WV and Jobs for PwDs

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- 70.6% of persons without disabilities aged 18 to 64 are employed. ³
- 25.3% of PwDs aged 18 to 64 are employed. ³
- 368,983 people in WV have a disability. ³
- 7,000 persons aged 16 to 20 have a disability. ¹
- 187,400 persons aged 21 to 64 have a disability. ¹
- 43,500 PwDs aged 18 to 64 receive benefits. ¹
- In 2012, WV’s total expenditure on SSDI benefits was $1,467,816,000. ³
- Voc. Rehab. received 8,240 general applicants in WV 2012. ³
- Voc. Rehab. obtained 3,393 jobs for PwDs in WV in 2012. ³

3. Annual Disability Statistics Compendium

Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin (D)
## West Virginia

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¹. Annual Disability Statistics Compendium. Pg 53, 54, 72, 73, 29
## Ages 6 to 21 IEPs by Category WV

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<td>Intellectual Disability</td>
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<td>Emotional Disturbance</td>
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<td>Orthopedic Impairment</td>
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Source: [Annual Disability Statistics Compendium](https://www.americance.org/files/annual_disability_statistics_compendium.pdf)
Prevalence of Disability Among Non-Institutionalized People Ages 16 to 20 in West Virginia in 2012

*Total numbers reported

Source: Cornell University
Prevalence of Disability Among Non-Institutionalized People Ages 21 to 64 in West Virginia in 2012

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Employment of Non-Institutionalized Working-Age People (Ages 21 to 64) by Disability Status in West Virginia in 2012

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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.
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.
Project SEARCH: [www.projectsearch.us](http://www.projectsearch.us)
Contact Erin Riehle at Erin.Riehle@cchmc.org
Which Employers in Your State Must Meet 503 Rules (Hire PwDs)?

- Top contractors:
  - Digital Management INC.
  - URS Corporation
  - ACE Info Solutions INC.
  - Rolling Bay L.L.C.
  - Alliant Techsystems INC.

See the complete list on the fed spending website:

How to get started: Job Accommodation Network ➔ https://askjan.org/
Over the next decade, many health-related industries are expected to grow, including ambulatory health care services, hospitals, nursing and residential care facilities, and health and personal care stores. Not surprisingly, registered nurses dominate openings in the health care industry, but other health sector occupations are expected to post significant growth also.

Projecting moderate to substantial growth will also be seen throughout leisure and hospitality and will include such industries as food services and drinking places, accommodation, and amusement, gambling, and recreation facilities.

Some manufacturing is expected to grow, including wood products and transportation equipment.

Highly technical occupations experiencing high demand include computer systems analysts, network systems and data communications analysts, and computer software engineers.

The coal miner sector continues to mine the same amount of coal or more than it did a decade ago, but with far fewer worker. The technological advance of this industry has produced sophisticated machinery that requires considerable knowledge and experience from its workers.

Click for [Your Workforce Development Board](http://workforceinvestmentworks.com/workforce_board_info.asp?st=WV)

Click for West Virginia’s [Workforce Strategic Plan, 2012-2016](http://www.wvcommerce.org/App_Media/assets/doc/businessandworkforce/workforcewv/publicnotices/West_Virginia's_Five_Year_Plan_Final_3.7.2013.pdf)
Resources

- Fedspending: www.fedspending.org
- Project SEARCH: www.projectsearch.us
- Job Accommodation Network: https://askjan.org/
- State Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: http://wdcrobc01p01.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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