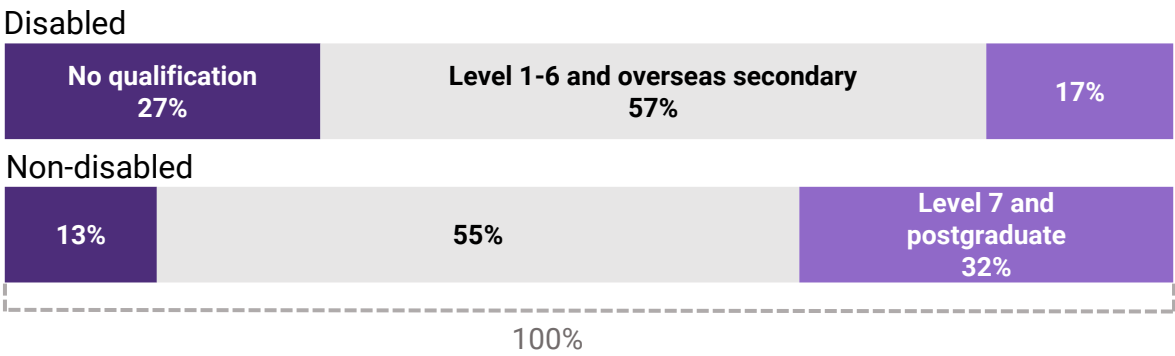


- There is a lack of education data for disabled people. In particular, disability status is not currently routinely captured in **school**, so we have **limited data**, for example, on **attendance** and **outcomes** for disabled children.
- However, the data we have **indicates disparities** between disabled people and non-disabled people for both **experiences and outcomes** in the education system.

Disabled people less likely to have top qualifications

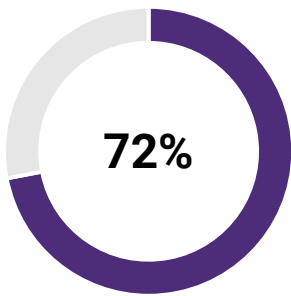
% of people, by highest qualification achieved and disability status



Source: Household Disability Survey 2023

Nearly three quarters of disabled children aged 0-4 enrolled in formal education

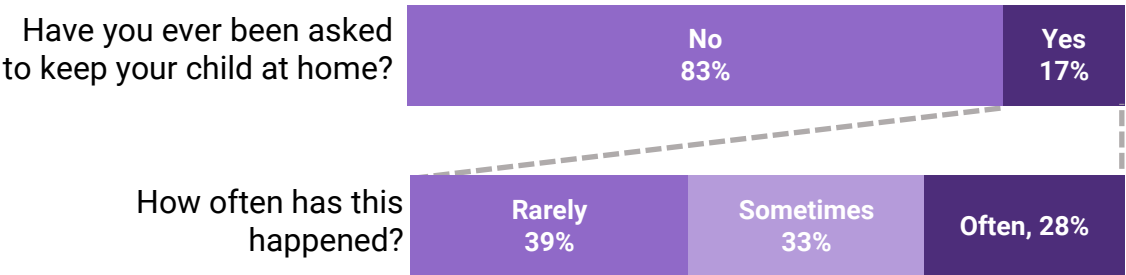
% of disabled children aged 0-4 years enrolled in formal education



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1 in 6 parents of disabled children have been asked by ECE to keep their children at home

% of disabled children whose parents agreed with following statements

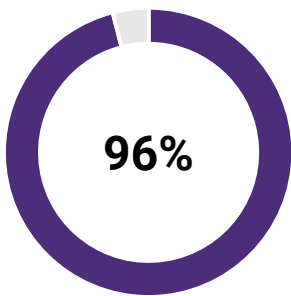


Source: A great start? Education for Disabled Children in Early Childhood Education 2022

- While we know how many disabled children are enrolled in ECE, there are data gaps. For example, we don't know how many disabled children have had an **ECE enrolment rejected**, can only **attend minimal hours**, or **chose not to enroll**.
- The data we do have suggests that ECE providers may be **inadequately equipped** to accommodate and teach disabled children with **complex needs**.

