

# Accessible B.C. Act



**Q: What is accessibility?**

**A:** Accessibility is important for everyone, especially for people with disabilities. It means that all people can take part in their communities through work, play and other daily activities.

**In British Columbia:  
926,100 people over the age of 15 have a disability**

(see Canadian Survey on Disability 2017 for reference)

## The Accessible B.C. Act will:



Help identify, remove and prevent barriers to accessibility and inclusion



Ensure government works together with people with disabilities, advocates and organizations to create new accessibility standards



Create new tools to keep track of progress



Complement the Accessible Canada Act and federal accessibility standards



Support the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the UN Declaration for the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

Disability is higher among Indigenous people across Canada:

**36% of Indigenous women** and  
**26% of Indigenous men**

report having a disability (excludes those on reserve)



# Accessibility standards will be developed in areas such as:




Employment



Delivery of services



Built environment



Information and communication



Education



Transportation

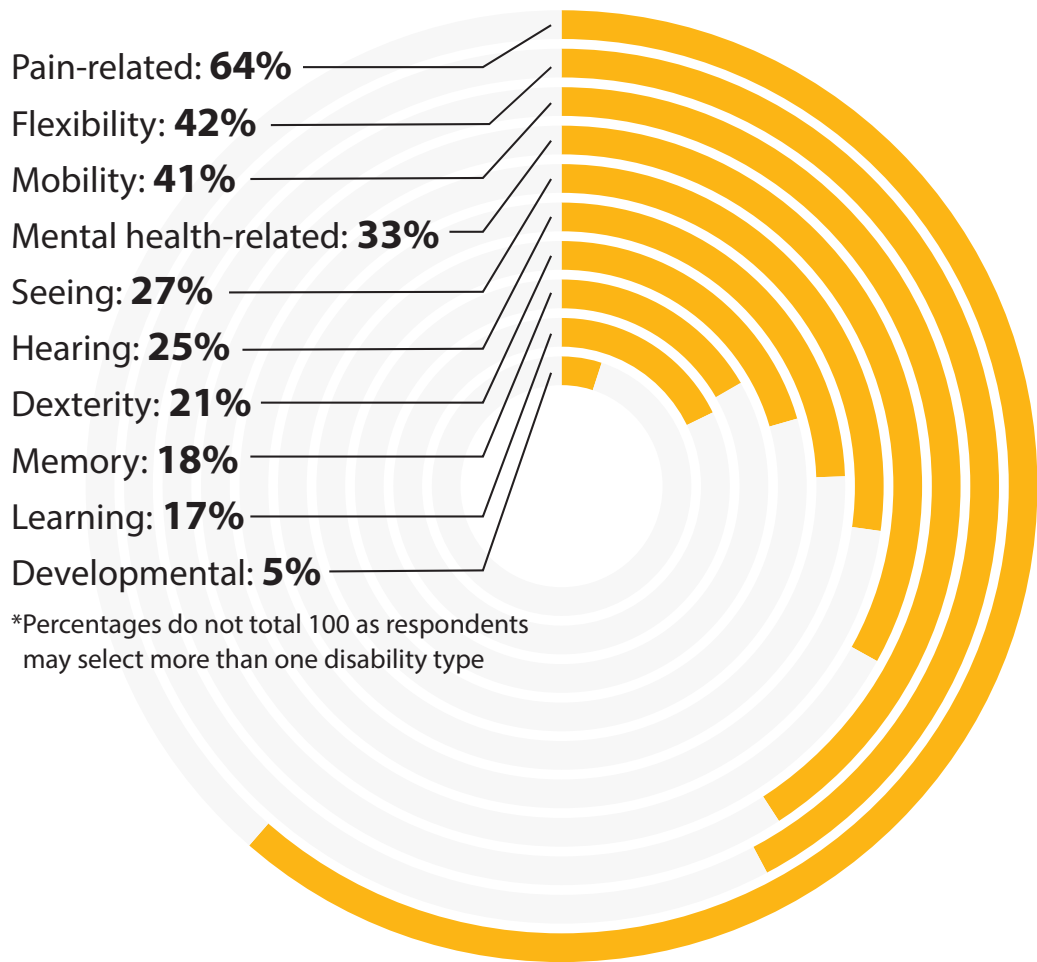


Procurement



Health

## Types of Disabilities



\*Percentages do not total 100 as respondents may select more than one disability type