

October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month

BY THE NUMBERS Held every October, National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) is a fitting time to focus on the important and diverse contributions from people with disabilities. The 2021 NDEAM theme will be “America’s Recovery: Powered by Inclusion” and will celebrate the many contributions of America’s workers with disabilities.

About one in four people in the U.S. has a disability, which is any condition of body or mind that can make it more difficult to do certain activities or interact with others. A disability can affect a person’s vision, movement, thinking, communicating, or relationships.

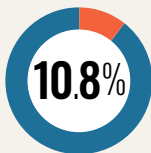
Some people are born with a disability, while others may have them due to age, illness, or injury. Although people with disabilities sometimes refers to a single population, this is actually a diverse group of people with a wide range of needs.

Research from the National Institutes of Health works to improve the lives of those with disabilities.



61 million adults in the U.S. live with a disability.

10.8% of these adults have a disability that makes it hard to concentrate, remember things, or make decisions.



In the U.S., **1 in 4 women** has a disability.



13.7% of people have difficulty walking or climbing stairs, which is also known as a mobility disability.

SOURCE: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention