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Let s(n) denote the sum of proper divisors of an integer n. In 1992 Erdős, Granville, Pomerance, and Spiro (EGPS) conjectured that if \mathscr{A} is a set of integers with asymptotic density zero then $s^{-1}(\mathscr{A})$ also has asymptotic density zero. In this talk, we will discuss recent progress towards the EGPS conjecture. In particular, we show that the conjecture holds when \mathscr{A} is taken to be a set of integers with missing digits. This talk is based on joint work with Kübra Benli, Giulia Cesana, Cécile Dartyge, and Charlotte Dombrowsky.