

The seal of the Florida State Mental Health Regulatory Agency is a circular emblem. It features a central shield with a sun rising over a body of water with a ship. The shield is surrounded by a ring of stars. The outer ring of the seal contains the text "FLORIDA STATE MENTAL HEALTH REGULATORY AGENCY" in blue capital letters. The year "1859" is also visible at the bottom of the seal.

2023-25 GOVERNOR'S BUDGET

Mental Health Regulatory Agency

Board of Psychology

Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists

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Program Summary

The Mental Health Regulatory Agency (MHRA) was created in 2018 to **protect the public from harm** by providing administrative and regulatory oversight to two regulated boards that oversee mental health professions in the State:

- Oregon Board of Psychology
- Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists

Program Summary

- Licensing
 - Determine qualifications for licensure (education, exam, experience)
 - Issue and renew licenses
 - Continuing education
 - Forms, fees, and consumer outreach
- Compliance
 - Code of Ethics / Statutes / Administrative Rules
 - Investigate complaints (unethical / unprofessional / unlicensed practice)
 - Board review and vote on enforcement action
 - Settlements / Contested Case Hearings / Appeals

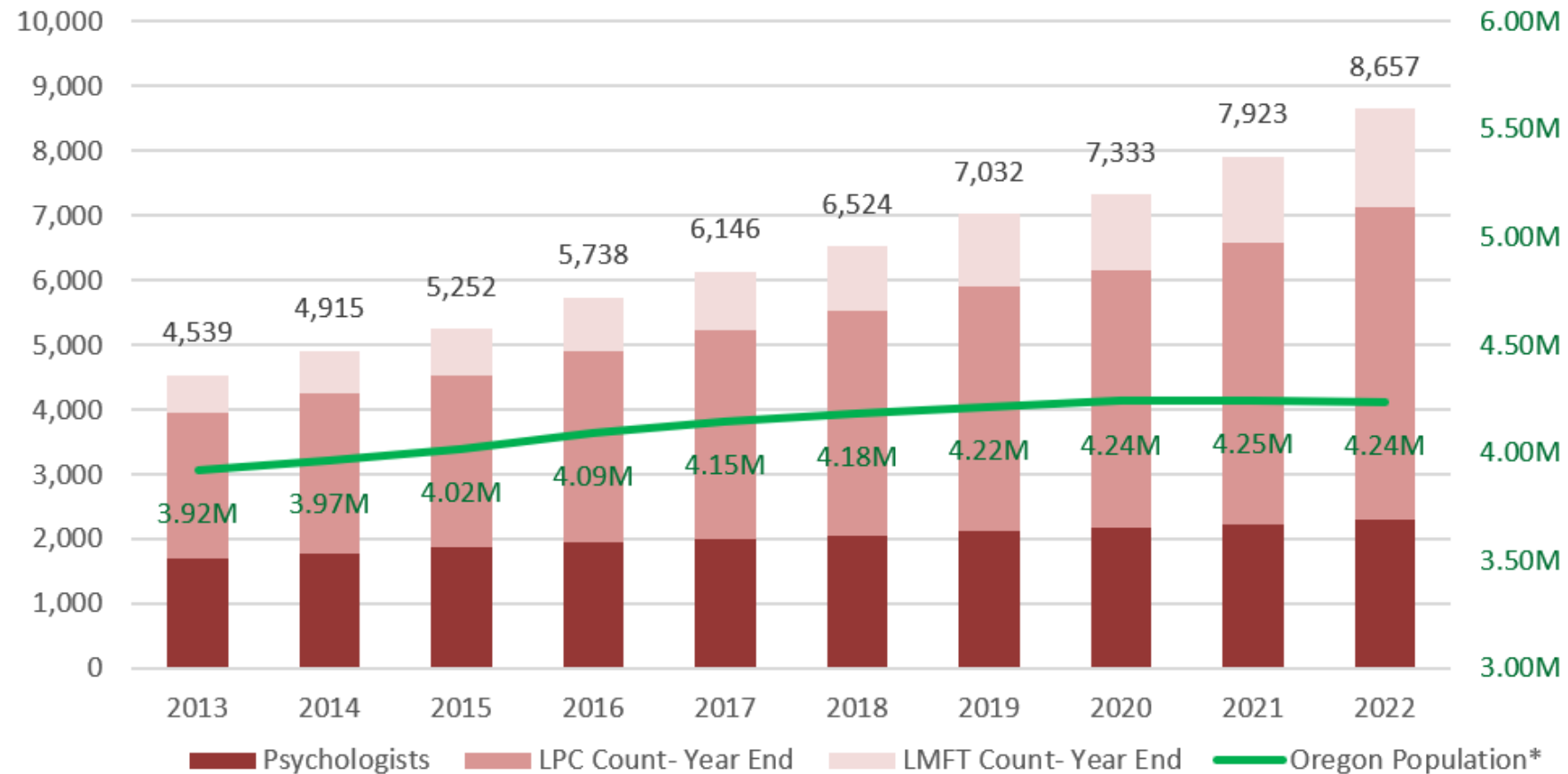
Program Summary

Year End 2022		
Board	License Type	Count
Board of Psychology	Psychologists*	2,296
	Psychologist Associates	23
	Residents*	91
Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists	Licensed Professional Counselors	4,814
	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists	1,524
	Registered Associates	1,811
TOTAL:		10,559

*Doctoral-level practitioners

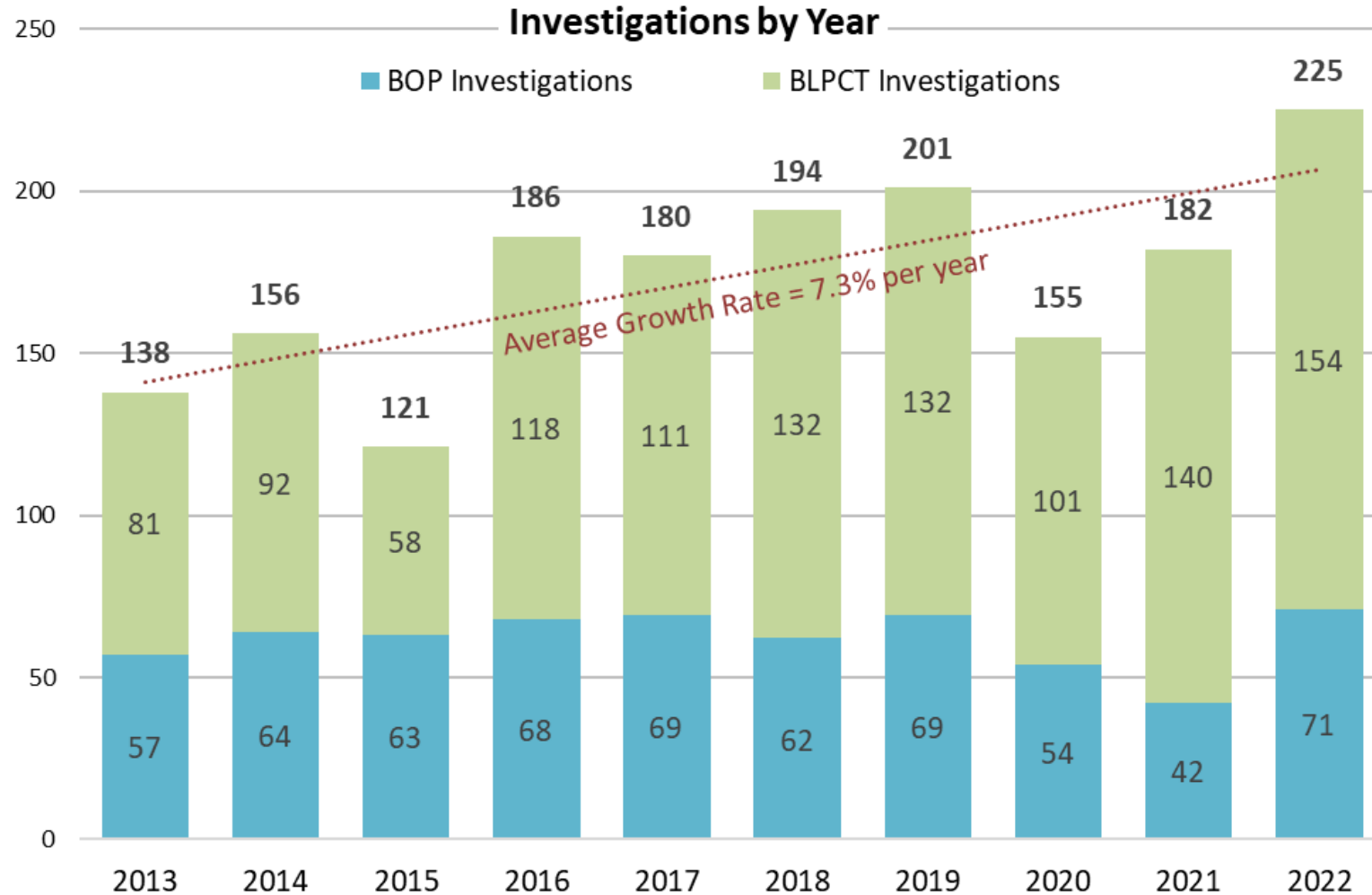
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Growth: Oregon Population & MHRA Licensees

