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The 2023 Census of Population, Households, and Dwellings

Population of Montenegro With Difficulties/Limitations in Performing Daily Activities

The data in this release refer to number and structure of population by difficulties/limitations in the performance of daily activities. Persons who have difficulties/limitations in performing daily activities are persons who have practical limitations in performing or participating in various activities. This group includes persons who experience limitations in basic activity functioning, such as walking, seeing, hearing, cognition, self-care and communication, even if the limitation has been improved by the use of aids or with environmental support. The answer to this question was collected based on the statement of enumerated person, regardless of the existence of medical documentation as proof of disability. Additionally, a constituent part of this release are also data collected via the census as the national request, which refer to the existence of the decision on the status of person with disability, i.e. decisions issued by one of competent institutions, as well as type of disability a person has.

Out of the total number of population, there are 8.54% persons with at least one difficulty/limitation in performing daily activities. Thus, there are 5.83% persons with difficulties/limitations when walking; 3.86% with seeing; 2.48% with hearing; 2.02% cognition, 2.12% self-care, and 1.09% with communication.

Observing municipalities, the highest percentage of the population with at least one difficulty/limitation is in Andrijevica, 18.06%, and the lowest percentage is 3.48% in Budva.

When observing by sex, higher percentage of persons with difficulties/limitations in performing daily activities is among women than among men. Thus, 9.56% of women and 7.48% of men have at least one difficulty/limitation in performing daily activities.

The decision on the status of person with disability issued by at least one of competent institutions is possessed by 5.36% persons. Considering the type of disability, according to the data of the census, 2.38% persons reported to have sensory disability; 3.84% physical; and 2.09% psycho-social disability.

Graph 1. Population of Montenegro by difficulties/limitations in performing daily activities

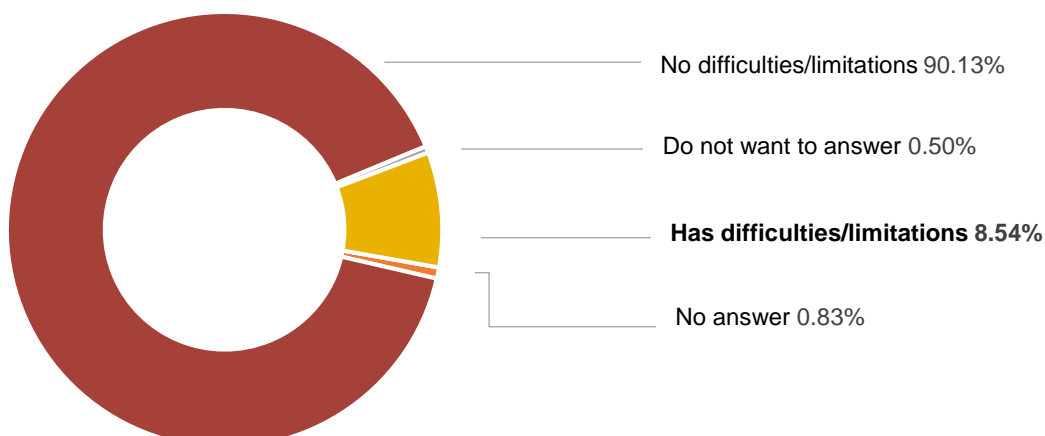


Table 1. Population of Montenegro by difficulties/limitations in performing daily activities, by municipalities

