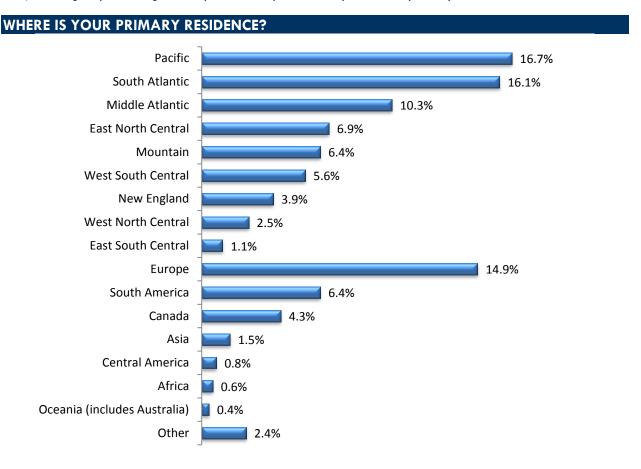
## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### RESPONDENT PROFILE

The following tables and charts provide information about the respondents of this year's study.

Over two-thirds of the respondents indicated the United States as their primary residence. Outside the U.S., the largest percentage of respondents reported Europe as their primary residence.



#### U.S. Region Definitions

New England: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont;

Middle Atlantic: New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania;

South Atlantic: Washington D.C., Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia,

West Virginia;

East North Central: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin;
East South Central: Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee;

West North Central: Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota;

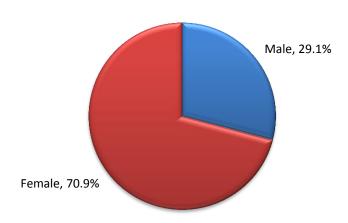
West South Central: Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas;

Mountain: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming; and

Pacific: Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon, Washington.

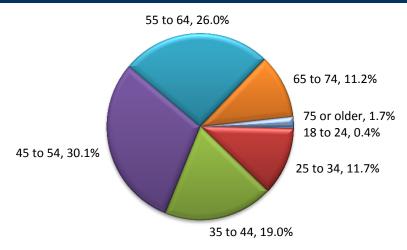
More than two-thirds (71%) of the respondents were female.

### **GENDER**



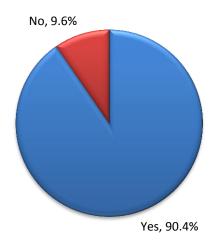
The typical (median) respondent was 50 years old. More than one-third (39%) of the respondents were 55 or older.

## WHAT IS YOUR AGE?



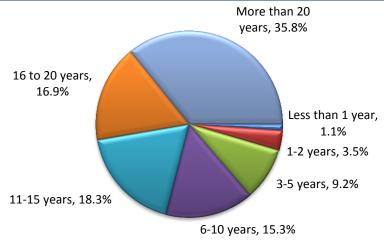
The vast majority of respondents were ATA members (90%).

### ARE YOU AN ATA MEMBER?



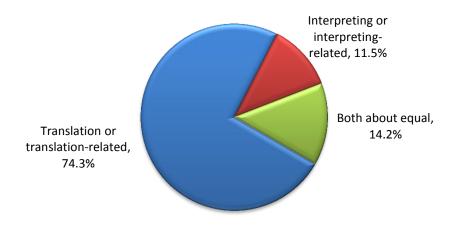
More than one-third of respondents have worked in the translation and/or interpreting professions for more than 20 years. Only 14% reported 5 or less years in the profession.

# HOW LONG HAVE YOU WORKED IN THE TRANSLATION AND/OR INTERPRETING PROFESSIONS?



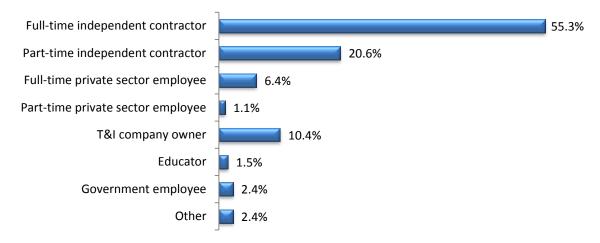
Three-quarters of the respondents work primarily on translation or translation-related activities. Only 12% indicated they worked primarily on interpreting or interpreting-related activities.