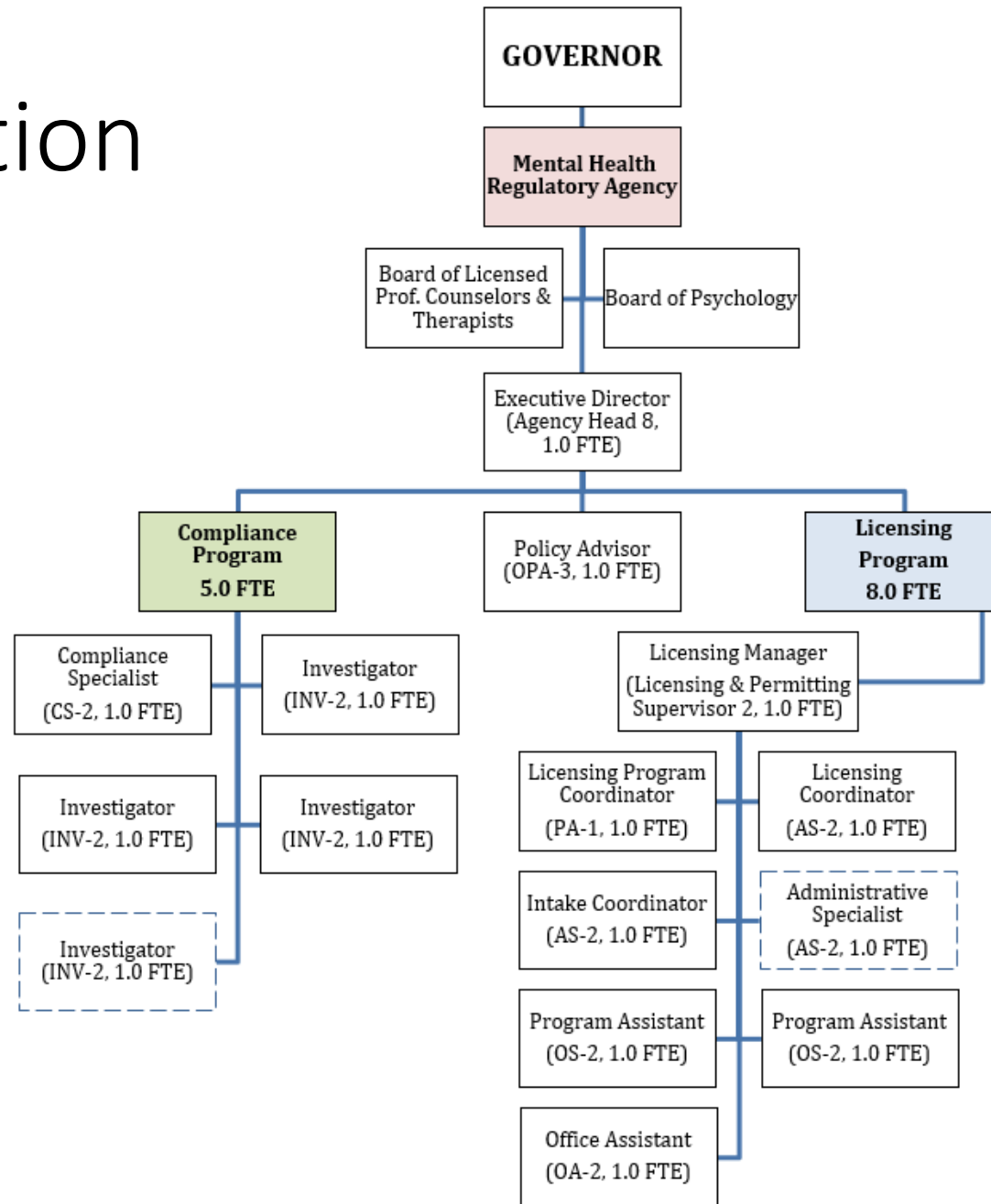


*Source: U.S. Census Bureau Population Estimates Program data by State

Program Summary



Organization

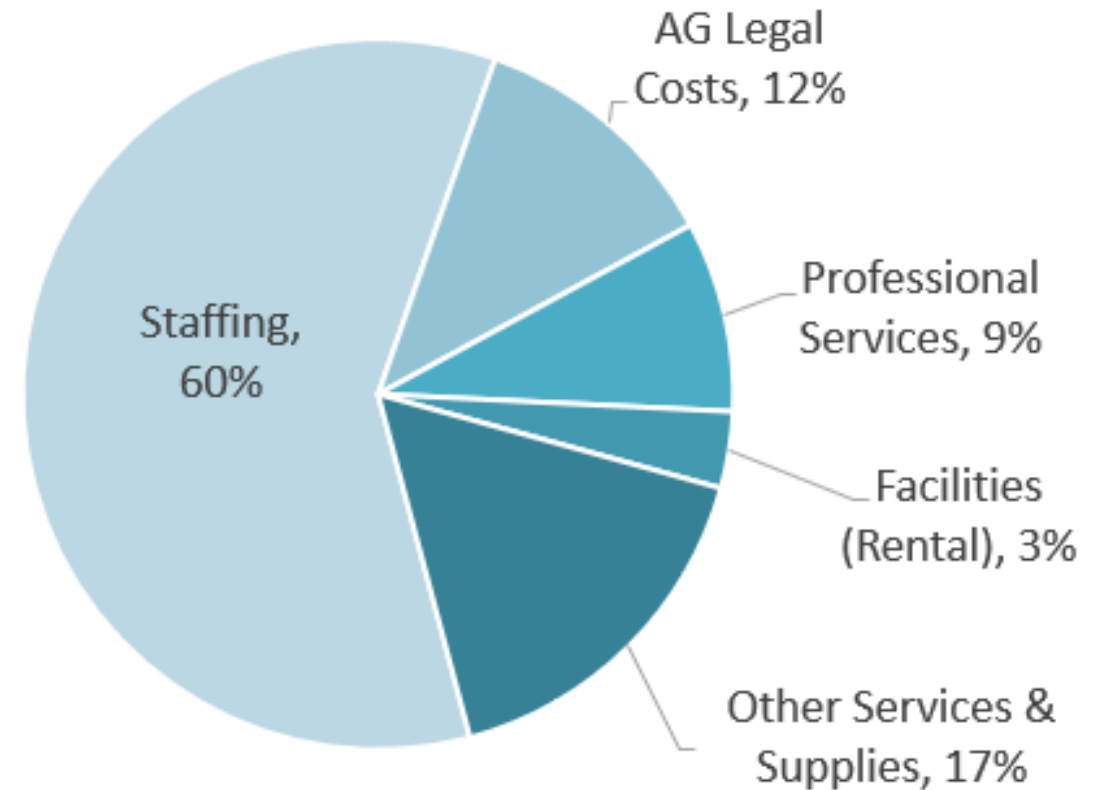


Major Changes & Projects

- 2017-19
 - MHRA established (2018)
 - Continued work towards implementation and streamlining of operations
- 2019-21
 - New Licensing System (Database)
 - Online Applications, Tracking, Renewal, Fee Payment, Complaint Form
