

**Level of functioning (per cent), by region, age, type of disability, contents and year, 1998, 2002, 2005, 2008, 2012, 2015 And 2019**

			Level of functioning						
			1998	2002	2005	2008	2012	2015	2019
Northern Norway	Years, total	Difficulty seeing even when wearing glasses/contact lenses	4	4	3	6	6	9	11
		Difficulty hearing a conversation in quiet surroundings	.	.	.	.	.	4	3
		Difficulty hearing a conversation in noisy surroundings	.	.	.	.	.	24	31
		Difficulty hearing even when using hearing aid	4	4	3	10	9	4	4
		Great difficulty concentrating or remembering	..	4	3	1	2	2	4
		Reduced mobility	..	8	7	10	9	10	10
		Difficulty walking for 5 minutes	.	.	.	.	.	9	7
		Difficulty climbing stairs. One floor up or down without resting	.	.	.	.	.	5	5
		Difficulty walking 500 meters on flat terrain. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	12	8
		Difficulty biting or chewing hard food (ex an apple). Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	10
		Difficulty carrying (-2012)	..	5	4	7	7	.	.
		Difficulty preparing meals. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	5	0
		Difficulty shopping groceries. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	9	4
		Difficulty doing light housework. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	7	6
		Difficulty doing occasional heavy housework. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	24	16
		Difficulty handling private accounts, postal and paperwork. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	8	6
		Difficulty handling the telephone. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	4	2
		Difficulty managing medication. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	3	2
		Difficulty feeding yourself. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	0	0
		Difficulty getting in and out of a chair or bed. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	10	8
		Difficulty dressing/undressing or personal hygiene. Persons 67 and over	.	.	.	.	.	6	2
		Difficulty getting out of the house without assistance (-2012)	4	5	3	5	6	.	.
		Unable to use public transport due to health problems or disability (2015)	.	.	.	.	.	2	.
		Difficulty using public transport	5	5	3	7	6	.	.
		Difficulty with public transport (distance to stop, steps, space, ventilation etc.)	.	.	.	.	.	.	28
		Difficulty participating in organizational/leisure activities (-2012)	13	14	10	14	17	.	.
		Difficulty with social relationships	3	2	3	2	3	3	4
		Severely reduced work capacity. Percentage of employed persons (-2012)	..	5	2	3	3	.	.
		Somewhat reduced work capacity. Percentage of employed persons (-2012)	..	17	13	15	14	.	.
		Uses aids. All kinds (1998)	7	..	..	..	.	.	.
		Uses hearing aid	4	..	..	..	.	5	6
		Uses support corset or prosthesis (1998)	3	..	..	..	.	.	.
		Uses walking aid, crutches, cane, walker, guide dog, or wheelchair (1998)	3	..	..	..	.	.	.
	Number of persons interviewed	736	697	719	661	529	1189	1209	
16-24 years		Difficulty seeing even when wearing glasses/contact lenses	2	10	..	2	5	7	12
		Difficulty hearing a conversation in quiet surroundings	.	.	.	.	.	3	0
		Difficulty hearing a conversation in noisy surroundings	.	.	.	.	.	12	20
		Difficulty hearing even when using hearing aid	2	3	2	5	1	1	0
		Great difficulty concentrating or remembering	..	11	5	1	4	3	7
		Reduced mobility	..	5	7	2	2	1	2
		Difficulty walking for 5 minutes	.	.	.	.	.	1	1
		Difficulty climbing stairs. One floor up or down without resting	.	.	.	.	.	1	2
		Difficulty walking 500 meters on flat terrain. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
		Difficulty biting or chewing hard food (ex an apple). Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
		Difficulty carrying (-2012)	..	5	5	3	.	.	.
		Difficulty preparing meals. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
		Difficulty shopping groceries. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
		Difficulty doing light housework. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
		Difficulty doing occasional heavy housework. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
		Difficulty handling private accounts, postal and paperwork. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
		Difficulty handling the telephone. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
		Difficulty managing medication. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
		Difficulty feeding yourself. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
		Difficulty getting in and out of a chair or bed. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
		Difficulty dressing/undressing or personal hygiene. Persons 67 and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
		Difficulty getting out of the house without assistance (-2012)	..	1	..	1	.	.	.
		Unable to use public transport due to health problems or disability (2015)	.	.	.	.	.	0	.
	Difficulty using public transport	1	1	2	1	1	.	.	
	Difficulty with public transport (distance to stop, steps, space, ventilation etc.)	.	.	.	.	.	.	22	
	Difficulty participating in organizational/leisure activities (-2012)	9	4	7	3	4	.	.	
	Difficulty with social relationships	1	3	2	1	4	6	5	
	Severely reduced work capacity. Percentage of employed persons (-2012)	..	..	..	2	.	.	.	
	Somewhat reduced work capacity. Percentage of employed persons (-2012)	..	21	..	13	9	.	.	
	Uses aids. All kinds (1998)	1	..	..	..	.	.	.	
	Uses hearing aid	..	..	..	..	.	2	0	
	Uses support corset or prosthesis (1998)	..	..	..	..	.	.	.	
	Uses walking aid, crutches, cane, walker, guide dog, or wheelchair (1998)	..	..	..	..	.	.	.	
	Number of persons interviewed	107	79	96	94	71	200	153	
25-44 years		Difficulty seeing even when wearing glasses/contact lenses	3	2	0	3	3	5	6
		Difficulty hearing a conversation in quiet surroundings	.	.	.	.	.	3	1

