

CWS Factsheet Series on Population Served: Psychologists Providing Services to Females

Key Findings

- **Older, female psychologists** were more likely to provide services to females at higher frequencies.
- **Psychologists working in private practice settings**, and those who were **self-employed** were also more likely to provide service to females at higher frequencies.

Background

This factsheet presents an analysis of the characteristics of psychologists providing services to **females** based on responses from approximately 3,800 **doctoral-level licensed psychologists** in the **2015 APA Survey of Psychology Health Service Providers**.¹ In a typical week,

- **92%** of psychologists **frequently or very frequently** provided services to females, and
- **8%** of psychologists **never, rarely, or occasionally** provided services to females.

Findings

Psychologists with the following characteristics were more likely to provide services to females:

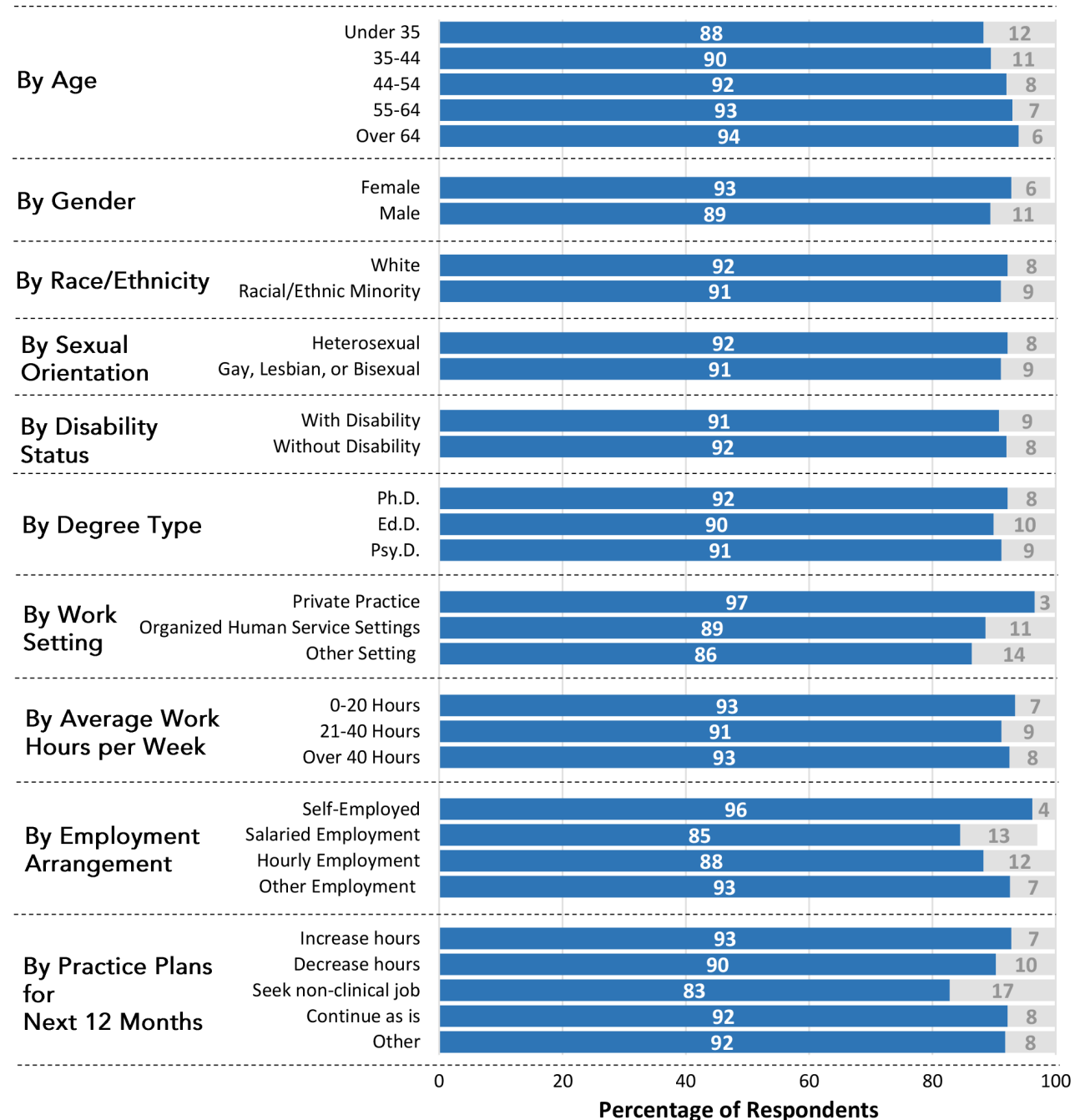
- **Older** – **94%** of psychologists over age 64 reported frequently or very frequently providing services to females, more than those ages under 35 (88%), 35-44 (90%), 45-54 (92%), and 55-64 (93%).
- **Female** – more female psychologists (**93%**) than male psychologists (89%) reported frequently or very frequently providing services to females.
- **Working in private practice** – **97%** of psychologists working in private practices reported frequently or very frequently providing services to females, more than those in organized health and human services settings, such as hospitals, community mental health centers, etc.(87%) and other settings, i.e., business, government settings, universities (87%).
- **Self-employed** – **96%** of self-employed psychologists reported providing services to females frequently or very frequently, more than those in salaried employment (85%), hourly employment (88%), and other employment (93%).

1. All statements in this factsheet are based on χ^2 test results. For more information about χ^2 test results, please refer to the documentation file for this factsheet series. For more information about other findings of the survey or the survey methodology, please refer to the report: American Psychological Association. (2016). 2015 survey of psychology health service providers. Washington, DC: Author. Retrieved from <http://www.apa.org/workforce/publications/15-health-service-providers/index.aspx>

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Characteristics of Psychologists Providing Services to Females

Characteristics of Psychologists



Frequency of Providing Services to Females: ■ Frequently, Very Frequently ■ Never, Rarely, Occasionally

Note: Missing values were excluded prior to analysis.
Source: 2015 APA Survey of Psychology Health Service Providers.