

IOWANS WITH DISABILITIES: 2013

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On July 26, 1990, President George H.W. Bush signed into law the Americans with Disabilities Act, guaranteeing equal opportunity for people with disabilities in public accommodations, commercial facilities, employment, transportation, state and local government services and telecommunications.

342,642

The number of people in Iowa in 2011 who have some kind of disability. They represent 11.4% of the civilian, noninstitutionalized population.

33.5%

Percentage of people 65 and older in 2011 with a disability, the highest of any age group.

3.9%

Percentage of children under 18 in 2011 who have disabilities. This amounts to 28,154 children.

168,942

The number of people aged 18-64 with a disability in 2011. The number of people 65 and over with a disability was 145,546.

11.3

The percent of males in Iowa in 2011 with a disability. This compares to 11.5% of females.

Health Insurance

95.8%

Percentage of children Under 18 in Iowa that have a disability and are covered by insurance, of which 56.6% is private health insurance with the remainder being public sourced in 2011.

87.9%

Percent of Iowans age 18 thru 64 with a disability and health insurance coverage in 2011.

99.5%

Percentage of Iowans 65 and over with health insurance

coverage; 33.4% of which have a disability in 2011.

12.6%

Percent of Iowans 18 thru 64 with a disability that had no health insurance coverage in 2011.

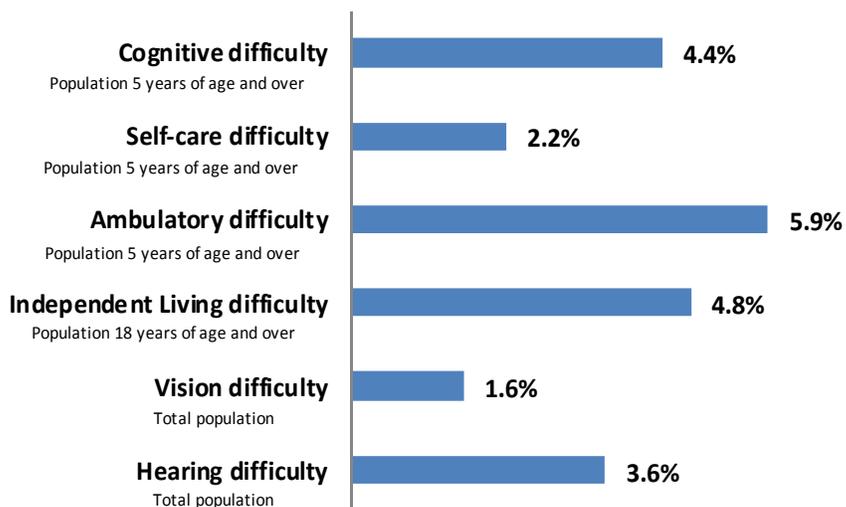
48.6%

Percentage of Iowans age 18 thru 64 with a disability that carry private health insurance coverage in 2011.

75.2%

Percentage of Iowans age 65 and over with a disability that carry private health insurance in 2011.

Disabilities by Type in Iowa : 2011



Specific Disabilities

109,240

The number of Iowans age 18 and over in 2011 reporting an inability to hear conversations or a serious hearing loss.

5.9%

Percentage of population age 5 and over with an ambulatory disability in 2011.

60,756

The number of Iowans age 5 and over in 2011 who reported that a disability made it difficult to perform self-care activities such as dressing, bathing, or getting around inside the home.

110,278

The number of noninstitutionalized Iowans age 18 and over in 2011 who reported an independent living disability that made it difficult to go outside the home alone to shop or visit a doctor's office.

48,313

The number of Iowans of any age in 2011 who reported that a disability of blindness or serious difficulty seeing even when wearing contacts or glasses.

122,973

Number of people with limitations in cognitive functioning or who have a mental or emotional illness that interferes with daily activities, including those with Alzheimer's disease and mental retardation. This group comprises 4.4 percent of the population 18 and older. This included people with one or more problems that interfere with daily activities, such as frequently being depressed or anxious, trouble getting along with others, trouble concentrating and trouble coping with stress.

73,233

Number of non-institutionalized Iowans 18 to 64 years of age in 2011 with 2 or more types of disabilities. This number is 3.9% of noted population. Another 5.1% have a single disability. That amounts to 9.1% of the working population have at least one disability.

Veterans

55,888

Number of Iowa veterans in 2011 with a disability representing 25.2% of Iowa veterans.

8.0%

The poverty rate of veterans 18 to 64 years of age, 26.1% of which have a disability.

3.5%

The percent of Iowa veterans over 65 years of age counted below the poverty level, 45.6% of which have a disability in 2011.

111,120

Number of veterans aged 18 to 64 above the poverty level in 2011 where 14.4% have a disability.

76,228

The number of Iowa disabled workers in 2012 receiving benefits under Social Security's Old Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance (OASDI) program.

Source:

http://www.socialsecurity.gov/policy/docs/factsheets/cong_stats/2012/ia.pdf

98.1%

Percent of transit buses nationwide that were lift or ramp-equipped as of 2007.

Source: Statistical Abstract of the US, 2010. Table 1079.

Income and Poverty

\$16,135

Median earnings for Iowans age 16 and over with disabilities with earnings in 2011. The median earnings for Iowans age 16 and over with earnings in 2011 without disabilities is \$29,533.

