

## *Netherlands*

### SOURCE

**Name of source:** *Labour Force Survey ad-hoc module 2011*

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**Type of source:** Household survey

**Periodicity:** Ad hoc module in 2nd Quarter 2011

**Objectives:** To comply with the Commission Regulation (EC) n°317/2010. To provide information on the situation of disabled people on the labour market as compared to those without disabilities.

### COVERAGE

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

**Population groups:** Persons in a particular age group 15-66

**Total population covered:** 100%

**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

**Geographic areas:** Whole country

**Establishments:** NR

**Other limitations:** Na

### TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

**Term used to denote 'disability':** 'Longstanding health problem or disability'

**Definition of this term:** A difficulty (in terms of quantity and quality) to perform any daily activity, including working, due to a longstanding health problem or disability.

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

**Questions used to identify persons with disabilities:** ‘Do you have any chronic diseases, conditions or disabilities?’ ‘Please tell me in each instance whether or not you have the disease or condition I mention: problems with arms or hands; problems with legs or feet; problems with back or neck; a type of cancer; a skin condition; heart or circulation problems; asthma, bronchitis or other breathing problems; stomach, liver, kidney or digestive problems; diabetes; epilepsy; migraine or other severe headaches; any learning difficulties such as a problem with reading or math; chronic anxiety; depression; other emotional or mental problems or conditions; another life threatening disease; another chronic disease or condition; counter for the number of diseases?’ ‘Which of these diseases or conditions affects you the most?’ (the list of disease is given in the questionnaire).

‘Does your health cause you difficulties in doing the activities people usually do?’ ‘Do you expect to have difficulties with these activities for at least six months in total?’ ‘Do you have trouble: seeing, even if you wear glasses or contact lenses; any trouble hearing, even if you are wearing a hearing aid; walking or climbing stairs; sitting or standing; concentrating or remembering things; communicating, for example, understanding other people or making people understand you; reaching or stretching; lifting and carrying; bending; holding, gripping or turning?’ Possible answers: yes, no.

‘Which of these activities gives you the most trouble?’ (list of activities is given in the questionnaire).

‘Does your health limit: the number of hours a week you can work; the kind of work you can do, for instance, strenuous work, working outside or sitting for long periods; your possibilities to travel to and from work?’ Possible answers: yes, no.

‘Is this because of the chronic disease(s), the difficulties you have with some activities or both?: the chronic disease(s); difficulties with some activities?’ Possible answers: yes, no, both.

‘Do you: get personal assistance to enable you to work because of your health problem or difficulty; use special equipment or workplace adaptations to enable you to work because of your health problem or difficulty; have special work or working arrangements such as a sedentary job, teleworking, flexible hours or less strenuous work because of your health problem or difficulty?’ ‘Apart from your health, is there any other limitation in the work you can do?’ Possible answers: yes, no.

‘Would you need: personal assistance to enable you to work because of your health problem or difficulty; special equipment or workplace adaptations to enable you to work because of your health problem or difficulty; special work or working arrangements to enable you to work because of your health problem or difficulty, such as a sedentary job, teleworking, flexible hours or less strenuous work?’ Possible answers: yes; no, no special work or working arrangements necessary to be able to work; no, would not be able to work if there were special work or working arrangements.

‘What is the main limitation apart from your health?: lack of qualifications or experience; lack of appropriate job opportunities; lack of proper transportation to and from the workplace; employers' lack of flexibility; affects receipt of benefits; family/caring responsibilities; personal reasons?’ Possible answers: yes, no, other reason.

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

## **CLASSIFICATION**

**Classifications:** Sex, age, status in employment, economic activity, type of disability

**Cross-classifications:** No

**REFERENCE PERIOD:** 2nd Quarter 2011

## DISSEMINATION

**National publications:** No

**Website:** [http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/statistics-explained/index.php/Disability\\_statistics](http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/statistics-explained/index.php/Disability_statistics)