Population Statistics

Table 1: Demographic Trends

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
State population (in thousands)	6,812	6,863	6,883	6,893	6,894	6,985	6,982	7,001
State unemployment rate (%)	3.7%	3.5%	3.4%	2.9%	8.9%	5.7%	3.7%	3.4%

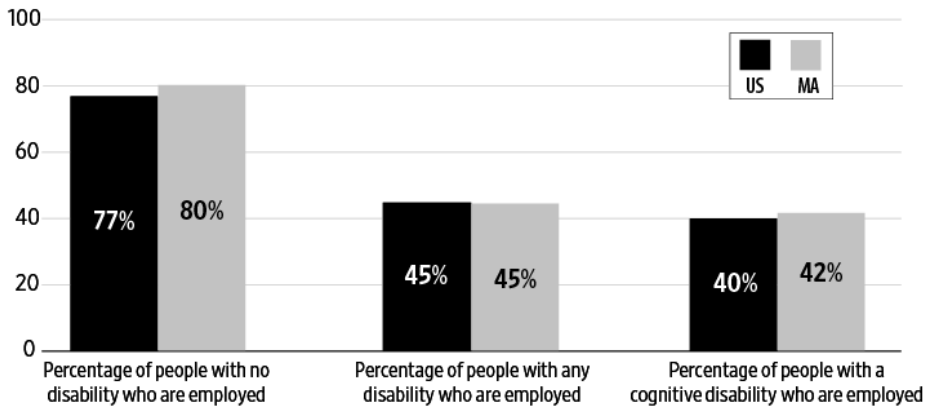
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Table 2: Employment Participation for Working-Age People (Ages 16–64)

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Number of people with no disability	4,090,112	4,104,373	4,128,801	4,119,882	4,064,369	4,135,339	4,067,772	4,055,022
Number of people with any disability	403,578	410,895	399,246	383,030	416,672	403,026	450,343	452,390
Number of people with a cognitive disability	205,638	200,232	196,205	197,512	224,167	199,754	235,121	249,393
Number of people with no disability who are employed	3,182,856	3,204,024	3,232,064	3,284,683	3,084,948	3,181,413	3,237,129	3,248,217
Number of people with any disability who are employed	152,267	150,300	149,272	156,767	158,618	164,926	189,817	205,510
Number of people with a cognitive disability who are employed	60,315	54,534	59,595	69,756	71,705	69,168	83,275	104,311
Percentage of people with no disability who are employed	77.8%	78.1%	78.3%	79.7%	75.9%	78.5%	79.6%	80.1%
Percentage of people with any disability who are employed	37.7%	36.6%	37.4%	40.9%	38.1%	34.7%	42.1%	45.4%
Percentage of people with a cognitive disability who are employed	29.3%	27.2%	30.4%	35.3%	32.0%	28.3%	35.4%	41.8%

Source: American Community Survey

Percentage of Working-Age Population Employed in 2023



Source: American Community Survey

Table 3: Employment Outcomes for Working-Age People (Ages 16–64)

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Mean annual earnings from work for people with no disability (in thousands of dollars)	$57.6	$61.3	$62.7	$65.7	$65.9	$70.9	$75.5	$81.0
Mean annual earnings from work for people with any disability (in thousands of dollars)	$36.6	$39.4	$40.9	$40.4	$40.5	$47.8	$51.5	$49.6
Mean annual earnings from work for people with a cognitive disability (in thousands of dollars)	$26.7	$27.4	$30.2	$27.9	$30.8	$36.2	$34.2	$39.8
Mean weekly hours worked for people with no disability	38	38	38	38	38	38	38	38
Mean weekly hours worked for people with any disability	34	35	34	33	34	35	34	34
Mean weekly hours worked for people with a cognitive disability	31	30	30	30	31	32	31	32
Percentage of people with no disability living below the poverty line	8.4%	8.4%	8.2%	7.4%	7.4%	8.3%	8.0%	8.0%
Percentage of people with any disability living below the poverty line	27.3%	25.0%	24.5%	25.4%	24.9%	24.1%	27.0%	24.8%
Percentage of people with a cognitive disability living below the poverty line	32.2%	31.4%	28.7%	28.9%	28.3%	28.1%	32.8%	26.4%

Source: American Community Survey

Table 4: Employment and Work Incentive Program Participation for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Beneficiaries

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total number of SSI recipients with disabilities	166,144	165,380	162,493	161,174	158,057	151,780	147,062	142,952
Number of SSI recipients with disabilities who are working	9,431	9,789	9,873	9,967	8,361	8,691	9,655	9,650
Percentage of SSI recipients with disabilities who are working	5.7%	5.9%	6.1%	6.2%	5.3%	5.7%	6.6%	6.8%
SSI recipients with disabilities who received Plans for Achieving Self-Support (PASS) benefits	53	41	38	23	25	18	13	6
SSI recipients with disabilities who received Impairment Related Work Expenses (IRWE) benefits	101	112	119	93	75	76	64	50
SSI recipients with disabilities who received Blind Work Expenses (BWE) benefits	69	50	49	42	34	29	27	25