 - Automated email notices and reminders
 - Efficiency, Accuracy, & Service timeliness
- 2021-23
 - Continued Development of Licensing System
 - Diversity Study / Addressing Barriers to Licensure

Budget Drivers & Risks

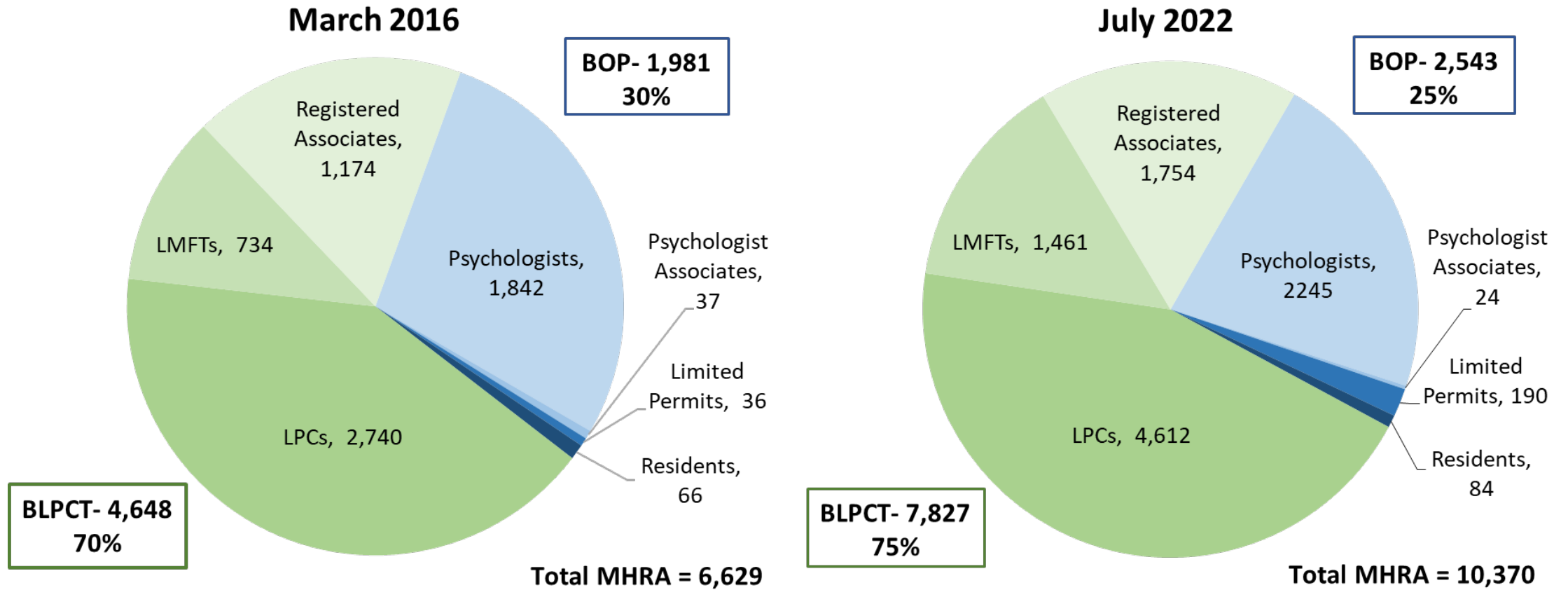
- 100% Other Funds. Major drivers:
 - Personal Services: Staffing (60%)
 - Attorney General Legal Costs (12%)
 - Professional Services (9%)
- Risks:
 - Case Fluctuation
 - Limited Staffing & Impact of Turnover