Nearly all disabled people aged 5-15 enrolled in formal education

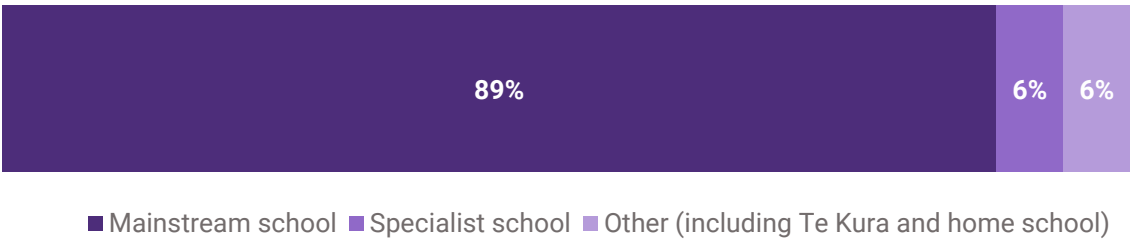
% of disabled children aged 5-15 years enrolled in formal education



Source: Household Disability Survey 2023

Most disabled people enrolled in mainstream schools

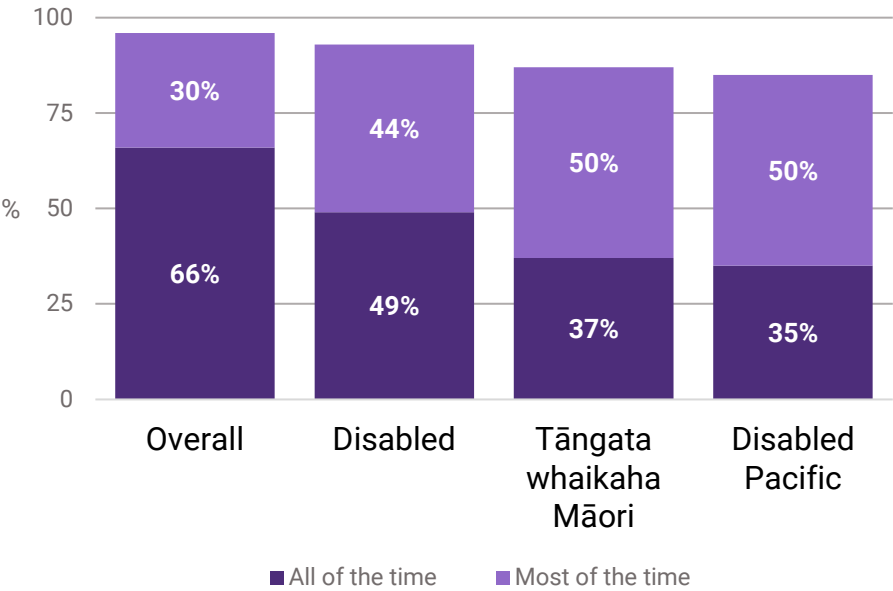
% of disabled people in school, by type of school enrolled at



Source: Household Disability Survey 2023

Disabled youth report lower attendance rates

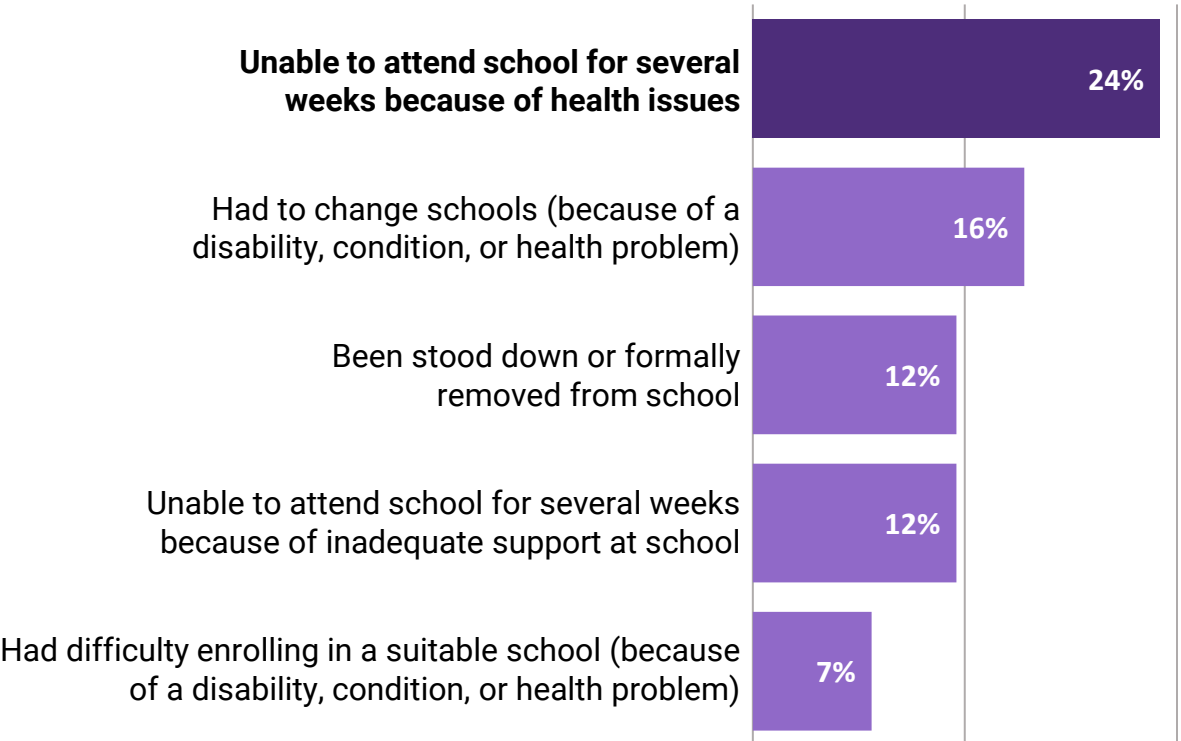
% of students in secondary school who attend school most or all of the time, by group



