In the Most Rural Places and with Greater Disparities...

### Percentage Reporting Disabilities

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3,144,000 people with disabilities live in the most rural places, where the percentage reporting disabilities is highest (17.8%).

### Defining Places

**Urban Counties:**
- Metropolitan: counties with urban core of 50,000+ people

**Rural Counties:**
- Micropolitan: counties with urban core of 10,000-50,000
- Non-Core: counties with no urban core (< 10,000 people)

### Poverty

1 in 4 people with disabilities in the most rural places experience poverty... compared to... 1 in 5 people with disabilities in the most urban places experience poverty.

### Health Insurance

In the most rural places, people with disabilities report...

- Lower rates of Private coverage 46.8%
- Higher rates of Public coverage 77.8%

...compared to people with disabilities in other areas.*

* Metropolitan: Private 49.9%, Public 73.2%; Micropolitan: Private 48.5%, Public 76.0%

### Employment

People with Disabilities, Ages 18-64

- Metro: 38.7%
- Micro: 34.9%
- Non-Core: 32.5%

Data Source: 2016-2020 American Community Survey, civilian, noninstitutional population.

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