Municipalities	Total population	in %	No difficulties/limitations	in %	Do not want to answer	in %	Has difficulties/limitations	in %	No answer	in %
Montenegro	623 633	100.00	562 133	90.13	3 101	0.50	53 251	8.54	5 148	0.83
Andrijevica	3 910	100.00	3 172	81.13	20	0.51	706	18.05	12	0.31
Bar	45 812	100.00	41 838	91.33	215	0.47	3 293	7.18	466	1.02
Berane	24 645	100.00	20 215	82.02	126	0.51	4 171	16.93	133	0.54
Bijelo Polje	38 662	100.00	32 642	84.43	169	0.44	5 461	14.12	390	1.01
Budva	27 445	100.00	26 226	95.56	71	0.26	956	3.48	192	0.70
Cetinje	14 494	100.00	12 885	88.90	45	0.31	1 472	10.16	92	0.63
Danilovgrad	18 617	100.00	16 573	89.02	66	0.35	1 876	10.08	102	0.55
Gusinje	3 933	100.00	3 580	91.02	27	0.69	303	7.71	23	0.58
Herceg Novi	30 824	100.00	28 476	92.38	130	0.42	1 925	6.25	293	0.95
Kolasin	6 700	100.00	5 894	87.97	30	0.45	757	11.30	19	0.28
Kotor	22 746	100.00	21 061	92.59	71	0.31	1 482	6.52	132	0.58
Mojkovac	6 728	100.00	5 538	82.31	28	0.42	1 101	16.36	61	0.91
Niksic	65 705	100.00	59 147	90.02	419	0.64	5 710	8.69	429	0.65
Petnjica	4 957	100.00	4 088	82.47	17	0.34	827	16.69	25	0.50
Plav	9 050	100.00	7 973	88.10	29	0.32	870	9.61	178	1.97
Pljevlja	24 134	100.00	21 014	87.07	159	0.66	2 797	11.59	164	0.68
Pluzine	2 177	100.00	1 945	89.34	z	z	219	10.06	z	z
Podgorica	179 505	100.00	165 479	92.19	980	0.55	11 605	6.46	1 441	0.80
Rozaje	23 184	100.00	19 588	84.49	189	0.82	3 008	12.97	399	1.72
Savnik	1 569	100.00	1 416	90.25	z	z	146	9.31	z	z
Tivat	16 338	100.00	15 430	94.44	51	0.32	788	4.82	69	0.42
Tuzi	12 979	100.00	11 970	92.23	73	0.56	844	6.50	92	0.71
Ulcinj	20 507	100.00	18 961	92.46	102	0.50	1 188	5.79	256	1.25
Zabljak	2 941	100.00	2 669	90.75	z	z	224	7.62	z	z
Zeta	16 071	100.00	14 353	89.31	73	0.45	1 522	9.47	123	0.77

Table 2. Female population of Montenegro by difficulties/limitations in performing daily activities, by municipalities

Municipalities	Total female	in %	No difficulties/limitations	in %	Do not want to answer	in %	Has difficulties/limitations	in %	No answer	in %
Montenegro	316 826	100.00	282 380	89.13	1 572	0.50	30 296	9.56	2 578	0.81
Andrijevica	1 837	100.00	1 443	78.55	z	z	379	20.63	z	z
Bar	23 554	100.00	21 288	90.38	116	0.49	1 910	8.11	240	1.02
Berane	12 310	100.00	9 809	79.68	64	0.52	2 376	19.30	61	0.50
Bijelo Polje	19 221	100.00	15 880	82.62	85	0.44	3 062	15.93	194	1.01
Budva	14 323	100.00	13 632	95.18	38	0.27	550	3.84	103	0.71
Cetinje	7 548	100.00	6 580	87.18	23	0.30	889	11.78	56	0.74
Danilovgrad	8 877	100.00	7 802	87.89	30	0.34	999	11.25	46	0.52
Gusinje	1 836	100.00	1 620	88.24	z	z	197	10.73	z	z
Herceg Novi	16 039	100.00	14 725	91.81	67	0.42	1 100	6.86	147	0.91
Kolasin	3 317	100.00	2 889	87.10	12	0.36	406	12.24	10	0.30
Kotor	11 751	100.00	10 824	92.10	36	0.31	834	7.10	57	0.49
Mojkovac	3 278	100.00	2 625	80.08	16	0.49	612	18.67	25	0.76
Niksic	33 326	100.00	29 758	89.29	184	0.55	3 175	9.53	209	0.63
Petnjica	2 347	100.00	1 849	78.78	z	z	478	20.37	z	z
Plav	4 293	100.00	3 719	86.63	13	0.30	467	10.88	94	2.19
Pljevlja	12 134	100.00	10 322	85.07	80	0.66	1 647	13.57	85	0.70
Pluzine	1 026	100.00	902	87.91	z	z	122	11.89	z	z
Podgorica	93 686	100.00	85 736	91.51	525	0.56	6 700	7.15	725	0.78
Rozaje	11 352	100.00	9 309	82.00	91	0.80	1 748	15.40	204	1.80
Savnik	714	100.00	626	87.68	z	z	86	12.04	z	z
Tivat	8 317	100.00	7 819	94.01	29	0.35	439	5.28	30	0.36
Tuzi	6 267	100.00	5 726	91.37	36	0.57	461	7.36	44	0.70
Ulcinj	10 108	100.00	9 254	91.55	53	0.52	662	6.55	139	1.38
Zabljak	1 447	100.00	1 300	89.84	z	z	119	8.22	z	z
Zeta	7 918	100.00	6 943	87.69	37	0.46	878	11.09	60	0.76

