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.

**223,588 adults in Rhode Island have a disability**¹
This is equal to 27% or 1 in 4 adults in Rhode Island

**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

### Adults with disabilities in Rhode Island experience health disparities and are more likely to...

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<tr>
<th>Disability Type</th>
<th>With Disability</th>
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<tr>
<td>Have Obesity</td>
<td>42%</td>
<td>26%</td>
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<td>Smoke</td>
<td>22%</td>
<td>11%</td>
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<td>Have Diabetes</td>
<td>16%</td>
<td>6%</td>
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<td>Have Heart Disease</td>
<td>9%</td>
<td>3%</td>
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Visit [dhds.cdc.gov](http://dhds.cdc.gov) for more disability and health data across the United States.

### Disability Healthcare Costs in Rhode Island²
- **$3.7 BILLION** per year, or up to **38%** of the state's healthcare spending
- **$20,174** 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).

**Note**: Data are rounded to the nearest whole figure. For more precise prevalence data, please visit [dhds.cdc.gov](http://dhds.cdc.gov).