	Difficulty hearing a conversation in noisy surroundings	.	.	.	.	.	14	15
	Difficulty hearing even when using hearing aid	2	3	3	6	7	0	1
	Great difficulty concentrating or remembering	..	3	2	1	1	2	5
	Reduced mobility	..	2	3	3	.	4	5
	Difficulty walking for 5 minutes	.	.	.	.	.	3	4
	Difficulty climbing stairs. One floor up or down without resting	.	.	.	.	.	3	3
	Difficulty walking 500 meters on flat terrain. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty biting or chewing hard food (ex an apple). Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty carrying (-2012)	..	3	2	4	1	.	.
	Difficulty preparing meals. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty shopping groceries. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty doing light housework. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty doing occasional heavy housework. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty handling private accounts, postal and paperwork. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty handling the telephone. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty managing medication. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty feeding yourself. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty getting in and out of a chair or bed. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty dressing/undressing or personal hygiene. Persons 67 and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty getting out of the house without assistance (-2012)	2	2	1	1	3	.	.
	Unable to use public transport due to health problems or disability (2015)	.	.	.	.	.	0	.
	Difficulty using public transport	2	2	3	5	.	.	.
	Difficulty with public transport (distance to stop, steps, space, ventilation etc.)	.	.	.	.	.	.	28
	Difficulty participating in organizational/leisure activities (-2012)	8	7	5	11	11	.	.
	Difficulty with social relationships	2	1	2	2	2	4	7
	Severely reduced work capacity. Percentage of employed persons (-2012)	..	3	3	2	3	.	.
	Somewhat reduced work capacity. Percentage of employed persons (-2012)	..	13	12	13	13	.	.
	Uses aids. All kinds (1998)	2	..	..	..	.	.	.
	Uses hearing aid	1	..	..	..	.	0	2
	Uses support corset or prosthesis (1998)	..	..	..	..	.	.	.
	Uses walking aid, crutches, cane, walker, guide dog, or wheelchair (1998)	..	..	..	..	.	.	.
	Number of persons interviewed	295	249	257	215	144	318	331
45-66 years	Difficulty seeing even when wearing glasses/contact lenses	3	5	5	7	8	9	11
	Difficulty hearing a conversation in quiet surroundings	.	.	.	.	.	2	4
	Difficulty hearing a conversation in noisy surroundings	.	.	.	.	.	28	34
	Difficulty hearing even when using hearing aid	7	3	2	10	8	1	3
	Great difficulty concentrating or remembering	..	3	3	2	2	2	3
	Reduced mobility	..	8	7	9	6	9	9
	Difficulty walking for 5 minutes	.	.	.	.	.	7	6
	Difficulty climbing stairs. One floor up or down without resting	.	.	.	.	.	5	6
	Difficulty walking 500 meters on flat terrain. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty biting or chewing hard food (ex an apple). Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty carrying (-2012)	..	5	2	5	6	.	.
	Difficulty preparing meals. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty shopping groceries. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty doing light housework. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty doing occasional heavy housework. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty handling private accounts, postal and paperwork. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty handling the telephone. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty managing medication. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty feeding yourself. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty getting in and out of a chair or bed. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty dressing/undressing or personal hygiene. Persons 67 and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Difficulty getting out of the house without assistance (-2012)	3	5	2	3	5	.	.
	Unable to use public transport due to health problems or disability (2015)	.	.	.	.	.	2	.
	Difficulty using public transport	4	6	2	5	7	.	.
	Difficulty with public transport (distance to stop, steps, space, ventilation etc.)	.	.	.	.	.	.	29
	Difficulty participating in organizational/leisure activities (-2012)	15	16	13	13	15	.	.
	Difficulty with social relationships	2	4	2	2	3	2	2
	Severely reduced work capacity. Percentage of employed persons (-2012)	..	9	2	4	5	.	.
	Somewhat reduced work capacity. Percentage of employed persons (-2012)	..	21	17	18	16	.	.
	Uses aids. All kinds (1998)	6	..	..	..	.	.	.
	Uses hearing aid	3	..	..	..	.	2	4
	Uses support corset or prosthesis (1998)	2	..	..	..	.	.	.
	Uses walking aid, crutches, cane, walker, guide dog, or wheelchair (1998)	2	..	..	..	.	.	.
	Number of persons interviewed	237	267	264	257	203	460	495
67 years or older	Difficulty seeing even when wearing glasses/contact lenses	7	2	9	15	7	16	16
	Difficulty hearing a conversation in quiet surroundings	.	.	.	.	.	9	6
	Difficulty hearing a conversation in noisy surroundings	.	.	.	.	.	44	56
	Difficulty hearing even when using hearing aid	9	10	9	25	21	17	15
	Great difficulty concentrating or remembering	..	6	6	1	1	1	2
	Reduced mobility	..	25	17	35	31	30	22
	Difficulty walking for 5 minutes	.	.	.	.	.	27	18
	Difficulty climbing stairs. One floor up or down without resting	.	.	.	.	.	14	11

