Statistical Data on Employment of Visually Impaired Persons

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Statistical resources

- Social Insurance Agency (SIA)
- Centre of Labour, Social Affairs and Family (CoLSAF)
- Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic (SOoSR)
Social Insurance Agency (SIA)

- SIA evaluates the level of earning capacity restriction (ECR) in order to provide disability pension.

- The level of ECR has been reviewed since 2004.

- The new classification of people with disabilities introduced for the purposes of CoLSAF and SIA activities: “Person to 40% ECR”, “Person with more than 40% to 70% ECR” and “Person with more than 70% ECR”.

Source: Social Insurance Agency
367 reviewed persons with sight problem in 2004

In average, total blindness - half of all reviewed visual impairments (categories more than 40-70% and more than 70% of ECR).

Source: Social Insurance Agency
Centre of Labour, Social Affairs and Family (CoLSAF)

- Classification of disability types of jobless people in order to provide employment services

June 2005:
- 5% of job-seekers with disabilities out of all registered job-seekers
- 1.4% of VI job-seekers out of all registered job-seekers with disabilities

Source: Centre of Labour, Social Affairs and Family
Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic (SOoSR)

- Doesn’t regularly observe data concerning people with disabilities

- Data based on the ad hoc module on health problems and disability by Labour Force Survey in the 2nd Q. 2002

- Comparable with Eurostat Labour Force Survey ad hoc module on people with disabilities in 2nd quarter of 2002

Source: Social Trends in the Slovak Republic, 2003 Edition
Visual impairment = difficulty in seeing
Data on people with seeing difficulty sorted by labour status

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<th>Labour Status</th>
<th>Seeing difficulty (%)</th>
<th>Persons with LHP</th>
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<td>Employed</td>
<td>3.8</td>
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<td>Unemployed</td>
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What we need

- Official statistics dealing with visually impaired people and their integration into the labour market:
  - Data on employed people with visual impairment (in the open labour market), sorted by various socio-demographic categories

- Statistics on visually impaired participants of continuing education and training.

- Official statistics focused on the institutions providing continuing education and training for visually impaired persons