Source: Youth Health and Wellbeing Survey 2021

Difficulties experienced with enrolment and attendance

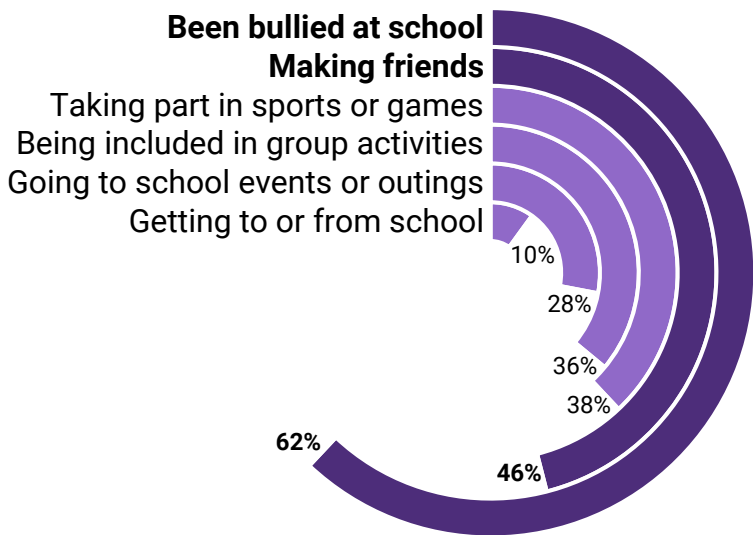
% of disabled students in school education, by difficulty experienced



Source: Household Disability Survey 2023

Many disabled people experience difficulties in school

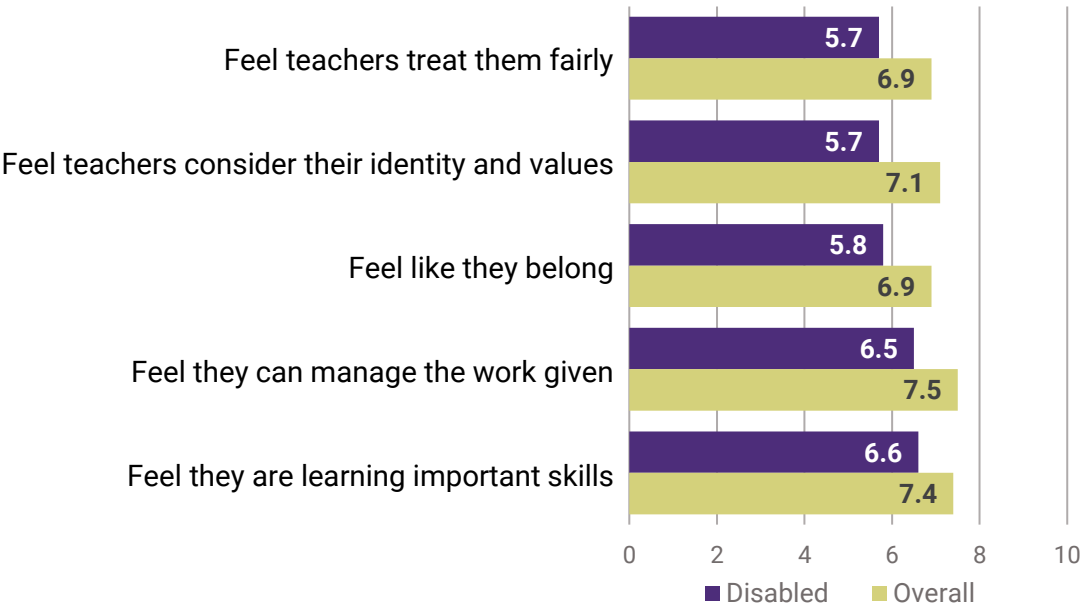
% of disabled students in schools, by difficulties experienced



