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Disability Fact Sheet

Illinois Facts

Though Illinois is ranked as the **5th wealthiest** state in the nation, it ranks **40th** in fiscal effort for services for individuals with disabilities.

For the **eighth year** in a row– **Illinois ranked near the bottom** on an annual study that measures how well each state's **Medicaid programs** serve residents with intellectual and developmental disabilities:

- Promoting independence: 49
- Tracking health, safety and quality of life: 11
- Keeping families together: 47
- Promoting productivity: **36**
- Reaching those in need: 43

1 out of 63 births in Illinois is an infant with a developmental disability.

There are **220,000** infants, children & adults with developmental disabilities in Illinois.

Illinois ranks **4th** in the number of individuals with developmental disabilities in state institutions.

There are approximately **21,000 children and adults** with developmental disabilities in Illinois on waiting lists in urgent need of services from agencies like Little City.

Nationwide Facts

About **one in six children** in the U.S. have **one or more** developmental disabilities or other developmental delays.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that **1 in 68** children is diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

Autism Spectrum Disorder is almost 5 times more common in boys (1 in 42) than girls (1 in 189).



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There has been a **55% increase** in the prevalence of Autism Spectrum Disorder among **eight-year olds** from 2000 to 2010.

Identified Prevalence of Autism Spectrum Disorder ADDM Network 2000-2010 Combining Data from All Sites				
Surveillance Year	Birth Year	Number of ADDM Sites Reporting	Prevalence per 1,000 Children (Range)	This is about 1 in X children
2000	1992	6	6.7 (43-9.9)	1 in 150
2002	1994	14	6.6 (3.3 – 10.6)	1 in 150
2004	1996	8	8.0 (4.6 – 9.8)	1 in 125
2006	1998	11	9.0 (4.2 - 12.1)	1 in 110
2008	2000	14	11.3 (4.8 - 21.2)	1 in 88
2010	2002	11	14.7 (14.3 - 15.1)	1 in 68

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