Major Budget Information: Package 090

1) Per Diem- \$11,752

2) Cost Allocation- \$287,794, BOP → BLPCT



Major Budget Information: Package 090, Cont.

3) Fee Reductions: (\$377,835) BLPCT / (\$344,576) BOP

Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists			
Fee Type	Current	Proposed	Change
Active License Annual Renewal	\$165	\$145	-12%
Inactive License Annual Renewal	\$100	\$90	-10%
Initial License	\$125	\$115	-8%
Registered Associate Annual Renewal	\$120	\$105	-13%
Temporary Practice Authorization	\$505	\$405	-11%

Board of Psychology			
Fee Type	Current	Proposed	Change
Active License Biennial Renewal	\$780	\$600	-23%
Semi-Active License Biennial Renewal	\$390	\$300	-23%
Inactive License Biennial Renewal	\$105	\$90	-14%
Temporary Practice Authorization	\$900	\$700	-22%

Major Budget Information: Package 100

Administrative Specialist

- Creates New Position: Administrative Specialist
- Stand-alone administrative position to carry out the accounting and other program support functions such as accounts payable and receivable, board and committee meeting coordination, travel arrangements, and scheduling

Major Budget Information: Package 101

Investigator

- Creates New Position: Investigator
- Limited Duration for 2021-23
- Continued Need for 2023-25

