

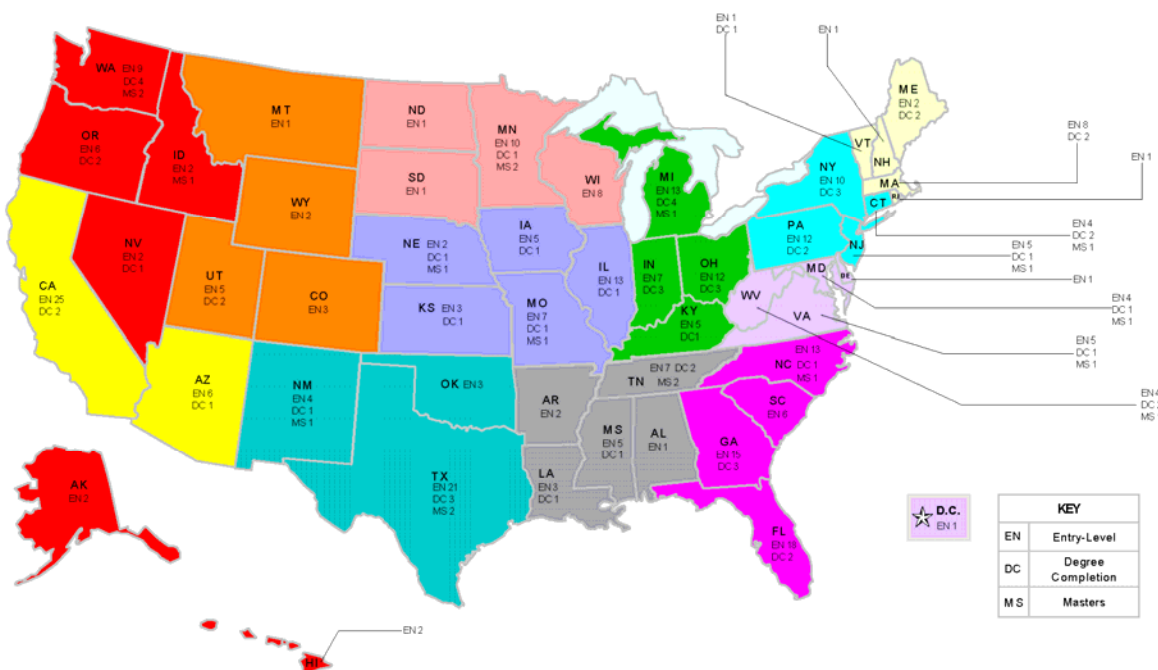
# DENTAL HYGIENE EDUCATION PROGRAM STATISTICS



## Number of Dental Hygiene Programs and Degrees offered:

- ▶ **Entry Level Programs.....309**
  - ▶ Associate Degree offered (i.e.: AS, AAS, AA) = 267 programs
  - ▶ Bachelor Degree offered (BSDH) = 44 programs
  - ▶ Certificate offered = 9 programs  
(Program totals do not equal 309 since 16 programs offer multiple degree and/or certificate options)
  - ▶ Community Colleges with bachelor degree articulation agreements = 5 programs
- ▶ **Degree Completion Programs (Bachelor) .....60**
  - ▶ BSDH (Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene) offered = 50 programs
  - ▶ Related Degrees offered (i.e.: BSHS [Bachelor of Science in Health Science], BSAH [Bachelor of Science in Allied Health]) = 10 programs
- ▶ **Master's Programs.....20**
  - ▶ MSDH (Master of Science in Dental Hygiene) offered = 14 programs
  - ▶ Related Degrees offered (i.e.: MS [Master of Science], MSHS [Master of Science in Health Science], MHS [Master of Health Science], MSAH [Master of Science in Allied Health for Dental Hygiene] MS: OHCP [Master of Science: Oral Health Care Practitioner]) = 6 programs

## Dental Hygiene Education Programs by State by Degree, 2009



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## Educational Settings:

### Entry Level Programs:

- ▶ **Associate Degree granting Institutions**  
.....225 programs
  - ▶ Community/Junior College = 176
  - ▶ Technical College/Institute = 44
  - ▶ Other (i.e.: college, academy) = 5
  
- ▶ **Baccalaureate Degree granting Institutions**  
(May offer more than one type of degree, i.e. BS, AS, certificate)  
.....84 programs
  - ▶ Schools of Allied Health Sciences = 37
  - ▶ Dental school = 23
    - Dental schools with a separate dental hygiene program = 2
      - ▶ School of Health Related Professions
      - ▶ College of Allied Health Sciences
  - ▶ Other Schools or Colleges = 22  
(i.e.: College of Math and Professional Studies, School of Medicine, School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene)

### Entry Level, Degree Completion and Masters Programs:

- ▶ **Public Institutions.....340 programs**
  - ▶ Entry Level = 273
  - ▶ Degree Completion = 48
  - ▶ Master = 19 programs
  
- ▶ **Private Institutions.....49 programs**
  - ▶ Entry Level = 36 programs
    - Private For-Profit = 16
    - Private Not-for-Profit = 20 programs
  - ▶ Degree Completion = 12
    - All private degree completion are not-for-profit programs
  - ▶ Masters = 1 (private not-for-profit)

### Additional Facts:

- ▶ Since 1990, the Commission on Dental Accreditation has granted accreditation to 131 new dental hygiene programs.
  
- ▶ From 1985–2009, 22 dental hygiene programs closed. Fifteen (~68%) were associated with dental schools.
  
- ▶ As of 2009, there are 58 dental schools in the United States and Puerto Rico.

*Data used in this fact sheet was obtained from annual ADHA dental hygiene program surveys, the American Dental Association (ADA) Commission on Dental Accreditation, and the ADA Survey of Allied Dental Education.*