

Did You Know?

In 2018, an estimated 1.4% of Americans ages 5-15 reported a sensory disability

Here are some facts about sensory disabilities that you may not know

What is a Sensory Disability?

It generally refers to a disability related to hearing, vision, or both hearing and vision.

Know the Numbers

In 2018, 3.6% of americans reported a Hearing Disability and 2.3% a Visual Disability.

Not all deaf-blind people are fully deaf or blind

This is a common misconception, different people with deaf-blindness have different communication needs.

The most common causes of blindness

The most common causes of blindness are age-related such as macular degeneration, cataract, diabetic retinopathy, and glaucoma.

The most common causes of hearing loss

The most common causes of hearing loss are aging, noise exposure, head trauma, viruses or diseases, genetics and cytotoxicity.

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