

Alberta Official Statistics

Prevalence of Disability by Age Group and Sex, Alberta and Canada

- People with disabilities are defined by the Canadian Survey on Disability (CSD) as all adults aged 15 and over who had an activity limitation or a participation restriction associated with a physical or mental condition or health problem that had lasted or was expected to last for six months or more and were living in Canada at the time of the 2011 Census/ NHS.
- In 2012, 12.5% (369,190) of Albertans aged 15 or older reported a disability. Within the 75+ age group which accounted for almost 18% of the total disabled population, the shares for males and females were approximately 44% each, followed by the 64-75 and the 45-64 age groups in that order.
- The 25-44 and 15-24 age groups accounted for much lower proportions of the disabled population with the 15-24 age group having the least.
- Compared to the Canadian averages, male seniors (aged 65+) in Alberta were more likely to report some form of disability, while the younger age groups males such as 15-24 and 25-44 had lower rates than their Canadian counterparts. For females, their rates were similar to the national averages.

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Sources: Statistics Canada, Canadian Survey on Disability, 2012