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## Disability in Mississippi by the Numbers

<b>126,064</b> Students age 3-21 receive special education supports <sup>1</sup>	<b>40.60%</b> of people with disabilities are employed <sup>2</sup>	<b>16</b> 14c certificate holders paying subminimum wages <sup>3</sup>
<b>\$1,098,217,821</b> Medicaid expenditures for LTSS institutional care <sup>4</sup>	<b>\$517,580,328</b> Medicaid expenditures for HCBS <sup>4</sup>	<b>2,976,000</b> Individuals with disabilities living in communities <sup>5</sup>

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