### IS YOUR WORK PRIMARILY. . .



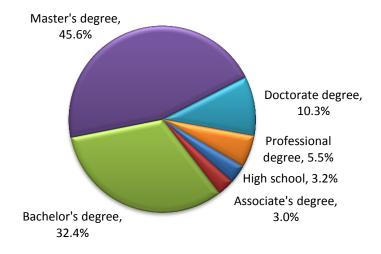
More than half of the respondents identified themselves as a full-time independent contractor. Independent contractors (full-time and part-time) made up over three-quarters of the respondents.

### WHAT IS YOUR PRIMARY T&I EMPLOYMENT STATUS?



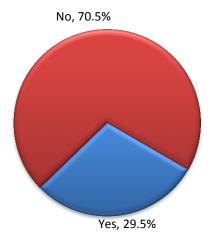
More than half of the respondents had an advanced degree.

### HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION COMPLETED



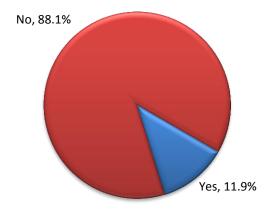
Thirty percent of the respondents reported having a degree in translation.

### DO YOU HAVE A DEGREE IN TRANSLATION?



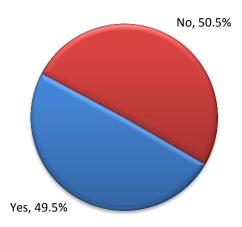
Only 12% of the respondents reported having a degree in interpreting.

### DO YOU HAVE A DEGREE IN INTERPRETING?



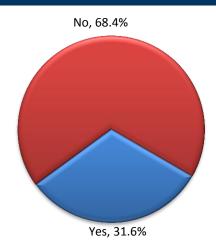
About half reported having a non-degree or professional certificate in translation or interpreting.

# DO YOU HAVE A NON-DEGREE OR PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE IN TRANSLATION OR INTERPRETING?



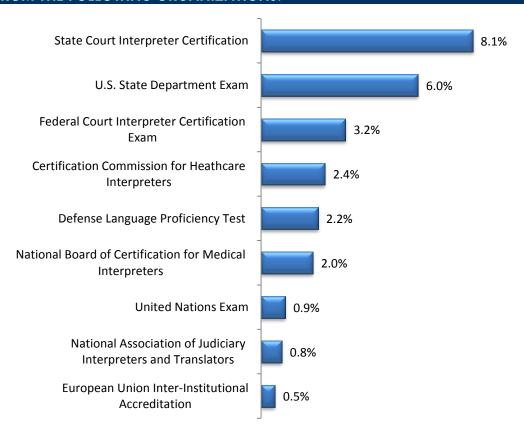
Less than one-third of the respondents reported being ATA-certified.





State Court Interpreter Certification and the U.S. Department Exam were the most common certifications or exams attained by respondents.

# PERCENTAGE HOLDING A CERTIFICATION OR SUCCESSFULLY PASSING A QUALIFYING EXAM FROM THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS:



The average respondent reported gross household income of \$88,406 in 2014. T&I company owners' reported the highest household income at \$134,108 followed by independent contractors (\$84,928) and government employees (\$83,324).





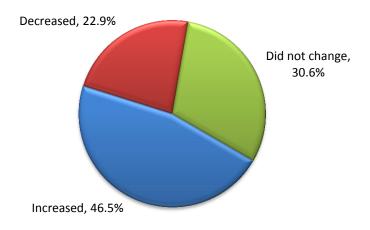
When looking at personal gross compensation in 2014 from T&I language services alone, T&I company owners, full-time private sector employees, and full time independent contractors earned the most. Educators reported the lowest gross compensation at \$17,344.

# PERSONAL 2014 GROSS COMPENSATION FROM T&I LANGUAGE SERVICES AND LANGUAGE-RELATED ACTIVITIES



Nearly half of the respondents reported that their T&I language services compensation increased in 2014 compared to 2013.

