

# NJ and Jobs for PwDs

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# New Jersey



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- 75.1% of persons without disabilities aged 18 to 64 are employed.<sup>3</sup>
- 36.6% of PwDs aged 18 to 64 are employed.<sup>3</sup>
- 935,833 persons in NJ have a disability.<sup>3</sup>
- 29,300 persons aged 16 to 20 have a disability.<sup>1</sup>
- 409,000 persons aged 21 to 64 have a disability.<sup>1</sup>
- 74,600 PwDs aged 18 to 64 receive benefits.<sup>1</sup>
- In 2012, NJ's total expenditure on SSDI benefits was \$3,246,540,000.<sup>3</sup>
- Voc. Rehab. received 505 blind applicants and 13,191 general applicants in NJ in 2012.<sup>3</sup>
- Voc. Rehab. obtained 4,038 jobs for PwDs in NJ in 2012.<sup>2</sup>
- 22% poverty rate among those with disabilities.<sup>3</sup>
  - 1. 2012 Disability Status Report: New York, disabilitystatistics.org
  - 2. StateData: The National Report on Employment Services and Outcomes, 2013
  - 3. Annual Disability Statistics Compendium

# New Jersey Data

|                         |    | People with Disabilities (%) |      | People without Disabilities (%) |      |
|-------------------------|----|------------------------------|------|---------------------------------|------|
|                         |    | 2012                         | 2013 | 2012                            | 2013 |
| Poverty <sup>1</sup>    | US | 29.2                         | 28.7 | 13.6                            | 13.6 |
|                         | NJ | 22.4                         | 22.0 | 8.6                             | 9.3  |
| Smoking <sup>1</sup>    | US | 26.0                         | 25.4 | 16.9                            | 16.2 |
|                         | NJ | 23.6                         | 20.6 | 16.1                            | 14.5 |
| Obesity <sup>1</sup>    | US | 39.1                         | 40.1 | 24.5                            | 25.0 |
|                         | NJ | 39.2                         | 38.0 | 21.8                            | 23.7 |
| Employment <sup>1</sup> | US | 32.7                         | 33.9 | 73.6                            | 74.2 |
|                         | NJ | 35.0                         | 36.6 | 74.5                            | 75.1 |

1. Annual Disability Statistics Compendium. Pg 53, 54, 72, 73, 29

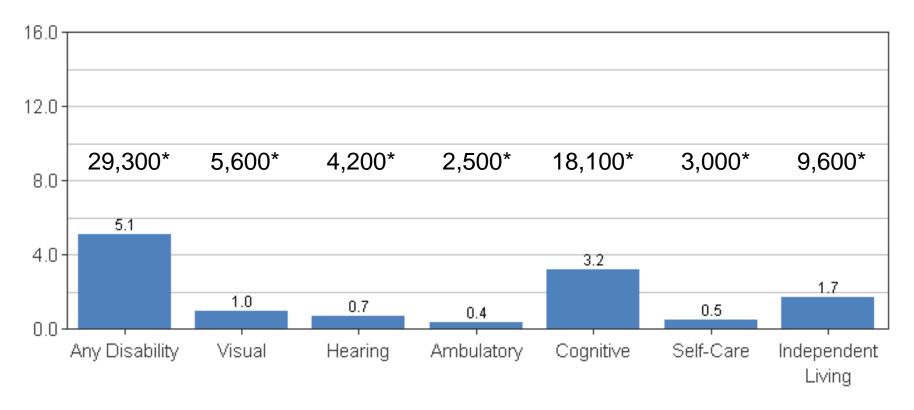
## NJ Ages 6 to 21 Served Under IDEA

|                               | 2011    | 2012    |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|
| All Disabilities              | 207,710 | 214,363 |
| Specific Learning Disability  | 79,454  | 80,088  |
| Speech or Language Impairment | 42,687  | 46,553  |
| Intellectual Disability       | 5,194   | 5,170   |
| Emotional Disturbance         | 8,565   | 8,377   |
| Multiple Disability           | 18,905  | 18,350  |
| Hearing Impairment            | 1,477   | 1,503   |
| Orthopedic Impairment         | 574     | 450     |
| Other Health Impairment       | 35,423  | 38,130  |
| Visual Impairment             | 397     | 396     |
| Autism                        | 13,459  | 14,572  |
| Deaf Blindness                | 94      | 14      |
| Traumatic Brain Injury        | 781     | 760     |
| Developmental Delay           | Omitted | 0       |

Source: Annual Disability Statistics Compendium

### Prevalence of Disability Among Non-Institutionalized People Ages 16 to 20 in New Jersey in 2012

Prevalence Rates: Age 16 to 20 years (%)

