

Disability in York Region Results from the 2022 Canadian Survey on Disability



## Presentation Overview

Canadian Survey on Disability 2022

York Region Demographics

York Region Disability Statistics

Key Points

Resources



## **Consultation Questions to Consider**

1. How can we present the CSD data to accommodate different learning styles?

2. Beyond a research brief and infographic, how would you like to see the information shared or presented?

3. What areas do you think York Region should prioritize based on the data presented?



## Canadian Survey on Disability (CSD) Statistics 2022



#### Survey

**Phase One:** 

2021 Census Long Form

**Phase Two:** 

2022 CSD Questionnaire



#### Coverage

- Age 15+
- PrivateHouseholds



#### Sample size

Approximately **54,000** individuals



#### Frequency

**Every 5 years** 

- 2022 CSD
- 2017 CSD

## Important Note: Definition of Disability

## Social Model of Disability

Disability is the result of the interaction between a person's functional limitations and barriers in the environment, including social and physical barriers that make it harder to function day-to-day



# Types of Disability (Canadian Survey on Disability 2022)



**PAIN-RELATED:** Having daily activities limited because of pain that is always present or due to periods of pain that reoccur from time to time.



**SEEING:** Having daily activities limited because of difficulties with their ability to see.



**FLEXIBILITY:** Having daily activities limited because of difficulties bending down or reaching.



**HEARING:** Having daily activities limited because of difficulties with their ability to hear.



**MOBILITY:** Having daily activities limited because of difficulties with their ability to move around, including walking or using stairs.



**LEARNING:** Having daily activities limited because of a self-identified learning difficulty or a learning disability diagnosed by a health care professional.



**MENTAL HEALTH-RELATED:** Having daily activities limited because of difficulties with an emotional, psychological or mental health condition.



**MEMORY:** Having daily activities limited because of difficulties with ongoing memory problems or periods of confusion.



**DEXTERITY:** Having daily activities limited because of difficulties using their fingers to grasp small objects.



**DEVELOPMENTAL:** Condition diagnosed by a health care professional, regardless of the level of difficulty or the frequency of the activity limitations reported.

Definitions are sourced from Statistics Canada

# Why is this data important?



Offers insights into the people we serve



Underscores the importance of accessibility and inclusion efforts

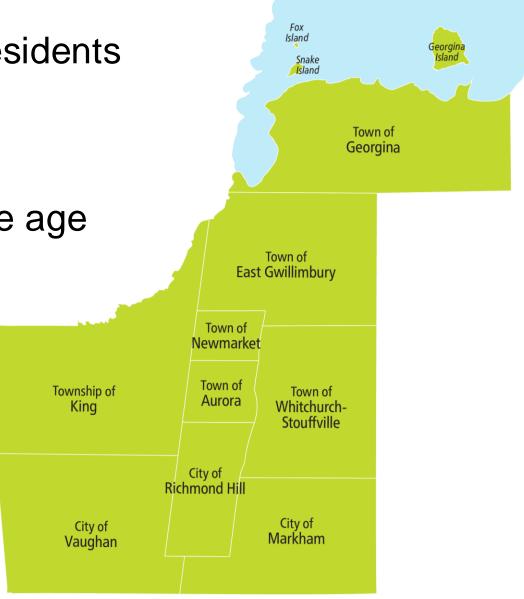


Allows evidencebased program and service delivery planning



## York Region Demographics

- York Region is home to 1.2 million residents
- Our population is represented by all ages, backgrounds and abilities
- As our population grows, the average age rises and the number of people with disabilities increases
- Disability can affect any person of any age or background



### Persons with Disabilities in York Region, 2022

21.3% of York Region residents aged 15 and older, or 206,250 people, had at least one disability