Table 3. Male population of Montenegro by difficulties/limitations in performing daily activities, by municipalities

Municipalities	Total male	in %	No difficulties/limitations	in %	Do not want to answer	in %	Has difficulties/limitations	in %	No answer	in %
Montenegro	306 807	100.00	279 753	91.18	1 529	0.50	22 955	7.48	2 570	0.84
Andrijevica	2 073	100.00	1 729	83.41	z	z	327	15.77	z	z
Bar	22 258	100.00	20 550	92.33	99	0.44	1 383	6.21	226	1.02
Berane	12 335	100.00	10 406	84.36	62	0.50	1 795	14.55	72	0.59
Bijelo Polje	19 441	100.00	16 762	86.22	84	0.43	2 399	12.34	196	1.01
Budva	13 122	100.00	12 594	95.98	33	0.25	406	3.09	89	0.68
Cetinje	6 946	100.00	6 305	90.77	22	0.32	583	8.39	36	0.52
Danilovgrad	9 740	100.00	8 771	90.05	36	0.37	877	9.00	56	0.58
Gusinje	2 097	100.00	1 960	93.47	15	0.72	106	5.05	16	0.76
Herceg Novi	14 785	100.00	13 751	93.01	63	0.43	825	5.58	146	0.98
Kolasin	3 383	100.00	3 005	88.83	z	z	351	10.38	z	z
Kotor	10 995	100.00	10 237	93.11	35	0.32	648	5.89	75	0.68
Mojkovac	3 450	100.00	2 913	84.43	12	0.35	489	14.18	36	1.04
Niksic	32 379	100.00	29 389	90.77	235	0.73	2 535	7.82	220	0.68
Petnjica	2 610	100.00	2 239	85.79	z	z	349	13.37	z	z
Plav	4 757	100.00	4 254	89.43	16	0.34	403	8.46	84	1.77
Pljevlja	12 000	100.00	10 692	89.10	79	0.66	1 150	9.58	79	0.66
Pluzine	1 151	100.00	1 043	90.62	z	z	97	8.43	z	z
Podgorica	85 819	100.00	79 743	92.92	455	0.53	4 905	5.72	716	0.83
Rozaje	11 832	100.00	10 279	86.87	98	0.83	1 260	10.65	195	1.65
Savnik	855	100.00	790	92.40	z	z	60	7.02	z	z
Tivat	8 021	100.00	7 611	94.89	22	0.27	349	4.35	39	0.49
Tuzi	6 712	100.00	6 244	93.03	37	0.55	383	5.71	48	0.71
Ulcinj	10 399	100.00	9 707	93.35	49	0.47	526	5.06	117	1.12
Zabljak	1 494	100.00	1 369	91.63	z	z	105	7.03	z	z
Zeta	8 153	100.00	7 410	90.89	36	0.44	644	7.90	63	0.77

Table 4. Female population of Montenegro by difficulties/limitations in performing daily activities, by age

Age	Total female	in %	No difficulties/limitations	in %	Do not want to answer	in %	Has difficulties/limitations	in %	No answer	in %
Montenegro	316 826	100.00	282 380	89.13	1 572	0.50	30 296	9.56	2 578	0.81
0 - 9	35 570	100.00	34 576	97.21	92	0.26	270	0.76	632	1.77
10 - 19	35 421	100.00	34 666	97.87	133	0.38	363	1.02	259	0.73
20 - 29	35 945	100.00	35 265	98.11	82	0.23	454	1.26	144	0.40
30 - 39	44 565	100.00	43 432	97.46	136	0.31	828	1.86	169	0.37
40 - 49	44 816	100.00	42 252	94.28	183	0.41	2 133	4.76	248	0.55
50 - 59	40 730	100.00	35 624	87.46	275	0.68	4 533	11.13	298	0.73
60 - 69	40 193	100.00	32 321	80.41	333	0.83	7 177	17.86	362	0.90
70 - 79	26 855	100.00	18 103	67.41	227	0.85	8 211	30.58	314	1.16
80 and over	12 731	100.00	6 141	48.24	111	0.87	6 327	49.70	152	1.19

Table 5. Male population of Montenegro by difficulties/limitations in performing daily activities, by age