Difficulty walking 500 meters on flat terrain. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	12	8
Difficulty biting or chewing hard food (ex an apple). Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	.	10
Difficulty carrying (-2012)	..	13	11	25	21	.	.
Difficulty preparing meals. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	5	0
Difficulty shopping groceries. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	9	4
Difficulty doing light housework. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	7	6
Difficulty doing occasional heavy housework. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	24	16
Difficulty handling private accounts, postal and paperwork. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	8	6
Difficulty handling the telephone. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	4	2
Difficulty managing medication. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	3	2
Difficulty feeding yourself. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	0	0
Difficulty getting in and out of a chair or bed. Persons 67 years and over	.	.	.	.	.	10	8
Difficulty dressing/undressing or personal hygiene. Persons 67 and over	.	.	.	.	.	6	2
Difficulty getting out of the house without assistance (-2012)	14	13	17	21	17	.	.
Unable to use public transport due to health problems or disability (2015)	.	.	.	.	.	7	.
Difficulty using public transport	18	16	9	25	16	.	.
Difficulty with public transport (distance to stop, steps, space, ventilation etc.)	.	.	.	.	.	.	30
Difficulty participating in organizational/leisure activities (-2012)	29	36	21	39	36	.	.
Difficulty with social relationships	10	3	4	5	2	3	3
Severely reduced work capacity. Percentage of employed persons (-2012)	..	..	..	..	.	.	.
Somewhat reduced work capacity. Percentage of employed persons (-2012)	..	..	..	..	10	.	.
Uses aids. All kinds (1998)	31	..	..	..	.	.	.
Uses hearing aid	19	..	..	..	.	22	17
Uses support corset or prosthesis (1998)	17	..	..	..	.	.	.
Uses walking aid, crutches, cane, walker, guide dog, or wheelchair (1998)	17	..	..	..	.	.	.
Number of persons interviewed	97	102	102	95	111	211	230

Reduced mobility ie. difficulty walking up or down 12 steps or difficulty walking at a moderate pace for five minutes.

.. = Data not available. Figures have not been entered into our databases or are too unreliable to be published.

. = Category not applicable. Figures do not exist at this time, because the category was not in use when the figures were collected.

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