

# Disparities by Ability Status

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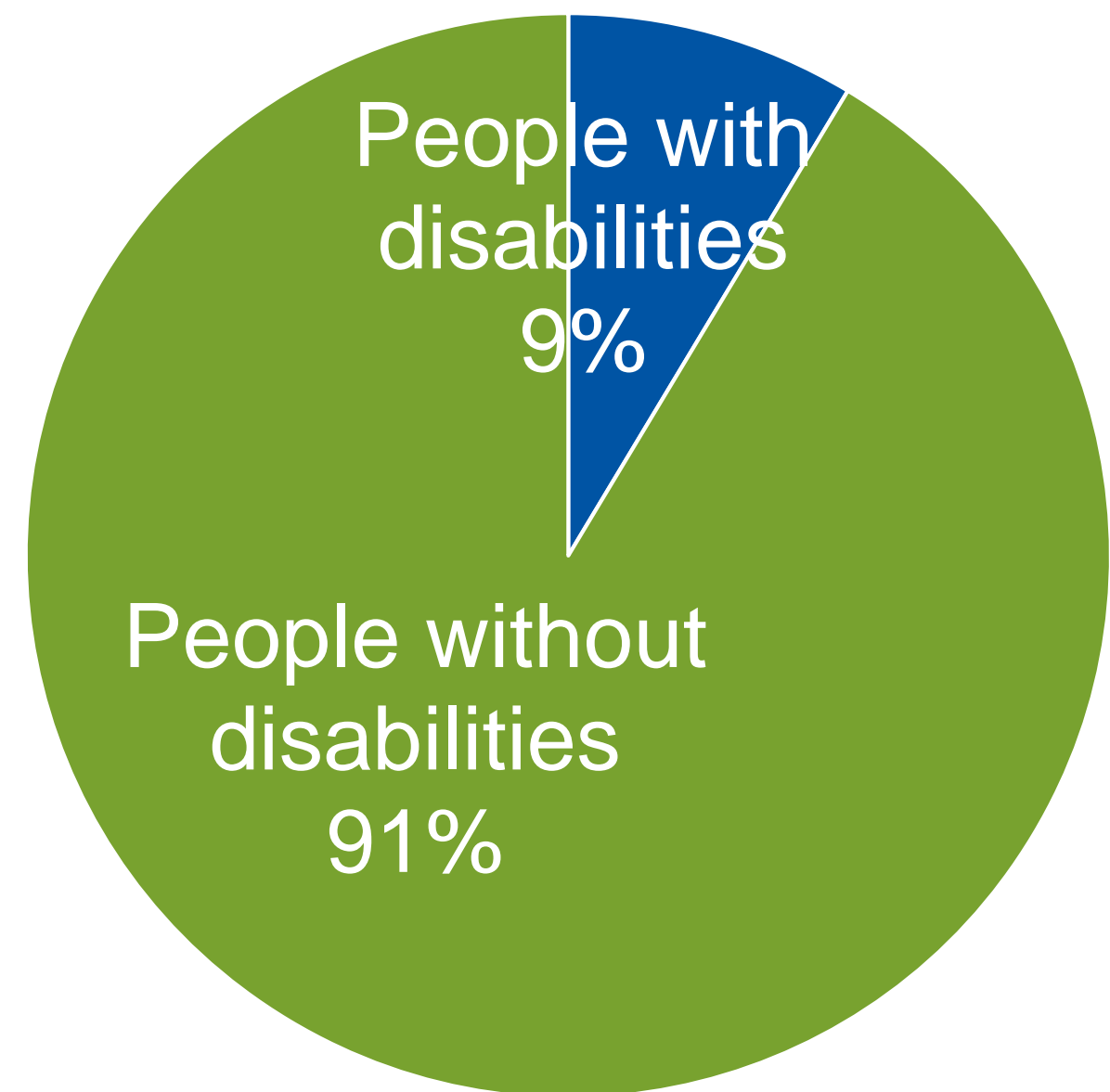
# Overview

- Who are the region's people with disabilities?
  - What types of disabilities?
  - What ages?
  - Where do people with disabilities live?
  - How will these change in the future?
- What are the socioeconomic outcomes of people with disabilities?
  - Economic well-being
  - Housing

