

# National Physical and Sensory Disability Database Statistics 2017



**Services provided to people with physical and sensory disabilities**

Percentages of people receiving one or more of the following types of services:

**Services required 2018-2022**  
(In addition to those provided in 2017)

Percentages of people requiring one or more of the following types of services:



Therapeutic intervention and rehabilitation services including physiotherapy, community resource work and occupational therapy

**88%**

**30%**



Assistive products (technical aids and appliances) including special furniture and other aids to personal care, aids to mobility and aids to hearing

**68%**

**11%**



Day services/activities including mainstream schools, open employment and day activation services

**58%**

**9%**



Personal assistance and support services including home help, personal assistant and peer support

**27%**

**6%**



Respite services

**8%**

**3%**

Emergency respite services

**1%**



Residential services

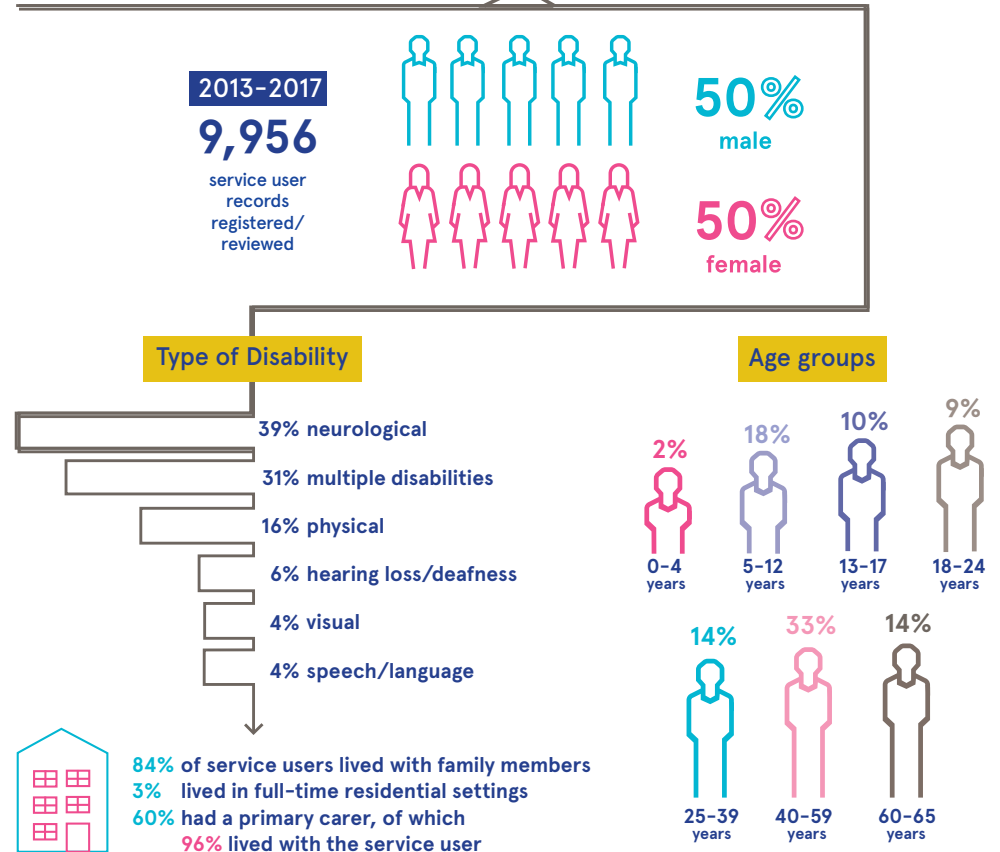
**3%**

**0%**

## The Demographics

**20,676**  
service users<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Consent is obtained prior to registration on the database and participation is voluntary so it is not intended to act as an epidemiological tool but is used to aid service planning.



## Participation in everyday living

The measure of activity and participation (MAP) is a WHO ICF-based measure that captures the subjective experience of people with a physical/sensory disability about their participation in everyday living.

2013-2017  
**6,941**  
 service users registered/  
 reviewed and aged 16+

### Barriers and challenges

Barriers to participation experienced in the previous 12 months



**57%**  
 climate/weather



**52%**  
 physical environment



**41%**  
 income

### Participation restriction

Restricted participation in major areas of life experienced in the previous 12 months



**56%**  
 socialising



**53%**  
 shopping



**51%**  
 sports or physical recreation

### Assessment of difficulties experienced due to physical/sensory disability (WHODAS 2.0)

Difficulty with functioning in daily activities in the previous 30 days

**85%**

The majority of people reported that the difficulties they experienced interfered with life overall



**70%**  
 standing for long periods



**69%**  
 emotionally affected



**69%**  
 walking long distances



**57%**  
 household responsibilities



**55%**  
 joining in community activities



**41%**  
 concentrating for 10 minutes