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**DISABILITY**

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# Disability



## What is this indicator?

The Census Bureau defines disability as a long-lasting physical, mental, or emotional condition. This condition can make it difficult for a person to do activities such as walking, climbing stairs, dressing, bathing, learning, or remembering. This condition can also impede a person from being able to go outside the home alone or to work at a job or business. (ACS Definitions, 2006)

## What are key findings?

In Tulsa County, among people at least five years old in 2006, 17% reported a disability. The likelihood of having a disability varied by age from 7% of people 5 to 15 years old, to 15% of people 16 to 64 years old, and to 43% of those 65 and older. In Oklahoma, among people at least five years old, 20% reported a disability. The likelihood of having a disability varied by age from 7% of people 5 to 15 years old, to 17% of people 16 to 64 years old, and to 47% of those 65 and older.

### Disability Status of Noninstitutionalized Civilian Population in Tulsa County, Oklahoma 2006

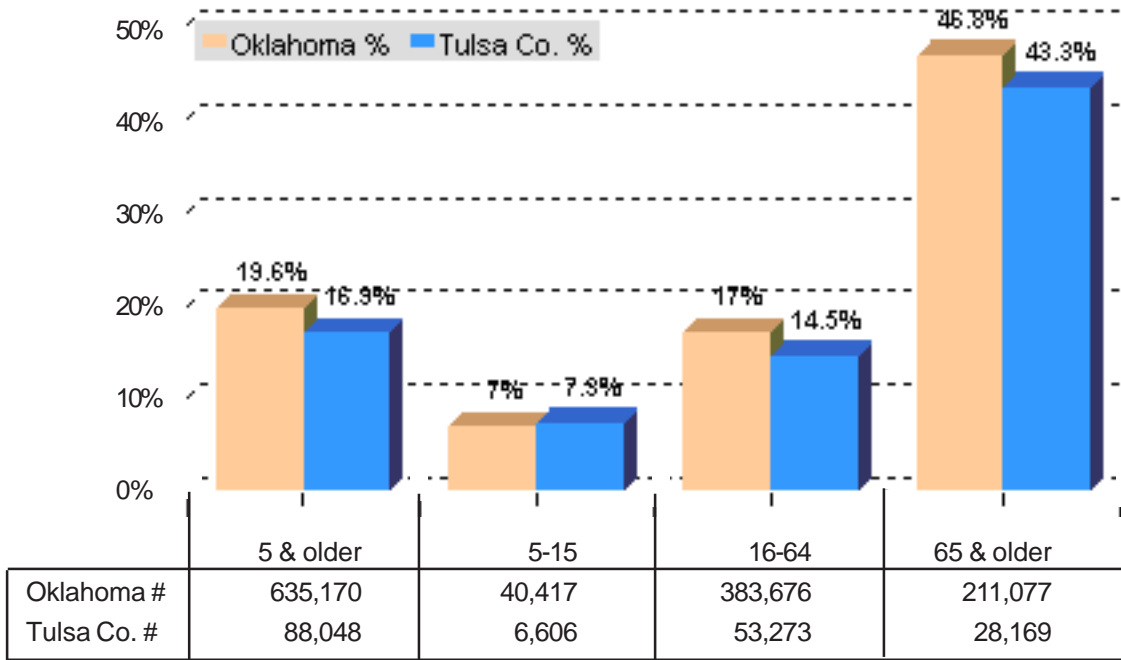
	Number	Margin of Error
<b>Population 5 years and over</b> With a disability	<b>522,057</b> 88,048	<b>+/-467</b> +/-3,912
<b>Population 5 to 15 years</b> With a disability	<b>89,878</b> 6,606	<b>+/-921</b> +/-1,247
<b>Population 16 to 64 years</b> With a disability	<b>367,162</b> 53,273	<b>+/-1,028</b> +/-3,298
<b>Population 65 years and over</b> With a disability	<b>65,017</b> 28,169	<b>+/-746</b> +/-1,498

## Sex by Age by Number of Disabilities, Tulsa County, Oklahoma

Tulsa County Oklahoma	Estimate	Margin of Error
Total:	515,298	+/-330
<b>Male:</b>	<b>250,756</b>	<b>+/-442</b>
5 to 15 years:	43,772	+/-1,052
Without any disability	39,332	+/-1,581
With one type of disability	3,250	+/-881
With two or more types of disability	1,190	+/-531
16 to 20 years:	17,179	+/-1,433
Without any disability	15,479	+/-1,380
With one type of disability	1,319	+/-612
With two or more types of disability	381	+/-316
21 to 64 years:	163,219	+/-1,200
Without any disability	139,650	+/-2,716
With one type of disability	10,126	+/-1,755
With two or more types of disability	13,443	+/-1,812
65 to 74 years:	15,345	+/-290
Without any disability	10,142	+/-874
With one type of disability	2,329	+/-635
With two or more types of disability	2,874	+/-795
75 years and over:	11,241	+/-137
Without any disability	6,222	+/-622
With one type of disability	2,416	+/-451
With two or more types of disability	2,603	+/-526
<b>Female:</b>	<b>264,542</b>	<b>+/-364</b>
5 to 15 years:	42,296	+/-933
Without any disability	39,626	+/-1,131
With one type of disability	2,189	+/-651
With two or more types of disability	481	+/-419
16 to 20 years:	17,140	+/-1,455
Without any disability	15,642	+/-1,504
With one type of disability	820	+/-434
With two or more types of disability	678	+/-349
21 to 64 years:	167,645	+/-1,051
Without any disability	144,050	+/-2,830
With one type of disability	8,969	+/-1,290
With two or more types of disability	14,626	+/-2,069
65 to 74 years:	19,795	+/-358
Without any disability	12,414	+/-1,186
With one type of disability	3,812	+/-1,193
With two or more types of disability	3,569	+/-801
75 years and over:	17,666	+/-210
Without any disability	8,503	+/-898
With one type of disability	3,074	+/-631
With two or more types of disability	6,089	+/-946

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006 American Community Survey

**Percent of population**



**Why is this important?**

Disabilities are self-reported on the American Community Survey. The prevalence of disabilities among the population in Tulsa County and Oklahoma indicates a great deal of acquired disability rather than a disability from congenital origins. The self-pay and insured costs of treating disabilities are high and growing. Examination of details regarding co-factors or risk behaviors that lead to disability should be examined.

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