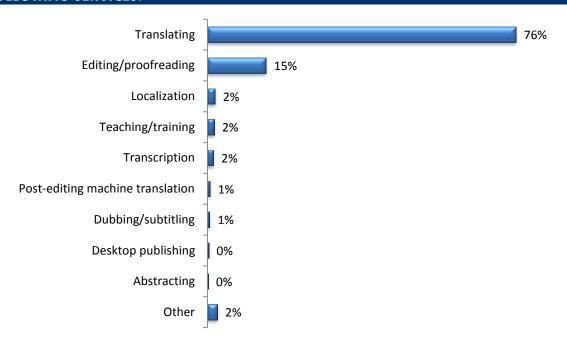
# COMPARED TO YOUR 2013 T&I LANGUAGE SERVICES COMPENSATION, YOUR 2014 T&I LANGUAGE SERVICES COMPENSATION



ATA TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETING SERVICES SURVEY, FIFTH EDITION

Respondents earned 76% of their translation income, on average, from translating services. Editing/proofreading services made up 15% of their translation income.

# PERCENTAGE OF YOUR 2014 TRANSLATION INCOME EARNED FROM PROVIDING THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:



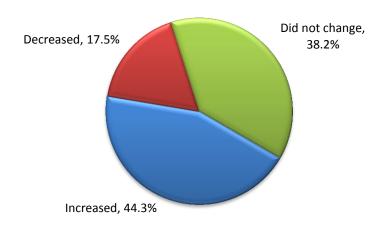
On average, interpreters responding to the survey earned gross income of \$24,517 from interpreting and interpreting-related services in 2014.

### 2014 GROSS COMPENSATION FROM INTERPRETING SERVICES AND INTERPRETING-RELATED ACTIVITIES

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Average	\$24,517
Median	\$11,000
25th Percentile	\$1,650
75th Percentile	\$38,500

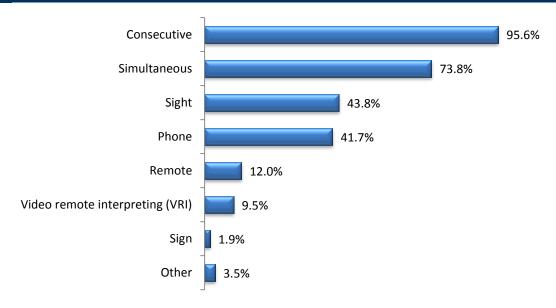
More than twice as many respondents reported that their interpreting services compensation increased (44%) than decreased (18%) in 2014 compared to 2013. More than one-third reported their interpreting services income did not change.

# COMPARED TO YOUR 2013 INTERPRETING SERVICES COMPENSATION, YOUR 2014 INTERPRETING SERVICES COMPENSATION



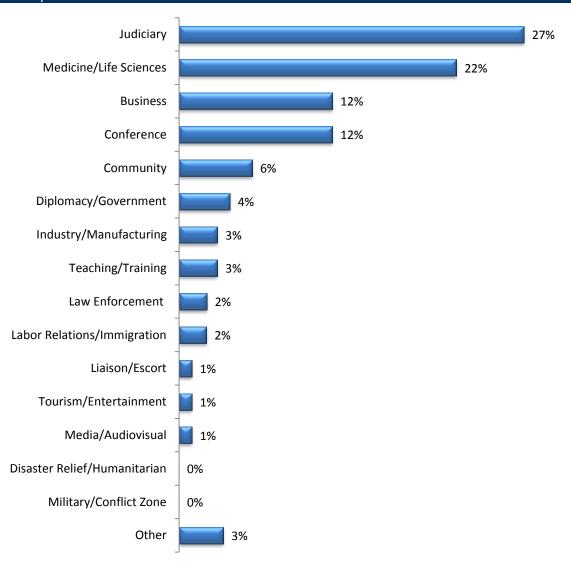
More than half of the interpreters provided consecutive (96%) and simultaneous (74%) services. Other common services included sight (44%) and phone (42%).

### PERCENTAGE PROVIDING THE FOLLOWING INTERPRETING SERVICES FROM:



Responding interpreters earned the largest percentage of their income from the following services/settings: judiciary (27%), medical/life sciences (22%), business (12%), and conference (12%).

# PERCENTAGE OF 2014 INTERPRETING INCOME FROM PROVIDING THE FOLLOWING SERVICES/SETTINGS:



At least half of the respondents reporting using headsets, transmitters, headphones, and receivers. A small percentage used multimedia terminals.

### PERCENTAGE OF INTERPRETERS USING THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT:

