

People with Disabilities: A Texas Profile

2024 Update

Demographic characteristics of individuals with disabilities can help system partners serve this population with abilities that can translate into innovative thinking and alternative approaches to business challenges.

Demographic Characteristics

U.S. Total Population 331,097,584

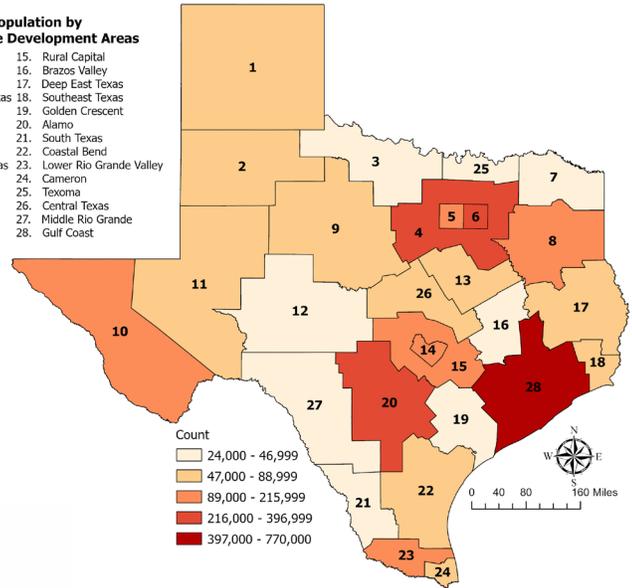
12.9% People with Disabilities (U.S.) 41,941,456

Texas Total Population 29,243,342

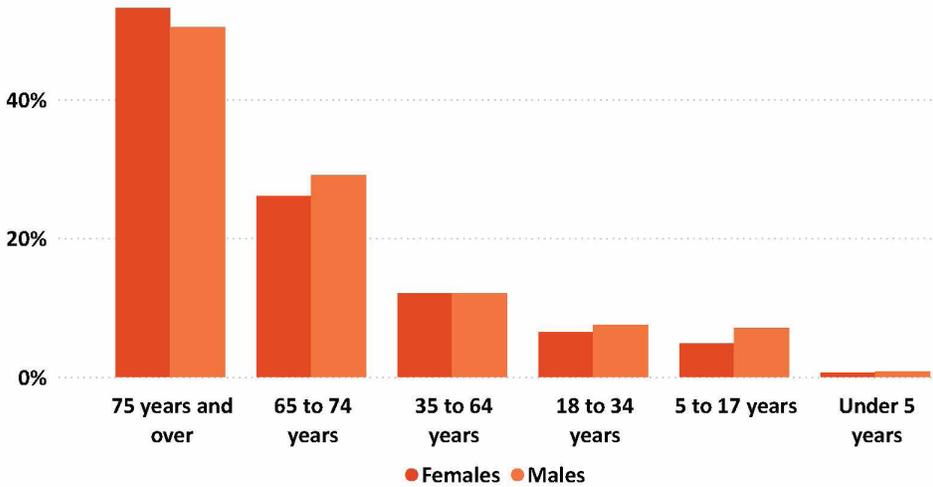
12.1% Texans with Disabilities 3,549,223

Total Population by Local Workforce Development Areas

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| 1. Panhandle | 15. Rural Capital |
| 2. South Plains | 16. Brazos Valley |
| 3. North Texas | 17. Deep East Texas |
| 4. North Central Texas | 18. Southeast Texas |
| 5. Tarrant County | 19. Golden Crescent |
| 6. Greater Dallas | 20. Alamo |
| 7. Northeast Texas | 21. South Texas |
| 8. East Texas | 22. Coastal Bend |
| 9. West Central Texas | 23. Lower Rio Grande Valley |
| 10. Borderplex | 24. Cameron |
| 11. Permian Basin | 25. Texoma |
| 12. Concho Valley | 26. Central Texas |
| 13. Heart of Texas | 27. Middle Rio Grande |
| 14. Capital Area | 28. Gulf Coast |