Source: Household Disability Survey 2023

Disabled youth report worse experiences in schools

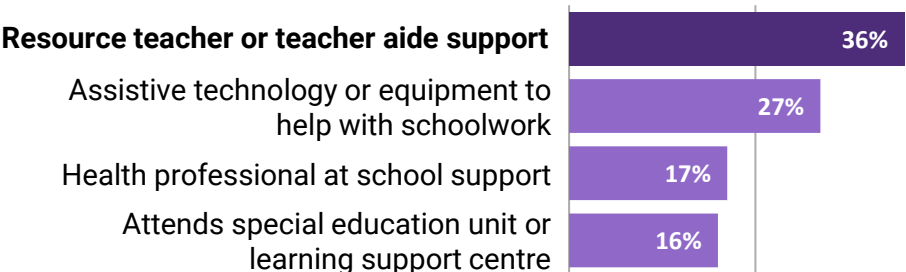
Mean score (0-10 scale) for level of agreement with statement, by group



Source: Youth Health and Wellbeing Survey 2021

Many disabled people in schools receiving support

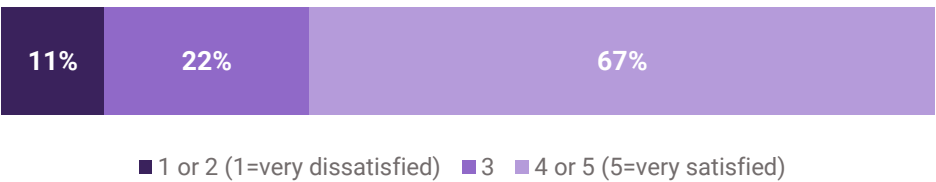
% of disabled students who received school accommodations



Source: Household Disability Survey 2023

Schools generally responsive to specific needs

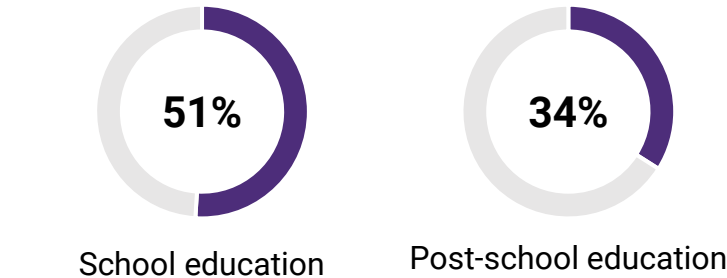
% of disabled students in schools, by satisfaction with school responsiveness to specific need (1-5 scale)



Source: Household Disability Survey 2023

More unmet need in school than post-school education

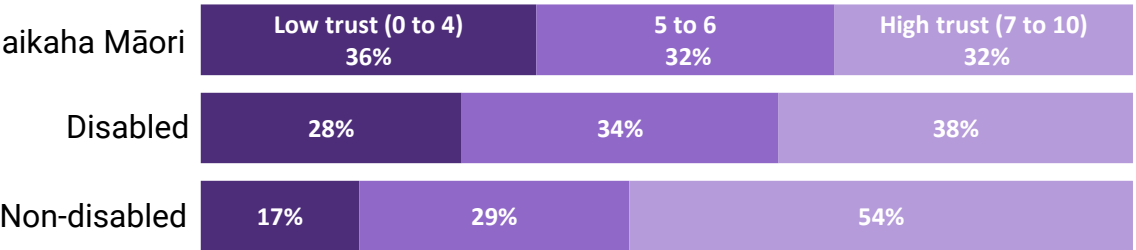
% of disabled students with unmet need, by stage of study



Source: Household Disability Survey 2023

Trust in education system

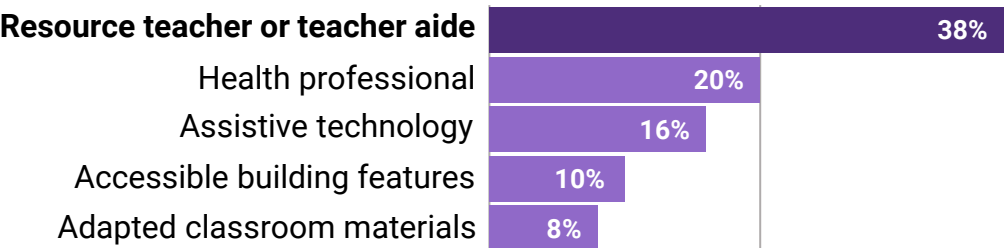
% of people (15+), by trust in education system (0-10 scale) and group



