



# Surveys of Disability

SRBI has conducted surveys of disability for a variety of government and academic clients. Many of these studies have involved screening of random-digit samples to identify the disabled, while others have been based upon list samples from such sources as the Veteran's Administration. These surveys have addressed such topics as the prevalence of various forms of disabilities, how disabilities impair the functioning of people, and the kinds of services the disabled receive from various organizations.

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## **Study Examples:**

- Survey of Disabled Veterans
- VA Vocational Rehabilitation Program Evaluation
- VA Vocational Rehabilitation Customer Satisfaction
- Surveys of Disability in Maine
- Survey of the Handicapped in New Jersey
- Survey of the Transportation Handicapped in Ocean County, New Jersey
- New Jersey Disability and Health Survey
- New Jersey Nursing Home Satisfaction Survey
- Survey of the Developmentally Disabled
- Survey of Caregivers of the Disabled
- Crash Injury and Emergency Medical Services
- And many others

## **Case Studies:**

### ***Survey of Disability in New Jersey***

The Survey of Disability in New Jersey required interviews completed with a stratified sample of 15,000 households in the state, in order to permit county by county estimates of disability rates. The interview, which inventoried medical conditions and disability for all members of the household, averaged twenty-five minutes in length. The survey was conducted for the Office of the Governor.

Earlier, SRBI conducted the Statewide Survey of Handicapped in New Jersey for Rutgers University. A total of 500 residents who met one or more criteria for disability were interviewed by telephone in this study. A substantial proportion of this state-wide sample of the disabled was elderly.

### ***National Disability Survey***

The study design involved the use of a national random sample of 2,000 households. A member of the household most knowledgeable about the health issues was selected for the interview. The study sought to probe the prevalence of various forms of disabilities among US households, how disability impairs the functioning of people and what kind of services disabled people receive from various organizations.