

## MISSION STATEMENT

Assistance Dogs International (ADI) is a worldwide coalition of non-profit programs that train and place assistance dogs with individuals with disabilities to improve their quality of life. Founded in 1986, ADI has become the leading authority in the Assistance Dogs industry.

## OBJECTIVES

The objectives of Assistance Dogs International are to:

- Establish and promote standards of excellence in all areas of assistance dog acquisition, training and partnership
- Facilitate communication and learning among member programs
- Educate the public to the benefits of Assistance Dogs and ADI membership.

Assistance Dogs organizations that pass ADI's accreditation process become ADI Accredited Member programs, and are regularly assessed to ensure they meet the highest standards in the industry.

### 2020 MEMBERSHIP

179 MEMBERS WORLDWIDE

135 ACCREDITED MEMBERS

44 CANDIDATE PROGRAMS

### 2020 TOTAL ACTIVE TEAMS

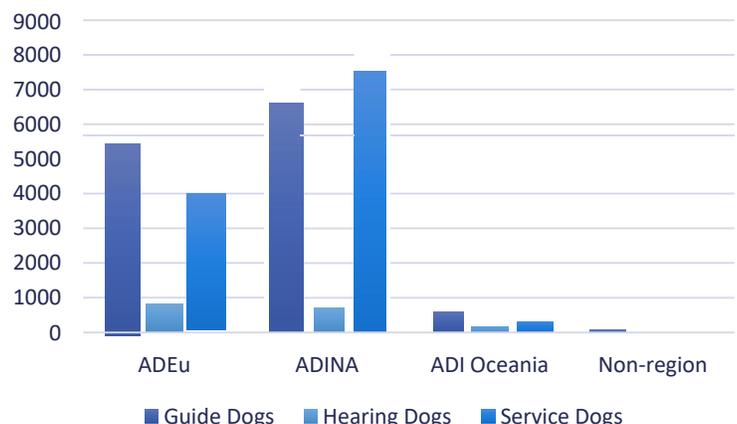
Guide Dogs – 12,921– 48%

Hearing Dogs –2,015– 8%

Service Dogs – 11,889– 44%

**TOTAL – 26,825**

### Total Active Placements Types



### 135 Accredited Members

ADEu – 39 Accredited Members, 15 Candidate Programs

ADI NA – 80 Accredited Members, 25 Candidate Programs

Oceania – 12 Accredited Members, 2 Candidate Programs

Non-regions – 4 Accredited Members, 2 Candidate Programs

## REGIONAL STATISTICS

### **ADEu - 2020 Census – TOTAL ACTIVE TEAMS – 10,209**

Guide Dogs – 5,490 – 54%

Hearing Dogs – 966 – 9%

Service Dogs – 3,753– 37%

### **ADINA – 2020 Census – TOTAL ACTIVE TEAMS – 15,294**

Guide Dogs – 6,620 – 43%

Hearing Dogs – 866 – 6%

Service Dogs – 7,808 – 51%

### **ADI Oceania - 2020 Census – TOTAL ACTIVE TEAMS – 1,236**

Guide Dogs – 745 – 60 %

Hearing Dogs – 173 – 14%

Service Dogs – 318 – 26 %

### **Non-Region – 2020 Census – TOTAL ACTIVE TEAMS – 86**

Guide Dogs – 66 – 76%

Hearing Dogs – 10 – 12%

Service Dogs – 10 – 12%

## SERVICE DOG TYPES – 2020 CENSUS – (# OF PROGRAMS/% OF TOTAL SERVICE DOGS)

Mobility Service Dogs (89) – 48%

Psychiatric Service Dogs (26) – 3%

Seizure Service Dogs (32) – 2%

PTSD Veterans Service Dogs (52) – 16%

Autism Service Dogs (65)– 19%

Medical Alert Service Dogs (24) - <1%

Diabetic Alert Service Dogs (29) – 4%

Other Service Dogs (13) – 8%

## OTHER TYPES OF PLACEMENTS

ADI - Total Other Types of Placements (2020): 3,690

Facility Dogs – 1,498                      Other Types (Courthouse, etc) – 483

Companion/Therapy – 1,709

## ADDITIONAL STATISTICS

Number of Accredited Programs that will train with an owner and their personal dog: 29

Number of Accredited Programs training Guide Dogs: 32

Number of Accredited Programs training Hearing Dogs: 32

Number of Accredited Programs training Service Dogs: 121

Number of Accredited Programs training Facility Dogs: 72

Number of Accredited Programs training Social/Companion Dogs: 45

42 ADI Accredited member programs operate a prison-based training program within 117 prisons that includes 893 puppies/dogs in training.

ADI Accredited Member Programs employ 2,717 Full-time employees and 1,216 Part-time employees.

42,583 Volunteers are assisting ADI Accredited Member programs.

79 ADI Accredited Member programs have breeding programs.

37 ADI Accredited Member programs utilize shelter/rescue programs.

93 ADI Accredited Member programs will consider receiving breeder donations.

As of 12/31/2020, there are 11,062 dogs/puppies in training with ADI Accredited Member programs with a wait list of 7,503 potential clients.

17 ADI Accredited Member programs state they offer a structured internship program for service dog trainers to the public.

135 Accredited Members. In 2020, the number of programs that train and place:

- 0 – 10 dogs per year: 60
- 11-25 dogs per year: 46
- 26-50 dogs per year: 13
- 51–99 dogs per year: 11
- 100+ dogs per year: 5

In 2020, ADI accredited members placed 3,351 new assistance dog teams.