Disability Impacts
ALL of US
A Snapshot of Disability in the United States

22% of adults in the United States have some type of disability

The uncounted millions of people living with disabilities is a major public health issue.

Disability and HEALTH

Adults living with disabilities are more likely to:

- be obese: 38.4% vs. 24.4%
- smoke: 10.3% vs. 16.7%
- have high blood pressure: 41.7% vs. 26.3%
- be inactive: 16.3% vs. 23.9%
- more likely to have heart disease, stroke, diabetes, or cancer

Disability and LIVELIHOOD

Nearly half of those with an annual household income of less than $15,000 reported a disability.

1 in 3 unemployed adults who are able to work reported a disability.

4 in 10 adults who have not completed high school reported a disability.

Disability and COMMUNITIES

Disability is especially common in these groups:

- 1 in 4 women have a disability
- 3 in 10 non-Hispanic blacks have a disability
- Nearly half of those with an annual household income of $15,000 or less reported a disability
- 1 in 3 adults who have not completed high school reported a disability
- Unemployed adults who are able to work reported a disability

Disability Costs

$400 billion per year in Healthcare Expenditures

Making a Difference

Public Health is for ALL of US

Join CDC and its partners as we work together to improve the health of people living with disabilities.

Supporting National & State Programs

Researching & Reducing Health Disparities

Building Inclusive Health Programs

Monitoring Public Health Data

Promoting Healthy Living

Supporting Education and Development

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