This represents an increase of 3.8% from 2017

## Disability Rates in York Region and Ontario

# The disability rate was lower in York Region than in Ontario





York Region 21.3%

206,250 people with disabilities



**Ontario 28.0%** 

**3,235,340** people with disabilities

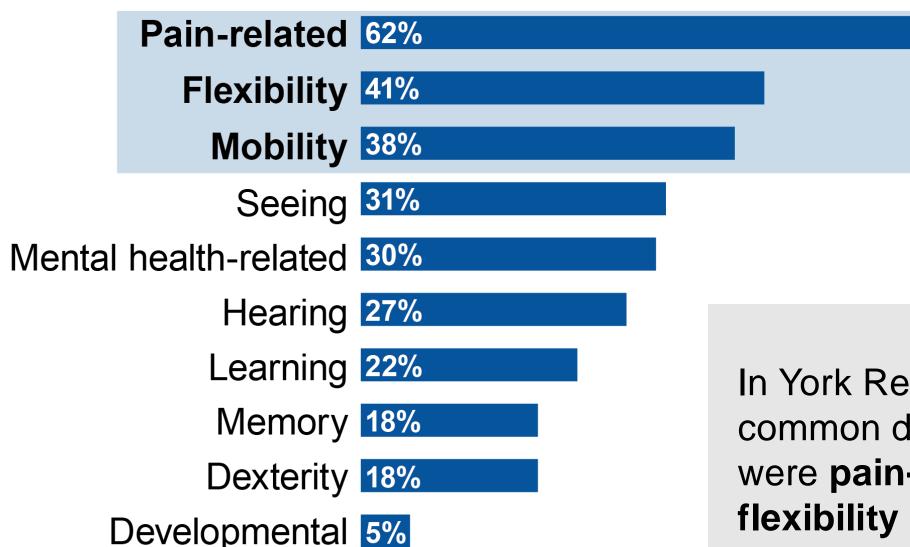


## Disability in York Region by Gender

More women+ than men+ had a disability

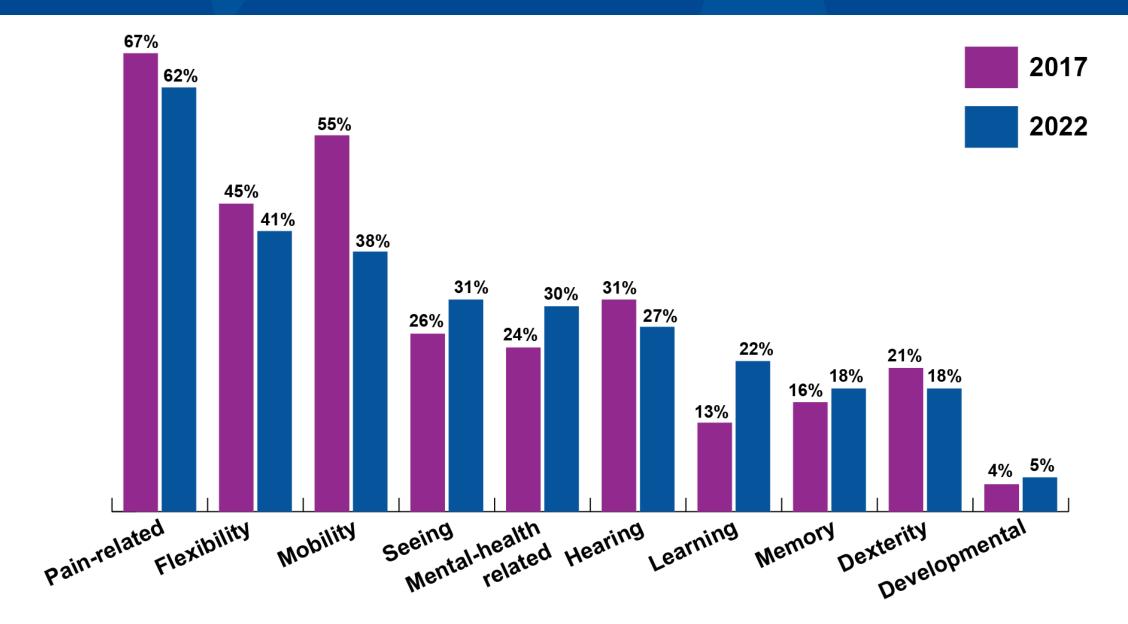


## Disability Types in York Region 2022

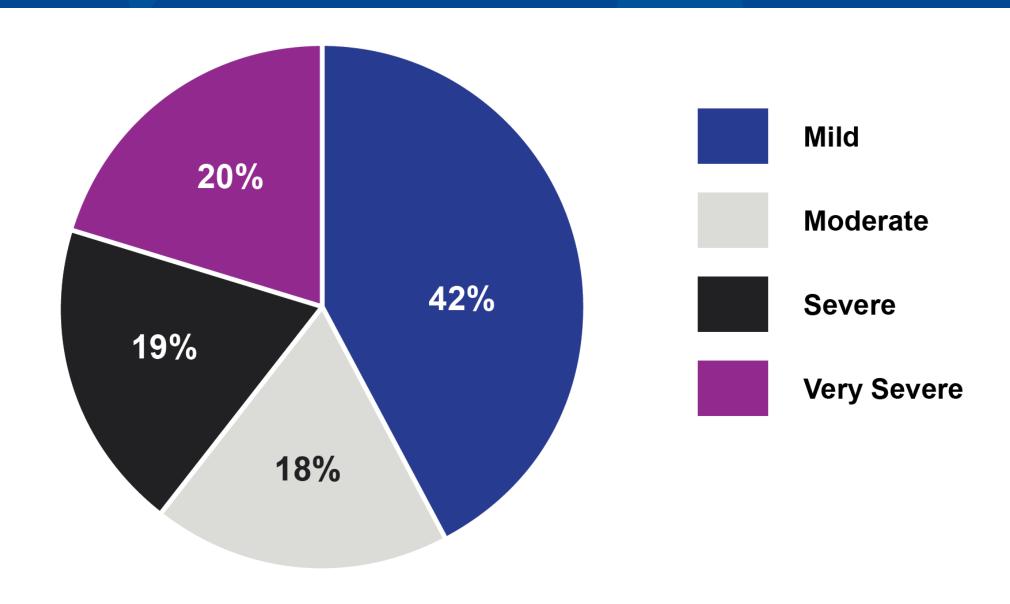


In York Region, the most common disability types were pain-related, flexibility and mobility

## Disability Type, 15 years and over, 2017-2022



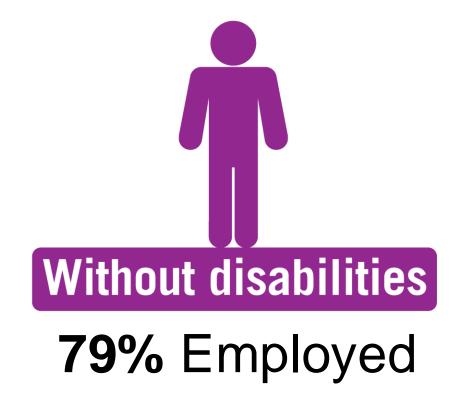
# Severity of Disability in York Region 2022



## **Employment Status**

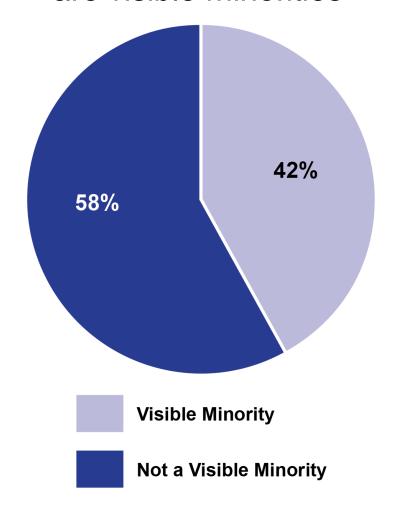
