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Abbreviations

CBR	Community-based Rehabilitation
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CMO	Chief Municipal Officer
CRS	Catholic Relief Services
DGE&T	Directorate General of Employment & Training
IEDC	Integrated Education of Disabled Children
ITI	Industrial Training Institutes
NCCD	National Coordination Committee on Disability
NGO	Non-governmental Organization
NHFDC	National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation
NSSO	National Sample Survey Organization
PHC	Primary Health Care
PHCs	Primary Health Centers
PWD	Person with disability
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
USAID	The United States Agency for International Development
VRC	Vocational Rehabilitation Center
WHO	World Health Organization
ZP	Zila Panchayat

1. Basic Profile

1-1. Basic Indicators

Public Sector Expenditure[1]

Health	0.6%	1996-98
Education	3.2%	1997
Social welfare	9.2%	1998
Defense	2.8%	1997

Population[1]

Population (total)	1.0 billion	2000
% of women	48.4%	2000
% of urban population	2.8%	1999
Life Expectancy [2] (total)	62.9	1999
Male	62.4	1998
Female	63.3	1998

Medical Care

Medical care personnel[2]		
Population/Doctor	2,083	1990-99
Population/Nurse & midwife	N/A	

[1] World Bank. World Development Report 2000-2001

[2] UNDP. Human Development Report 2001

Education

Education system[3]		
Primary education	5 year	
Compulsory education	8 year	
Adult literacy rate[1]		
Male	67%	1998
Female	43%	1998
Enrollment ratio[3]		
Primary education (Net enrollment ratio)		
Total	77%	1997
Male	78%	1995-99
Female	64%	1995-99
Primary education[4] (Gross enrollment ratio)		
Total	100%	1996
Male	109%	1996
Female	90%	1996
Secondary education (Net enrollment ratio)		
Total	60%	1997
Male	45%	1996
Female	39%	1996
Higher education (Gross enrollment ratio)		
Total	6.9%	1996
Male	8.4%	1996
Female	5.3%	1996

[3] UNESCO. Statistical Yearbook 1999

[4] USAID ESDS. GED2000 Retrieved February 21, 2002, from http//qesdb.cdie.org/ged/index.html

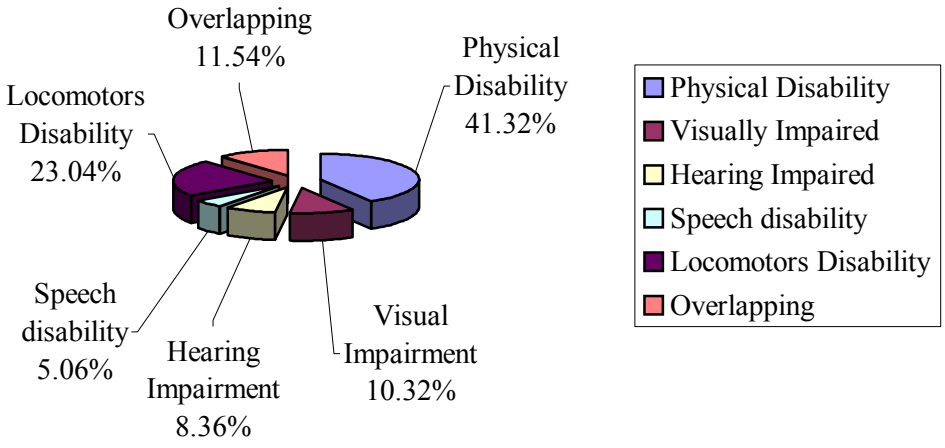
1-2. Indicators on Disability

Disability-specific Data

Table 1: Disability –specific Data

Physical Disability	Visual Impairment	Hearing Impairment	Speech Disability	Locomotors Disability	Overlapping
41.32%	10.32%	8.36%	5.06%	23.04%	11.54%

