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Disability Statistics in Barbados

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Disability Statistics

Definition

Main Source of Data

Some Census Results

National Census of Persons with Disabilities

Definition

A condition characterised by the complete or almost complete absence of a given body function.

Sources of Disability Statistics/Data

- Population & Housing Census

Providing a count of disable persons

Identifying the geographic location of the disable

Census Questions

15 (a). Do you have any of the following disabilities or major impairments? (Score as many as are applicable)

Hearing Speech Sight Upper Limb Lower Limb Neck/Spine Intellectual Mental Other

If NONE, go to Question 17.

(b) Are you required to use any of the following aids?

Wheelchair Walker Crutches Cane Prosthesis Other None Not Stated

16. Was your disability/major impairment ever diagnosed by a medical doctor?

Yes No Not Stated

Percentage Disabled Population

Total Disabled Population	4.6
Sight	1.0
Hearing	0.5
Speech	0.2
Upper Limb	0.3
Lower Limb	0.8
Neck/Spine	0.2
Mental	0.4
Intellectual	0.3
Other	0.9

Employment Status of Disabled Persons

Employment Status	%
Worked for Government	4.2
Worked for Private Enterprise	11.0
Worked for Private Household	0.8
Unpaid Worker	0.0
Self Employed/Paid Help	1.2
Self Employed/Unpaid Help/Alone	2.0

National Census of Persons with Disabilities - 2003

- Conducted In 2003
 - To provide information on the severity of disabilities
 - To provide more disaggregated data on the disability

Disability Census - 2003

- Areas covered in the Disability Census include
 - Basic Demographic data (age,sex etc.)
 - Education, Training and Employment
 - Nature of the Disability
 - Care and Support (includes information on the care giver)
 - Sources of income and Living Arrangements

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