Major Budget Information: Package 102

Licensing

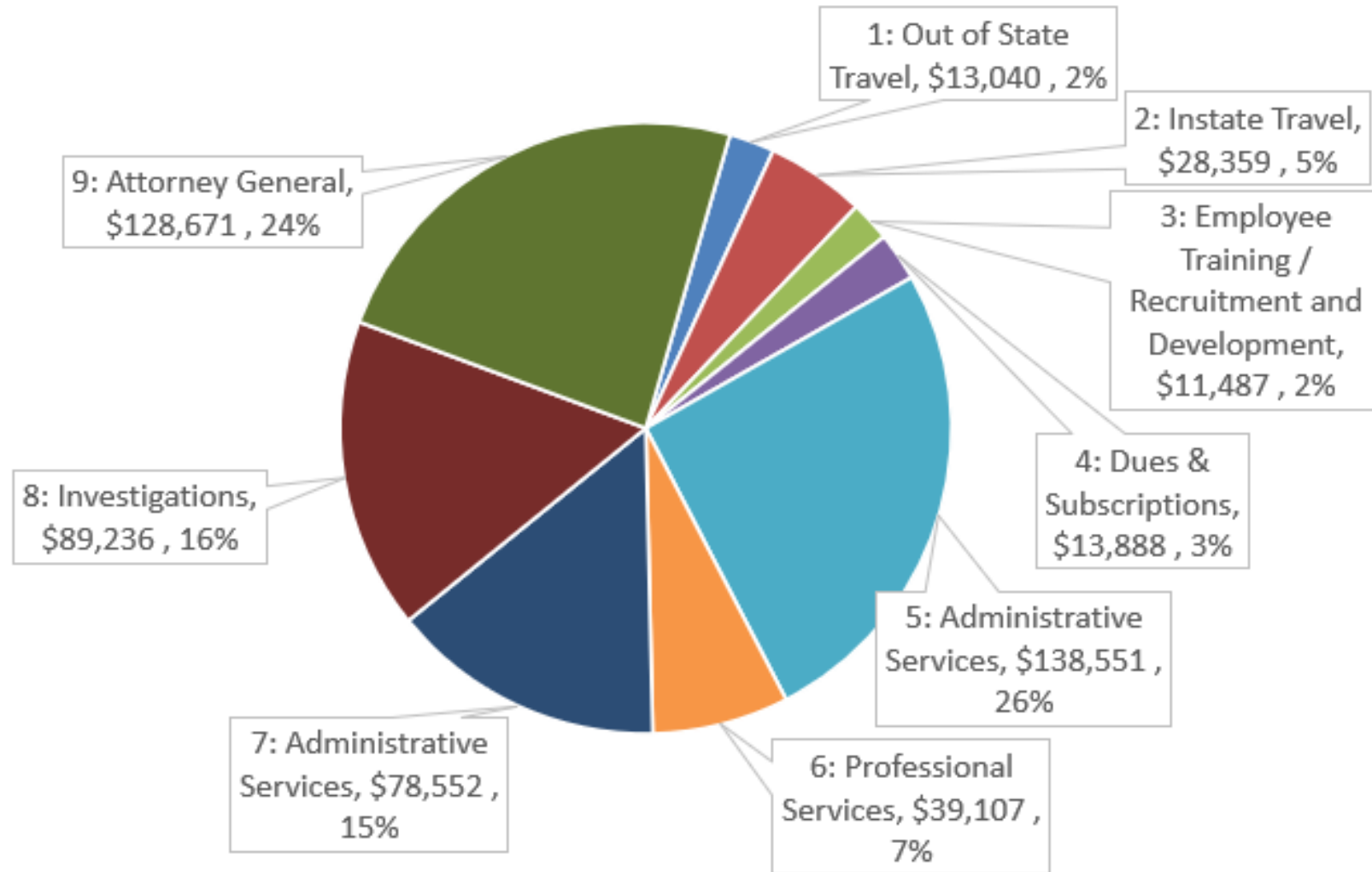
- Supports Legislative Concept #0350
- New Limited Permit, Fee: \$100
- Estimated \$156,500 Revenue for BLPCT in 2023-25

Proposed Legislation

LC 0350: Licensing (BLPCT)

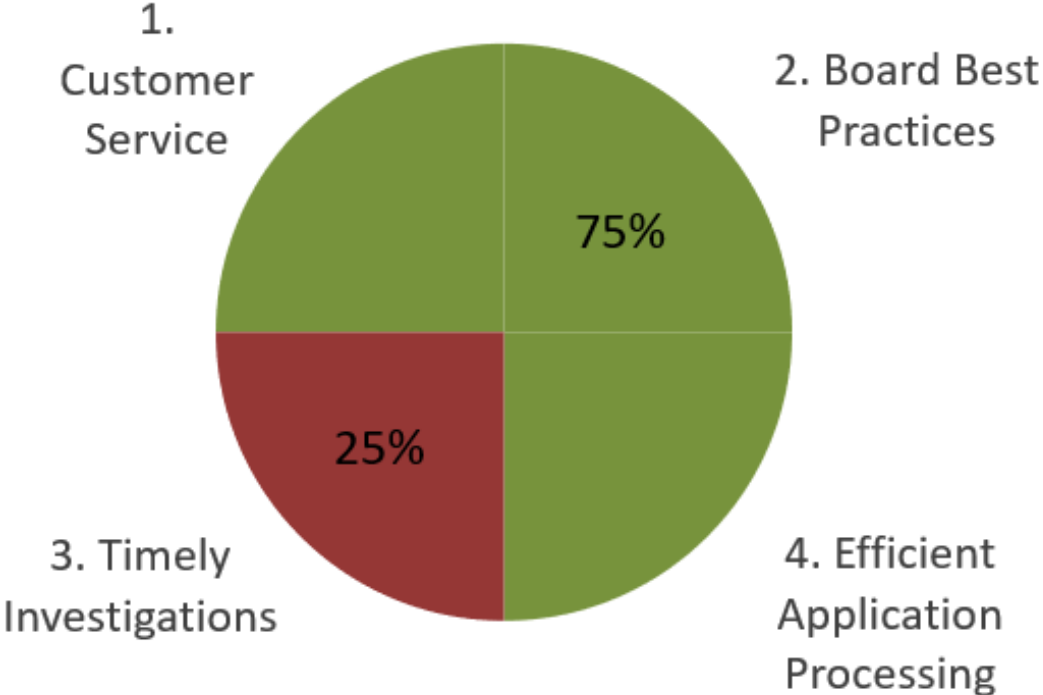
- Remove “annual” from Renewal Statute
 - Allows Board to move to two-year renewal cycle
 - Reduce confusion and opportunities for tardiness
 - Reduce licensee and staff burden
- Adds a new Limited Permit option
 - Allows limited practice in Oregon for out-of-state providers
 - Avoid behavioral health service gaps and discontinuity of care

