DISABILITIES IN AMERICA
Experiences Across the Lifespan

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EARLY INTERVENTION
Birth to Age 2

94.9% of eligible infants and toddlers receive services in home/community setting.
DISABILITIES BY TYPE
Ages 5-17

- Cognitive: 4.1%
- Self-care: 0.9%
- Vision: 0.9%
- Ambulatory: 0.6%
- Hearing: 0.6%

5.4% of all school-aged children who have a disability.
LEARNING ENVIRONMENT
Ages 6-21
% of School Day Spent in an Integrated Class

- 61.5% in regular classroom 80+% of the day
- 19.5% in regular class 40-79%
- 13.8% in regular class less than 40%
- 5.2% other
POVERTY RATE Birth to Age 17

1 in 3 children with a disability live in poverty.
SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS EXITING HIGH SCHOOL Ages 14-21

2006-2007
2011-2012

- Dropped Out
  - 2006-2007: 25.6%
  - 2011-2012: 20.2%
- Received Certificate
  - 2006-2007: 17%
  - 2011-2012: 14%
- Graduated with Diploma
  - 2006-2007: 56%
  - 2011-2012: 64%

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POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION GRADUATED OR COMPLETED PROGRAM

With Disabilities and Without Disabilities

- **4-year college**
  - With Disabilities: 30%
  - Without Disabilities: 42%

- **Vocational, business, or technical school**
  - With Disabilities: 55%
  - Without Disabilities: 63%

- **2-year or community college**
  - With Disabilities: 30%
  - Without Disabilities: 14%
YOUTH EMPLOYMENT Ages 16-24
With Disabilities and Without Disabilities

Ages 16-19
- 15%

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- 30%

Ages 20-24
- 27%

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- 64%
EMPLOYMENT RATE
Ages 18-64

74% Without Disabilities

34% With Disabilities
MEDIAN EARNINGS Ages 16+

$30,728 Without Disabilities

$20,785 With Disabilities
POVERTY RATE Ages 18-64
With Disabilities and Without Disabilities

29 PERCENT

14 PERCENT
The prevalence of disability increases with age.
DISABILITIES BY TYPE Age 65+

- Ambulatory: 66.5%
- Independent Living: 47.8%
- Hearing: 40.4%
- Cognitive: 28.8%
- Self-Care: 28.4%
- Vision: 19.2%
LIVING ARRANGEMENTS Age 65+

- 29.9% living alone
- 9.2% in group settings
- 60.9% living with others
40% of all seniors with disabilities suffer from hunger.
PROFILE OF AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES

17% poverty rate for veterans with disabilities ages 18-64 (2013)

Nearly 1 in 5 people had a disability in the U.S. (2010)

Health insurance rates for people with disabilities ages 18+ (2013)
- 44% Private insurance
- 51% Public insurance (some have both)
- 16% No insurance

56% of individuals achieved successful employment through vocational rehabilitation (2012)

1.15 million youth ages 13-25 received Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits (2012)

9% of youth ages 6-21 received special education services (2012)

43% of total Medicaid payments were made for people with disabilities (2011)

14% of the total number of persons served by Medicaid were people with disabilities (2011)

29% disability prevalence rate for veterans (2013)

Older women are more likely than older men to have five of the six types of disability (2012)
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