



RESPECTABILITY

Iowa and Jobs for PwDs

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Iowa



Gov. Terry Branstad (R)

- ❖ 82.2% of persons without disabilities aged 18 to 64 are employed.³
- ❖ 46.5% of Iowans with disabilities (PWDs) aged 18 to 64 are employed.³
- ❖ **Iowa ranks 3rd in the nation in terms of employment for PWDs.**
- ❖ **There remains a 35.7 percentage point gap in the labor force participation rate (LFPR) between people with and without disabilities.**
- ❖ 14,500 persons aged 16 to 20 have a disability.¹
- ❖ 179,300 persons aged 21 to 64 have a disability.¹
- ❖ 353,430 civilians living in Iowa have a disability.³
- ❖ The employment gap between PwDs and people without disabilities decreased 1.6% between 2013 and 2014.³
- ❖ 91,864 people 18-64 received SSDI or SSI benefits in IA December 2014.³
- ❖ In 2014, the total expenditure on SSDI benefits for PwDs in IA was \$1,160,436,000.³
- ❖ Voc. Rehab. obtained 3,637 jobs for PwDs in IA (out of 6,114 total applicants) in 2012.³

1. 2014 Disability Status Report: Iowa, disabilitystatistics.org
2. StateData: The National Report on Employment Services and Outcomes, 2014
3. [Annual Disability Statistics Compendium](#)

Iowa Data

		People with Disabilities (%)		People without Disabilities (%)	
		2013	2014	2013	2014
Poverty ¹	US	28.7	28.2	13.6	13.0
	IA	27.2	25.4	10.9	10.9
Smoking ¹	US	25.4	24.5	16.2	15.3
	IA	27.5	23.8	17.3	16.9
Obesity ¹	US	40.1	41.1	25.0	25.2
	IA	43.0	45.2	28.1	27.0
Employment ¹	US	33.9	34.4	74.2	75.4
	IA	44.8	46.5	82.1	82.2

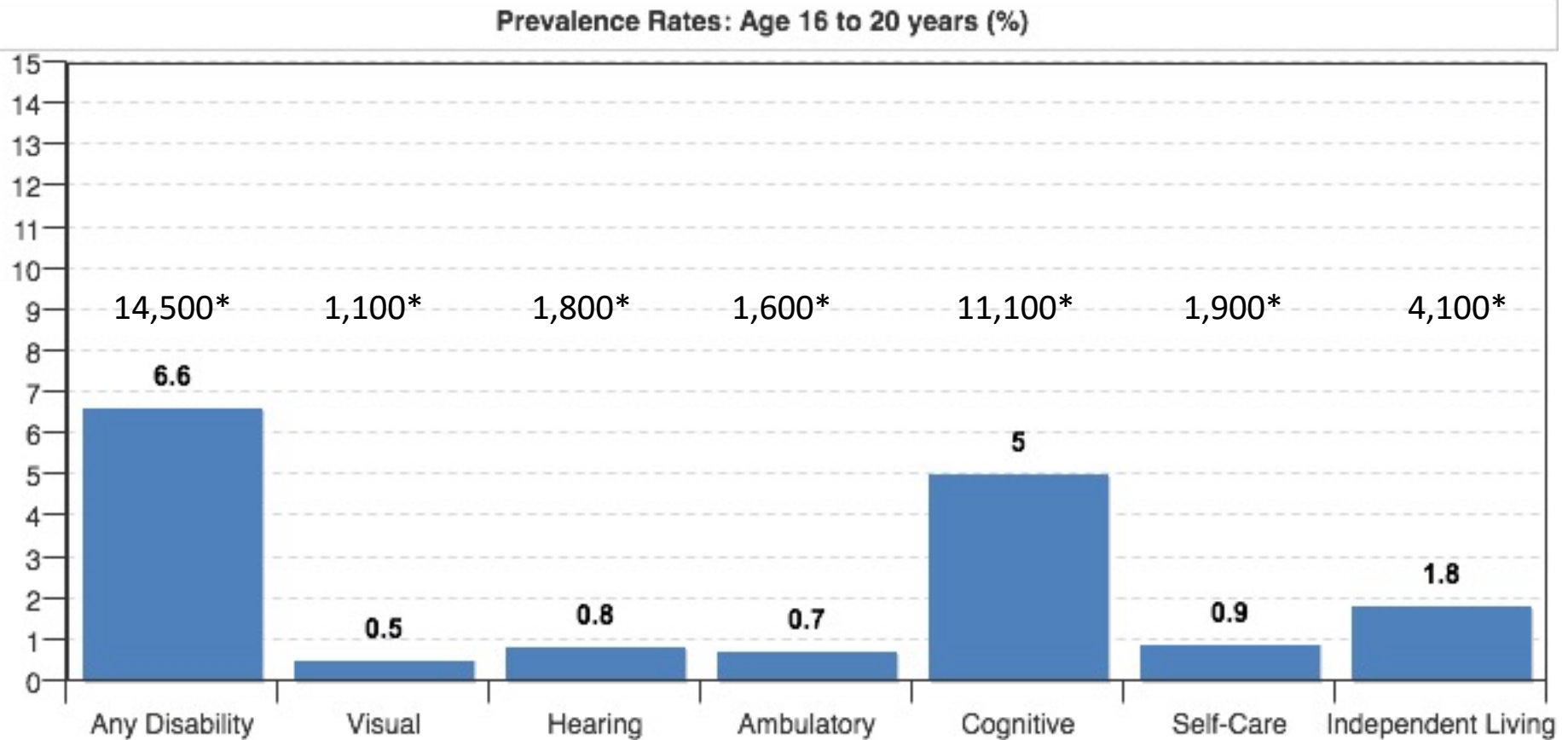
1. [Annual Disability Statistics Compendium](#). Pg 84, 88, 128, 45-46