Figure 1: Disability-specific Data



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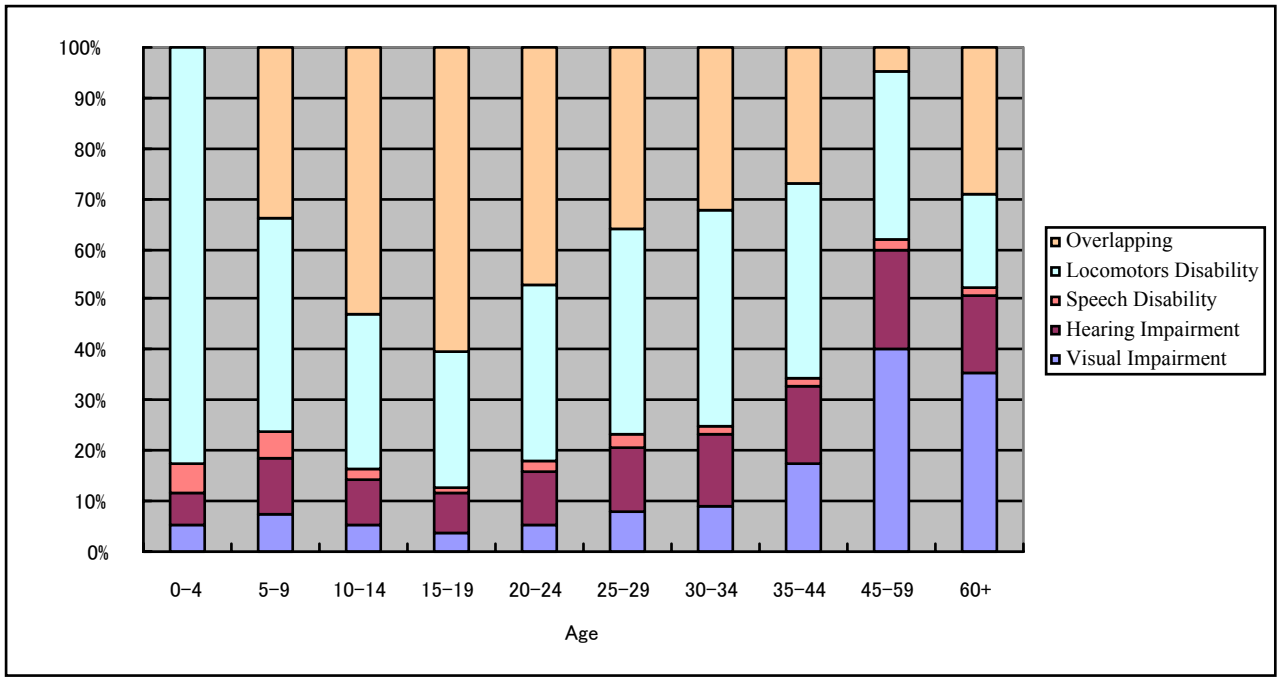
Age-specific Data

Figure 2: Age-specific Data



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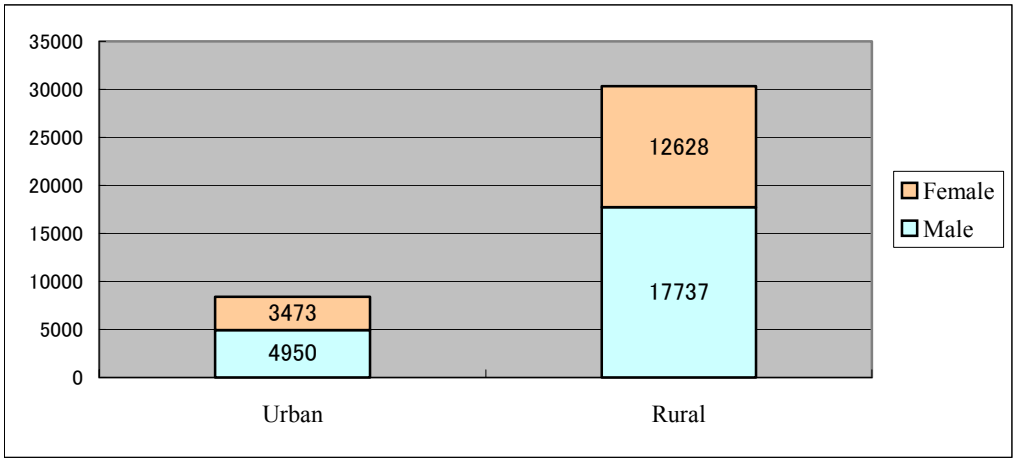
Area-specific Data

Table 2: Area-specific Data

		Number of PWD	At Least One Disability	Visually Impaired	Hearing Impaired	Speech Disability	Locomotors Disability	Overlapping
Urban	Male	4,950	2078	308	339	298	1370	557
	Female	3,473	1424	362	330	169	762	426
	Total	8,423	41.58%	7.94%	7.94%	5.50%	25.30%	11.67%
Rural	Male	17,737	7442	1539	1409	942	4396	2009
	Female	12,628	5210	1796	1164	557	2411	1490
	Total	30,365	41.67%	10.98%	8.47%	4.90%	22.42%	11.52%

Figure 3: Number of PWDs by Area and Gender



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Grade-specific Data

N/A

Cause-specific Data

Table 3: Per 1000 Distribution of Persons with Visual Disability by Cause

	Old Age	Cataract	Eye Discharge	Glaucoma	Injury	Small Pox	Diarrhea before 6 Years	Other Reasons
Urban	273	236	130	34	32	29	11	254
Rural	214	280	107	42	35	35	13	274

Table 4: Per 1000 Distribution of Persons of Age 5 Years and Above with Speech Disability by Cause

	Paralysis	Mental Illness	Voice Disorder	Injury	Hearing Impairment	Cleft Palate	Other Illness	Old Age	Other Reason
Urban	191	91	90	32	36	26	221	22	291
Rural	240	90	63	47	32	14	207	23	284

