

York Region Accessibility Advisory Committee (YRAAC)

Presentation Backgrounder

- Date:** November 20, 2024
- Title:** Disability in York Region: Results from the 2022 Canadian Survey on Disability
- Purpose:** Provide information on disability data in York Region
- Ask:** How can the York Region disability data be shared and used to better serve York Region residents?

Introduction and Purpose

- The Canadian Survey on Disability (CSD) is a national survey that gathers information about Canadians aged 15 years and over whose daily activities are limited due to a long-term condition or health-related problem and is conducted every 5 years.
- The CSD was developed by Statistics Canada in collaboration with Employment and Social Development Canada and was conducted from June 3rd to November 30th, 2022.
- Results from the 2017 Canadian Survey on Disability for York Region were first presented to the YRAAC in November 2019.
- New topics were introduced in 2022 including cannabis use, accessibility barriers, social isolation, food security, homelessness, sexual orientation, disability self-identification and COVID-19.
- York Region disability data offers insights into the people we serve and presents an opportunity for evidence-based planning within our programs and service delivery

Scope of Consultation

- How can we present the CSD data to accommodate different learning styles?
- Beyond a research brief and infographic, how would you like to see the information shared or presented?
- What areas do you think York Region should prioritize based on the data presented?

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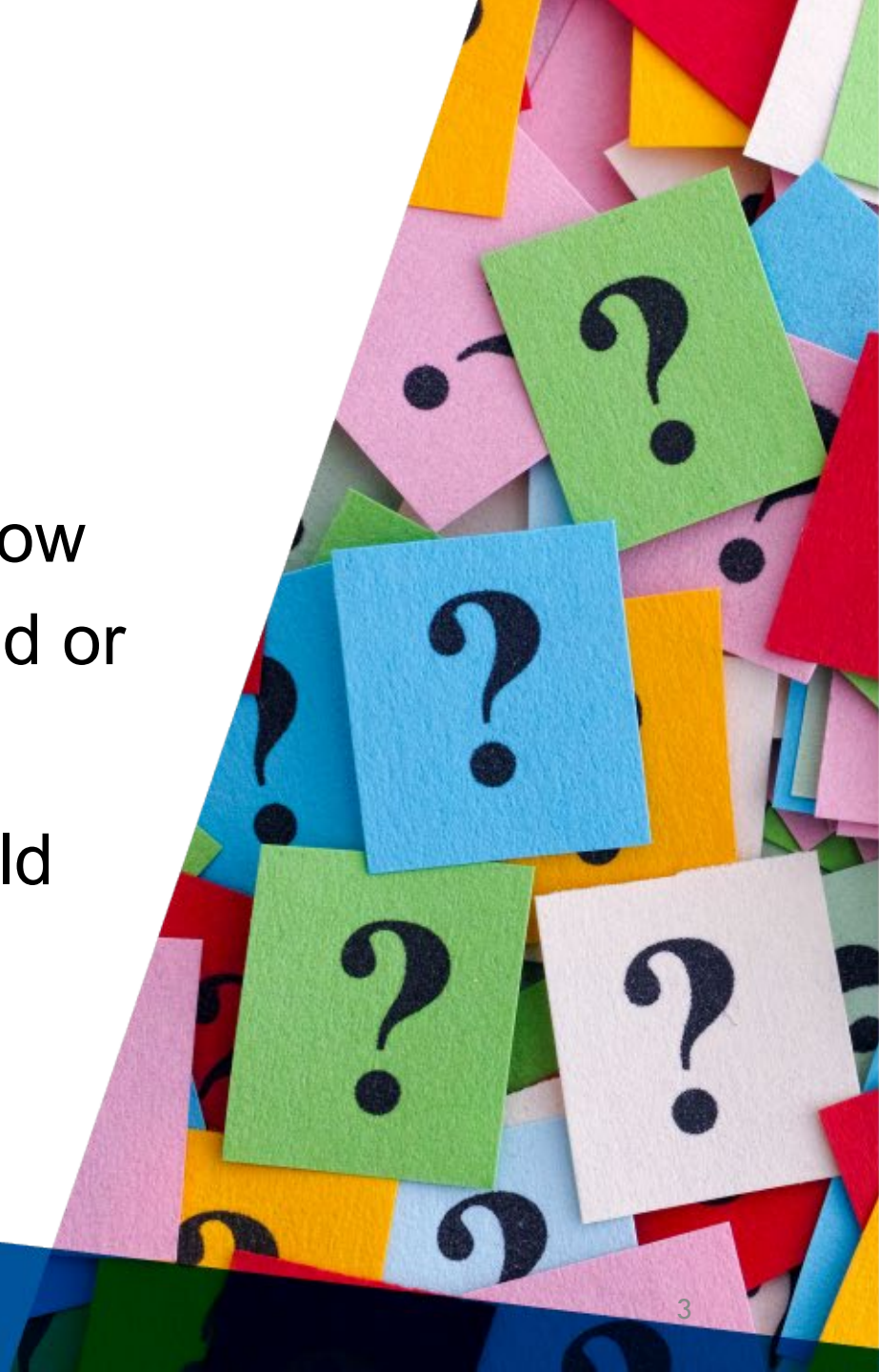
Presentation Overview

