Everyone can play a role in supporting more inclusive state programs, communities, and health care to help people with, or at risk for, disabilities be well and active in their communities. Join CDC and its partners as we work together to improve the health of people with disabilities.

**DISABILITY IMPACTS ALASKA**

137,688 adults in Alaska have a disability

This is equal to 26% or 1 in 4 adults in Alaska

**Percentage of adults in Alaska with select functional disability types**

- **Mobility**: Serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs
- **Cognition**: Serious difficulty concentrating, remembering, or making decisions
- **Independent living**: Serious difficulty doing errands alone, such as visiting a doctor’s office
- **Hearing**: Deafness or serious difficulty hearing
- **Vision**: Blind or serious difficulty seeing, even when wearing glasses
- **Self-care**: Difficulty dressing or bathing

Disability Types

Adults with disabilities in Alaska experience health disparities and are more likely to...

- **Have Obesity**: 38%
- **Smoke**: 29%
- **Have Diabetes**: 14%
- **Have Heart Disease**: 7%

**DISABILITY HEALTHCARE COSTS IN ALASKA**

- About **$2.2 BILLION** per year, or up to **30%** of the state’s healthcare spending
- About **$20,497** per person with a disability

Learn how CDC and state programs support people with disabilities at [www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/disabilityandhealth/programs.html](http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/disabilityandhealth/programs.html).