# Who reports disabilities in the region?

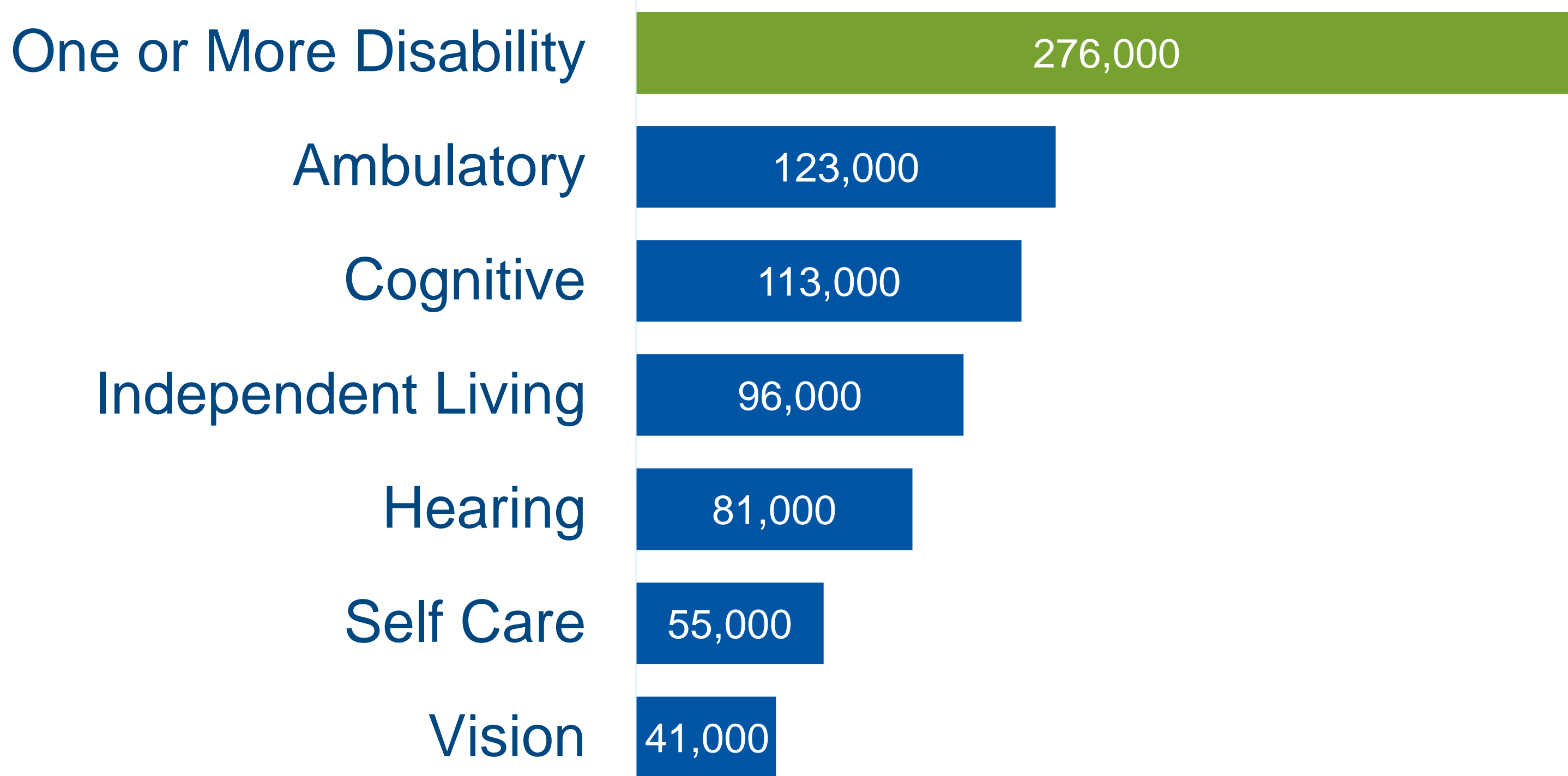
# Who reports disabilities?

- 276,000 people with disabilities in the seven-county area
- 9% of the region's population