- Canadian Survey on Disability 2022
- York Region Demographics
- York Region Disability Statistics
- Key Points
- Resources



Consultation Questions to Consider

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Canadian Survey on Disability (CSD) Statistics 2022



Survey

Phase One:

2021 Census
Long Form

Phase Two:

2022 CSD
Questionnaire



Coverage

- Age 15+
- Private Households



Sample size

Approximately
54,000
individuals



Frequency

Every 5 years

- 2022 CSD
- 2017 CSD

Important Note: Definition of Disability

Social Model of Disability

Disability is the result of the interaction between a person's functional limitations and barriers in the environment, including social and physical barriers that make it harder to function day-to-day



Types of Disability (Canadian Survey on Disability 2022)



PAIN-RELATED: Having daily activities limited because of pain that is always present or due to periods of pain that reoccur from time to time.



SEEING: Having daily activities limited because of difficulties with their ability to see.



FLEXIBILITY: Having daily activities limited because of difficulties bending down or reaching.



HEARING: Having daily activities limited because of difficulties with their ability to hear.



MOBILITY: Having daily activities limited because of difficulties with their ability to move around, including walking or using stairs.



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



MENTAL HEALTH-RELATED: Having daily activities limited because of difficulties with an emotional, psychological or mental health condition.



MEMORY: Having daily activities limited because of difficulties with ongoing memory problems or periods of confusion.



DEXTERITY: Having daily activities limited because of difficulties using their fingers to grasp small objects.



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

Why is this data important?