Age	Total male	in %	No difficulties/limitations	in %	Do not want to answer	in %	Has difficulties/limitations	in %	No answer	in %
Montenegro	306 807	100.00	279 753	91.18	1 529	0.50	22 955	7.48	2 570	0.84
0 - 9	38 067	100.00	36 817	96.72	112	0.29	460	1.21	678	1.78
10 - 19	38 636	100.00	37 552	97.19	139	0.36	609	1.58	336	0.87
20 - 29	37 563	100.00	36 596	97.43	114	0.30	666	1.77	187	0.50
30 - 39	44 228	100.00	42 869	96.93	126	0.28	1 042	2.36	191	0.43
40 - 49	43 404	100.00	40 852	94.12	212	0.49	2 067	4.76	273	0.63
50 - 59	39 334	100.00	34 811	88.50	262	0.67	3 929	9.99	332	0.84
60 - 69	37 384	100.00	30 677	82.06	302	0.81	6 082	16.27	323	0.86
70 - 79	20 531	100.00	15 185	73.96	201	0.98	4 965	24.18	180	0.88
80 and over	7 660	100.00	4 394	57.36	61	0.80	3 135	40.93	70	0.91

Table 6. Population of Montenegro by type of difficulties/limitations in performing daily activities, by age

Age	Total population	Walking	in %	Seeing	in %	Hearing	in %	Cognition	in %	Self-care	in %	Communication	in %
Montenegro	623 633	36 371	5.83	24 046	3.86	15 440	2.48	12 628	2.02	13 242	2.12	6 812	1.09
0 - 9	73 637	187	0.25	112	0.15	68	0.09	238	0.32	269	0.37	447	0.61
10 - 19	74 057	294	0.40	238	0.32	108	0.15	355	0.48	408	0.55	455	0.61
20 - 29	73 508	440	0.60	292	0.40	147	0.20	299	0.41	354	0.48	346	0.47
30 - 39	88 793	950	1.07	484	0.55	235	0.26	415	0.47	466	0.52	366	0.41
40 - 49	88 220	2 505	2.84	1 293	1.47	554	0.63	929	1.05	819	0.93	552	0.63
50 - 59	80 064	5 595	6.99	3 617	4.52	1 522	1.90	1 800	2.25	1 554	1.94	771	0.96
60 - 69	77 577	9 181	11.83	6 366	8.21	3 445	4.44	2 928	3.77	2 542	3.28	1 095	1.41
70 - 79	47 386	9 790	20.66	6 668	14.07	4 679	9.87	2 998	6.33	3 171	6.69	1 267	2.67
80 and over	20 391	7 429	36.43	4 976	24.40	4 682	22.96	2 666	13.07	3 659	17.94	1 513	7.42

Graph 2. Population of Montenegro by difficulties/limitations in performing daily activities, in %

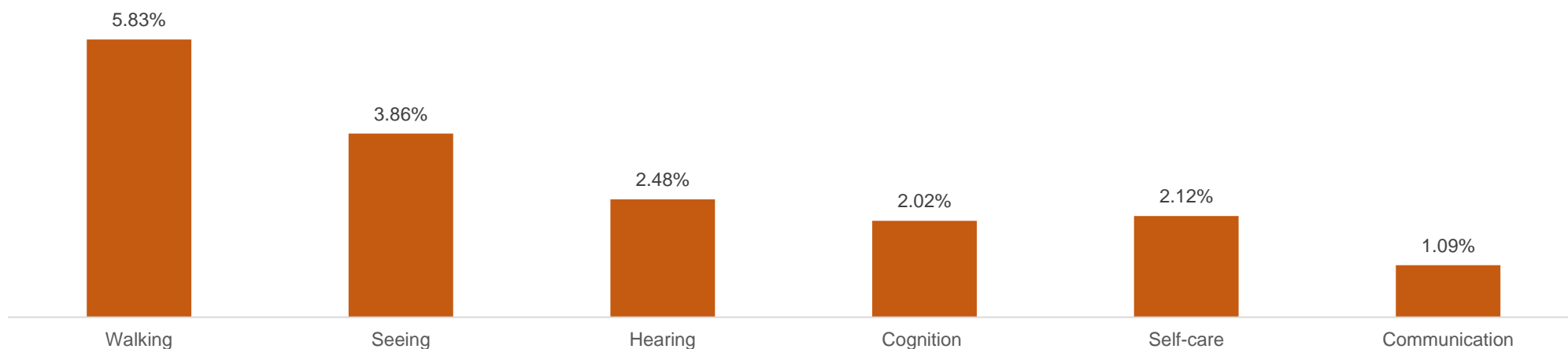


Table 7. Population of Montenegro that has a documentation on the status of persons with disabilities, by municipalities and sex

