2023 Annual Disability Infographic: Disability Experiences of Veterans Ages 18-64

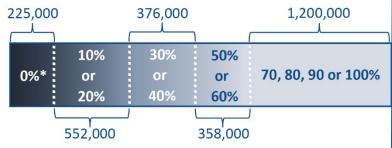


Vets with disabilities have higher poverty and lower employment rates.

DEFINING "DISABILITY"

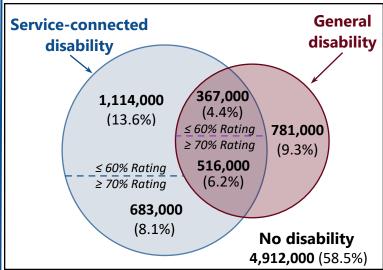
General Disability: The American Community Survey (ACS) asks a sequence of disability-related questions about difficulties with vision, hearing, ambulation, cognition, self-care, and independent living.

Service-Connected (SC) Disability: The (ACS) asks respondents to report if they have a service-connected disability, and if so, their disability rating as determined by the Veterans Administration (VA). The VA Rating Scale and number of veterans in each category is:



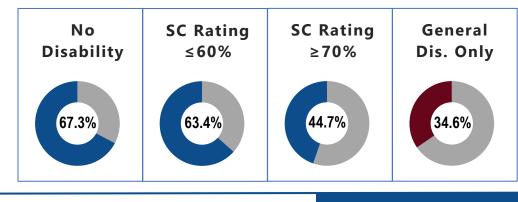
^{*}Includes veterans with SC Disability who did not report their SC Rating.

PERCENT WITH DISABILITIES



Of 8,403,000 veterans ages 18-64, 19.0 percent report a service-connected disability rating of 60% or lower and 14.3 percent report a service-connected disability rating of 70% or higher, while 9.3 percent report a general disability but not a service-connected disability.

PERCENT WORKING: FULL-TIME YEAR-ROUND



AVERAGE WAGES PER HOUR*

\$35.70 \$37.55

No SC Disability

≤60%

\$36.57 SC Disability ≥70% \$30.21
General Disability
Only

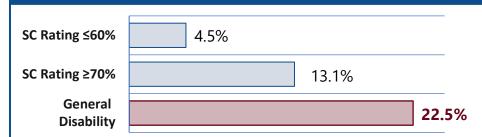
PERCENT IN OR NEAR POVERTY

23.4%

General Disability Only

No Disability: 8.3% SC ≤ 60 : 9.2% SC ≥ 70 : 8.7%

PERCENT RECEIVING SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY BENEFITS



*Note: Average wages for full-time year-round workers

Source: 2021 American Community Survey – civilian non-institutionalized veteran population



