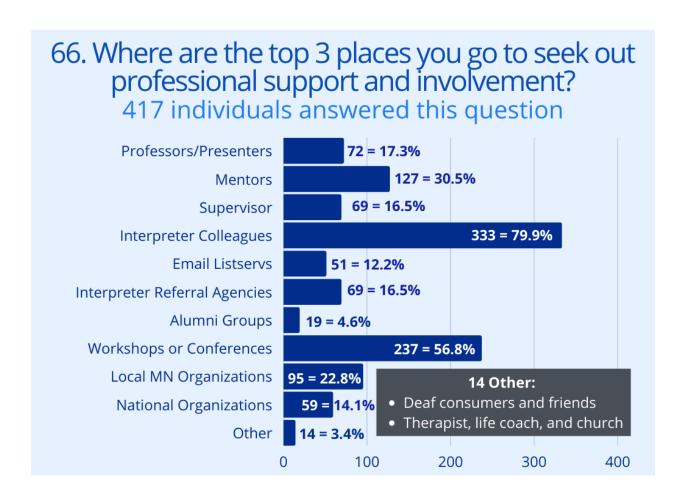


# 65. WITHIN THE LAST TWO YEARS, WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR MENTORING EXPERIENCE? (Check all that apply)

419 individuals answered this question

- 183 people (43.7%) Have not participated in mentoring
- 145 people (34.6%) Worked as a mentor
- 32 people (7.6%) Worked as a Deaf language mentor
- 36 people (8.6%) Worked with a Deaf interpreter mentor
- 96 people (22.9%) Worked with a hearing interpreter mentor
- 66 people (15.8%) Participated in group mentoring
- 37 people (8.8%) Participated in an organized program
- 23 people (5.5%)

   Paid for a mentor out of pocket

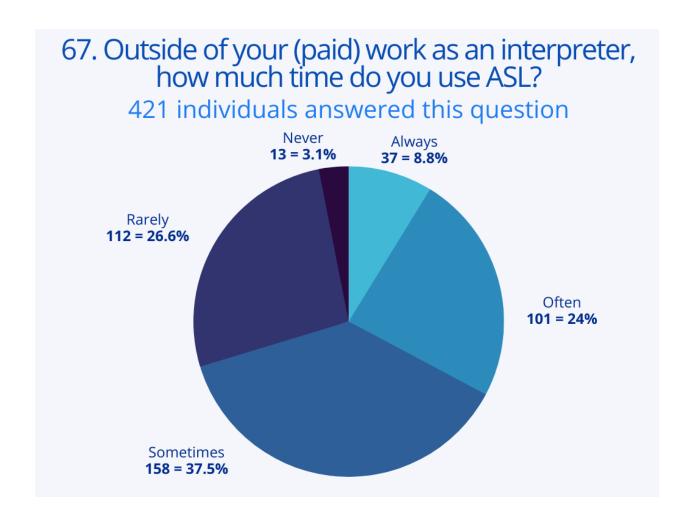


# 66. WHERE ARE THE TOP THREE PLACES YOU GO TO SEEK OUT PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT AND INVOLVEMENT? (select top 3)

419 individuals answered this question

- 72 people (17.3%) Professors/Presenters
- 127 people (30.5%) Mentors
- 69 people (16.5%) Supervisor
- 333 people (79.9%) Interpreter Colleagues
- 51 people (12.2%) Email Listservs
- 69 people (16.5%) Interpreter Referral Agencies
- 19 people (4.6%) Alumni Groups

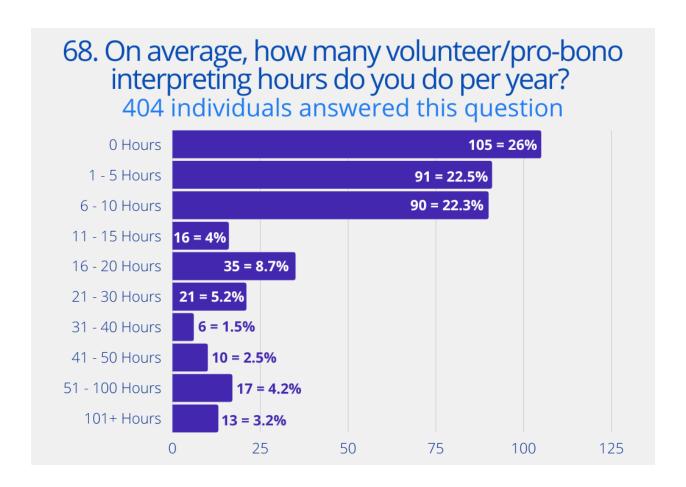
- 237 people (56.8%) Workshops or conferences
- 95 people (22.8%) Local MN organizations
- 59 people (14.1%) National Organizations
- 14 people (3.4%) Other: Deaf Consumers, colleagues, friends, church, life coach, professional counselor



