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# Wyoming Licensed Clinical Social Workers, 2009

#### **Licensed Clinical Social Workers**

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

■ There were an estimated 50 LCSWs with a Wyoming address per 100,000 Wyoming state residents in 2009.

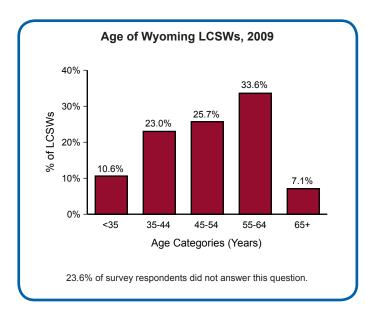
Wyoming LCSW Licenses, 2009			
Total LCSW licenses*	310		
With Wyoming addresses	267	(86.1%)	
With other addresses†	43	(13.9%)	
* Accessed from 2009 licensing records. † States each with fewer than 3% of licenses.			

## Licensed Clinical Social Workers with a Primary Practice Location in Wyoming

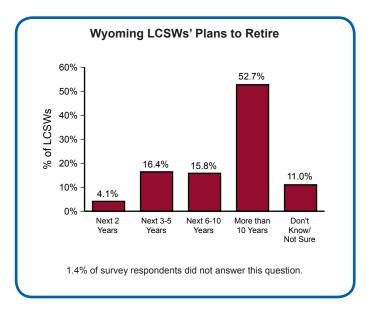
■ 80% of LCSWs responding to the survey reported that they were practicing and their primary work location was in Wyoming. The following findings are based only on the survey responses of LCSWs with a primary practice location in Wyoming, referred to as "Wyoming LCSWs."

#### Wyoming Licensed Clinical Social Worker Demographics

- 70% of Wyoming LCSWs were female.
- 97% of Wyoming LCSWs recorded their race as white, in combination with no other races.
- 6% of Wyoming LCSWs were of Hispanic or Latino origin.



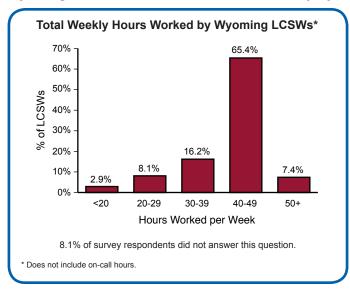
■ The average age of Wyoming LCSWs was 50.



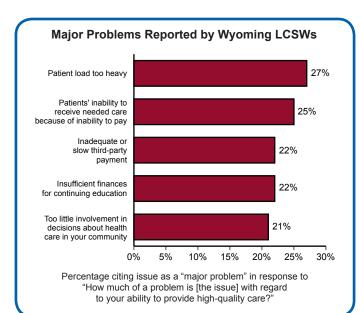
21% of Wyoming LCSWs planned to retire in the next five years.



#### Wyoming Licensed Clinical Social Workers' Employment Characteristics



- Wyoming LCSWs in active practice worked an average of 38 total hours weekly.
- 11% worked fewer than 30 hours per week.



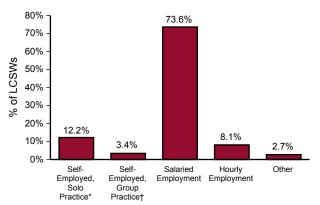
About a quarter of Wyoming licensed clinical social workers reported that heavy patient loads and patients' inability to receive needed care because of inability to pay were major problems for their ability to provide highquality care.

#### Wyoming LCSWs' Primary Work Location

Location	%
Federally Qualified Health Center	17.7
Office	16.3
K-12 education	12.2
Veterans Administration facility	9.5
Freestanding clinic	7.5
Residential treatment facility	6.1
Hospital-associated clinic	4.8
Hospital (non-federal)	4.8
State institution (not college/university)	4.8
Other*	16.3

0.7% of survey respondents did not answer this question.

### Wyoming LCSWs' Primary Employment Arrangement



All survey respondents answered this question.

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<sup>\*</sup> Includes other federal facilities, colleges/universities, and all other practice settings not already listed.

Owned by one mental health provider

<sup>†</sup> Owned by two or more mental health providers.