Working-age adults with disabilities were less likely to be employed



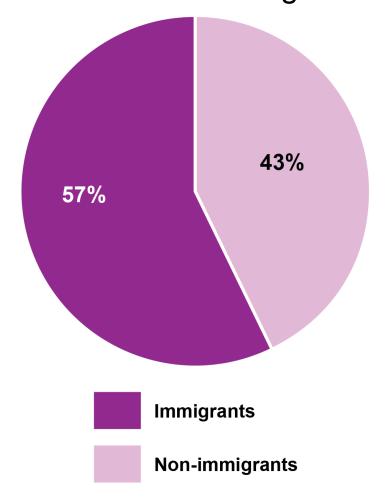


## Diversity: Visible Minority and Immigration Status

42% of persons with disabilities are visible minorities



57% of persons with disabilities are immigrants



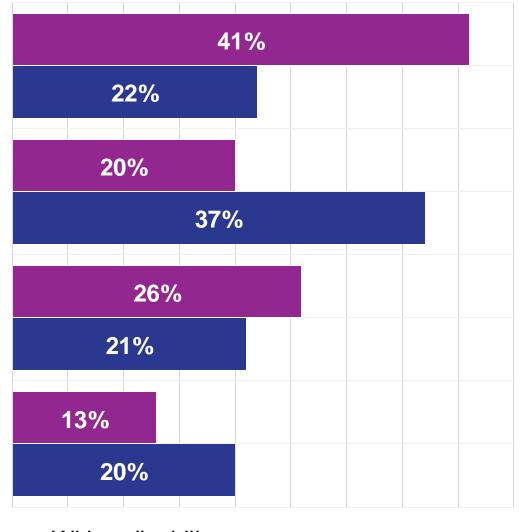
### Education Levels of Persons with and without Disabilities

University certificate, diploma or degree at bachelor level or above

Post-secondary certificate or diploma below a bachelor level

Secondary (high) school diploma or equivalency certificate

No certificate, diploma or degree



■ Without a disability

With a disability

For more information, please contact the Accessibility Unit at aoda@york.ca