Offers insights into the people we serve



Underscores the importance of accessibility and inclusion efforts

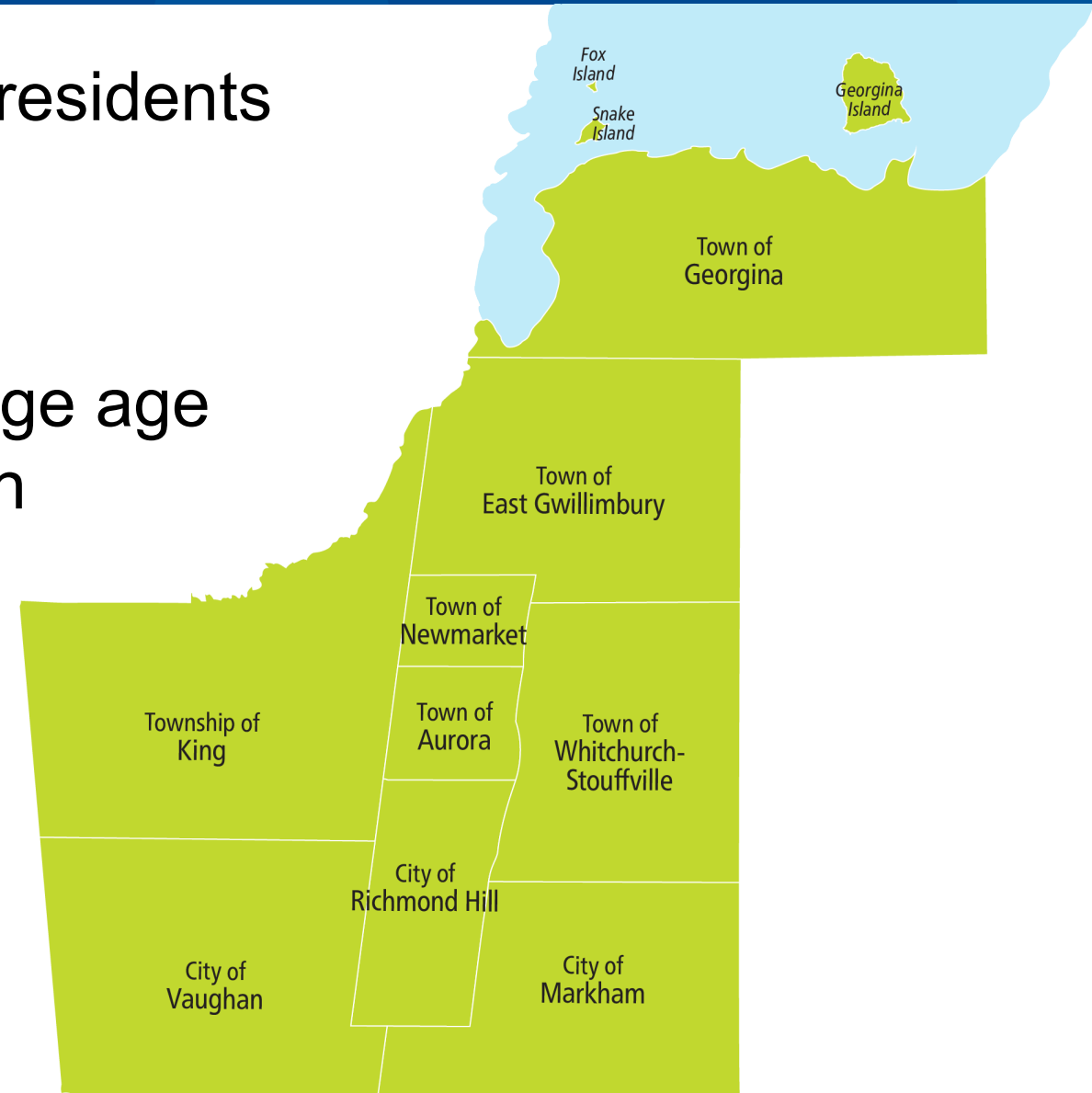


Allows evidence-based program and service delivery planning



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, the average age rises and the number of people with disabilities increases
- Disability can affect any person of any age or background



Persons with Disabilities in York Region, 2022

21.3% of York Region residents aged 15 and older, or **206,250** people, had at least one disability



