

Snapshot of Disability Statistics

Item of information	Census 2001	NSS Survey 2002
Proportion of disabled persons in population	2.1%	1.8%
Estimated size of disabled population	21 million	18.5 million
Sex ratio among the disabled (no. of females per 1000 males)	738	698
Location of the disabled persons	Rural: 75% Urban: 25%	Rural: 76% Urban: 24%
Decomposition of disabled population by type of disability	49% in seeing 7% in speech 6% in hearing 28% in movement 10% mental	15% in seeing 12% in speech 17% in hearing 57% in movement 11% mental
Decomposition of disabled population by age-group	More than 50% have age less than 30 and 25% were of age 50 or more	44% have age less than 30 and 35% were of age 50 or more
Literacy and completed educational level of disabled population	51% not literate, 26% literate up to primary 6% completed middle level 13% secondary level or above	55% not literate, 25% literate up to primary 11% completed middle level 9% secondary level or above
Percentage of disabled children attending schools	In age-group 6-10 years: 56% (rural) & 64%(urban) In age-group 11-14 years: 64%(rural) & 69%(urban)	In age-group 5-18 years: 48% (rural) & 55% (urban)

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<p data-bbox="236 309 815 342">Employment status of disabled population</p>	<p data-bbox="571 371 975 450">Among males: 55% main workers, 9% marginal & 36% non-workers.</p> <p data-bbox="571 533 975 611">Among females: 19% main worker, 13% marginal & 68% non-workers.</p>	<p data-bbox="1050 371 1406 488">Among males: 36% employed, 1% unemployed & 63% out of labour force</p> <p data-bbox="1050 506 1406 622">Among females: 10% employed 0.3% unemployed & 89% out of labour force.</p>
<p data-bbox="236 667 911 701">Level of Living of households reporting disability</p>	<p data-bbox="754 797 762 808">-</p>	<p data-bbox="1002 712 1390 965">Of households reporting disability of one or more of its members 60% in rural areas and more than 25% in urban areas had monthly per capita consumption expenditure of Rs. 300.</p>
<p data-bbox="236 1010 496 1043">Extent of disability</p>	<p data-bbox="754 1196 762 1207">-</p>	<p data-bbox="1002 1070 1390 1149">60% could take self-care without aid/appliance;</p> <p data-bbox="1002 1167 1390 1245">17% could take self-care only with aid/appliance;</p> <p data-bbox="1002 1263 1390 1308">9% had not tried appliance;</p> <p data-bbox="1002 1326 1390 1404">13% could not take self-care even with the help of aid/appliance.</p>