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Disability in Massachusetts by the Numbers

175,548 Students age 3-21 receive special education supports ¹	46.80% of people with disabilities are employed ²	16 14c certificate holders paying subminimum wages ³
\$ 1,868,553,272 Medicaid expenditures for LTSS institutional care ⁴	\$ 4,745,388,380 Medicaid expenditures for HCBS ⁴	6,893,000 Individuals with disabilities living in communities ⁵

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