Municipalities	Total population	The total population that has a documentation on the status of persons with disabilities	in %	Female population	Female population that has a documentation on the status of persons with disabilities	in %	Male population	Male population that has a documentation on the status of persons with disabilities	in %
Montenegro	623 633	33 457	5.36	316 826	16 676	5.26	306 807	16 781	5.47
Andrijevica	3 910	675	17.26	1 837	343	18.67	2 073	332	16.02
Bar	45 812	1 906	4.16	23 554	953	4.05	22 258	953	4.28
Berane	24 645	3 435	13.94	12 310	1 809	14.70	12 335	1 626	13.18
Bijelo Polje	38 662	3 568	9.23	19 221	1 802	9.38	19 441	1 766	9.08
Budva	27 445	555	2.02	14 323	274	1.91	13 122	281	2.14
Cetinje	14 494	821	5.66	7 548	433	5.74	6 946	388	5.59
Danilovgrad	18 617	1 000	5.37	8 877	445	5.01	9 740	555	5.70
Gusinje	3 933	189	4.81	1 836	118	6.43	2 097	71	3.39
Herceg Novi	30 824	1 084	3.52	16 039	519	3.24	14 785	565	3.82
Kolasin	6 700	412	6.15	3 317	178	5.37	3 383	234	6.92
Kotor	22 746	740	3.25	11 751	328	2.79	10 995	412	3.75
Mojkovac	6 728	813	12.08	3 278	412	12.57	3 450	401	11.62
Niksic	65 705	3 505	5.33	33 326	1 575	4.73	32 379	1 930	5.96
Petnjica	4 957	544	10.97	2 347	298	12.70	2 610	246	9.43
Plav	9 050	719	7.94	4 293	393	9.15	4 757	326	6.85
Pljevlja	24 134	1 843	7.64	12 134	953	7.85	12 000	890	7.42
Pluzine	2 177	107	4.92	1 026	43	4.19	1 151	64	5.56
Podgorica	179 505	6 574	3.66	93 686	3 219	3.44	85 819	3 355	3.91
Rozaje	23 184	2 546	10.98	11 352	1 462	12.88	11 832	1 084	9.16
Savnik	1 569	76	4.84	714	33	4.62	855	43	5.03
Tivat	16 338	441	2.70	8 317	207	2.49	8 021	234	2.92
Tuzi	12 979	446	3.44	6 267	199	3.18	6 712	247	3.68
Ulcinj	20 507	589	2.87	10 108	265	2.62	10 399	324	3.12
Zabljak	2 941	152	5.17	1 447	80	5.53	1 494	72	4.82
Zeta	16 071	717	4.46	7 918	335	4.23	8 153	382	4.69

Table 8. Population of Montenegro that has a documentation on the status of persons with disabilities, by age and sex

Age	Total population	The total population that has a documentation on the status of persons with disabilities	in %	Female population	Female population that has a documentation on the status of persons with disabilities	in %	Male population	Male population that has a documentation on the status of persons with disabilities	in %
Montenegro	623 633	33 457	5.36	316 826	16 676	5.26	306 807	16 781	5.47
0 - 9	73 637	783	1.06	35 570	285	0.80	38 067	498	1.31
10 - 19	74 057	1 079	1.46	35 421	393	1.11	38 636	686	1.78
20 - 29	73 508	1 126	1.53	35 945	454	1.26	37 563	672	1.79
30 - 39	88 793	2 023	2.28	44 565	919	2.06	44 228	1 104	2.50
40 - 49	88 220	4 014	4.55	44 816	2 081	4.64	43 404	1 933	4.45
50 - 59	80 064	7 174	8.96	40 730	3 752	9.21	39 334	3 422	8.70
60 - 69	77 577	8 768	11.30	40 193	4 104	10.21	37 384	4 664	12.48
70 - 79	47 386	5 197	10.97	26 855	2 674	9.96	20 531	2 523	12.29
80 and over	20 391	3 293	16.15	12 731	2 014	15.82	7 660	1 279	16.70