*Source: American Community Survey, 2011-2015*

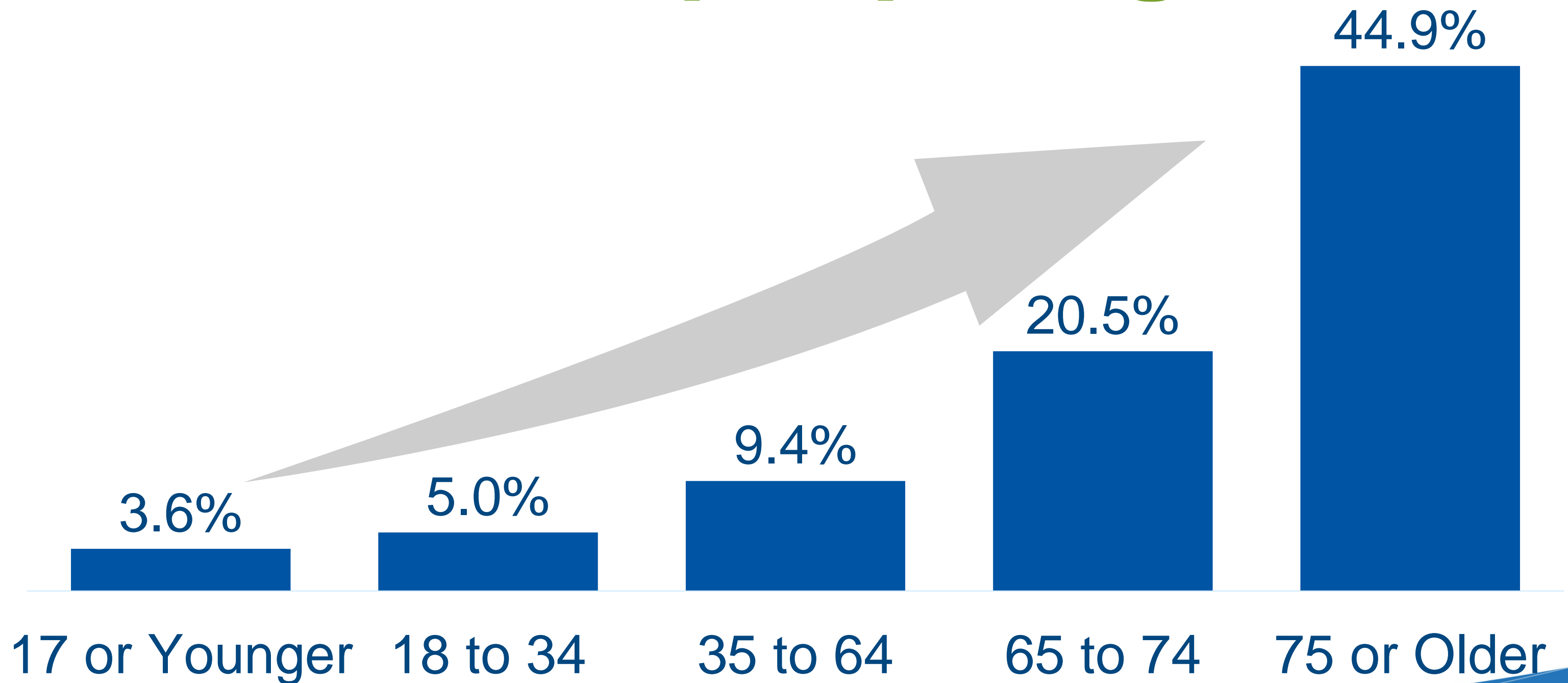
# Prevalence by Disability Type



Source: American Community Survey, 2011-2015

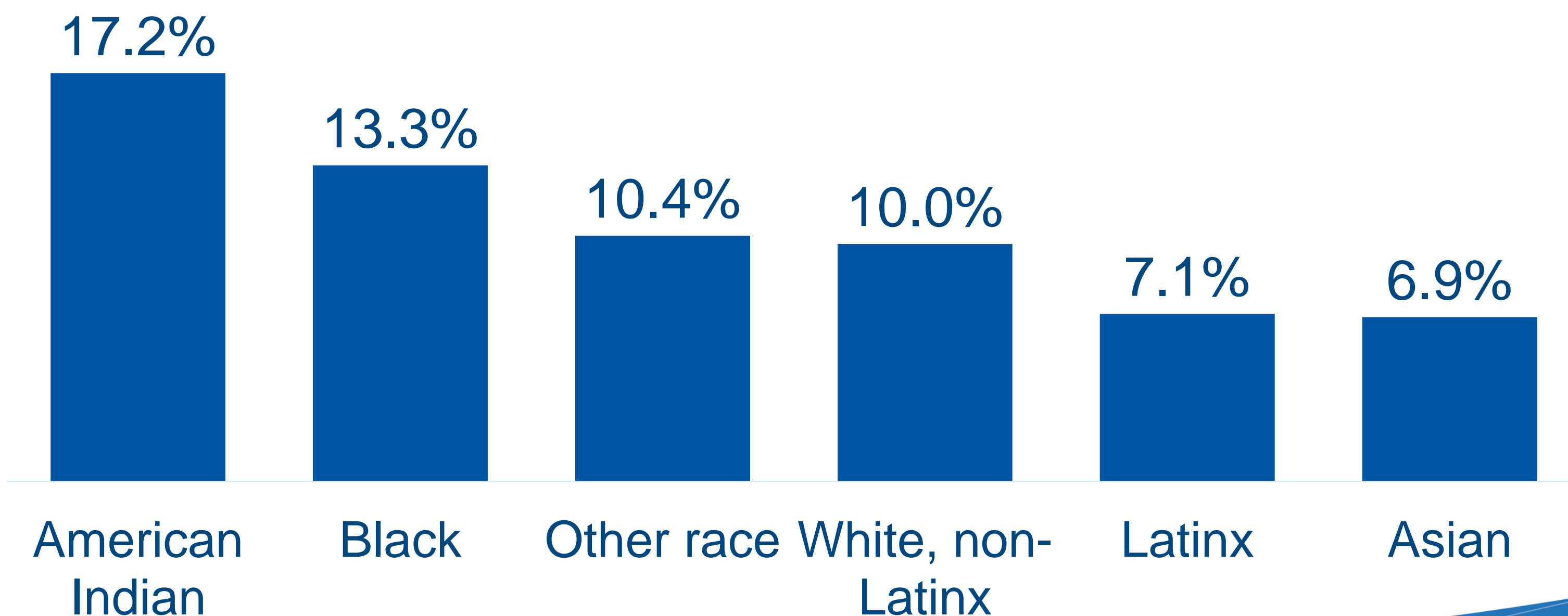


# The prevalence of disabilities increases as people age



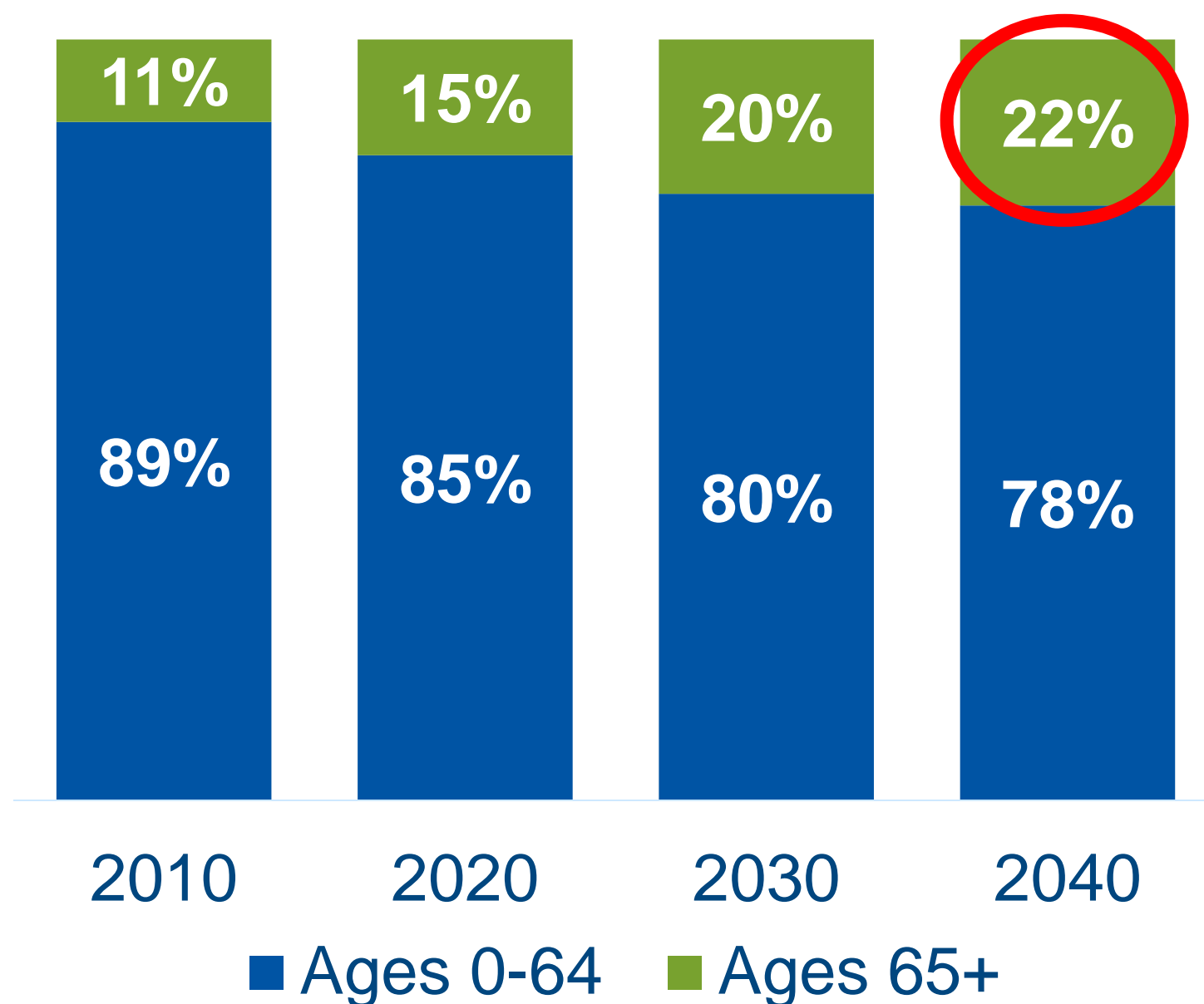
Source: American Community Survey, 2011-2015