This represents an
increase of 3.8% from 2017

Disability Rates in York Region and Ontario

The disability rate was lower in York Region than in Ontario



York Region 21.3%

206,250 people with disabilities



Ontario 28.0%

3,235,340 people with disabilities

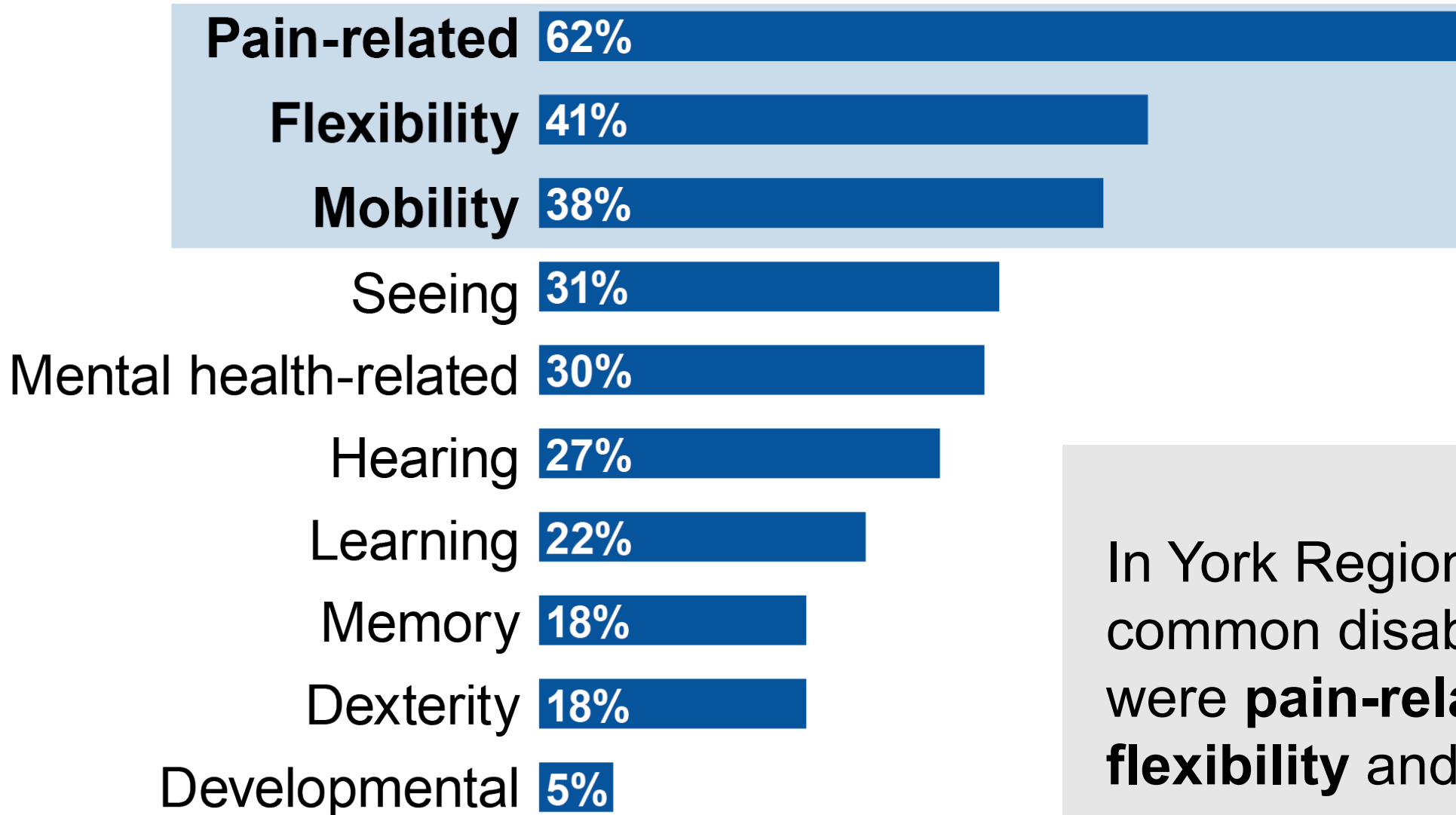


Disability in York Region by Gender

More **women+** than **men+** had a disability

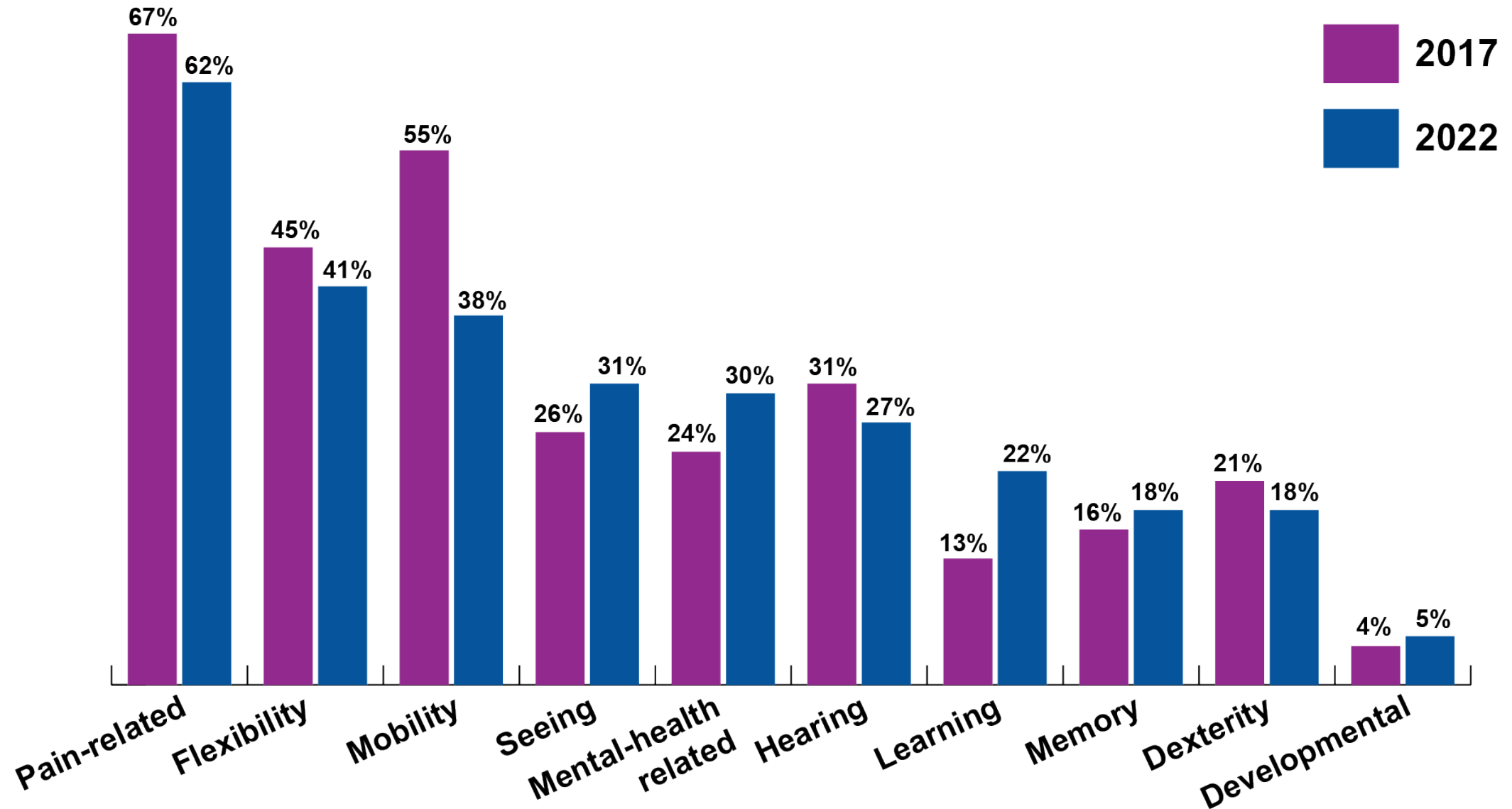


