



Fact Sheet for National Mobility Awareness Month

National Mobility Awareness Month is the annual May celebration that encourages people with disabilities to enjoy an active, mobile lifestyle by making them aware of the many automotive mobility solutions provided by members of the National Mobility Equipment Dealers Association (NMEDA).

STATISTICS

United States and Canada (Mobility)

- Over 18 million people in the United States and Canada have mobility issues.
- Six million of the 18 million people are veterans.
- There are approximately 17,810 new spinal cord injuries each year in the United States.
- Mobility challenges are the most common disability among older Americans.
- Nearly 40% of people 65+ have at least one disability and 15.7 million people say they have difficulty walking or climbing stairs.

United States and Canada (Disability)

- 61 million adults in the United States live with a disability.
- 26% (one in four) adults in the United States have some type of disability.
- The percentage of people living with disabilities is highest in the South.
- Canada is home to 6.2 million people with one or more disabilities.
- Caregivers spend an average of 20 hours per week providing assistance.

Sources Include:

Caregiver Action Network
Canadian Survey on Disability, 2017
Center for Disease Control and Prevention
Statista
The Miami Project
The United States Census Bureau

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