## 67. OUTSIDE OF YOUR (PAID) WORK AS AN INTERPRETER, HOW MUCH TIME DO YOU USE ASL?

421 individuals answered this question

- 37 people (8.8%) Always
- 101 people (24%) Often
- 158 people (37.5%) Sometimes
- 112 people (26.6%) Rarely
- 13 people (3.1%) Never

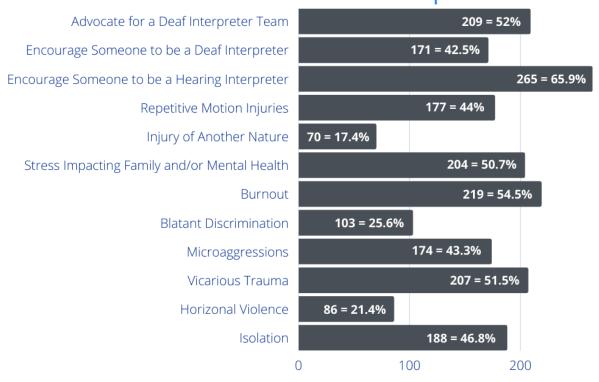


## 68. ON AVERAGE, HOW MANY VOLUNTEER/PRO-BONO INTERPRETING HOURS DO YOU DO PER YEAR?

404 individuals answered this question

- 105 people (26%) 0 hours
- 91 people (22.5%) 1-5 hours
- 90 people (22.3%) 6-10 hours
- 16 people (4%) 11-15 hours
- 35 people (8.7%) 16-20 hours
- 21 people (5.2%) 21-30 hours
- 6 people (1.5%) 31-40 hours
- 10 people (2.5%) 41-50 hours
- 17 people (4.2%) 51-100 hours
- 13 people (3.2%) 101+ hours

# 69. Have you experienced any of the following? Check all that apply 402 individuals answered this question



## 69. HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED ANY OF THE FOLLOWING? (Check all that apply)

402 individuals answered this question

The bar graph above indicates percent of the total 402 people for each:

- 209 people (52 %) Advocating for a Deaf Interpreter team
- 171 people (42.5%) Encouraged someone to become a Deaf interpreter
- 265 people (65.9%) Encouraged someone to become a hearing interpreter
- 177 people (44%) Repetitive Motion Injuries
- 70 people (17.4%) Injury of another nature from interpreting assignments
- 204 people (50.7%) Stress impacting family or personal mental health
- 219 people (54.5%) Burnout from interpreting
- 103 people (25.6%) Blatant discrimination while interpreting
- 174 people (43.3%) Microaggressions while interpreting
- 207 people (51.5%) Vicarious Trauma from interpreting
- 86 people (21.4%) Horizontal Violence while interpreting
- 188 people (46.8%) Isolation as a working interpreter

#### 69. Continued... 21 Other comments from this section:

#### Body:

- Depression due to having severe arthritis and not being able to work like I used to
- Muscle pain and mental fatigue
- Ergonomics with DB persons in neck and shoulders

#### Emotional/mental harm:

- Abuse from clients
- Stalker, slashed tires, threats
- Interpreting for immediate Deaf family in stressful situations
- Impact on family life due to last minute interpreting ER
- compassion fatigue

#### Related to Money:

- Overworked to make a living in VRS
- Not being able to raise my rate to a decent rate because of all the agency's competition and price capping. We are supposed to be independent contractors who set our own rates, yet agencies set caps and won't advocate for higher pay for senior level interpreters
- Training and certification requirements outpace how much I am able to make both financially and timewise

#### Work Ethic

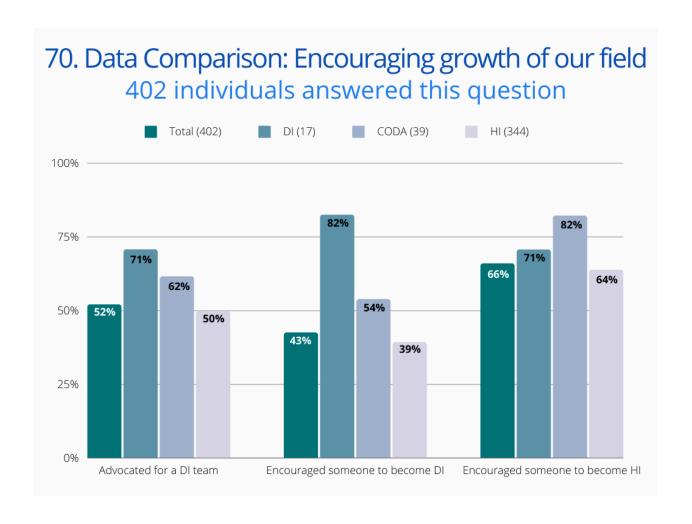
- witnessed unprofessional work ethic by co-workers (interpreters)
- Explain the role of Deaf interpreters
- Extreme frustration working with inadequate teams.
- deaf cultural confusion of working with VRS interpreter