Source: General Social Survey 2023 (WGSS)

Many have unmet need in school education

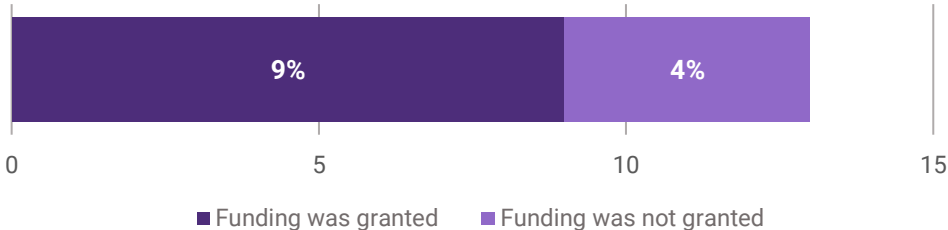
% of disabled students with unmet need, by school accommodation



Source: Household Disability Survey 2023

Nearly a third of ORS applications not granted

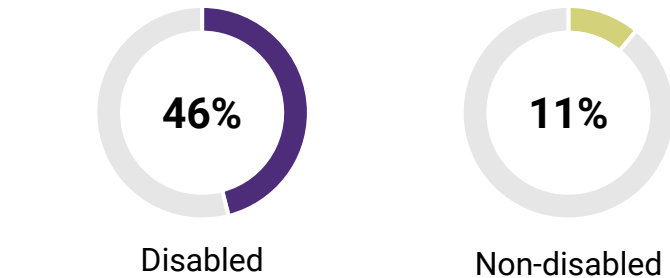
% of disabled students in schools who applied for Ongoing Resources Scheme (ORS), by whether funding was granted



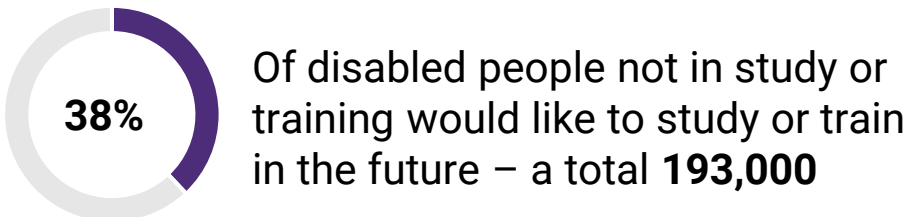
Source: Household Disability Survey 2023

NEET rate higher for disabled people

% of people (15-24 years) who are Not in Employment, Education, or Training (NEET), by disability status



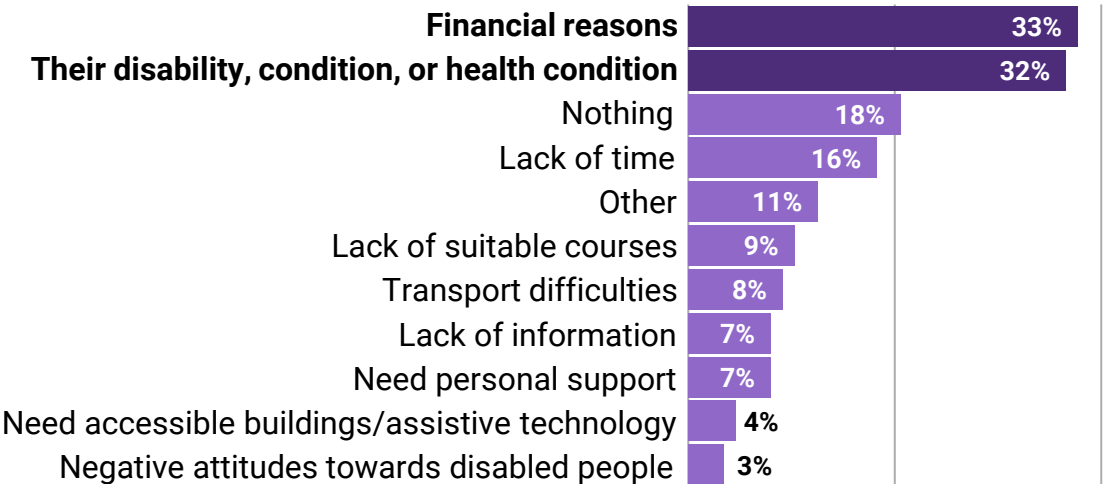
Source: Household Labour Force Survey 2024



Source: Household Disability Survey 2023

Finances and their disability, condition, or health condition biggest barriers to education for disabled people

% of disabled people (15+ years) who are not currently studying, by factors discouraging them from study



Source: Household Disability Survey 2023