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Wyoming Licensed Addiction Therapists, 2009

Licensed Addiction Therapists

Licensed addiction therapists (LATs) must hold an active Wyoming license to practice in Wyoming. The following Wyoming statistics were calculated based on data from LAT licensing records and a survey of all licensees conducted for the Wyoming Healthcare Commission in early 2009.

■ There were an estimated 17 LATs with a Wyoming address per 100,000 Wyoming state residents in 2009.

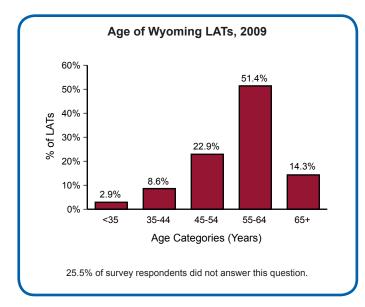
Wyoming LAT Licenses, 2009		
Total LAT licenses*	106	
With Wyoming addresses	92	(86.8%)
With Idaho addresses	4	(3.8%)
With other addresses†	10	(9.4%)
*Accessed from 2009 licensing records. † States each with fewer than 3% of licenses.		

Licensed Addiction Therapists with a Primary Practice Location in Wyoming

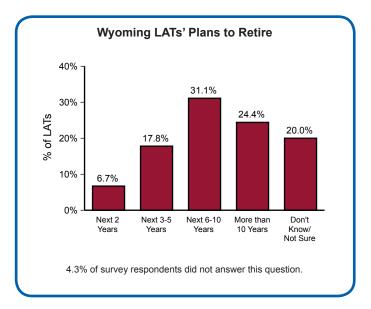
■ 81% of LATs responding to the survey reported that they were practicing and their primary work location was in Wyoming. The following findings are based only on the survey responses of LATs with a primary practice location in Wyoming, referred to as "Wyoming LATs."

Wyoming Licensed Addiction Therapist Demographics

- 52% of Wyoming LATs were female.
- 89% of Wyoming LATs recorded their race as white, in combination with no other races.
- 4% of Wyoming LATs were of Hispanic or Latino origin.



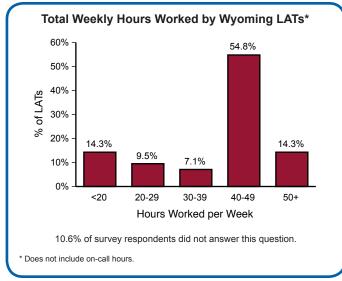
■ The average age of Wyoming LATs was 56.



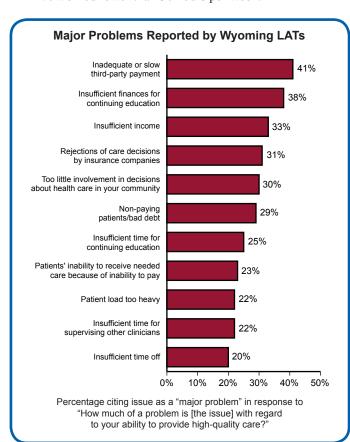
24% of Wyoming LATs planned to retire in the next five years.

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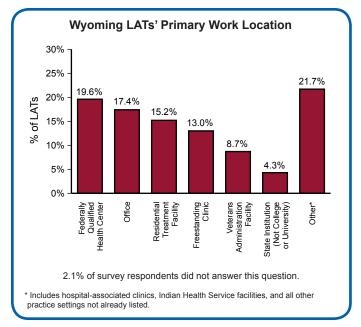
Wyoming Licensed Addiction Therapists' Employment Characteristics

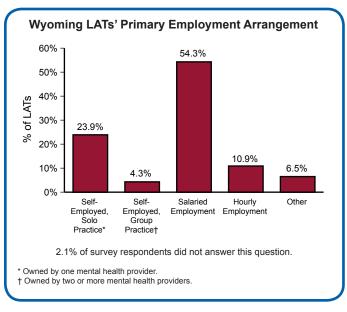


- Wyoming LATs in active practice worked an average of 38 total hours weekly.
- 24% worked fewer than 30 hours per week.



More than a third of Wyoming LATs reported that inadequate or slow third-party payment and insufficient finances for continuing education were major problems for their ability to provide high-quality care.





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