#### Related to Education Admin and DHH Teachers

- Encouraged someone to become a DHH teacher
- For #57, lacking support from administration in the school district, but NOT from my colleagues in the school or the community.
- Horizontal violence from DHH teachers and other staff at my primary worksite

#### Other:

- none. I am so fried with interpreting that sadly interpreting pro-bono or just for enjoyment anymore is not an option. This career choice has completely made me burn out. I work now to pay my bills sadly and don't find joy in it anymore. I work a ton of hours and many interpreters feel the way I do. I give and give and give and volunteered for many years now I cannot anymore. When I'm not working, I don't want to sign or spend time with the deaf community at all. I'm trying daily and desperately to make a career change. I had no idea this field takes and takes and takes from interpreters, sadly I no longer enjoy my work. I used to love providing for the Deaf community. I would sadly never encourage anyone to go into this field, it's so isolating, there is no ladder to climb and VRS destroys your body, and they don't give pay increases it's so sad.
- A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT JOB
- YEP all of it!



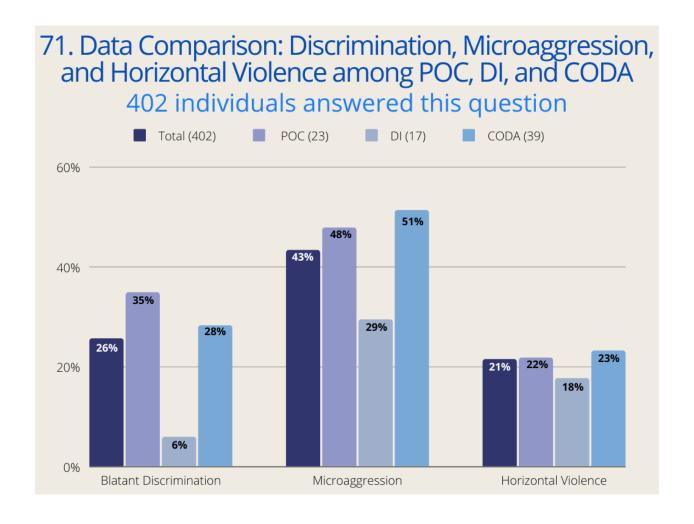
#### 70. DATA COMPARISON: ENCOURAGING GROWTH OF OUR FIELD

402 individuals answered this question

17 Deaf Interpreters (DI)

39 Children of Deaf Adults/Deaf Parented (CODA) \*Note, two are also Deaf Interpreters 344 Hearing Interpreters (HI)

- 52% Total Have advocated for a Deaf Interpreter team
  - 71% DI 62% CODA 50% HI
- 43% Total Have encouraged someone to become a Deaf interpreter
  - 82% DI 54% CODA 39% HI
- 66% Total Have encouraged someone to become a hearing interpreter
  - 71% DI 82% CODA 64% HI



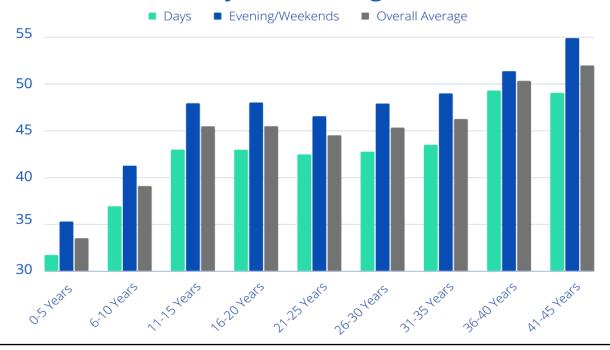
## 71. DATA COMPARISON: DISCRIMINATION, MICROAGGRESSION, AND HORIZONTAL VIOLENCE AMONG POC, DI, AND CODA

402 individuals answered this question

- 23 People of Color (POC)
- 17 Deaf Interpreters (DI)
- 39 Children of Deaf Adults/Deaf Parented (CODA) \*Note, two are also Deaf Interpreters