# The prevalence of disabilities differ by race and ethnicity



Source: American Community Survey, 2011-2015

# The region is getting older

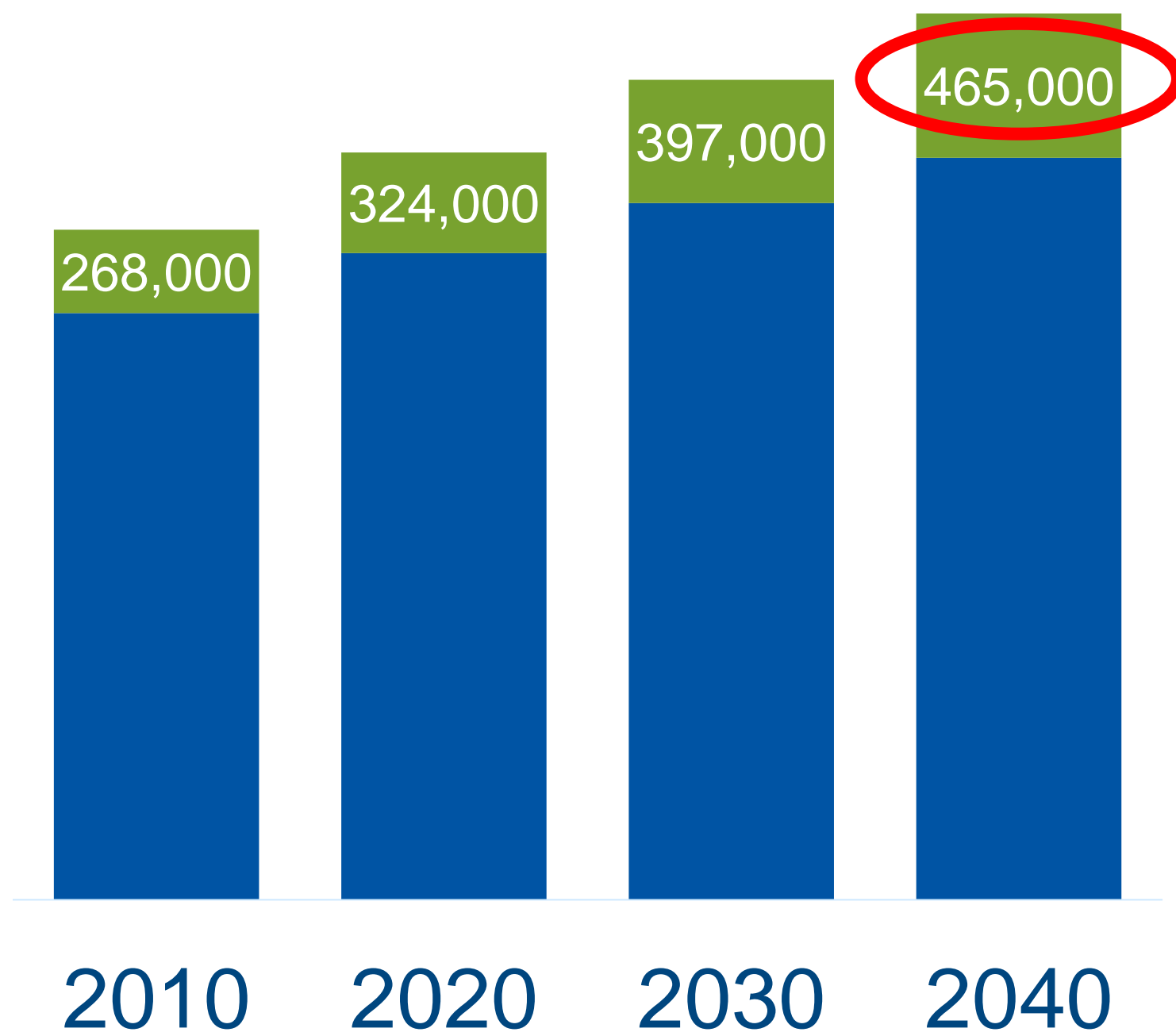


- Number of residents age 65+ will double between 2010 and 2030
- Share of 65+ will increase to 22% in 2040