Table 5: Per 1000 Distribution of Persons with Locomotor Disability by Cause

	Palsy	Burns	Cardio Respiratory Diseases	Old Age	Cerebral	Leprosy	Polio	Smoke	Other Illness	Other Reason
Urban	328	211	112	54	48	29	30	20	22	146
Rural	346	225	115	49	43	41	19	19	15	128

Table 6: Per 1000 Distribution of Persons of Age 5 Years and Above with Hearing Disability by Cause

	Ear Discharge	Old Age	Noise Induced Hearing Loss	Other Illness	Other Reason
Urban	175	25	17	186	230
Rural	143	52	18	197	331

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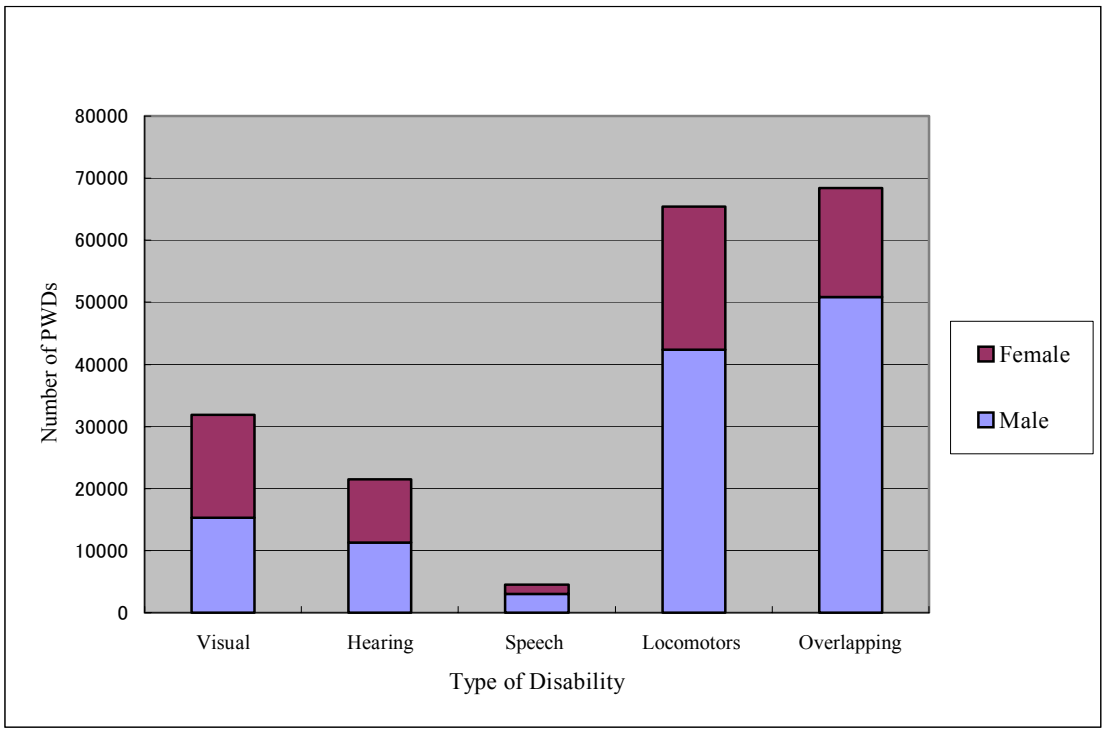
Gender-specific Data

Figure 4: Gender-specific Data



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Other

Table 7: Number of PWDs by Age, Gender and Types of Disability

		Total Number of PWD	Visual Impairment	Hearing Impairment	Speech Disability	Locomotors Disability	Overlapping
0-4	Male	17,461	934	1,028	1,014	14,419	-
	Female	9,860	504	597	552	8,207	-
5-9	Male	8,968	689	1,110	542	4,123	25,041
	Female	5,644	353	521	183	2,053	2,534
10-14	Male	8,770	501	669	205	2,990	4,405
	Female	4,905	211	504	112	1,235	2,843
15-19	Male	7,329	205	425	72	2,221	4,406
	Female	3,596	166	426	61	737	2,206
20-24	Male	5,409	245	408	99	2,121	2,536
	Female	2,423	163	404	68	645	1,143
25-29	Male	4,572	232	376	94	1,710	2,160
	Female	2,174	213	372	51	690	848
30-34	Male	4,104	304	452	56	2,100	1,192
	Female	2,254	244	451	47	653	359
35-44	Male	8,330	1,032	1,061	162	3,481	2,594
	Female	4,276	1,041	886	70	1,421	858
45-59	Male	12,638	3,859	2,455	385	4,781	1,158
	Female	10,650	5,158	2,219	143	3,130	-
60+	Male	22,729	7,261	3,312	372	4,412	7,372
	Female	2,999	8,517	3,816	180	4,272	6,217
Total	Male	100,310	15,262	11,296	3,001	42,358	50,864
	Female	48,781	16,567	10,196	1,467	23,043	17,508