



DISABILITY FEDERATION OF IRELAND

Disability Profile: Waterford¹



23%

of the population of Waterford, or **29,204** people, have at least one disability.

Number of people in each age range with a disability



0-14	15-24	25-44	44-65	65+
2,308	3,016	5,974	8,363	9,543

Disability by gender

Male
14,147



Female
15,057



Number of people with each type of disability



11,933	9,431	7,675	6,974	6,448	6,444	2,653
Difficulty with pain, breathing or any other chronic illness or condition	Difficulty with basic physical activities	Blindness or a vision impairment	Psychological or emotional condition or a mental health issue	Difficulty with learning, remembering or concentrating	Deafness or a hearing impairment	Intellectual disability

Education level obtained^{2,3}



No formal education

3%

have no formal education compared to 1.72% of the general population

Primary level

13%

did not progress beyond primary education compared to 6.75% of the general population.

Secondary

33%

had completed upper secondary compared to 27.98% of the general population.

Further education

12%

had completed further education compared to 11.86% of the general population.

Higher education

23%

had completed higher level education compared to 28.87% of the general population.

Still in education

7%

are still in education compared to 10.89% of the general population.

Labour Participation⁴

40.00% People with disabilities over 15 are at work compared to 45.20% of the general population



Social Housing⁵

17.46% People with disabilities are in social housing (by household) compared to 13.38% of the general population

- All statistics based on Census 2022, cso.ie
- Further education includes vocational/technical certificate and advanced certificate/completed apprenticeship, higher education includes Higher Certificate, Ordinary/Honours Bachelor, Postgraduate Diploma/Degree, and Doctorate. Data based on special tabulation from CSO.
- % of all adults, both ceased and not ceased their education. Adults who did not indicate whether they had ceased education are not shown.

- These numbers represent every individual over 15, including those in education, those over 65 and people retired.
- People aged 15 years and over, who were renting from a Local Authority or a Voluntary Body.

Due to changes in the census questions, the data from Census 2022 is not comparable to data from previous censuses

