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DISABILITY BY AGE RANGE

Age Range	Number with Disability (millions)	Total Population (millions)	% of Population with Disability
Under 16	1.0	12.4	8%
16 to 65	7.8	41.4	19%
Over 65	5.2	11.8	44%
TOTAL	14.0	65.6	21%

EDUCATION OUTCOMES

The proportion of pupils at the end of Key Stage 4 achieving 5 or more GCSEs at grades A* to C between the 2005/06 and 2010/11 school years has increased.

However, the achievements of students with special educational needs (SEN) are still significantly below that of students with no disabilities.

Type of Student	2005/06 School Year	2010/11 School Year
Students with NO SEN	66.3%	88.9%
Students with SEN but NO Statement	19.8%	59.2%
Students with SEN and Statement	8.7%	24.9%

There is a marked disparity between the final educational outcomes of disabled and non-disabled people.

Educational Qualification	% of Disabled People Holding Qualification	% of Disabled People Holding Qualification
School Level	81.8%	93.5%
Degree Level	14.8%	28.1%

EMPLOYMENT

3.4 million disabled people are in employment out of 7.8 million disabled people of working age (56% unemployment rate).

Average hourly wage for disabled people: £12.48

Average hourly wage for non-disabled people: £13.73 - over 10% higher

In 2008, 19% of disabled people experienced unfair treatment at work compared to 13% of non-disabled people.

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LIVING COSTS

On average disabled people face extra costs of £570 per month (£6,840 p.a.) arising from their disability

On average disabled people spend 49% of their income on disability-related costs

ACCESSIBILITY OF SERVICES

The 5 most common public services where disabled people have tried to access, and experienced difficulty are:

- benefits and pension services (31%)
- social services (28%)
- health services (28%)
- tax services (26%)
- justice services (23%).

Inaccessible web sites are identified as one of the main reasons for this.

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