Ages 6 to 21 IEPs by Category IA

	2012	2013
All Disabilities	58,773	58,170
Specific Learning Disability	35,490	35,121
Speech or Language Impairment	5,062	5,012
Intellectual Disability	10,132	10,029
Emotional Disturbance	5,725	5,666
Multiple Disability	321	315
Hearing Impairment	410	408
Orthopedic Impairment	659	651
Other Health Impairment	78	79
Visual Impairment	78	79
Autism	659	651
Deaf Blindness	0	0
Traumatic Brain Injury	159	159
Developmental Delay	---	---

Source: [Annual Disability Statistics Compendium](#)

Prevalence of Disability Among Non-Institutionalized People Ages 16 to 20 in Iowa in 2013

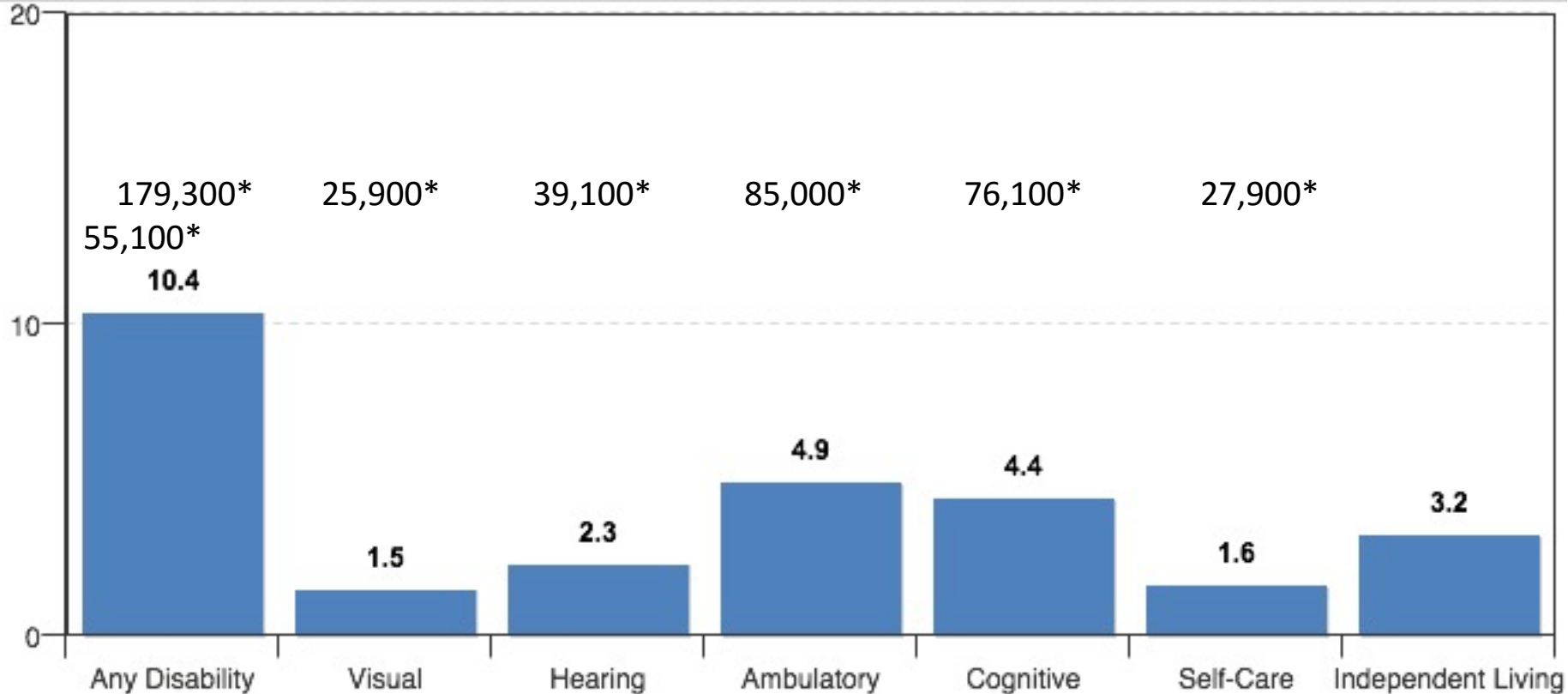


*Total numbers reported

Source: [Cornell University](#)

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Prevalence Rates: Age 21 to 64 years (%)

