

CWS Factsheet Series on Population Served: Psychologists Providing Services to White People

Key Findings

- **Older, White psychologists**, and those **without Disabilities** were more likely to provide services to White people at higher frequencies.
- **Psychologists working in private practice settings**, those **self-employed**, and those planning to **continue work as is or with “other” future work plans** were also more likely to provide service to White people at higher frequencies.

Background

This factsheet presents an analysis of the characteristics of psychologists providing services to White people based on responses from approximately 3,700 **doctoral-level licensed psychologists** in the **2015 APA Survey of Psychology Health Service Providers**.¹ In a typical week,

- **96%** of psychologists **frequently or very frequently** provided services to White people, and
- **4%** of psychologists **never, rarely, or occasionally** provided services to White people.

Findings

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

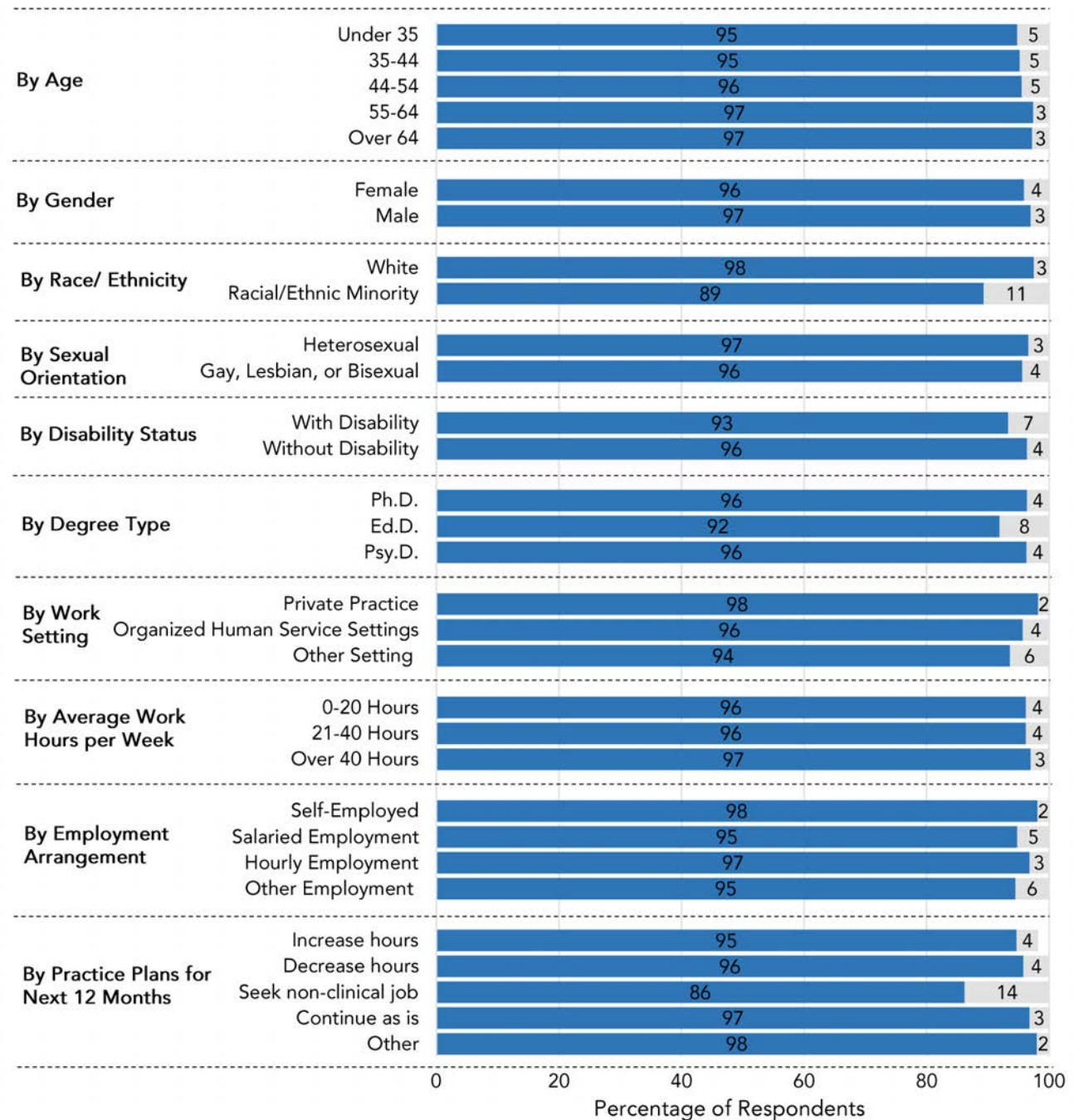
- **Older** – **97%** of psychologists over 54 reported frequently or very frequently providing services to White people, more than those ages 45-54 (66%), 35-44 (95%), and under 35 (95%).
- **White** - more White (98%) than racial/ethnic (89%) psychologists reported providing services to White people frequently or very frequently.
- **Without Disabilities** – more psychologists without disabilities (96%) than those with disabilities (93%) reported providing services to White people frequently or very frequently.
- **Working in private practice settings** – **98%** of psychologists working in private practice settings reported frequently or very frequently providing services to White people, more than those in organized human service settings, i.e., hospitals, community mental health centers, etc., (96%) and other settings, i.e., business, government settings, universities (94%).
- **Self-employed** – **98%** of self-employed psychologists working reported frequently or very frequently providing services to White people, more than working in salaried employment (95%), hourly employment (97%), or other employment (95%).
- **Continue work as is or with “other” future work plans** – **97%** of psychologists who planned to continue the work as is and **98%** of psychologists with “other” work plans reported frequently or very frequently providing services to White people, more than those planning to increase hours (95%), decrease hours (96%), or seek non-clinical job (76%).

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

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