Table 9. Population of Montenegro by type of disability, by age

Age	Total population	Sensory	in %	Physical	in %	Psycho-social	in %
Montenegro	623 633	14 871	2.38	23 927	3.84	13 018	2.09
0 - 9	73 637	229	0.31	314	0.43	578	0.78
10 - 19	74 057	366	0.49	460	0.62	761	1.03
20 - 29	73 508	381	0.52	588	0.80	531	0.72
30 - 39	88 793	658	0.74	1 196	1.35	771	0.87
40 - 49	88 220	1 324	1.50	2 661	3.02	1 401	1.59
50 - 59	80 064	2 893	3.61	5 204	6.50	2 290	2.86
60 - 69	77 577	4 061	5.23	6 517	8.40	2 987	3.85
70 - 79	47 386	2 811	5.93	4 136	8.73	2 023	4.27
80 and over	20 391	2 148	10.53	2 851	13.98	1 676	8.22

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Pursuant to the Law on Census of Population, Households, and Dwellings, the census covered the following persons: Montenegrin citizens with the place of permanent or temporary residence in Montenegro regardless of whether they are present in the place of residence or temporarily reside in another place in Montenegro or abroad as well as foreigners with permanent or temporary residence in Montenegro and foreigners with their usual place of residence in Montenegro.

The Census of Population, Households, and Dwellings was implemented in period from 3 to 30 December 2023, in line with the Methodology for Preparation, Organization, and Implementation of the Census. The 2023 Census Methodology is in line with the international standards which determine common rules for collecting the data on population, out of which the most important are Conference of European Statisticians Recommendations for the 2020 Censuses of Population and Housing prepared by UNECE and Regulation No 763/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 on population and housing censuses, as well as other implementation regulations with the respect of the European Statistics Code of Practice. The census was implemented according to the situation as on 31 October 2023, at midnight, which is considered to be the reference moment of the census. The census was done in the traditional manner, by the interview method, using paper questionnaires, 'door-to-door' approach.

Population shall include persons with their usual place of residence in Montenegro.

Usual place of residence shall mean a place where a person usually spends the day, regardless of temporary absence due to recreation, vacation, visiting friends or relatives, business absence, as well as absence due to treatment or religious pilgrimage, as well as a place where the person stays uninterruptedly, at least one year before the Census reference moment or who has arrived at the usual place of residence in the course of 12 months prior the Census reference moment with the intention of staying there for at least one year.

Data in this release are results of statement of respondent as answers on Questions 33 to 37 which are used to identify person who experience limitations in basic activity functioning, such as walking, hearing, seeing, etc, cognition and/or concentration or for other reasons, even if such limitations were ameliorated by the use of assistive devices or a supportive environment, as well as persons with the status of person with disability.

Persons with disabilities are defined as those persons who are at greater risk than the general population for experiencing restrictions in performing specific tasks or participating in role activities. This group would include persons who experience limitations in basic activity functioning, such as walking, senses, seeing and/or hearing, etc, even if such limitations were ameliorated by the use of assistive devices or a supportive environment. UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities recognizes barriers as key reasons why persons with

disabilities cannot be equal with other persons included in society and enjoy all human rights.

Obstacles, barriers or challenges can refer to those in positions of other people toward persons with disability, and disability, then obstacles in communication (information, communication and information-communication technology), physical obstacles in environment and traffic, so called obstacles in negative legal heritage, i.e. in public policies, both via the lack of guarantees or inadequate guarantee of rights and social obstacles that refer to, for example, no access to education, employment, higher exposure to violence, and other barriers that limit development, income, and life benefits.

Sensory disability is a disability of the senses (seeing, hearing, smell, touch, taste). Due to the problem at the level of nervous system, some of five senses lose the ability of perception and/or transfer and processing it in brain.

Physical disability is the lack or reduction of part or all physical functions of body, i.e. complete or partly loss of physiological functions of organs and motor structure of body: arms, hands, legs, joints, feet. Motor disability is, thus, complete or partly reduced mobility of one or several parts of the body.

Psycho-social disability is the one that makes a change of emotional and behavioural functioning sufficiently expressed to have a social problem. It is connected with mental disorders, and, actually, this difficulty or limitation in behaviour is closely connected, according to the standards of the society, with depression, schizophrenia, anxiety, bipolar disorder, etc.

Common term 'Municipality' is used in this release for 25 local self-government units, for the capital Podgorica, royal capital Cetinje, and the remained 23 local self-government units with the status of municipality.

Pursuant to the Law on Official Statistics and Official Statistical System, Article 54-61 (Official Gazette of Montenegro No 018/12 of 30 March 2012, 047/19 of 12 August 2019), and internal rule of Statistical Office, the data with frequency of occurrence less than 10 are protected and they are marked with "z". Additionally, other data are marked and protected with the same symbol to prevent indirect recognition of census units (secondary protection).

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