Source: Metropolitan Council Population Forecasts



# An older region means more adults with disabilities



- 465,000 adults with disabilities in 2040 assuming constant likelihood of disability by age
- **60%** more than 2015

Source: Metropolitan Council Population Forecasts

# Population with disabilities

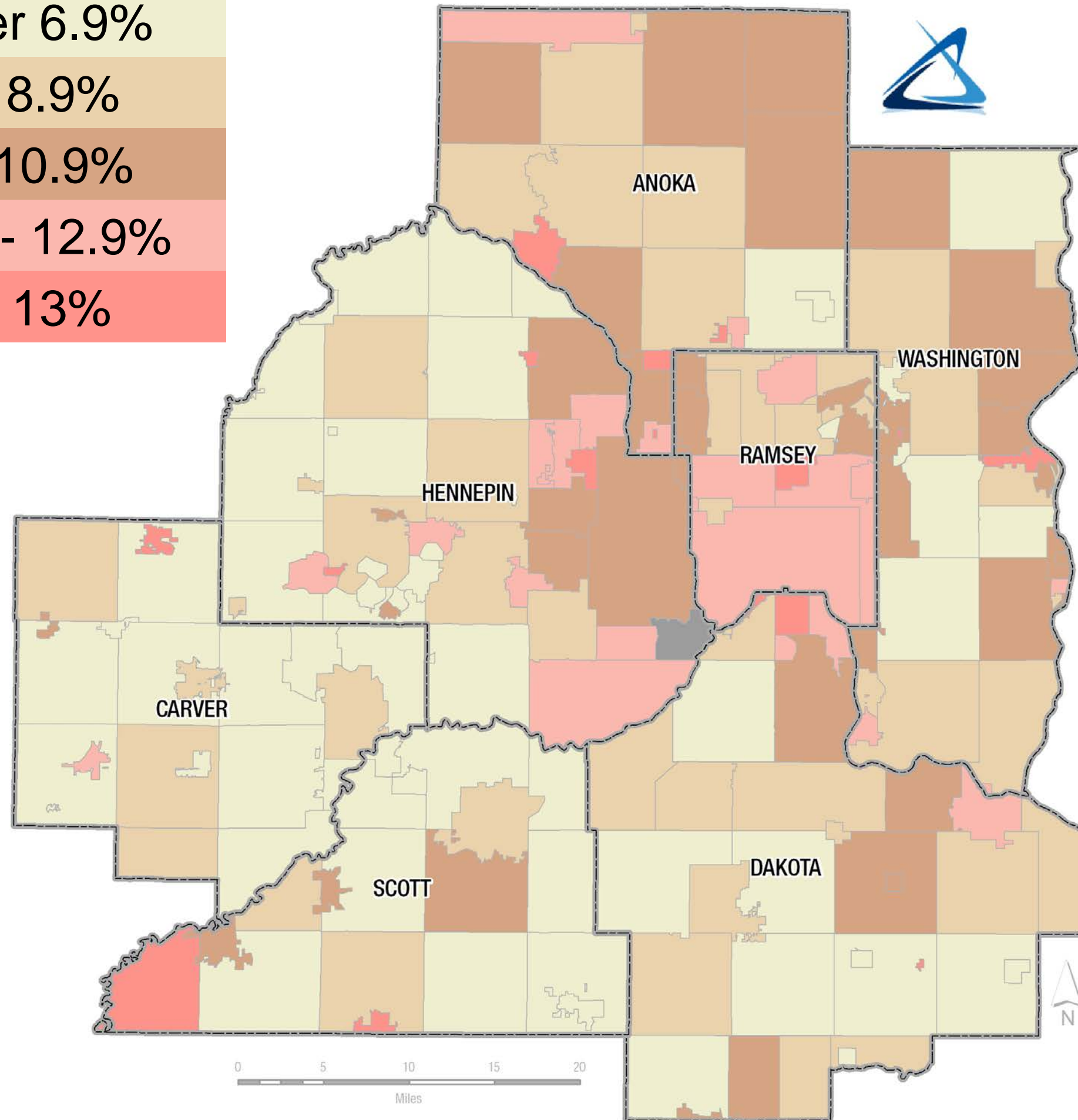
Under 6.9%

7% - 8.9%

9% - 10.9%

11% - 12.9%

Over 13%



Higher shares of people with disabilities live in:

- Core of the region, where access to transportation and services is easier
- Cities with higher shares of older adults

