

# DISABILITY

## IN THE UNITED STATES

**1 IN 4** AMERICANS HAVE A DISABILITY  
*that's...*

**14% & 26%**

of students aged 3-21 who receive services in school under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

of adults over 21 who are entitled to support under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

## DISABILITY IS INTERSECTIONAL

PEOPLE OF ALL...



- ★ RACES
- ★ GENDERS
- ★ ETHNICITIES
- ★ CLASSES

CAN BE BORN WITH OR DEVELOP A DISABILITY IN THEIR LIFETIME, DUE TO GENETICS, AGE, ILLNESS, OR INJURY

**1975**

FIRST VERSION OF **IDEA** WAS PASSED TO ENSURE A FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION FOR DISABLED CHILDREN

*that's*

**340**

YEARS AFTER THE FIRST PUBLIC SCHOOL OPENED IN THE U.S.

THE **ADA** WAS PASSED IN

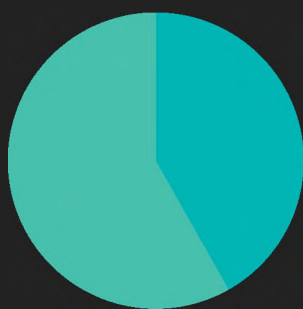
**1990**

*only 30 years ago*

IT BANS DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY IN THE AREAS OF EMPLOYMENT, PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION, PUBLIC SERVICES, TRANSPORTATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

## PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ARE MARGINALIZED

ONLY 42% OF DISABLED PEOPLE ARE EMPLOYED



Unemployed  
58.2%

Employed  
41.8%

~88% OF PEOPLE THAT WOULD BENEFIT FROM WORKPLACE ACCOMMODATIONS DO NOT RECEIVE THEM

MANY PUBLIC SPACES AND SERVICES REMAIN INACCESSIBLE



TRANSPORTATION



PARKS



THEATERS



WEBSITES