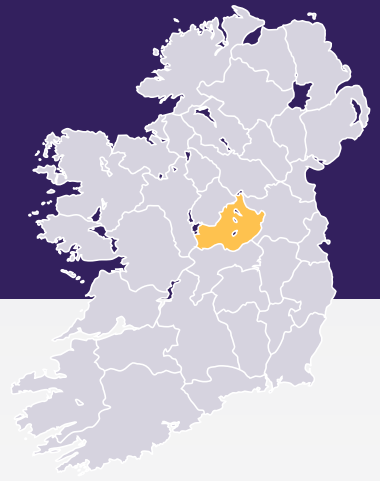




DISABILITY FEDERATION OF IRELAND

# Disability Profile: Westmeath<sup>1</sup>



22%

of the population of Westmeath, or **20,681** people, have at least one disability.

Number of people in each age range with a disability



0-14	15-24	25-44	44-65	65+
1,979	2,155	4,373	5,869	6,305

## Disability by gender

Male  
**10,065**



Female  
**10,616**



## Number of people with each type of disability



<b>8,081</b>	<b>6,505</b>	<b>5,618</b>	<b>4,875</b>	<b>4,780</b>	<b>4,413</b>	<b>2,228</b>
Difficulty with pain, breathing or any other chronic illness or condition	Difficulty with basic physical activities	Blindness or a vision impairment	Psychological or emotional condition or a mental health issue	Difficulty with learning, remembering or concentrating	Deafness or a hearing impairment	Intellectual disability

## Education level obtained<sup>2,3</sup>



No formal education

**5%**

have no formal education compared to 2.23% of the general population

Primary level

**13%**

did not progress beyond primary education compared to 6.18% of the general population.

Secondary

**32%**

had completed upper secondary compared to 27.32% of the general population.

Further education

**11%**

had completed further education compared to 11.24% of the general population.

Higher education

**23%**

had completed higher level education compared to 29.33% of the general population.

Still in education

**7%**

are still in education compared to 10.59% of the general population.

## Labour Participation<sup>4</sup>

37.98% People with disabilities over 15 are at work compared to 46.92% of the general population



## Social Housing<sup>5</sup>

11.96% People with disabilities are in social housing (by household) compared to 8.05% of the general population

- All statistics based on Census 2022, cso.ie
- Further education includes vocational/technical certificate and advanced certificate/completed apprenticeship, higher education includes Higher Certificate, Ordinary/Honours Bachelor, Postgraduate Diploma/Degree, and Doctorate. Data based on special tabulation from CSO.
- % of all adults, both ceased and not ceased their education. Adults who did not indicate whether they had ceased education are not shown.

- These numbers represent every individual over 15, including those in education, those over 65 and people retired.
- People aged 15 years and over, who were renting from a Local Authority or a Voluntary Body.

Due to changes in the census questions, the data from Census 2022 is not comparable to data from previous censuses



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