

ACS Six Categories of Disability

- **Visual disability** – people who say they are blind or have serious difficulty seeing even when wearing glasses
- **Hearing disability** – people who say they are deaf or have serious difficulty hearing
- **Ambulatory disability** – people who say they have serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs
- **Cognitive disability** – people who, because of a physical or mental condition, have serious difficulty concentrating, remembering, or making decisions
- **Self-care disability** – people who have difficulty dressing or bathing on their own
- **Independent living disability** – people who, because of a physical or mental emotional condition, have difficulty doing errands alone such as visiting a doctor's office or shopping

Employment Rates of Non-Institutionalized People with and without Significant Disabilities, ages 21-64 (2018)

Population	Base Population	% employed, including part time/part year workers	Number employed, including part time/part year workers	% employed, full time/full year workers	Number employed, full time/full year workers	Number not employed
People without disabilities	166 million	80%	133 million	61%	102 million	33 million
People with significant disabilities	19 million	38%	7.3 million	24%	4.7 million	12 million

Data on all slides are taken from Erickson, W., Lee, C., von Schrader, S. (2022). Disability Statistics from the 2018 American Community Survey (ACS). Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Yang-Tan Institute (YTI). Retrieved from Cornell University Disability Statistics website: www.disabilitystatistics.org

Employment Rates of Non-Institutionalized People with Disabilities, ages 21-64 (2018)

Population	Total Number in U.S.	% employed	Number employed	% employed, full time/full year	Number employed, full time/full year	Number not employed
Vision disabilities	3.7 million	45%	1.7 million	31%	1.1 million	2.0 million
Hearing disabilities	3.8 million	54%	2.0 million	40%	1.1 million	1.8 million
Ambulatory disabilities	9.3 million	26%	2.4 million	16%	1.5 million	6.9 million
Cognitive disabilities	8.2 million	29%	2.4 million	15%	1.2 million	5.9 million
Self-care disabilities	3.4 million	16%	550,000	9%	305,000	2.8 million
Independent Learning Disabilities	7.0 million	18%	1.3 million	9%	612,000	5.7 million

Rates of People With and Without Disabilities Who Are Not Working, But Are Looking for Work, ages 21-64 (2018)

Population	Total Number Not Working in U.S.	% Looking for Work	Number Looking for Work
People without disabilities	33 million	17%	5.5 million
People with significant disabilities	12 million	7%	877,400

Rates and Numbers of People with Disabilities Who Are Not Working, But Looking for Work, ages 21-64 (2018)

Population	Total Number in U.S.	% Looking for Work	Number Looking for Work
Vision disabilities	2.2 million	8.0%	161,000
Hearing disabilities	1.8 million	8.2%	145,000
Ambulatory disabilities	6.9 million	4.4%	302,000
Cognitive disabilities	5.9 million	8.0%	474,000
Self-care disabilities	3.0 million	3.1%	89,000
Independent Learning Disabilities	5.7 million	4.4%	250,000