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DEMOGRAPHIC DATA REPORT - DISABILITY

2012-2016 American Community Survey, Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS), BPDA Research Division Analysis

CITY OF BOSTON

623,355 RESIDENTS

Total number of City residents ages 5 and up

84,287 RESIDENTS (12.8%)

Identify as having at least one disability

SELF CARE DIFFICULTY

18,472 RESIDENTS (2.8%)

Persons who have difficulty bathing or dressing

HEARING DIFFICULTY

18,331 RESIDENTS (2.8%)

Persons who are deaf or have serious difficulty hearing

VISION DIFFICULTY

17,405 RESIDENTS (2.6%)

Persons who are blind or have serious difficulty seeing, even when wearing glasses

INDEPENDENT LIVING DIFFICULTY

33,334 RESIDENTS (5.1%)

Persons who, because of a physical, mental or emotional problem, have difficulty doing errands alone such as visiting a doctor's office or shopping

COGNITIVE DIFFICULTY

37,952 RESIDENTS (5.8%)

Persons who, because of a physical, mental or emotional problem, have difficulty remembering, concentrating or making decisions

AMBULATORY DIFFICULTY

45,603 RESIDENTS (6.9%)

Persons who have serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs

CITY OF BOSTON STANDARDS

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BY NEIGHBORHOOD: RESIDENTS WITH AT LEAST ONE DISABILITY

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ALLSTON

Total residents: 19,388

- With disability 7.4%

Total seniors (65+): 724

- With disability 43.1%

BACK BAY

Total residents: 18,099

- With disability 5.9%

Total seniors (65+): 2,610

- With disability 20.9%

BEACON HILL

Total residents: 9,191

- With disability 2.8%

Total seniors (65+): 1,094

- With disability 15.8%

BRIGHTON

Total residents: 48,696

- With disability 9.9%

Total seniors (65+): 5,538

- With disability 50.3%

CHARLESTOWN

Total residents: 18,214

- With disability 9.6%

Total seniors (65+): 1,768

- With disability 33.9%

DORCHESTER

Total residents: 124,520

- With disability 16.0%

Total seniors (65+): 11,997

- With disability 45.9%

DOWNTOWN

Total residents: 17,349

- With disability 12.5%

Total seniors (65+): 2,405

- With disability 38.5%

EAST BOSTON

Total residents: 46,110

- With disability 13.3%

Total seniors (65+): 3,983

- With disability 54.2%

FENWAY-KENMORE

Total residents: 32,113

- With disability 7.3%

Total seniors (65+): 1,450

- With disability 50.3%

HYDE PARK

Total residents: 35,916

- With disability 11.5%

Total seniors (65+): 4,806

- With disability 37.3%

JAMAICA PLAIN

Total residents: 38,775

- With disability 9.8%

Total seniors (65+): 3,903

- With disability 37.5%

MATTAPAN

Total residents: 25,521

- With disability 17.3%

Total seniors (65+): 3,095

- With disability 40.3%

MISSION HILL-LONGWOOD

Total residents: 21,863

- With disability 10.9%

Total seniors (65+): 1,479

- With disability 52.9%

NORTH END

Total residents: 9,313

- With disability 7.7%

Total seniors (65+): 1,172

- With disability 33.2%

ROSLINDALE

Total residents: 28,727

- With disability 11.8%

Total seniors (65+): 3,172

- With disability 41.6%

ROXBURY

Total residents: 50,479

- With disability 16.4%

Total seniors (65+): 5,295

- With disability 49.2%

SOUTH BOSTON

Total residents: 35,113

- With disability 12.2%

Total seniors (65+): 2,948

- With disability 49.3%

**SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT/
FORT POINT**

Total residents: 2,871

- With disability 8.7%

Total seniors (65+): 196

- With disability 14.8%

SOUTH END

Total residents: 31,668

- With disability 11.9%

Total seniors (65+): 3,621

- With disability 33.9%

WEST END

Total residents: 5,535

- With disability 9.6%

Total seniors (65+): 823

- With disability 35.6%

WEST ROXBURY

Total residents: 32,300

- With disability 12.5%

Total seniors (65+): 5,441

- With disability 40.6%



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