- 26% Total Have experienced blatant discrimination while interpreting
  - 35% POC 6% DI 28% CODA
- 43% Total Have experienced microaggression while interpreting
  - 48% POC 29% DI 51% CODA
- 21% Total Have experienced horizontal violence while interpreting
  - 22% POC 18% DI 23% CODA

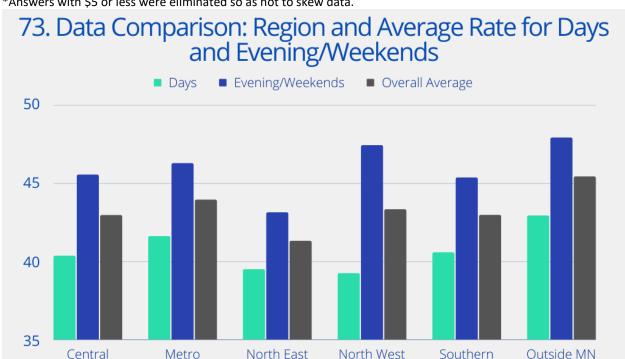
## 72. Data Comparison: Years of Experience and Average Rate for Days and Evening/Weekends



## 72. DATA COMPARISON, YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AND RATE FOR DAYS AND EVENINGS/WEEKENDS

The bar chart above indicates average rate for day, evening/weekends, and overall average:

Years of Experience	Staff Day	Staff E/W	IC- Agency Day	IC- Agency E/W	IC- Direct Day	IC- Direct E/W	Average Day	Average E/W	Overall Average
0-5 Years 2021-2016	\$26.85	\$30.09	\$32.18	\$36.52	\$36.04	\$39.14	\$31.69	\$35.25	\$33.47
6-10 Years 2015-2011	\$31.62	\$36.23	\$37.26	\$41.93	\$41.79	\$45.53	\$36.89	\$41.23	\$39.06
11-15 Years 2010-2006	\$36.35	\$42.42	\$43.60	\$47.97	\$48.94	\$53.32	\$42.96	\$47.91	\$45.44
16-20 Years 2005-2001	\$38.35	\$43.86	\$43.71	\$48.31	\$46.76	\$51.78	\$42.94	\$47.98	\$45.46
21-25 Years 2000-1996	\$37.69	\$42.00	\$42.67	\$45.74	\$47.00	\$51.83	\$42.45	\$46.52	\$44.49
26-30 Years 1995-1991	\$35.63	\$41.56	\$46.41	\$50.96	\$46.14	\$51.13	\$42.73	\$47.88	\$45.30
31-35 Years 1990-1986	\$37.27	\$44.83	\$46.36	\$50.71	\$46.82	\$51.33	\$43.48	\$48.96	\$46.22
36-40 Years 1985-1981	\$45.77	\$45.30	\$49.71	\$53.80	\$52.33	\$54.92	\$49.27	\$51.34	\$50.31
41-45 Years 1980-1976	\$44.17	\$50.50	\$47.77	\$52.77	\$55.17	\$61.36	\$49.03	\$54.88	\$51.96



\*Answers with \$5 or less were eliminated so as not to skew data.

#### 73. DATA COMPARISON, YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AND RATE FOR DAYS AND **EVENINGS/WEEKENDS**

The bar chart above indicates average rate for day, evening/weekends, and overall average.

Region	Staff Day	Staff E/W	IC- Agency Day	IC- Agency E/W	IC- Direct Day	IC- Direct E/W	Average Day	Average E/W	Overall Average
Central MN	\$35.39	\$41.15	\$42.26	\$46.89	\$43.47	\$48.61	\$40.37	\$45.55	\$42.96
Metro	\$35.04	\$40.11	\$42.84	\$47.57	\$46.99	\$51.16	\$41.62	\$46.28	\$43.95
Northeast	\$34.13	\$36.29	\$39.88	\$45.36	\$44.45	\$47.73	\$39.49	\$43.13	\$41.31
Northwest	\$31.82	\$42.50	\$40.56	\$44.78	\$45.34	\$55.00	\$39.24	\$47.43	\$43.33
Southern	\$34.59	\$40.89	\$42.10	\$46.06	\$45.06	\$49.13	\$40.58	\$45.36	\$42.97
Other States	\$38.29	\$47.50	\$43.00	\$46.60	\$47.50	\$49.67	\$42.93	\$47.92	\$45.43
* Those represented in other states were three from ND, 1 from NV, 1 from WA, 8 from WI. Not all individuals answered each rate question.									

<sup>\*</sup>Answers with \$5 or less were eliminated so as not to skew data

On the next page (or below) is another bar chart of this same data grouped in a different configuration to easier compare variation among regions.

