

Americans with Disabilities: 1997 - Table A

Table A. Selected Disability Measures: 1997
(August-November 1997 data from the Survey of Income and Program Participation)

Categories	Number with specified characteristic (In thousands)		Percent with specified characteristic	
	Number	90-percent confidence interval (+/-)	Percent	90-percent confidence interval (+/-)
All ages	267,665	(X)	100.0	(X)
With a disability	52,596	814	19.7	0.3
Severe disability	32,970	673	12.3	0.3
Needed personal assistance with an ADL or IADL	10,076	390	3.8	0.1
Age 15 years and over	208,059	(X)	100.0	(X)
Used a wheelchair	2,155	183	1.0	0.1
Used a cane, crutches or walker (not a wheelchair)	6,372	313	3.1	0.2
Had difficulty seeing	7,673	342	3.7	0.2
Unable to see	1,768	166	0.8	0.1
Had difficulty hearing	7,966	348	3.8	0.2
Unable to hear	832	114	0.4	0.1
Age 25 to 64 years				
With any disability	26,493	612	100.0	(X)
In poverty	5,669	295	21.4	1.0
With a nonsevere disability	9,794	385	100.0	(X)
In poverty	1,018	126	10.4	1.2
With a severe disability	16,700	496	100.0	(X)
In poverty	4,651	268	27.9	1.4
No disability	112,604	1,007	100.0	(X)
In poverty	9,376	377	8.3	0.3

(X) Not applicable.

Note: See text in report for a description of ADLs and IADLs.