WFOT Human Resources Project 2014

Edited Version

(results listed alphabetically by country)
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Login to access over 40 slides of country specific data that includes:

- Number of occupational therapists per 10,000 head of population
- Number of students and graduates studying on WFOT Approved and Non Approved Education Programmes
- Registration requirements to practise at a national and regional levels
- Countries that require evidence of Continuing Professional Development
- Numbers of occupational therapy assistants and qualifications to practise
- Services that occupational therapy is provided
- Areas with shortages of occupational therapists
- Percentage of occupational therapists who work in public and non public funded services
- Migration trends
- WFOT Member Organisations that track the migration of occupational therapists educated in their country

To find out more about becoming an Individual Member of WFOT visit the website http://www.wfot.org/Membership/TypesofMembership.aspx
Number of WFOT Member Organisations surveyed = 73
Number of WFOT Member Organisations that responded = 72
Response rate = 99%

WFOT Member Organisations that responded; Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belgium, Bermuda, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Republic of Korea, Latvia, Luxembourg, Macau, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Namibia, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Pakistan, Palestine, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Seychelles, Singapore, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Tanzania, Taiwan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, United Kingdom, United States of America, Venezuela, Zimbabwe

WFOT Member Organisations that did not respond; Malta

Non WFOT Member Organisations that provided data about the number of practising occupational therapists; Kosovo, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Rwanda, Zambia

Date questionnaire circulated: 15th October 2013

Data collection method - Excel Spreadsheet circulated by WFOT Secretariat by email
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Number of practising occupational therapists

The total number of practising occupational therapists is not known by this association, the number shown is the number of occupational therapists in the member association.}

Argentina 8000
Armenia 12
Australia 16009
*Austria 1758
Bangladesh 120
Belgium 8422
Bermuda 29
Brazil 17500
Bulgaria 15
Canada 13040
Chile 3244
Colombia 4000
Croatia 357
Cyprus 115
Czech Republic 907
Denmark 8500
Estonia 56
Finland 2400
France 9400
Georgia 27
Germany 35000
Greece 1410
Hong Kong 1578
Iceland 268
India 3000
Indonesia 1080
Iran 2600
Ireland 1220
Israel 3957
Italy 1475
Japan 700
Jordan 850
Kenya 850
Republic of Korea 8500
**Kosovo 1
Latvia 116
**Lesotho 5
Luxembourg 280
Macau 60
**Madagascar 1
**Malawi 10
Malaysia 1395
Mauritius 49
Mexico 622
Namibia 90
Netherlands 4300
New Zealand 2296
Nigeria 20
Norway 3756
Pakistan 120
Palestine 115
Panama 350
Peru 500
Philippines 2985
Portugal 1990
Romania 23
Russia 38
**Rwanda 1
Seychelles 4
Singapore 730
Slovenia 470
South Africa 4019
Spain 5000
Sri Lanka 102
Sweden 9400
Switzerland 2700
Taiwan 2856
Tanzania 96
Thailand 875
Trinidad & Tobago 10
Tunisia 180
Turkey 10
Uganda 139
United Kingdom 33383
United States of America 114240
Venezuela 2325
**Zambia 5
Zimbabwe 124

n = 78

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Number of WFOT approved education programmes

Argentina: 5
Australia: 36
Austria: 9
Bangladesh: 15
Brazil: 8
Canada: 14
Chile: 5
Colombia: 10
Czech Republic: 7
Denmark: 1
Estonia: 1
Finland: 1
France: 20
Germany: 1
Hong Kong: 1
Ireland: 8
India: 1
Indonesia: 1
Iran: 1
Israel: 4
Italy: 1
Japan: 153
Jordan: 3
Kenya: 2
Republic of Korea: 8
Latvia: 1
Malta: 1
Mexico: 2
Netherlands: 4
New Zealand: 2
Norway: 6
Pakistan: 2
Palestine: 2
Philippines: 6
Portugal: 1
Russia: 1
Singapore: 1
Slovenia: 1
South Africa: 8
Spain: 1
Sri Lanka: 1
Sweden: 3
Taiwan: 7
Thailand: 1
Turkey: 1
Uganda: 1
UK: 62
USA: 149
Venezuela: 3
Zimbabwe: 1

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Number of non approved WFOT education programmes

Argentina 9
Armenia 3
Brazil 59
Bulgaria 1
Chile 13
Colombia 1
Croatia 1
Czech Republic 3
Georgia 1
Germany 51
Greece 1
India 2
Indonesia 1
Iran 3
Italy 12
Japan 44
Kenya 1
Republic of Korea 51
Malaysia 6
Mexico 8
Nigeria 3
Panama 1
Peru 1
Philippines 17
Portugal 6
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Russia 4
Spain 16
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*Numbers are rounded to the nearest whole number.

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Percentage of occupational therapists in WFOT Member Organisations who are female

n = 71
Countries where occupational therapy is recognised as a shortage profession

- Argentina
- Australia
- Brazil
- Czech Republic
- Colombia
- Croatia
- Estonia
- France
- Georgia
- Hong Kong
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran
- Italy
- Kenya
- Republic of Korea
- Macau
- Mexico
- New Zealand
- Palestine
- Peru
- Philippines
- Portugal
- Seychelles
- Singapore
- South Africa
- Sri Lanka
- Taiwan
- Tanzania
- Thailand
- Trinidad & Tobago
- Turkey
- Uganda
- Venezuela

n = 34
SUMMARY

Information was collated from 72 WFOT Member Organisations (99% of those surveyed)
The numbers below reflect the responses provided to WFOT from countries that responded to this project and collate this data.

**Total number of practising occupational therapists = 417,235**

Total number of WFOT Approved Education Programmes = 773
Total number of non WFOT Approved Education Programmes = 333

Number of occupational therapists per 10,000 head of population = median 0.9, mean 2

Number of occupational therapy assistants = 49,628

Percentage of occupational therapists that are female = 83%

Average percentage of occupational therapists working in government/public funded posts = 63%
Average percentage of occupational therapists working in non government/public funded posts = 33%

Most frequently cited specialities experiencing labour shortages by WFOT Member Organisations;
Mental Health (23), Dementia (13), Older People (11), Stroke Rehabilitation (10)
CAUTIONS

Not all organisations collate data that was requested for this project.

Missing data should not be interpreted as being not applicable; in some instances the information is not known or unable to be provided.

The Human Resources Project was circulated in English and also in Spanish to Spanish speaking countries. All responses were requested in English and therefore reliant on accurate translations by Member Organisation.

Each slide shows the responses that were received from each WFOT Member Organisation or the WFOT Delegate.

Figures shown may be approximate versus an exact number.

2013 population data sourced from www.indexmundi.com
Additional reading and supporting information

Please refer to the World Federation of Occupational Therapists (WFOT) website www.wfot.org "Resource Centre" to access the full version of this report in addition to the following documentation:

WFOT Position Statement - Recruiting Occupational Therapists from International Communities (2014)

Working as an occupational therapist in another country (2013)

Results from previous surveys are also available on the website

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