Kenya

SOURCE

**Name of source:** 2008 Kenya National Survey for Persons with Disabilities


**Type of source:** Household survey

**Periodicity:** Once off

**Objectives:** The main objectives of the Kenya National Survey for Persons with Disabilities (KNSPWD) were to:
- Estimate the numbers of PWDs and their distribution in the country.
- Examine the demographic, socio-economic and socio-cultural characteristics of PWDs.
- Determine the nature, types and causes of disability in the country.
- Identify specific problems faced by persons with disability by sex. Identify coping mechanisms and needs of PWDs.
- Establish the nature of services and rehabilitation programmes available for PWDs by type.

**COVERAGE**

**Disabilities:** Hearing, speech, visual, mental, physical, self-care, other

**Population groups:** Persons age 12-49

**Total population covered:** Population residing in households and institutions in the country

**Economic activities:** All economic activities

**Sectors covered:** All sectors

**Labour force status:** Employed persons, unemployed persons, persons not economically active

**Status in Employment:** Worked for pay, worked, did not work, never worked, homemaker, own family business

**Geographic areas:** 15,000 households in rural and urban regions

**Establishments:** NR

**Other limitations:** No

**TERMS AND DEFINITIONS**

**Term used to denote 'disability':** ‘Person with disability or disabled person’
**Definition of this term:** Disability is defined as a disadvantage for a given individual, resulting from an impairment or a functional restriction that limits or prevents the fulfilment of a role that is normal (depending on age, sex, social and cultural factors) for that individual.

**Source of this definition:** WHO

**Questions used to identify persons with disabilities:** ‘Do you suffer from any of the following disability(ies): hearing, speech, visual, mental, physical, self-care, other.’ Possible answers: yes, no.

‘Do you use any kind of an assistive device? If yes, please specify: information device, communication device, personal mobility device, household items device, personal care and protection device, handling products and goods device, computer assisted device, other.’ ‘In the last 7 days, have you been employed? If yes, please specify: worked for pay; worked on own family business; did not work but was employed; did not work; no, never been employed; homemaker; other.’

**Minimum duration to be considered as a person with disability:** Na

**CLASSIFICATION**

**Classifications:** Age, sex, type of disability

**Cross-classifications:** No

**REFERENCE PERIOD:** Na

**DISSEMINATION**

**National publications:** Kenya National Survey for Persons with Disabilities – Preliminary Report