

DISABILITY IN YORK REGION

RESULTS FROM 2017 CANADIAN SURVEY ON DISABILITY



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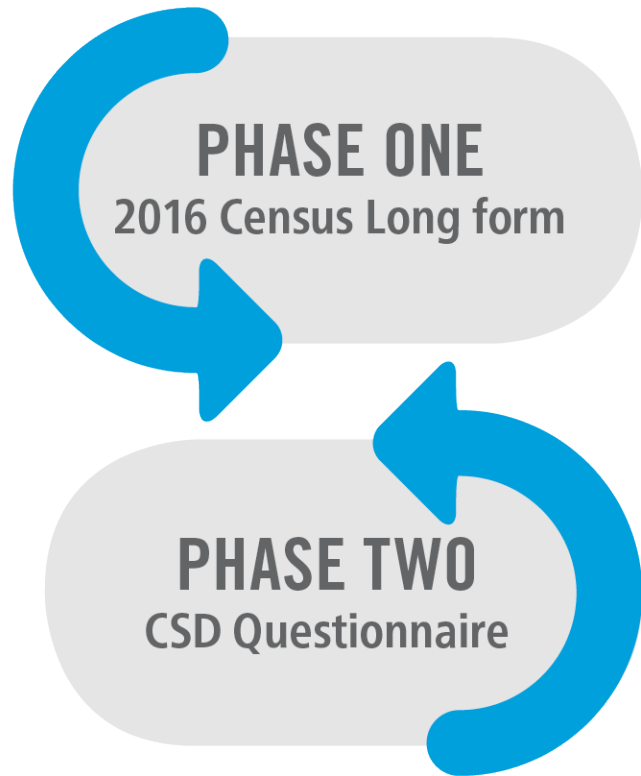
YORK REGION DEMOGRAPHICS

- York Region is home to 1.2 million residents
- Our population is represented by all ages, backgrounds and abilities
- As our population grows, diversifies and the average age rises, we can also expect the number of people with disabilities to increase
- Disability can affect any person of any age or background
- Each person is unique with many dimensions of diversity including disability



CANADIAN SURVEY ON DISABILITY (CDS) 2017

DESIGN



COVERAGE



SAMPLE SIZE



CANADIAN SURVEY ON DISABILITY (CDS) 2017

TYPES OF DISABILITY*



PAIN-RELATED

Having daily activities limited because of difficulties caused by constant and/or recurrent pain.



FLEXIBILITY

Having daily activities limited because of bending down or reaching in any direction.



MOBILITY

Having daily activities limited because of difficulty walking on a flat surface for 15 min or difficulty walking up/down a flight of stairs.



MENTAL HEALTH-RELATED

Having daily activities limited because of an emotional, psychological or mental health condition.



DEXTERITY

Having daily activities limited because of difficulty using fingers to grasp small objects.



SEEING

Having daily activities limited because of decreased ability to see.



HEARING

Having daily activities limited because of decreased ability to hear.



LEARNING

Having daily activities limited because of a self-identified learning difficulty or a learning disability diagnosed by a health care professional.



MEMORY

Having daily activities limited because of ongoing forgetfulness and periods of confusion.



DEVELOPMENTAL

Condition diagnosed by a health care professional, regardless of the level of difficulty or the frequency of the activity limitations reported.

*Definitions are sourced from Statistics Canada

YORK REGION DISABILITY STATISTICS

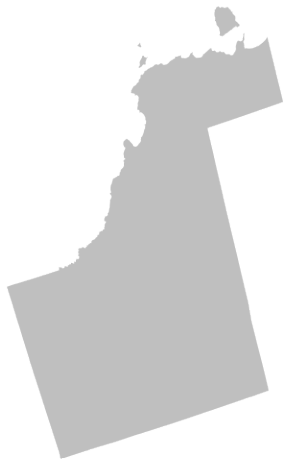
In York Region, nearly one out of five (18 %) residents aged 15+ had at least one disability