Age and Gender

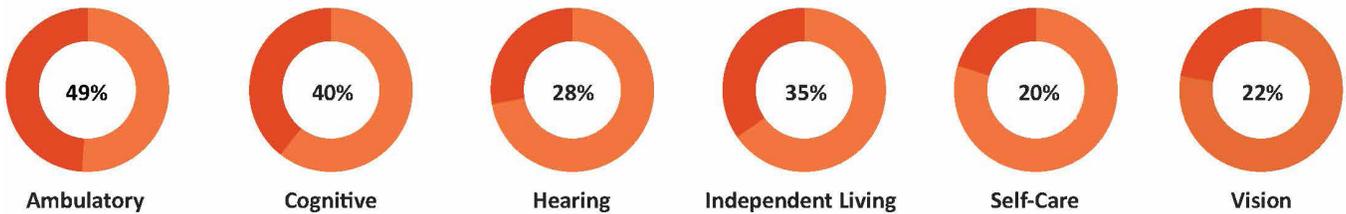


The Houston metro area and surrounding Gulf Coast area counties show the most significant number, at over 760,000 Texans with disabilities. Others include the San Antonio-New Braunfels, Austin-Round Rock, and Dallas-Forth Worth metro areas.

Older Texans make up the largest percentage of individuals with disabilities.

The six disability categories are not mutually exclusive. This means that one person may claim multiple disability types.