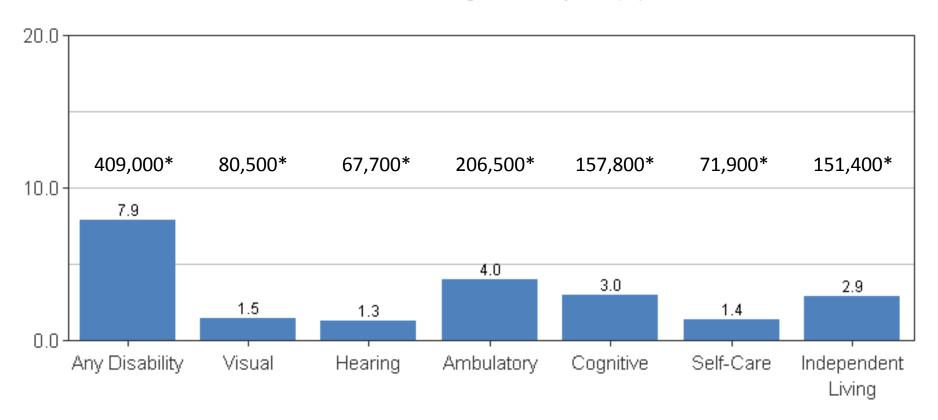


\*Total numbers reported

Source: Cornell University

### Prevalence of Disability Among Non-Institutionalized People Ages 21 to 64 in New Jersey in 2012

Prevalence Rates: Age 21 to 64 years (%)

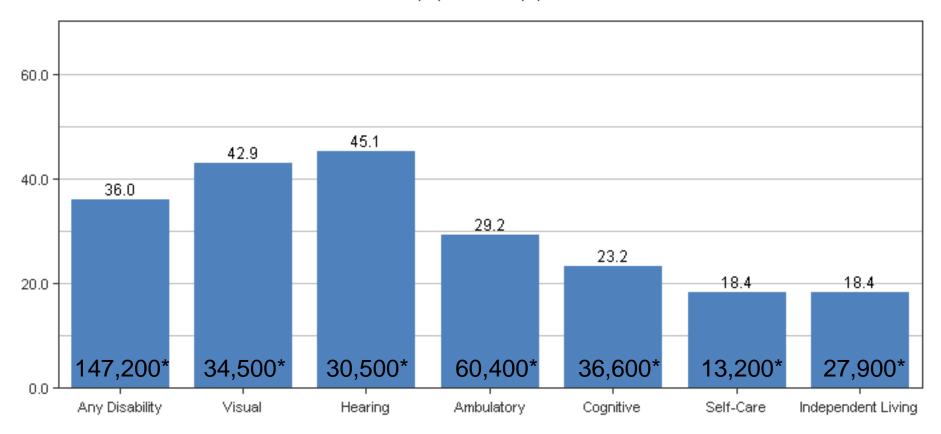


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#### Employment of Non-Institutionalized Working-Age People (Ages 21 to 64) by Disability Status in New Jersey in 2012

Employment Rates (%)



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Source: Cornell University

# **Project SEARCH: Program Description**

- One school year or 9 months.
- ✤ 10 12 young adults with a variety of intellectual and developmental disabilities.
- Instructor and job coaches.
- Immersed in host business culture.
- Rotations through unpaid internships with continual feedback.
- Outcome of employment in the community.

# Project SEARCH: HUGE \$ SAVER!

- The Project SEARCH Definition of a Successful Outcome:
- Competitive employment in an integrated setting.
- Year-round work.
- 16 hours per week or more.
- Minimum wage or higher.

- 273 programs in 44 states.
- ✤ 2500 young people per year.
- 60% healthcare, 40% broad mix of business types.
- ✤ 68% employment.
- ✤ 88% employee benefit eligible.
  - 35% take employee benefits, usually at 5 years.
  - Benefits alone save roughly 1 million dollars over a lifetime.
  - Family involvement curriculum to drive familial change in attitude.

## **Contact Project SEARCH**

Project SEARCH: <u>www.projectsearch.us</u>

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

#### Top contractors:

- Lockheed Martin Corp.
- American Auto Logistics LP
- ITT Corp.
- SAIC INC.
- Computer Science Corp.

#### For the complete list see the <u>fed spending website</u>

http://www.fedspending.org/fpds/fpds.php?stateCode=NJ&sortp=r&detail=-1&datype=T&reptype=p&database=fpds&fiscal\_year=2012&submit=GO

How to get started: Job Accommodation Network  $\rightarrow \frac{https://askjan.org/}{US Business Leadership Network <math>\rightarrow \frac{http://usbln.org/}{VS Business Leadership Network}$ 

# Jobs in New Jersey

Economic driver industries for New Jersey are transportation logistics and distribution, life sciences, advanced manufacturing, financial services, health care, and Tech and entrepreneurship.

http://www.njsetc.net/njsetc/planning/

#### Click here for your Workforce plan

http://www.njsetc.net/njsetc/planning/

Click here for your Workforce board

http://workforceinvestmentworks.com/workforce\_board\_info.asp?st=NJ

### Resources

- StateData: The National Report on Employment Services and Outcomes, 2013 (data from 2012)
- 2012 Disability Status Report United States, Cornell University, 2012: <u>www.disabilitystatistics.org</u>
- Fedspending: <u>www.fedspending.org</u>
- Project SEARCH: <u>www.projectsearch.us</u>
- Job Accommodation Network: <u>https://askjan.org/</u>
- State Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: <u>http://wdcrobcolp01.ed.gov/Programs/EROD/org\_list.cfm?cat\_egory\_cd=SVR</u>
- RespectAbilityUSA: <u>www.respectabilityusa.org</u>

## 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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