

Housing and accommodation circumstances of disabled people



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This factsheet draws its information from Census 2022.

It includes information on the living arrangements of disabled people in Ireland.

It also includes information on persons with disabilities staying in communal establishments on Census Night 2022, even if this is not where they usually live.

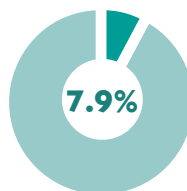


How many people in Ireland have a disability?

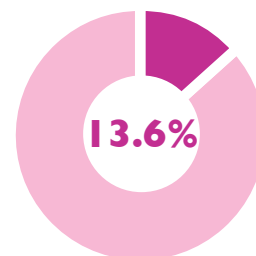
More than 1 in 5
people in Ireland have a disability



In 2022..



had a disability
'to a great extent'



had a disability
'to some extent'

Private Households

A private household is a living arrangement where either a single person lives by themselves or a group live together at the same address, sharing meals together or using a common area, like a living room.

As in the general population, the vast majority of persons with disabilities live in private households.

In 2022, a total of

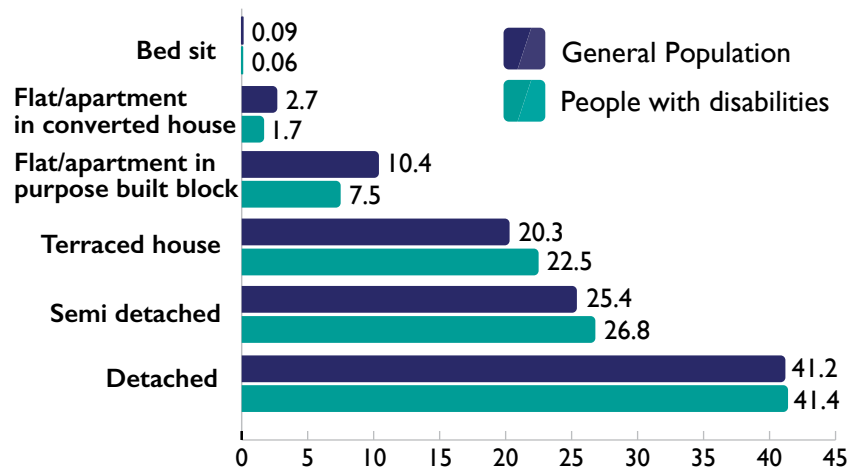
1,035,415

persons with disabilities lived in private households in permanent housing units in Ireland.

Type of housing units

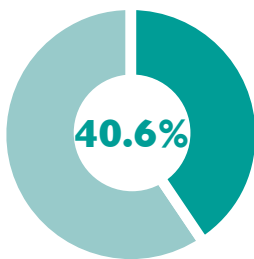
Of the total number of disabled people living in permanent private households, the largest proportion lived in detached houses (**41.4%**), while **less than 0.1%** lived in bed-sits.

Disabled people were **less likely** to live in flats or apartments than people without disabilities.

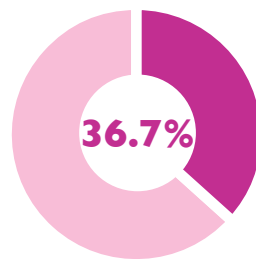


Private households with at least one disabled person

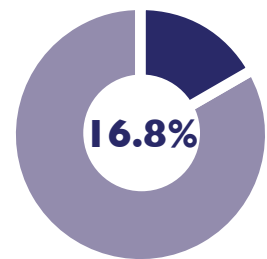
Of the **1,841,152** private households in Ireland in 2022, **747,163 (40.6%)** included at least one household member with a disability.



had at least one person with a disability **'to any extent'**



had at least one person with a disability **'to some extent'**



had at least one person with a disability **'to a great extent'**

Adults with disabilities living with their parents.