Source: American Community Survey, 2011-2015

**What are the socioeconomic outcomes of people with disabilities?**

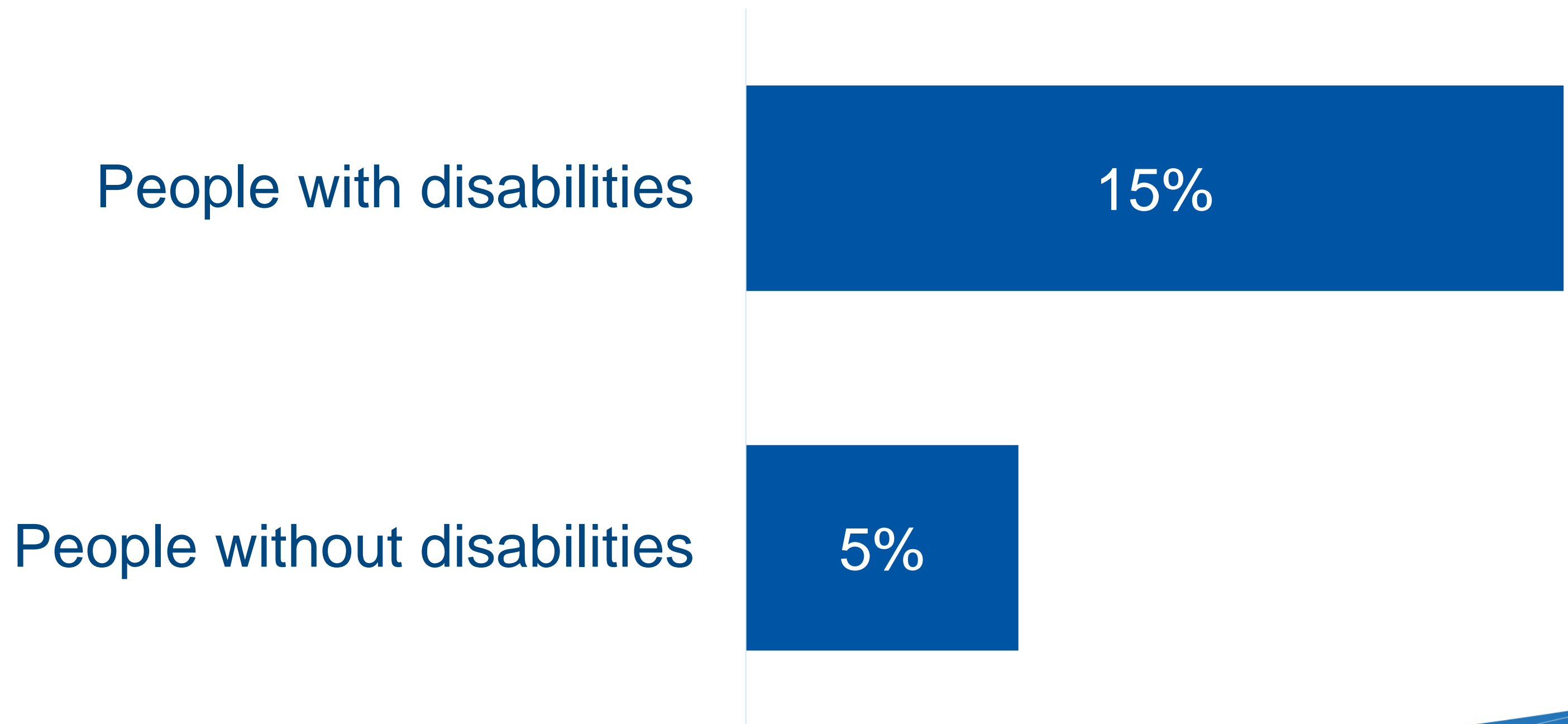
# People with disabilities are less likely to work or work full-time:



Source: American Community Survey, 2011-2015



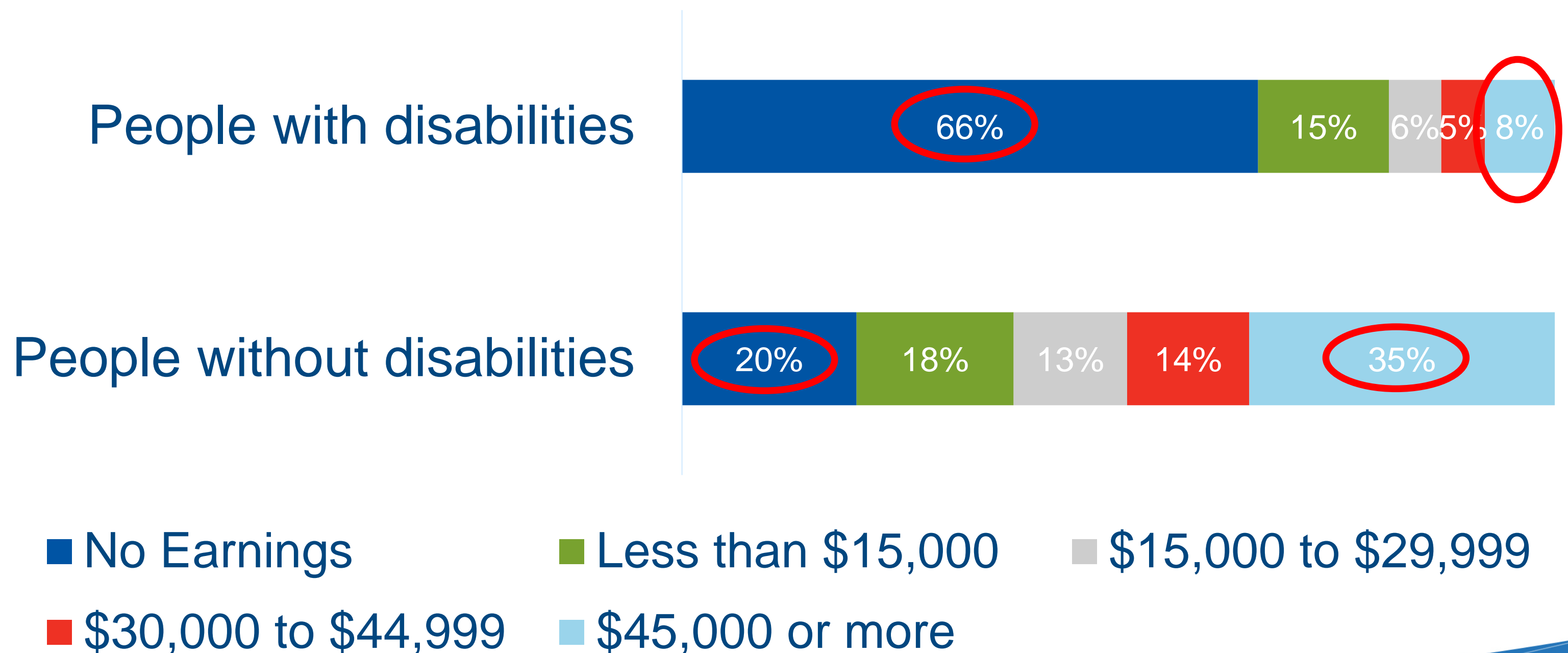
# People with disabilities are more likely to be unemployed:



*Source: American Community Survey, 2011-2015*

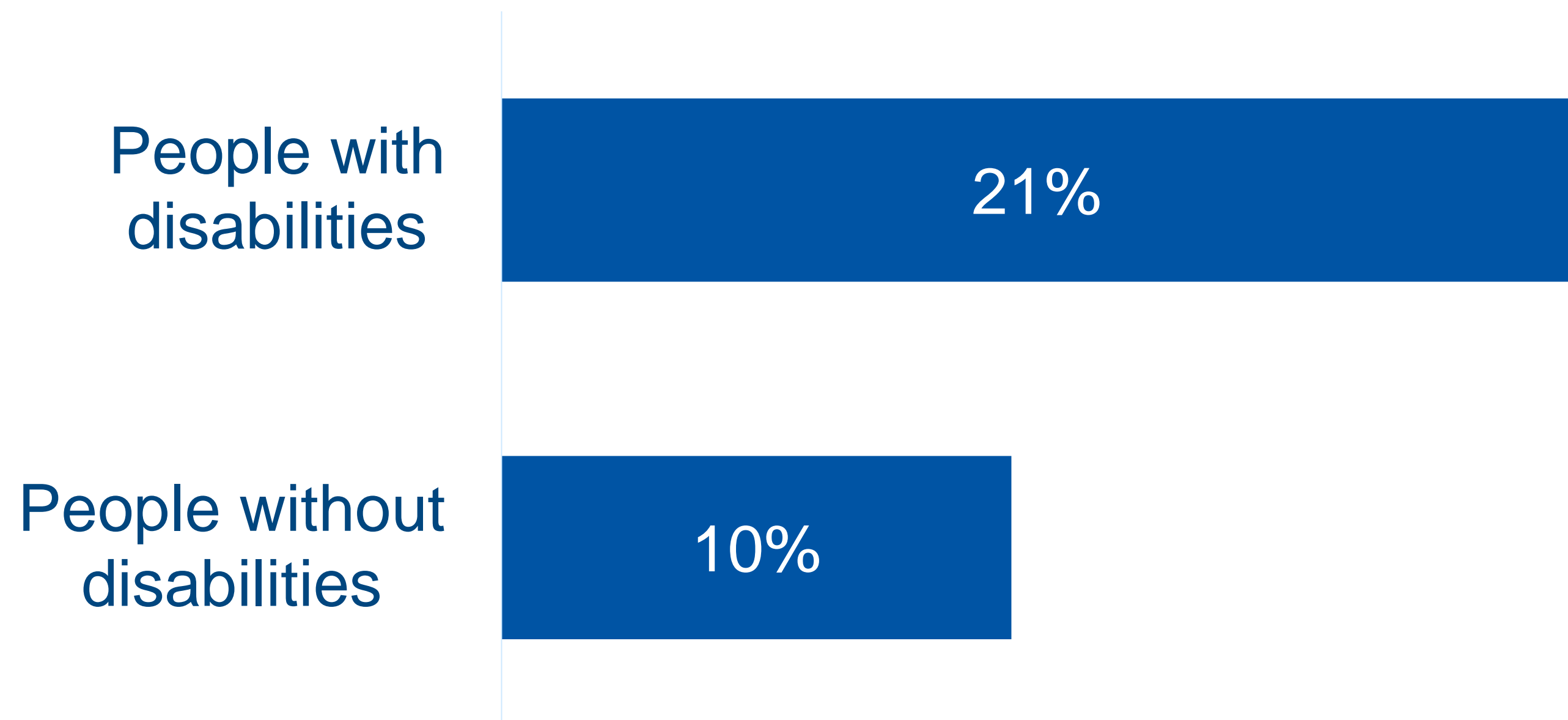


# People with disabilities tend to have less earnings:



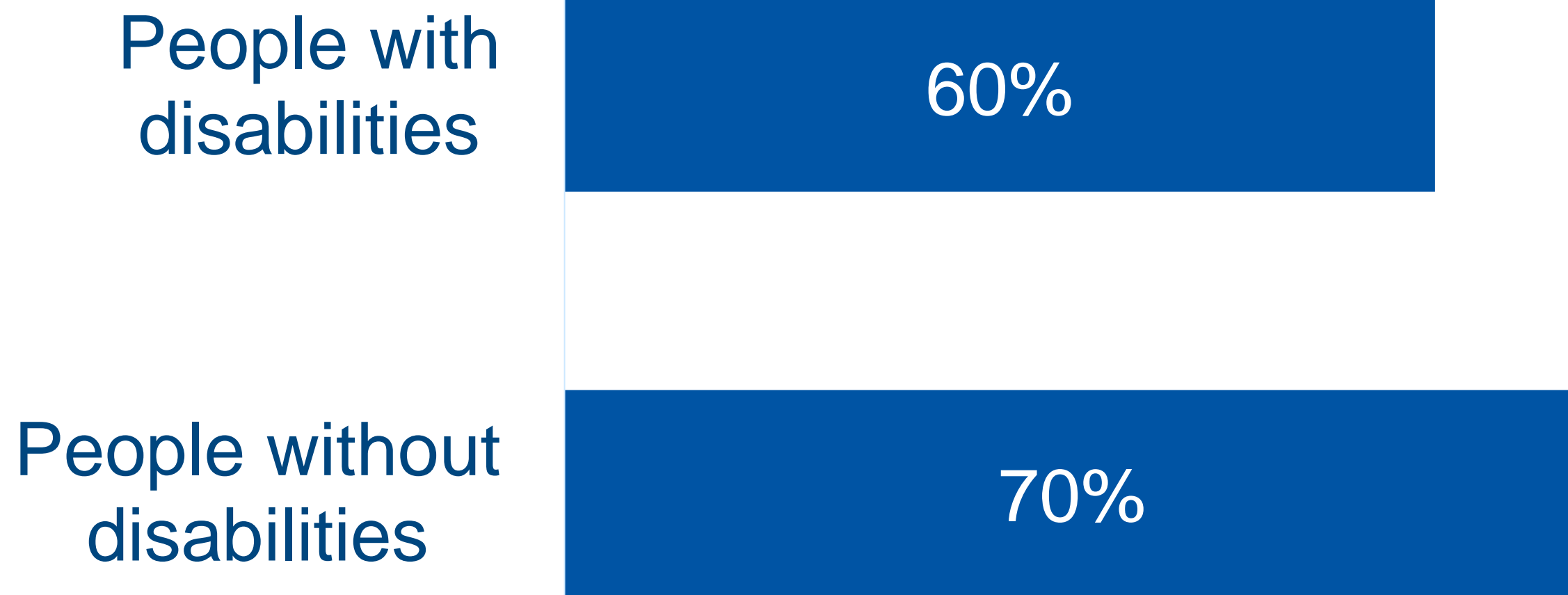
Source: American Community Survey, Public Use Microdata Sample 2011-2015