162,600 people with disabilities

YORK REGION DISABILITY STATISTICS

The disability rate was lower
in York Region than in Ontario



YORK REGION 18%

162,600 People with disabilities



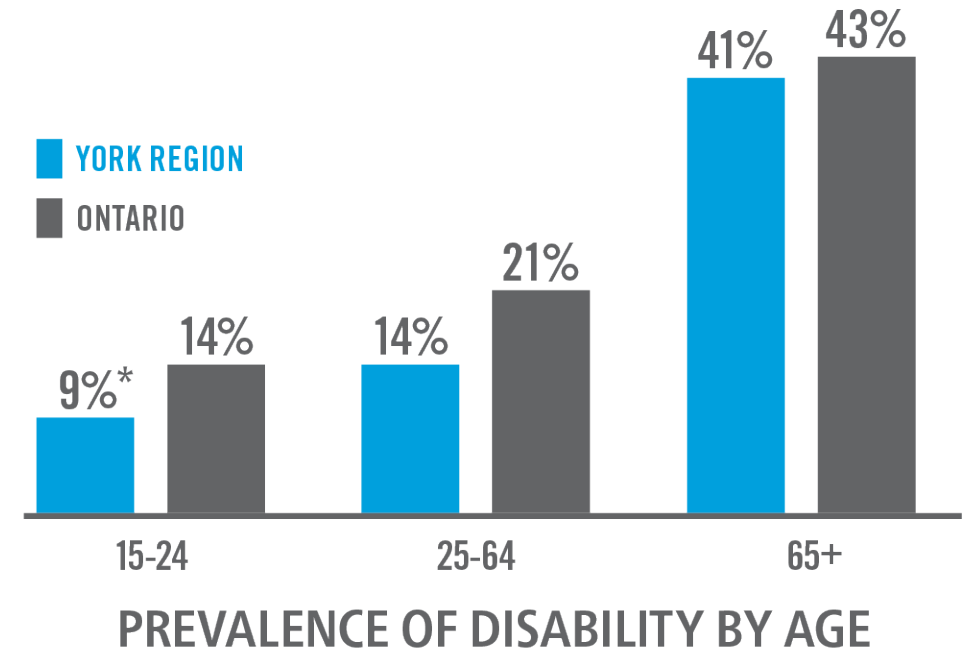
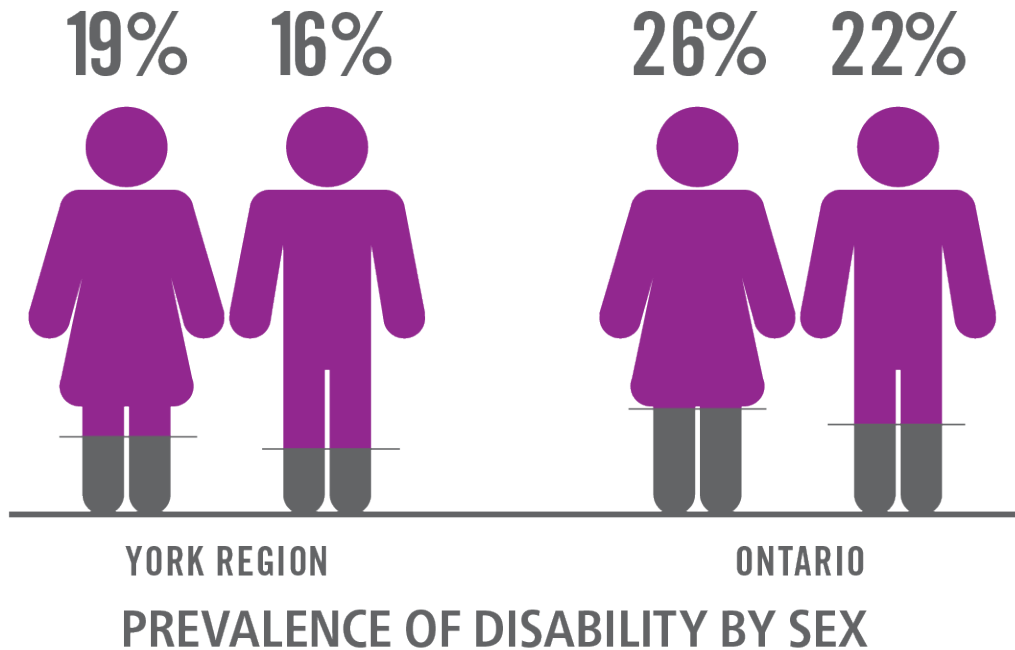
ONTARIO 24%