41.6%

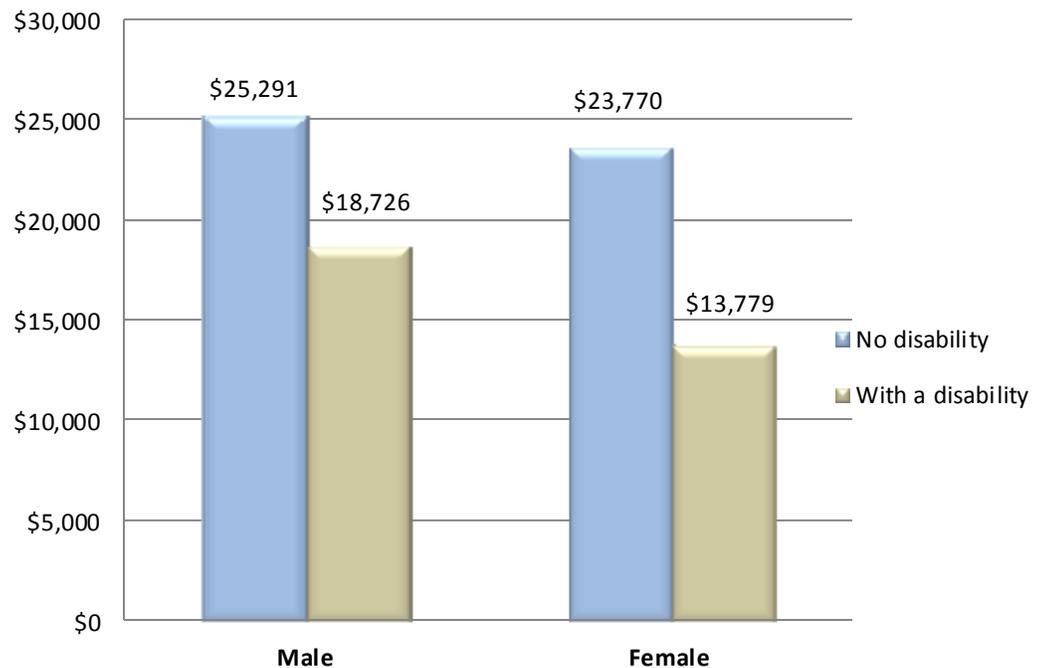
Percent of food stamp recipients in Iowa with at least one person in the household with a disability in 2011.

19.8%

The poverty rate for Iowans with disabilities in 2011. The poverty rate for Iowans without disabilities is 11.9%.



Median Earnings By Disability Status in Iowa: 2011



Employment

21.6%

Iowans age 16 to 64 with a disability were employed in 2011 in a full-time status. 48.2% of Iowans with a disability worked at least part-time

5.5%

Percent of the workforce with a disability of some type.

41.8%

The employment rate in 2011 for Iowans with a disability. The employment rate for those Iowans without a disability at that time was 89.4%.

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Households

39.3%

Percent of households receiving food stamps which have one or more persons with a disability.

31,442

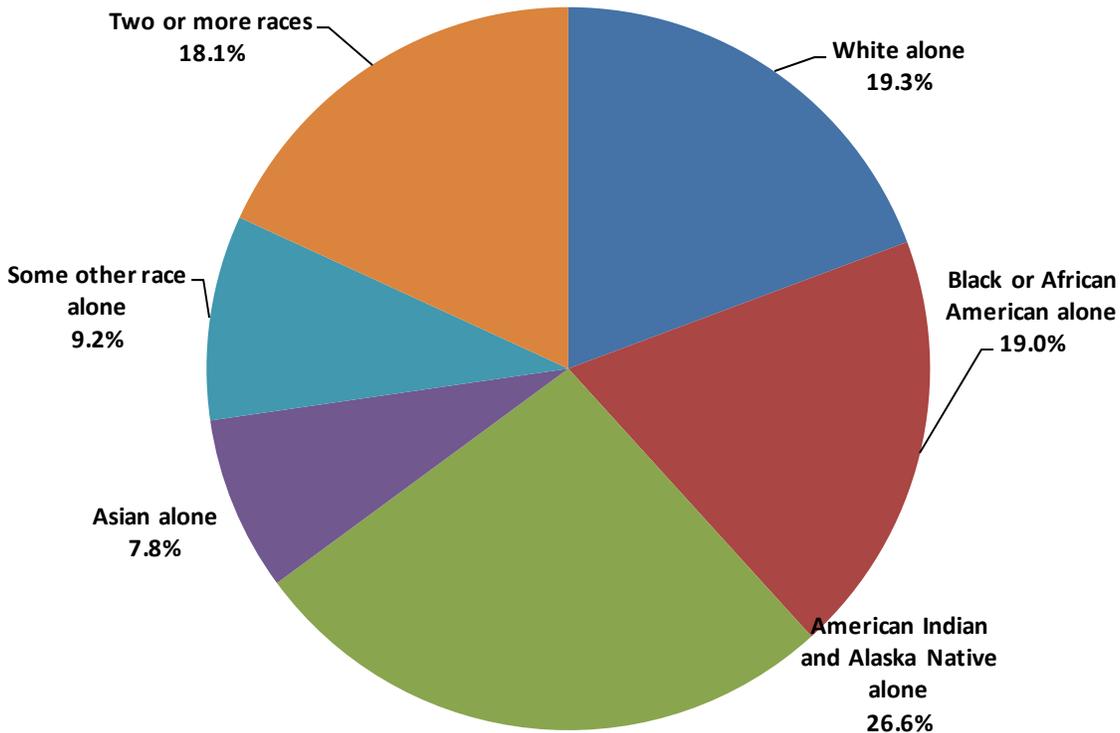
Number of Iowa grandparents living with grandchildren under 18.

42.7%

Percentage of above grandparents are responsible for grandchildren. 25% of those guardians have a disability.



Disability in Iowa by Race: 2011



Data Source (unless otherwise noted) :
U.S. Census Bureau,
American Community Survey, 2011
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The data presented in this report are for the civilian noninstitutionalized population, which exclude people in prisons, nursing homes, and active duty military.