



## Fun facts

- Snakes “hear” by feeling vibrations through their jawbones!
- Crickets have hearing organs in the knees!
- Only 10-20% of the population can wiggle their ears!
- The middle ear bones are the smallest bones in the body and BARELY fit on a penny!
- The ear is still working even when you are sleeping!



## More facts

- Over 25,000 hair cells help you hear the nuances of sound.
- 29% of people over age 65 have hearing loss.
- 65% of people with hearing loss are below retirement age.
- It is estimated that 700 million people in the world have hearing loss!
- Performing surveillance and screening within the medical home is the best way to monitor infants and young children for late onset hearing loss.
- Excessive noise is the number reason for hearing loss.
- Early identification of hearing loss leads to better speech, language and learning outcomes for children.

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