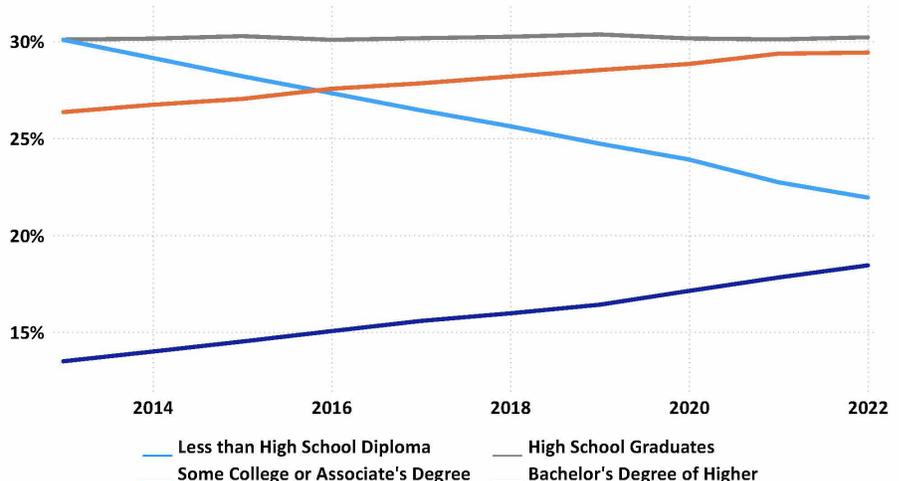
Disability Type



Educational Attainment

Bachelor's Degree or Higher with and without a Disability

19% 35%



*Non-Institutionalized Population Age 25 and Older

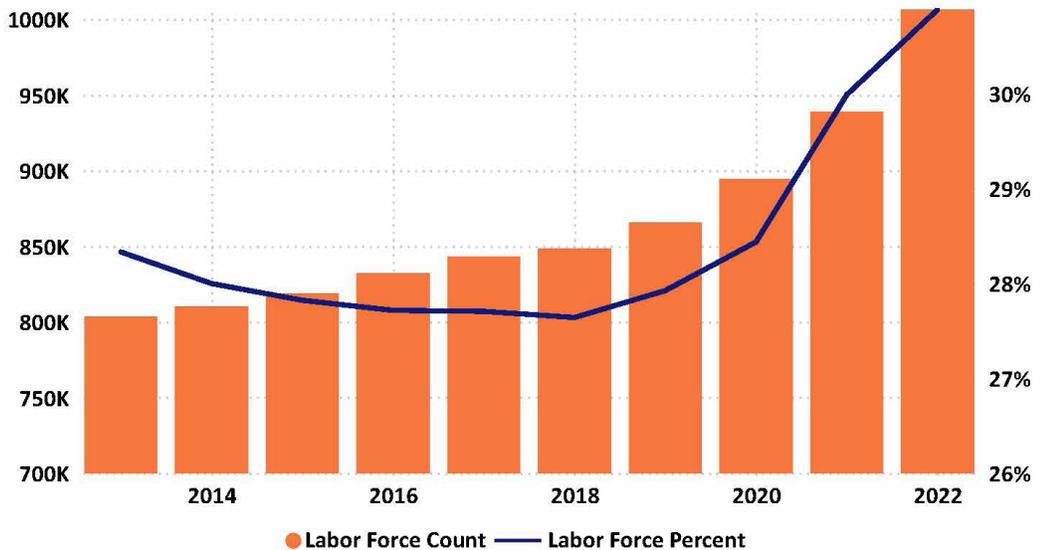
Labor Force Participation

Texans with disabilities accounted for approximately seven percent of the 14.6 million labor force in Texas for 2022.

Construction is the industry employing the most individuals with disabilities in Texas, followed by restaurant and other food services.

In 2022, Texas labor force participants with disabilities earned an average salary of \$47,133 compared to \$63,415 for those without disabilities.

Texans with Disabilities Age 16 and Over



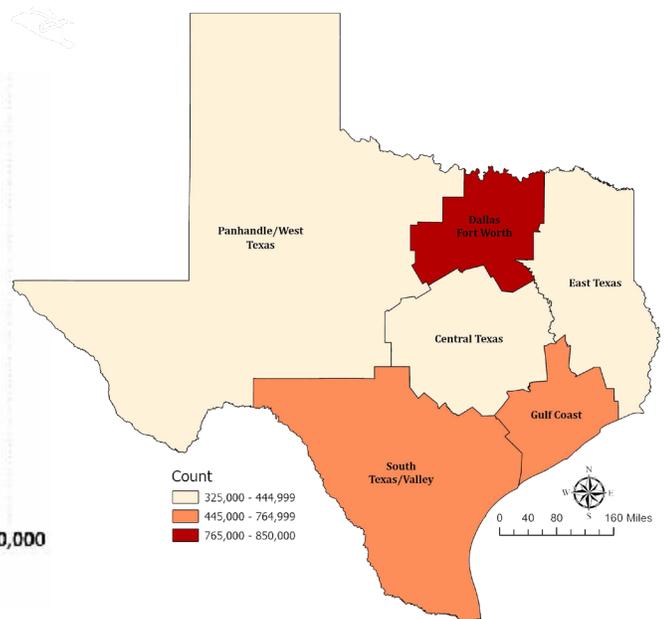
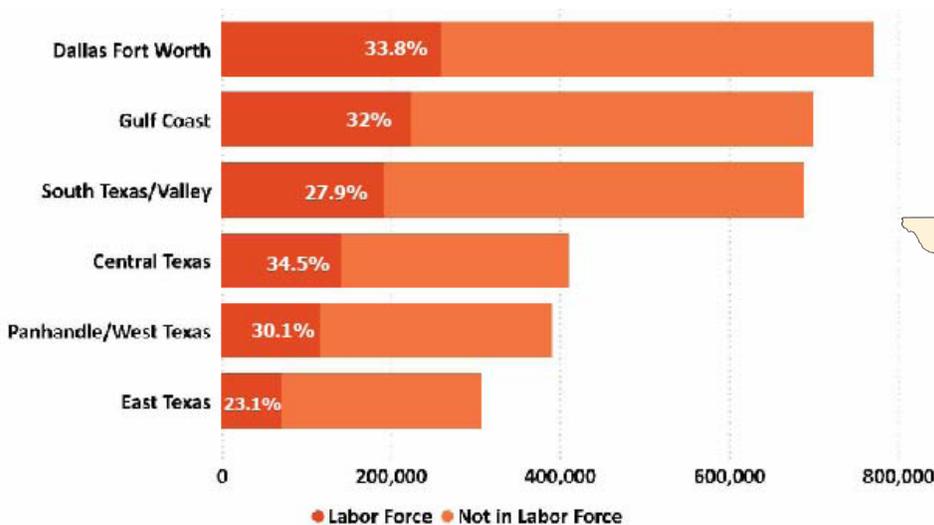
Employment — Top Five Industries



Earnings



Vocational Rehabilitation Regions



Data Source: 2013-2022 American Community Survey Microdata