

Dominica

SOURCE

Name of source: *Population census*

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Type of source: Population census

Periodicity: Every 10 years

Objectives: To measure the incidence and type of disability, experienced by members of the population,; to implement programs that address the needs and the provision of special facilities for persons with disabilities

COVERAGE

Disabilities: All types (seeing, hearing, walking, communicating, longstanding health condition, a basic activity difficulty)

Population groups: All age groups

Total population covered: 100%

Economic activities: All economic activities

Sectors covered: All sector

Labour force status: Employed persons, unemployed persons, persons not in labor force

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

Geographic areas: Whole country

Establishments: NR

Other limitations: No

TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

Term used to denote 'disability': 'Disability'

Definition of this term: An illness that is not of a temporary nature with the condition lasting six months or more whether or not diagnosed by a medical doctor. However some illnesses can be classified as longstanding regardless of how long ago it manifested itself (e.g. polio, debilitating stroke etc...).

Source of this definition: Developed specifically for census purposes

Questions used to identify persons with disabilities: 'Does ... live with any longstanding disability or infirmity?' 'What is the origin of the disability: illness, from birth, accident, other?' 'At what age was disability acquired?' 'What type of disability or impairment does he/she have: sight (even if wearing glasses); hearing (even if you have hearing aids); speech (speaking, communicating); mobility (walking, standing, climbing stairs); body movements (reaching, crouching, kneeling); gripping; learning; behavioral; other (specify)?' Possible answers: yes, no, not stated.

'Was his/her disability or impairment ever diagnosed by a medical doctor?' Possible answers: yes, no, not stated.

'Because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition lasting months or more, does this person has any difficulty in doing any of the following activities: learning, remembering or concentrating; dressing, bathing, or getting around inside the home; going outside the home alone to shop or visit a doctor`s office; working at a job or business; using customary language; other?' 'Are you required to use any of the following aids: hearing aid, wheelchair, walker, crutches, braille, adapted car, cane, prosthesis/artificial body part, orthopaedic shoes, other?' 'Does s/he suffer from any of the following illness: sickle cell anaemia, arthritis, asthma, diabetes, hypertension, heart disease, stroke, kidney disease, cancer, HIV, AIDS, lupus, carpal tunnel syndrome, mental illness, other, none, not stated/don't know?' Possible answers: yes, no.

Minimum duration to be considered as a person with disability: 6 months or more but for certain illnesses can be immediately upon contraction

CLASSIFICATION

Classifications: Sex, age ,level of education, other personal characteristics (e.g. marital status), type of living arrangements (e.g. in a household, institution), status in employment occupation ,ISCO 2008 economic activity, ISIC Rev 4 type of disability

Cross-classifications: Na

REFERENCE PERIOD: Month

DISSEMINATION

National publications: 2001 Population and Housing Census Report & 2013 Demographic Statistics

Website: [NA](#)