

Approaches used to Measure Disability in Barbados

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Background Disability Statistics in Barbados

- Population & Housing Census
 - Last census (2010)
 - Previous censuses (1990, 2000)
- CALC Survey
 - 2016, 2010
 - One question which does not cover all disabilities
- NDU Disabilities Survey
 - Early 2000's



Overview of Questionnaire Items Part B: Population – Section 3

- Do you have a disability or major impairment?
- If Yes, score as many that are applicable.
- What type of aid are you required to use as a result of the disability?(Score as many that are applicable)
- Was your disability/major impairment ever diagnosed by a medical doctor?
- What was the origin of your disability?

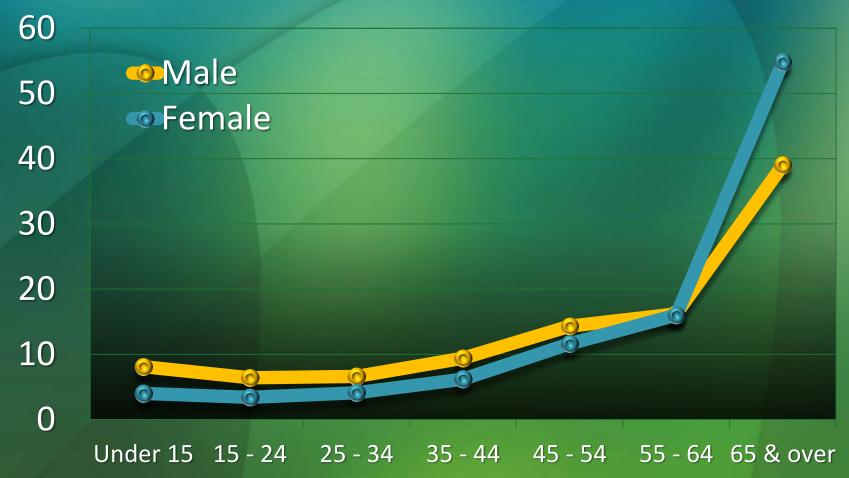


Census Results

		Both Sexes		Male		Female	
		Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
		(N)	(%)	(N)	(%)	(N)	(%)
	Total	11,546	100	4,959	100	6,587	100
Parish of Residence	St. Michael	3,953	34.24	1,722	34.72	2,231	33.87
	Christ Church	2,176	18.85	883	17.81	1,293	19.63
	St. George	718	6.22	324	6.53	394	5.98
	St. Philip	1,093	9.47	463	9.34	630	9.56
	St. John	470	4.07	189	3.81	281	4.27
	St. James	980	8.49	423	8.53	557	8.46
	St. Thomas	455	3.94	220	4.44	235	3.57
	St. Joseph	290	2.51	126	2.54	164	2.49
	St. Andrew	259	2.24	111	2.24	148	2.25
	St. Peter	644	5.58	282	5.69	362	5.5
	St. Lucy	508	4.4	216	4.36	292	4.43

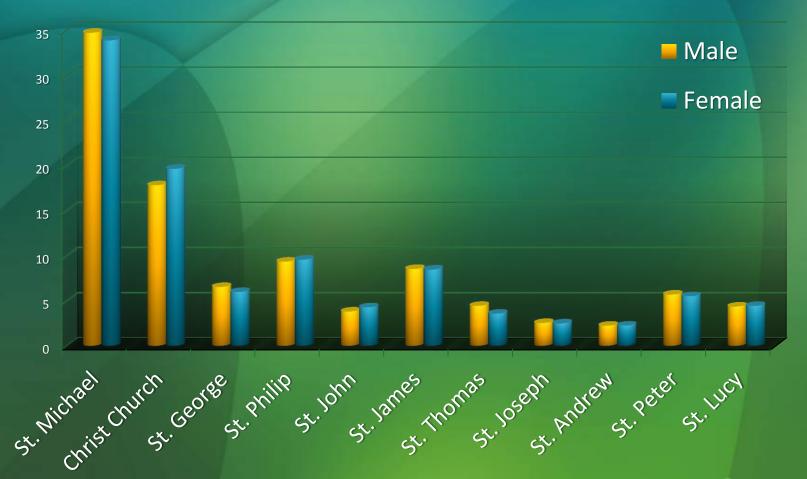


Census Results Disaggregated by Sex & Age





Census Results Disaggregated by Sex & Parish





Conclusion

- The screener question presents limitations in gathering reliable disability statistics.
- Greater capacity development required on the collection of and analysis of disability statistics.
- Targeted collaboration is required with the NDU to gain their buy-in with regard to the adoption of the WG questions to better measure the prevalence of disability.





Thank You!

