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### Canadian Survey on Disability, 2012

In 2012, about 3.8 million people, or 13.7% of Canadians aged 15 and older, reported being limited in their daily activities because of a disability. The results come from the 2012 Canadian Survey on Disability (CSD), which is being released today to coincide with the International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

The CSD uses new questions to identify disability. The 10 disability types captured within the CSD are seeing, hearing, mobility, flexibility, dexterity, pain, learning, developmental, mental/psychological, and memory. Persons were identified as having a disability if they had difficulty performing tasks as a result of a long-term condition or health-related problem and experienced a limitation in their daily activities.

The prevalence of disability increases steadily with age. Nearly 1 in 10 working-age Canadians (aged 15 to 64) reported having a disability in 2012, compared with almost one-third of Canadian seniors (aged 65 and older). Women (14.9%) have a higher prevalence of disability than men (12.5%).

Canadians reported different types of disability depending on their age. The youngest age group, those aged 15 to 24, most commonly reported mental/psychological disabilities (2.2%), learning disabilities (2.0%) and pain (1.9%). Among those aged 45 to 64, the most common types of disability were pain (12.7%), flexibility (9.8%) and mobility (8.6%). While these three types of disability are also the most commonly reported among seniors, the prevalence was higher with 22.1% reporting pain, 20.5% identifying mobility issues and 19.3% identifying flexibility issues.

A severity score, which was developed for the survey, takes into account the number of disability types, the intensity of difficulties and the frequency of activity limitations. Using this score, persons with disabilities were classified into four severity levels: mild, moderate, severe and very severe. In 2012, 26.0% of persons with disabilities were classified as very severe; 22.5%, severe; 19.8%, moderate; and 31.7%, mild.

#### **Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3251.**

The Canadian Survey on Disability was funded by Employment and Social Development Canada.

Additional results from the Canadian Survey on Disability are available in the fact sheet "Canadian Survey on Disability 2012: Data Tables." This fact sheet, together with the data tables "Disability in Canada: Initial Findings from the Canadian Survey on Disability," are now available as part of the publication *Canadian Survey on Disability, 2012* (89-654-X). From the *Browse by key resource* module of our website, choose *Publications*.

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## **Investment in non-residential building construction (revised data), third quarter 2013**

Following the release of the "Canadian economic accounts" for the third quarter, revised data on investment in non-residential building for the third quarter are now available.

**Available in CANSIM: table 026-0016.**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5014.**

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## Residential construction investment, third quarter 2013

Data on residential construction investment are now available for the third quarter.

**Available in CANSIM: table 026-0013.**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5016.**

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## Asphalt roofing, October 2013

Data on asphalt roofing are now available for October.

**Available in CANSIM: table 303-0052.**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2123.**

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## Programme for International Student Assessment, 2012

Canadian data from the Programme for International Student Assessment are now available for 2012.

### **Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5060.**

An international public use microdata file, which includes data for all participating Programme for International Student Assessment countries, is available on the [Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development \(OECD\) website](#). The International Report published by the OECD is also available on the [OECD website](#). A Pan-Canadian report is also available on the website of the [Council of Ministers of Education, Canada](#).

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**Canadian Survey on Disability, 2012: "Canadian Survey on Disability 2012: Data Tables"**, 2012  
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**Canadian Survey on Disability, 2012: "Disability in Canada: Initial Findings from the Canadian Survey on Disability"**, 2012  
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