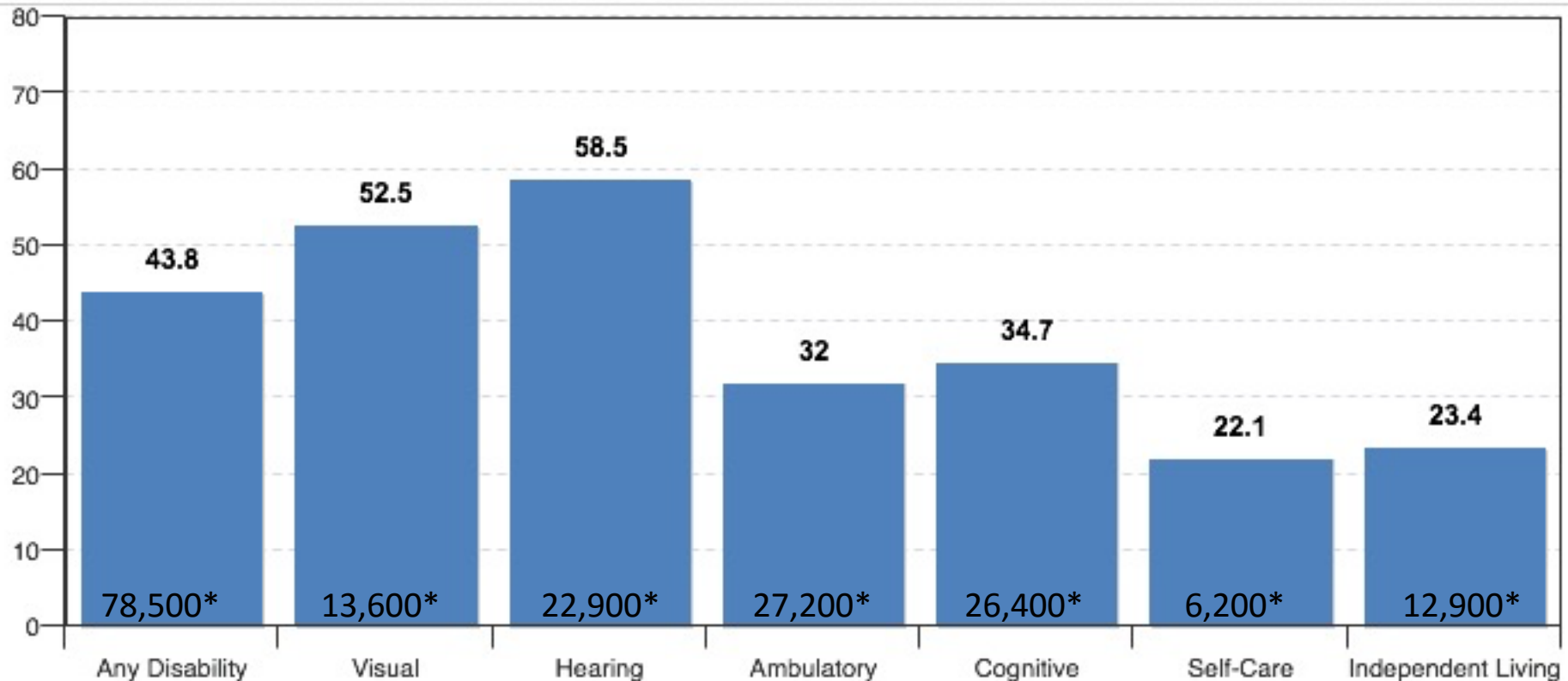


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Employment of Non-Institutionalized Working-Age People (Ages 21 to 64) by Disability Status in Iowa in 2013

Employment Rates (%)



*Total numbers reported

Source: [Cornell University](#)

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❖ **Governor Terry Brandstad (IA)** has been working with Senator Tom Harkin on [solutions](#). He hosted a [statewide summit](#) on jobs for people with disabilities and is working systematically to make progress possible.

Sources:

<http://www.shreveporttimes.com/article/D2/20140217/OPINION02/302170021/Another-View-Iowa-should-help-disabled-find-work>

<https://governor.iowa.gov/2013/09/gov-branstad-It-gov-reynolds-and-sen-harkin-to-co-host-forum-on-%E2%80%9Cempowering-individuals-with-disabilities-through-employment%E2%80%9D/>

Iowa Project SEARCH Sites

- ❖ ChildServe, Johnston
- ❖ Des Moines Community College, Des Moines
- ❖ Hy-Vee, Des Moines
- ❖ Lucas County Health Center, Chariton
- ❖ Mercy Medical Center, Des Moines
- ❖ Mercy Medical Center (North Iowa), Mason City
- ❖ University Point Health Saint Luke's Hospital, Cedar Rapids
- ❖ University Point Methodist Hospital, Des Moines

Project SEARCH: www.projectsearch.us

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Which Employers in Your State Must Meet 503 Rules (Hire PwDs)?

- ❖ Top contractors:
 - Rockwell Collins Inc.
 - Weston Solutions Holdings Inc.
 - Data Link Solutions LLC
 - Poongsan Corp.
 - Poongsan Holdings Corp.