Disability Types in York Region 2022

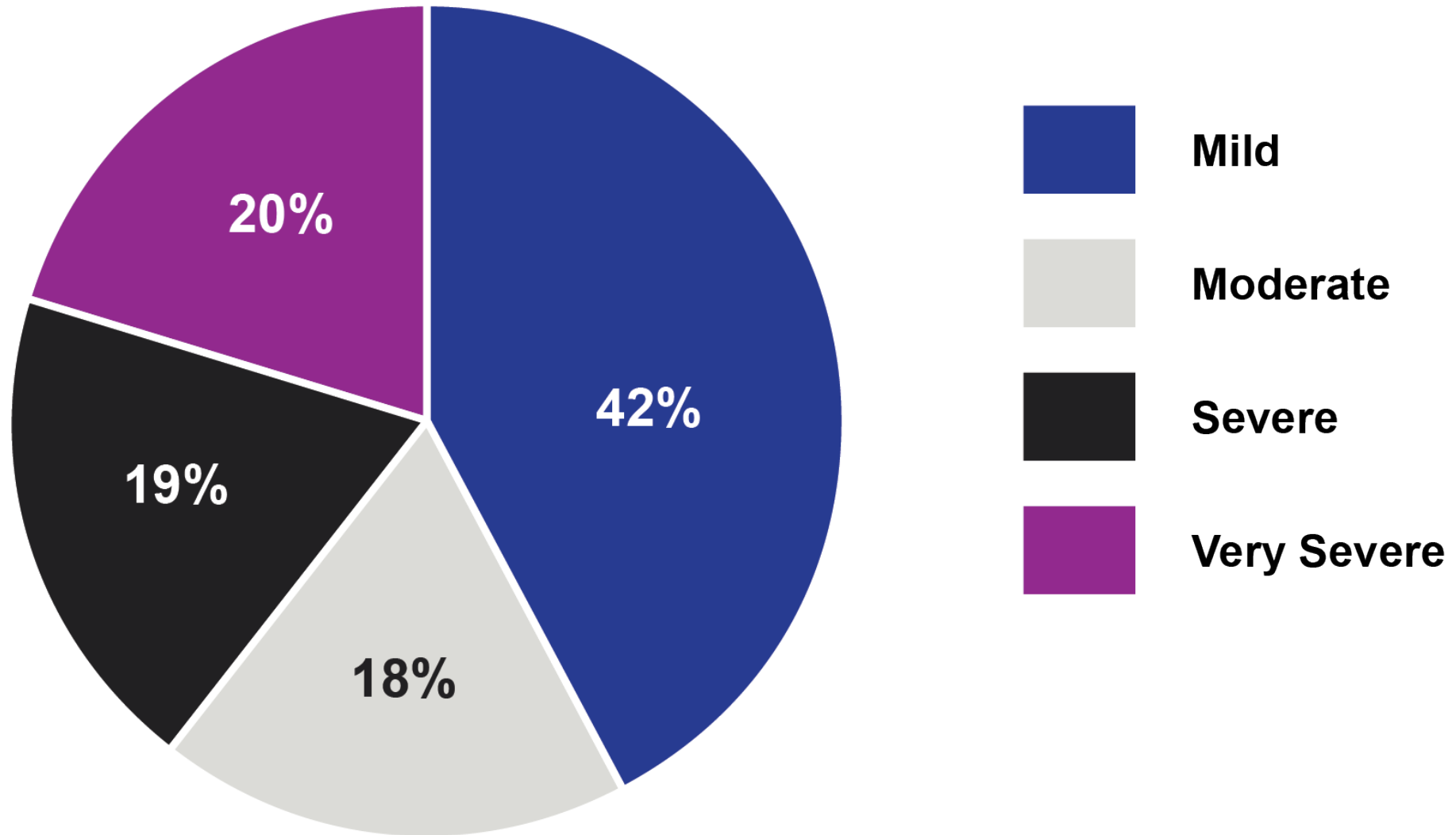


In York Region, the most common disability types were **pain-related**, **flexibility** and **mobility**

