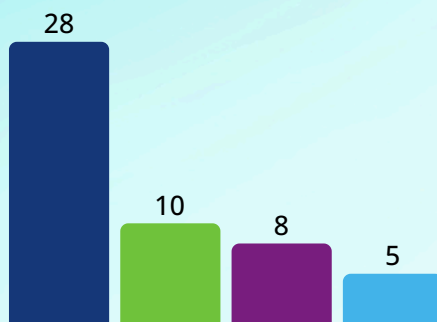




EFDAs Across America

In many states, dental assistants can perform preventive or restorative functions — otherwise known as expanded functions. These dental assistants are called many things but are typically known as Expanded Functions Dental Assistants. Here are some interesting facts about EFDAs across America.

EFDA levels

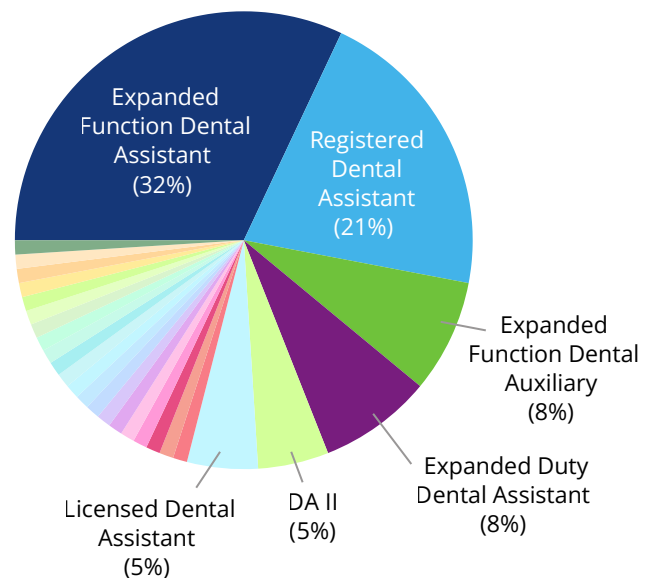


Of the 50 states + DC:

- 28 states have an EFDA level that requires registration with the state dental board
- 10 states have an EFDA level that does not require registration with the state dental board
- 8 states do not have an EFDA level (although dental assistants in this state may perform some expanded functions at the unlicensed or entry level)
- 5 states do not have an EFDA level but issue certificates for specific functions

EFDA titles

Among the 38 states that have an EFDA level, there are 25 different titles. Some states had two titles that cover different EFDA functions. The most common titles for EFDA levels are:



Dental assistant perspectives

Most important factors in decision to become an EFDA:

81% If they'll receive a pay raise

61% Cost to earn

58% Time to earn



59%

of EFDAs said they would like their dentist to delegate expanded functions to them more often

62%

of dental assistants who are not yet EFDAs said they are interested in becoming EFDAs