Of the

228,594

people over the age of 25 in Ireland cohabiting with their parents in 2022



The most common disability types or difficulties among people over 25 living with their parents were a **psychological or emotional condition or mental health issue** and a **difficulty working at a job or business or attending school or college.**

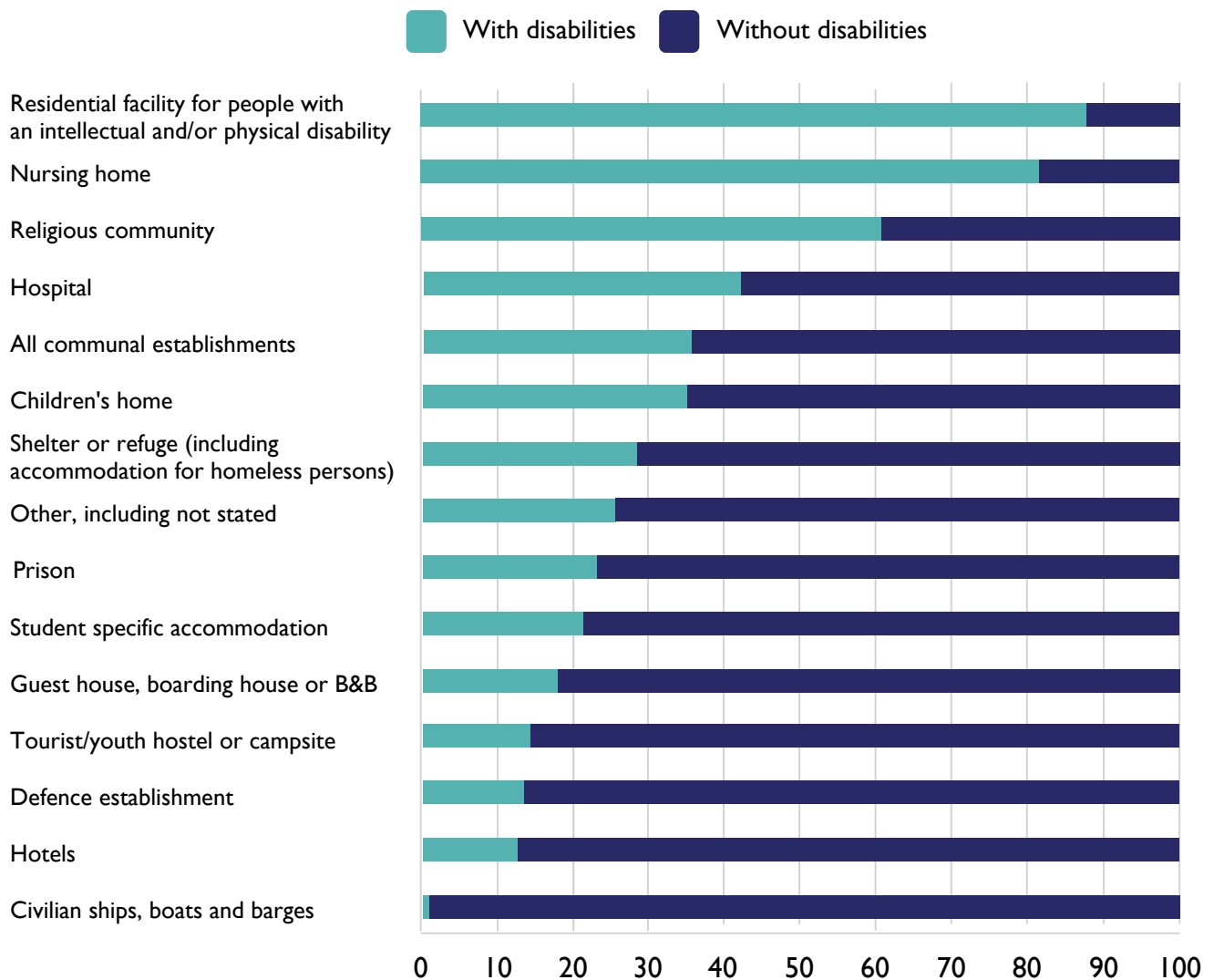
Non-Private Households (Communal Establishments)



A non-private household is a group of persons in a boarding house, hotel, guest house, hostel, barracks, hospital, nursing home, boarding school, religious institution, welfare institution, prison or ship at the time of the Census. This group can include people who usually live there and guests or visitors.

The communal establishments with the highest proportion of disabled people were **residential facilities** for people with an intellectual and/or physical disability, followed by **nursing homes, religious communities, and hospitals**.

Disabled people were also over-represented in **children's homes** and **shelters or refuges** (including homeless accommodation).



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