

## **Belgium**

### **SOURCE**

**Name of source:** *Labour Force Survey - ad hoc module on the Employment of Persons with Disabilities 2011*

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**Type of source:** Household survey

**Periodicity:** Ad hoc module

**Objectives:** To comply with the Commission Regulation (EC) n°317/2010.

### **COVERAGE**

**Disabilities:** All types (seeing, hearing, speaking, moving/mobility, body movement, gripping/holding, learning, behaviour, personal care difficulties)

**Population groups:** Persons aged 15-64 years living in private households

**Total population covered:** Working age population (i.e. persons aged 15-64 years) living in private households and usually residing

**Economic activities:** All economic activities

**Sectors covered:** All sectors

**Labour force status:** Employed persons, unemployed persons, persons not economically active

**Status in Employment:** Employees, employers, own-account workers, contributing family workers, members of producers' cooperatives

**Geographic areas:** Whole country

**Establishments:** NR

**Other limitations:** Na

### **TERMS AND DEFINITIONS**

**Term used to denote 'disability':** 'Handicap ou problème de santé durable' (Disability or longstanding health problem)

**Definition of this term:** Problem that at the time of the survey has lasted for 6 months at least or was expected to last 6 months or more. It is not restricted to physical health problem and includes such problems as seeing, hearing, speaking and mental problems.

**Source of this definition:** Commission Regulation (EC) n°317/2010

**Questions used to identify persons with disabilities:** ‘Do you have any longstanding health problem?’ (list of health problems is given in the questionnaire). ‘Which is the most important health problem or disease?’ ‘Which is the second most important health problem or disease?’ ‘Do you experience one or more of the following long-standing difficulties in performing basic activities: seeing, even if wearing glasses; hearing, even if using a hearing aid; walking, climbing steps; sitting or standing; remembering, concentrating; communicating, for example being understood; reaching or stretching; lifting and carrying; bending; holding, gripping, or turning; none?’ ‘Which is the most important difficulty?’ ‘Which is the second most important difficulty?’ ‘Are you limited in the number of hours that you could work in a week?’ ‘Is there: limitation in the number of hours that you could work in a week; certain tasks you cannot carry out such as carrying heavy loads, working outdoors, sitting for a long time; limitation in getting to and from work?’ Possible answers: yes, because of a health condition or disease; yes, because of a basic activity difficulty; yes, because of both; no. ‘Do you require: personal assistance to be able to work; special equipment or an adapted workplace to be able to work; special working arrangements to be able to work, such as sedentary jobs, teleworking, flexible hours or less strenuous work?’ Possible answers: yes, no.

**Minimum duration to be considered as a person with disability:** 6 months

## CLASSIFICATION

**Classifications:** Sex, age, level of education, other personal characteristics, type of living arrangements, status in employment, occupation, economic activity, type of disability, categories of beneficiaries in accordance with the Law

**Cross-classifications:** Cross-classifications based on usual LFS variables (employment, unemployment, inactivity, education, establishments...) and specific variables of the ad hoc module regarding the persons suffering from health problem (types of health problem or disability, administrative category...)

**REFERENCE PERIOD:** 2nd quarter of 2011

## DISSEMINATION

**National publications:** No

**Website:** [http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/products-datasets/-/hlth\\_dlm060](http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/products-datasets/-/hlth_dlm060)

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