



DISABILITY FEDERATION OF IRELAND

# DISABILITY PROFILE: COUNTY WATERFORD<sup>1</sup>

**14%**

of the population of Waterford, or **16,675** people, have at least one disability.

## Type of Disability

People in Waterford reported having the following types of disabilities and conditions:

**7,672** Difficulty with pain, breathing, or other chronic illness/condition

**6,918** Difficulties with basic physical activities

**3,732** Learning Difficulty

**3,168** Mental health

**2,922** Deafness or serious hearing impairment

**1,559** Intellectual Disability

**1,402** Blindness or a serious vision impairment

## AGE Their age profile is:

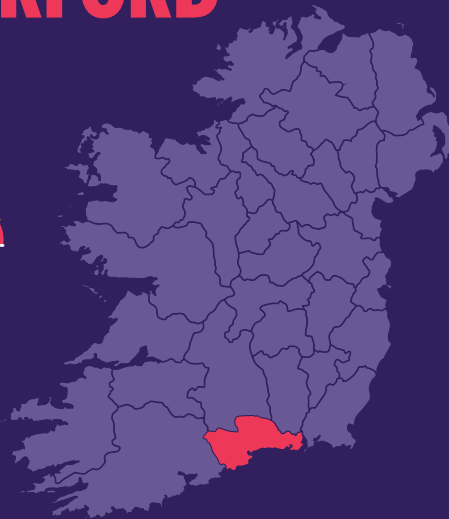
**0-14** 1377

**15-24** 1343

**25-44** 3062

**45-64** 4860

**65+** 6033



## EDUCATION<sup>2</sup>

In 2016, only 12% of people who have a disability were in education compared to 18% of the general population in Waterford.<sup>3</sup> For those whose education had finished:<sup>4</sup>

**30%**

did not progress beyond primary education compared to 14% of the general population.

**17%**

had completed upper secondary compared to 20% of the general population.

**13%**

had completed further education compared to 17% of the general population.

**17%**

had completed higher level education compared to 31% of the general population.

## EMPLOYMENT

20% of people who have a disability were at work compared to 50% of the general population.

## TRANSPORT

25% of people who have a disability did not have access to a car or van compared to 12% of the general population.

## HOUSING

18% of people who have a disability lived in social housing compared to 12% of the general population.<sup>5</sup>

1. All statistics in this infographic are based on **Census 2016** data from [www.cso.ie](http://www.cso.ie), along with special tabulations requested by DFI.

2. Primary and less includes no formal education, 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 and Statbank.

3. % of total education ceased and not ceased and for people aged 15 years and over.

4. Data is for highest level of education completed for people with a disability whose education has ceased.

5. People aged 15 years and over, who were renting from a Local Authority or a Voluntary Body.