# People with disabilities are more likely to live in poverty:



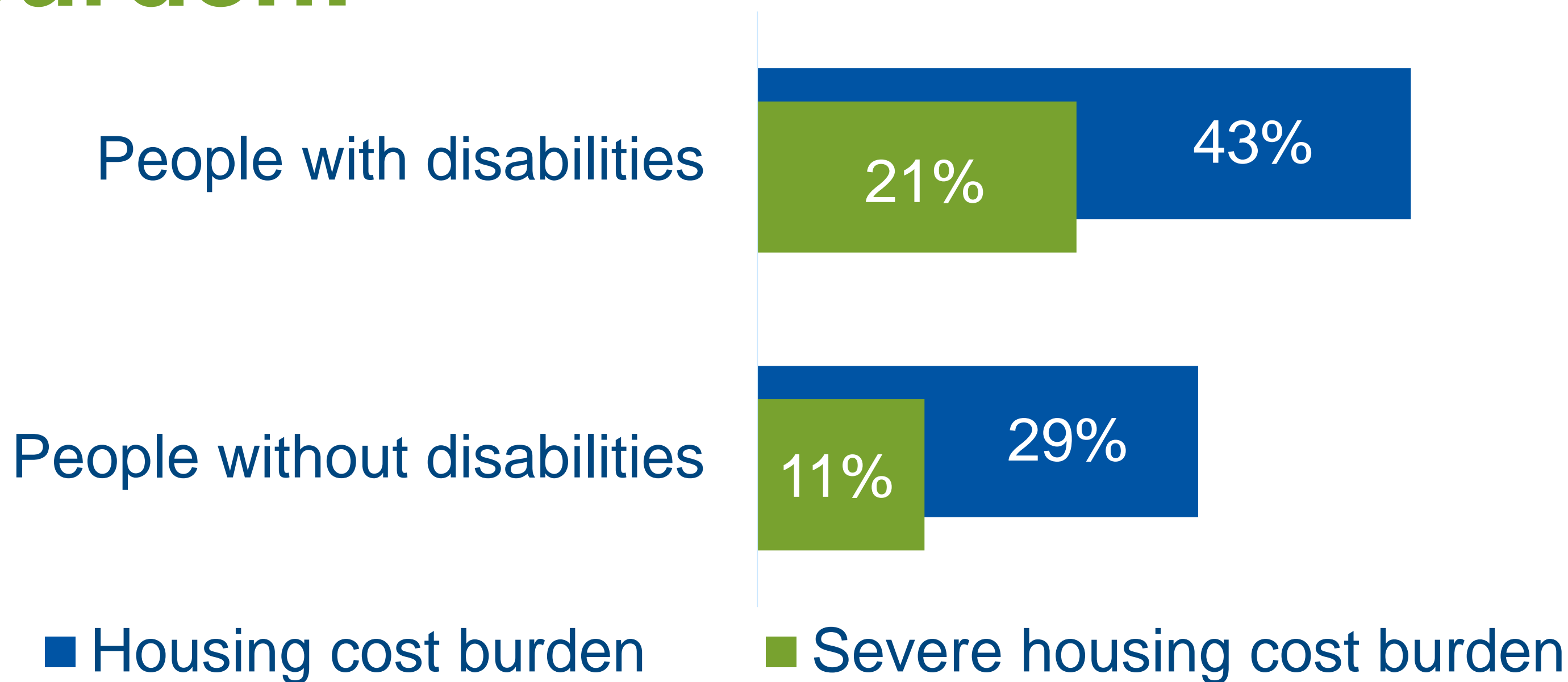
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Microdata Sample 2011-2015*

# People with disabilities are less likely to live in owner-occupied housing



*Source: American Community Survey, Public Use  
Microdata Sample 2011-2015*

# People with disabilities are more likely to face housing cost burden:



Source: American Community Survey, Public Use  
Microdata Sample 2011-2015

# Policy implications:

- Transportation: Metro Mobility and Metro Transit
- Housing:
  - Metro HRA: 48% of households have at least one person with a disability
  - Livable Communities Local Housing Incentives Account: Preference to projects that exceed the building code requirements for accessibility requirements
- Regional Parks: Accessibility in regional parks / trails
- Council as an employer:
  - 1.6% of Council employees report having a disabilities
  - 1% of Council hires report having a disabilities



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