Disability Type, 15 years and over, 2017-2022



Severity of Disability in York Region 2022



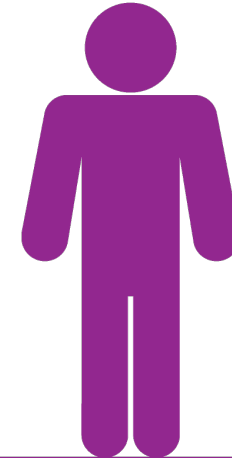
Employment Status

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



With disabilities

63% Employed

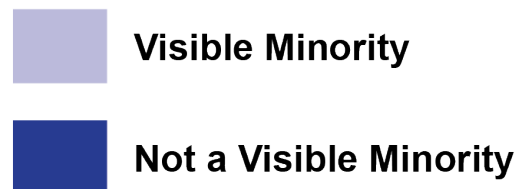
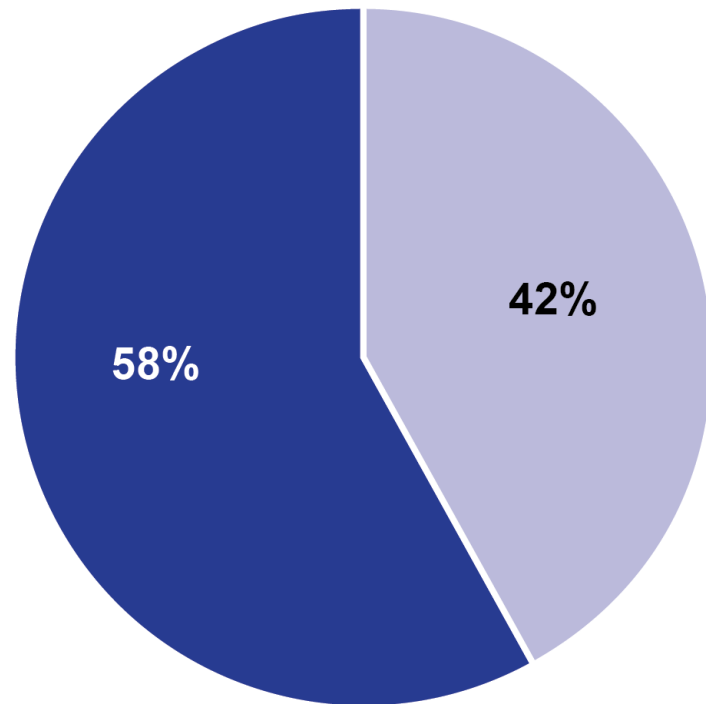