Source: Social Security Administration, "SSI Disabled Recipients Who Work"

Department of Developmental Services

Table 5: Intellectual and Developmental Disability (IDD) Agency Outcomes by Employment Settings

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total number of people served	16,217	17,103	17,479	17,916	18,976	23,101	24,333	23,479
Number of people served in integrated employment	6,733	6,852	7,073	7,185	6,482	7,534	7,620	7,167
Percentage of people served in integrated employment	42.0%	40.0%	40.0%	40.0%	34.0%	32.6%	31.3%	30.5%
People served in integrated employment per 100K state population	98.8	99.8	102.8	104.2	94.0	107.9	109.1	102.4
Number of people served in facility-based work	719	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Percentage of people served in facility-based work	4.4%	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Number of people served in all non-work*	--	--	--	--	--	--	8,023	--
Percentage of people served in all non-work*	--	--	--	--	--	--	33.0%	--
Number of people served in community-based non-work	6,299	6,482	6,798	7,103	7,837	7,978	8,454	8,764
Percentage of people served in community-based non-work	38.8%	38.0%	39.0%	40.0%	41.0%	34.5%	34.7%	37.3%
Number of people served in facility-based non-work	9,021	9,195	9,376	9,863	10,193	9,672	8,889	8,309
Percentage of people served in facility-based non-work	55.6%	53.8%	54.0%	55.0%	54.0%	41.9%	36.5%	35.4%

*facility-based and community-based

Source: The National Survey of State Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Agencies' Employment and Day Services

Table 6: IDD Agency Day and Employment Spending by Setting (in Thousands of Dollars)

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total funding for all IDD agency services	$309,575	$316,333	$323,855	$336,829	$327,389	$252,479	$306,223	$346,253
Integrated employment funding	$53,287	$53,052	$53,636	$53,501	$48,309	$35,511	$46,914	$45,888
Percentage of total funding to integrated employment	17.2%	16.8%	16.6%	15.9%	14.8%	14.1%	15.3%	13.3%
Facility-based work funding	$3,949	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Facility-based non-work funding	$171,505	$171,110	$170,452	$175,098	$167,839	$113,399	$140,852	$170,595
Community-based non-work funding	$80,835	$92,171	$99,767	$109,144	$111,241	$88,130	$118,457	$129,770

Source: The National Survey of State Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Agencies' Employment and Day Services

Executive Office of Health and Human Services, MassAbility and Massachusetts Commission for the Blind

Table 7: Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Case Closures and Employment Outcomes

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total number of closures	10,219	7,191	13,618	11,519	8,263	8,522	8,073	7,651
Total number of closures with ID	278	195	369	343	320	315	351	343
Closures into an employment setting	4,190	2,780	4,196	3,831	3,168	2,885	3,166	2,970
Closures with ID into an employment setting	146	89	137	135	163	139	166	172
Closures with an IPE but no employment outcome	3,278	2,172	6,677	5,311	2,998	4,208	3,197	3,225
Closures with ID and an IPE but no employment outcome	85	64	167	154	105	161	149	137
Rehabilitation rate for all closures with an IPE	56.0%	56.0%	39.0%	42.0%	51.0%	41.0%	50.0%	48.0%
Rehabilitation rate for all closures with ID**	63.0%	58.0%	45.0%	47.0%	61.0%	46.0%	53.0%	56.0%
Percentage of all closures into employment	41.0%	38.7%	30.8%	33.3%	38.3%	33.9%	39.2%	38.8%
Percentage of all closures with ID into employment	52.5%	45.6%	37.1%	39.4%	50.9%	44.1%	47.3%	50.1%

* Rehabilitation Rate = (# closures into employment) / (# closures into employment + # closures with an IPE but without an employment outcome)

Source: Rehabilitation Services Administration 911 (RSA-911)

Table 8: Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Employment Outcomes

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Mean weekly earnings at closure	$-	$-	$425	$433	$454	$508	$512	$554
Mean weekly earnings for closures with ID	$-	$-	$240	$237	$277	$330	$335	$326
Mean weekly hours worked at closure	27	26	27	28	28	29	27	28
Mean weekly hours worked for closures with ID	20	19	20	19	21	24	22	20
Number of closures into employment per 100K state population	62	41	61	56	46	41	45	42
Number of closures with ID into employment per 100K state population	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2

Source: Rehabilitation Services Administration 911 (RSA-911)

Table 9: Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Employment Outcomes

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Average cost of purchased services	$1,573	$2,801	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-
Average cost of purchased services for closures with ID	$2,642	$3,954	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-
Average days from application to eligibility	28	29	29	29	31	30	32	28
Average days from application to eligibility for closures with ID	21	21	27	24	27	28	30	28
Average days from eligibility to closure	902	838	1,066	985	849	1,046	962	892
Average days from eligibility to closure for closures with ID	812	691	904	746	626	871	865	762

Source: Rehabilitation Services Administration 911 (RSA-911)