2,616,170 People with disabilities



YORK REGION DISABILITY STATISTICS

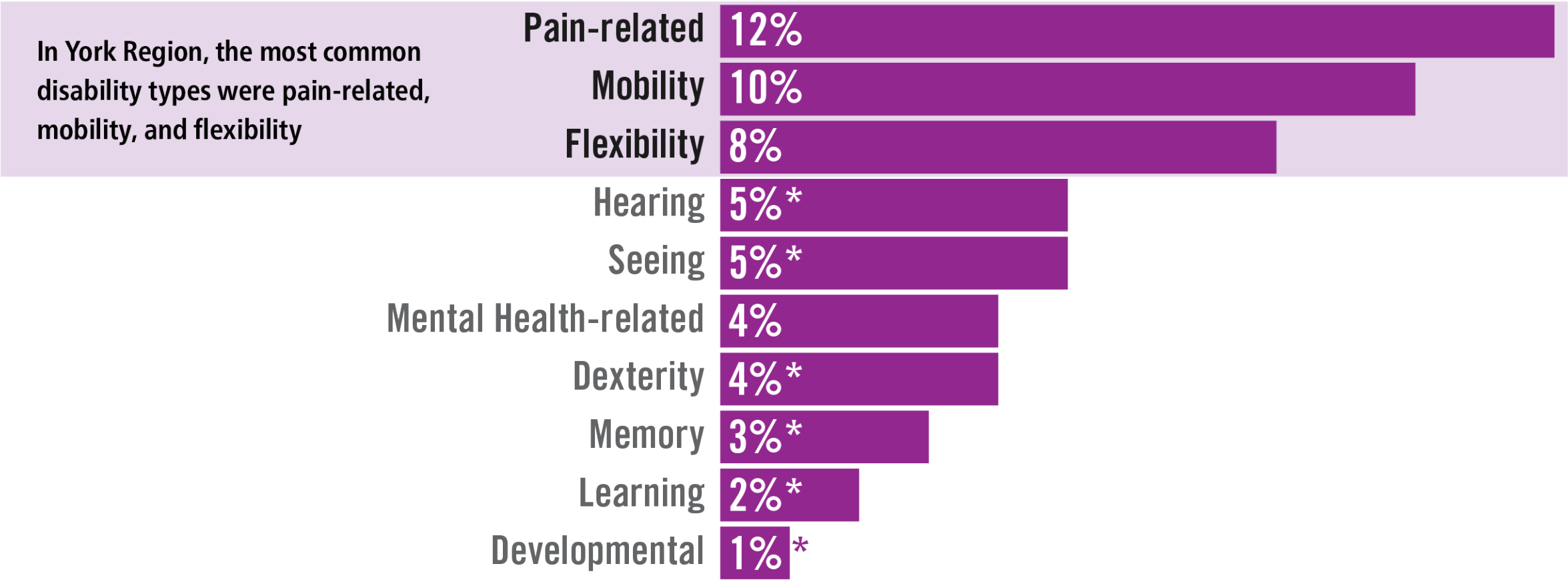
More women than men had disabilities
The disability rate increased with age



*Data should be used with caution

YORK REGION DISABILITY STATISTICS

Disability type among York Region residents aged 15+



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YORK REGION DISABILITY STATISTICS

Prevalent disability types were different
for three main age groups of people with disabilities

YOUTH

15-24 years old



MENTAL HEALTH-RELATED

62%*



LEARNING

54%*



MEMORY

40%*

WORKING AGE ADULTS

25-64 years old



PAIN-RELATED

71%



MOBILITY

49%*



FLEXIBILITY

40%*

SENIORS

65+ years old



MOBILITY

72%*



PAIN-RELATED

68%*



FLEXIBILITY

61%*

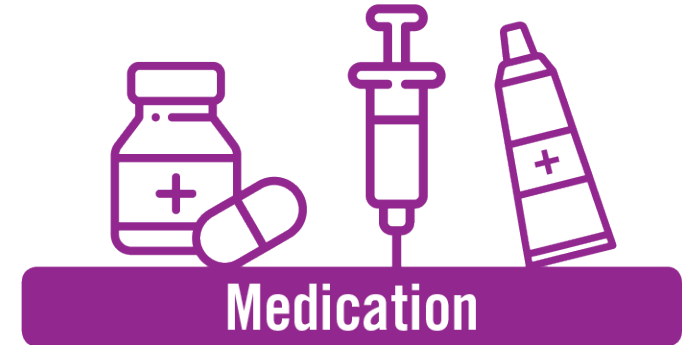
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Number of York Region residents who could not afford required medication, aids or assistive devices due to cost



20%

33,000 



13%

21,500 

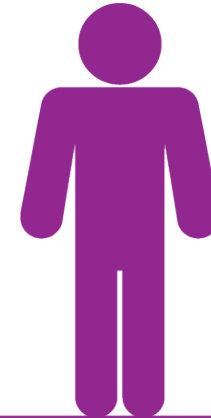
YORK REGION DISABILITY STATISTICS

Working-age adults with disabilities were less likely to be employed



With disabilities

57%* Employed



Without disabilities

80% Employed

KEY POINTS

Why is this important?

- Offers insights into those we serve
- Allows evidence based program and service delivery planning
- Underscores importance of accessibility and inclusion efforts

RESOURCES

My Portal: News & Events > Corporate Projects > Accessibility

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