Disability is defined as interactions between personal and environmental factors. It is measured by the level of functioning of a person in various areas of daily activities (called “domains”) regardless of impairments, using the Washington Group tools.

### Disability Prevalence

#### Jordan
- **23.5%**
  - Irbid
  - Zaatari
  - Mafraq
  - Azraq Zarka

#### Lebanon
- **21.0%**
  - Baalbek
  - El Hermel
  - Arsal
  - Bekaa

#### Coverage
- **22.8%**
  - of the surveyed Syrian refugees (aged 2+) in Jordan and Lebanon have disabilities

#### Total Sample Size
- **1,665** Households
- **8,876** Persons with disabilities

#### Persons with Disabilities
- **1,903** aged 2+ with disabilities among 8,341 persons aged 2+

**Households**
- GPS random sampling

**Persons with disabilities**
- Syrian refugees, all age groups

**Coverage**
- Jordan
- Lebanon

**Factsheet 1 of 4**

**Demographics and Disability**

**Disability Assessment among Syrian Refugees in Jordan and Lebanon**

(HI & IMMAP, 2018)
**Disability Prevalence by Age and Gender**

Disability prevalence is higher in young males than females in age groups 2-34 years, and in older females than males in age groups 35 years and above.

### Disability Prevalence

- **Jordan**
  - Without disabilities: 13
  - With disabilities: 69.0%
  - With disabilities: (31.0%) 9
  - (50.7%) 35
  - (69.7%) 115
  - (76.9%) 273
  - (85.7%) 397
  - (95.2%) 119
  - 23.9%

- **Lebanon**
  - Without disabilities: 20
  - With disabilities: 69.0%
  - With disabilities: (31.0%) 9
  - (50.7%) 35
  - (69.7%) 115
  - (76.9%) 273
  - (85.7%) 397
  - (95.2%) 119
  - 21.4%

### Disability at Household Level

- **Jordan**
  - 62.0%

- **Lebanon**
  - 59.9%

### Causes of Disability

- **Jordan**
  - Illness or disease: 411
  - Injury: 147
  - Malnutrition: 8

- **Lebanon**
  - Illness or disease: 142
  - Injury: 72
  - Malnutrition: 7

Almost one in three disabilities were acquired as a result of illness or disease.

Rates of conflict-related disability:
- **Jordan**: 24.7%
- **Lebanon**: 38.9%
**DISABILITY DOMAINS**

Domains mean different activity areas for which the functioning of a person was measured by the Washington Group tools. Surveyed domains differ for age groups.

**Children aged 2 - 4 years**

- **Communication**
  - Jordan: 2.8%
  - Lebanon: 4.7%

- **Playing**
  - Lebanon: 2.5%

**Children aged 5 - 17 years**

- **Communication**
  - Lebanon: 5.9%

- **Anxiety**
  - Adults aged 18+: 10.3%

**Adults aged 18+**

- **Walking**
  - Jordan: 14.4%
  - Lebanon: 22.6%

- **Anxiety**
  - Lebanon: 13.0%

- **Fatigue**
  - Lebanon: 12.5%

*Upper body 1*: Difficulty raising 2 liter of water from waist to eye level.

**DISABILITY AND ASSISTIVE DEVICES**

Of persons aged 2+

- **Glasses**
  - Jordan: 8.8%
  - Lebanon: 7.0%

- **Hearing aid**
  - Jordan: 0.7%
  - Lebanon: 0.9%

- **Mobility aids**
  - Jordan: 2.8%
  - Lebanon: 3.3%

- **Wear glasses**
  - of those using assistive devices...
  - Jordan: 22.6%
  - Lebanon: 18.9%

- **Use a hearing aid**
  - of those using assistive devices...
  - Jordan: 19.0%
  - Lebanon: 35.0%

- **Use mobility aids or receive assistance with walking**
  - of those using assistive devices...
  - Jordan: 71.0%
  - Lebanon: 65.4%

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High rates of persons who use assistive devices still experience ongoing difficulty = having disabilities.