Without disabilities

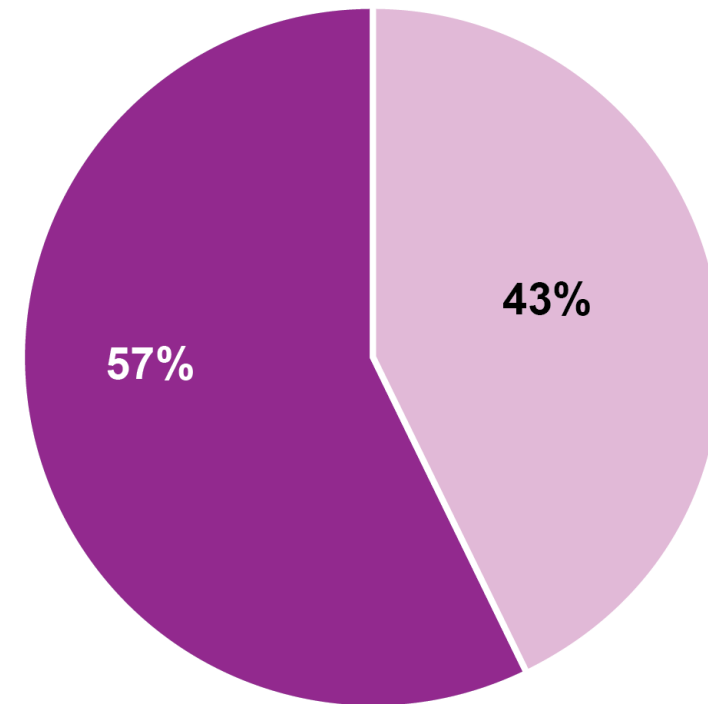
79% Employed

Diversity: Visible Minority and Immigration Status

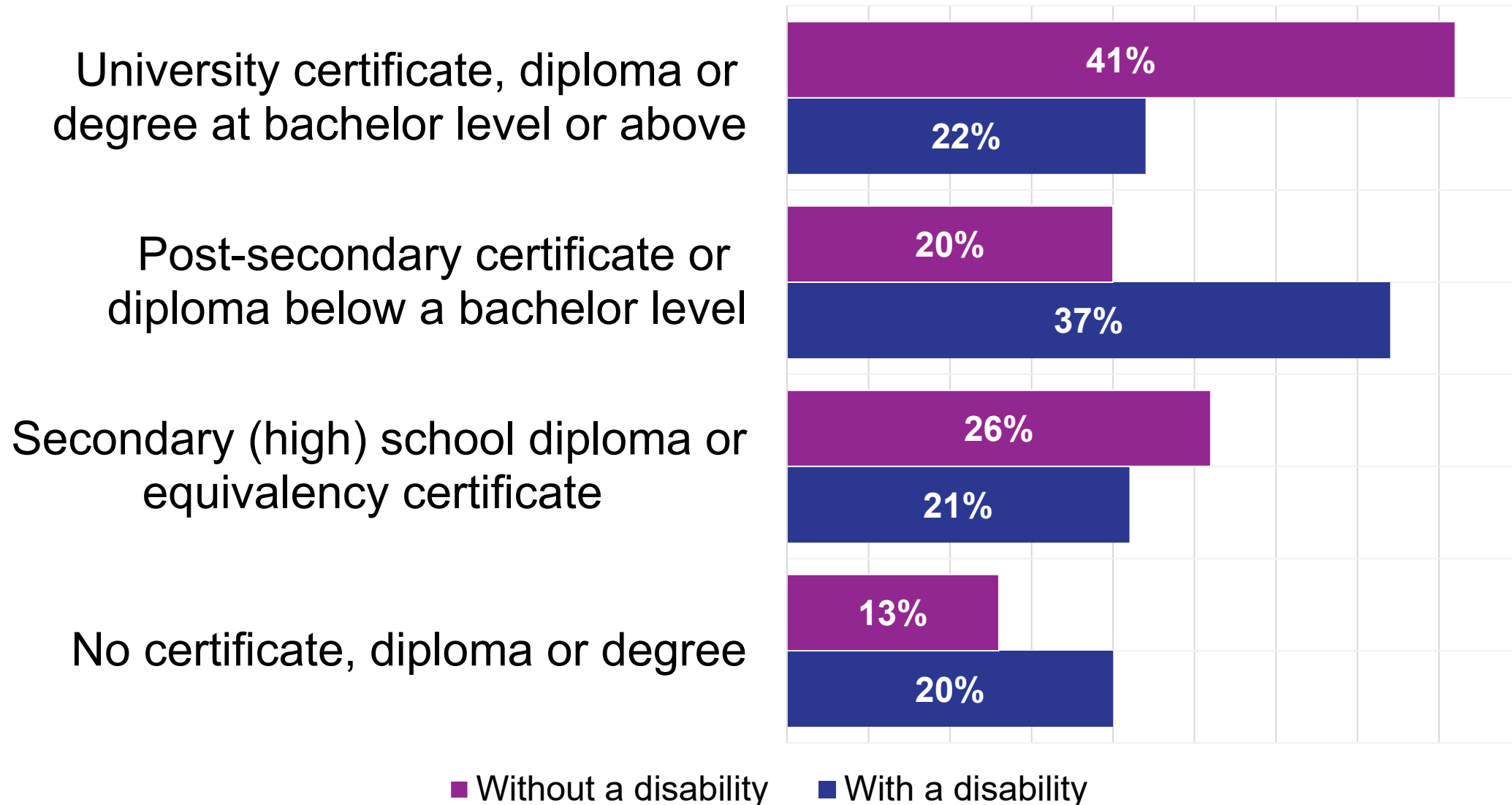
42% of persons with disabilities are visible minorities



57% of persons with disabilities are immigrants



Education Levels of Persons with and without Disabilities



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Consultation Question 1 of 3

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Consultation Question 2 of 3

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Consultation Question 3 of 3

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