For the complete list see the [fed spending website](#)

How to get started: Job Accommodation Network → <https://askjan.org/>

US Business Leadership Network → <http://usbln.org/>

Jobs in Iowa

- ❖ Iowa's high-growth industries for the 2008-2018 period:
 - Internet Service Providers (Web Search), Other Information Services; Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services; Ambulatory Health Care Services, and Social Assistance.
- ❖ According to the state's industry employment projections for 2008-2018, all industries are expected to grow by 10.5% over the ten-year period
- ❖ [Click for your State Development Plan](http://www.iowaworkforce.org/centers/planreview.htm)
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- ❖ [Click for your State Development Board](http://workforceinvestmentworks.com/workforce_board_info.asp?st=IA)
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Resources

- ❖ StateData: The National Report on Employment Services and Outcomes, 2014 (data from 2013)
- ❖ 2013 Disability Status Report United States, Cornell University, 2013: www.disabilitystatistics.org
- ❖ Fedspending: www.fedspending.org
- ❖ Project SEARCH: www.projectsearch.us
- ❖ Job Accommodation Network: <https://askjan.org/>
- ❖ State Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: http://wdcrobcolp01.ed.gov/Programs/EROD/org_list.cfm?category_cd=SVR
- ❖ RespectAbilityUSA: www.respectabilityusa.org

Let Us Know If We Can Help!

We have many resources for policy makers and employers on our website and are ready to help!

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