10% Reduction Options

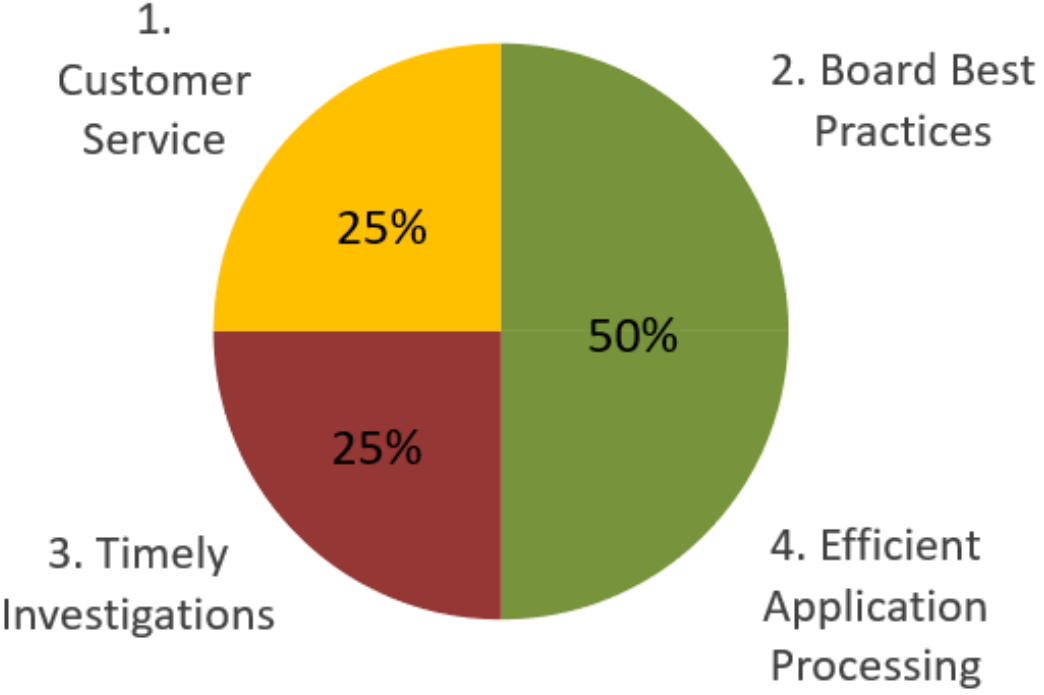


KPMs Not Achieved

BLPCT



BOP



Conclusion

We are hopeful that we will continue to receive support as we strive to achieve excellence in our service to Oregonians.

Questions?