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Visitability in Florida

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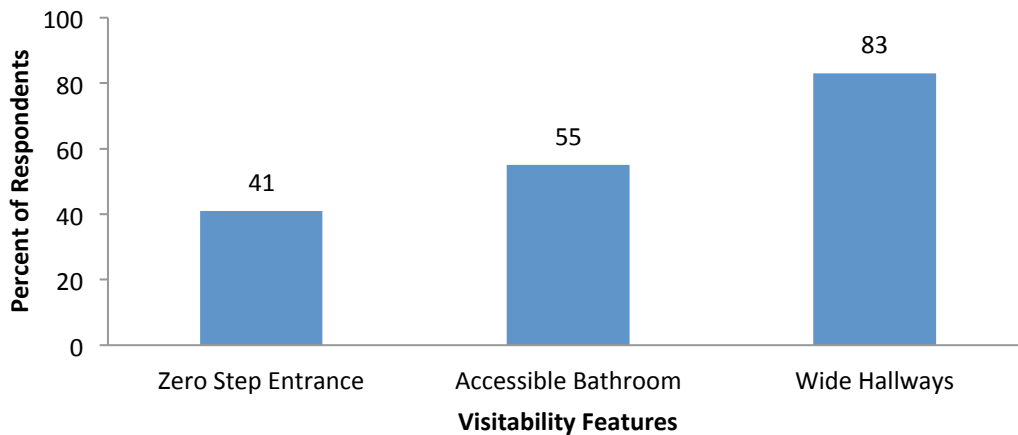
Executive Summary

Visitability is the ability for all individuals, regardless of physical ability, to visit other peoples' homes and is related to *Healthy People 2020* objectives. Visitability relates to universal design and allows persons with disabilities to remain in their homes. Knowing that others' homes are accessible allows individuals with disabilities to spontaneously visit others and increases the opportunity for their integration into social networks.

The following three components are considered to be key components of a visitable home: (1) at least one entrance without a step and with a firm, level path to that entrance, (2) doorways wide enough (32 inches) to accommodate a wheelchair, and (3) at least a half bathroom on the main floor of the house.

After incorporating feedback from subject-matter experts, the University of Florida Survey Research Center pilot-tested the questions between October 15 and November 30, 2010, during which time 775 adult Floridians aged 18 and older responded to the pilot visitability questions. Following these preliminary pilot results, the Florida Disability and Health Program (FDHP) developed a set of 6 questions related to visitability for inclusion on the 2011 Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey (BRFSS). Results from the pilot survey showed that about 41% of respondents reported that their home had a zero step entrance, 55% had accessible bathrooms or a bathroom on the main floor of the house wide enough for a person in a wheelchair to turn around in and 83% had wide hallways at least 32 inches wide.

Results from Visitability Pilot Questions



Findings from the 2011 BRFSS

Analyses indicate that home ownership was slightly greater among respondents with disabilities (71.5%) than among those without disabilities (69.2%). The data also suggests that the two most common visitability features were level, firm paths from the road to the entrance and doorways on the main floor that are at least 32 inches wide. Overall, more respondents reported residing in detached, single-family homes than any other type of housing regardless of disability status, age, household income, race/ethnicity, and level of education. Individuals living in detached single-family homes were more likely to have a home that contained all four visitability features than respondents living in trailer or

mobile homes. However, those residing in attached homes and multi-story buildings reported greater proportions of zero step entrances and main floors that have doorways that are at least 32 inches wide.

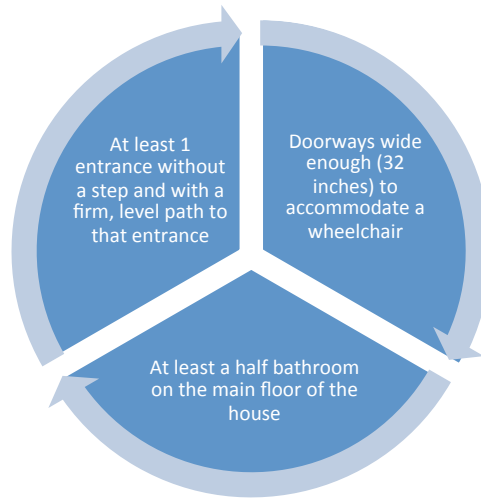
The data also indicates that most trailer or mobile home residences in Florida do not have an unobstructed entrance that has no step or ledge. In Central Florida, respondents without disabilities report all four visitability features in higher proportions compared to individuals with disabilities. Within Northwest Florida, respondents with and without disabilities reported a significantly lower proportion of entrances with no step or ledge (29.1% and 28.6% respectively) compared to respondents from all other regions. Across all regions, wide doorways and level firm paths were the most common visitability features present.

These data provide a first insight into the presence of visitability features in Florida homes. The data is pertinent to constructing visitable homes in Florida as inclusion of visitability features may increase quality of life among all individuals, particularly for people with disabilities.

Background

Visitability is the ability for all individuals, regardless of physical ability, to visit other peoples' homes. The concept was developed by Eleanor Smith in the 1980s and was used to create her organization, Concrete Change (<http://www.visitability.org>), which promotes building visitable homes. Concrete Change considers three components to be vital to building a visitable home:

Visitability Features Necessary in a Visitable Home



Visitability relates to universal design, participation among people with disabilities, and aging in place (the ability of adults to remain in their homes as they lose functional ability). Visitability also relates to factors identified by individuals with disabilities as increasing quality of life in a 2008 National Council on Disability (NCD) report.¹ Specifically, knowing that others' homes are visitable makes it more likely that a person with a disability could choose to visit someone spontaneously and facilitate integration into social networks. Choice, spontaneity, and inclusion and integration are three concepts identified in the NCD report as critical to the quality of life of persons with disability. *Healthy People 2020*, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' national planning document for achieving population health goals, addresses the relationship between an individual's environment and his or her social participation. Specifically, one of the *Healthy People 2020* objectives relates directly to visitability and another relates to the concept since both aim to reduce barriers to participation. The following objectives are included within the Disability and Health (DH) chapter:

- DH-11: (Developmental) Increase the proportion of newly constructed and retrofitted U.S. homes and residential buildings that have visitable features.
- DH-9: Reduce the proportion of people with disabilities who encounter environmental barriers to participating in home, school, work, or community activities.

"Full participation cannot be achieved without eliminating environmental barriers found within architectural structures, technology, organizational policies and practices, and social attitudes and without moving toward universal design and nondiscriminatory elements. Thus public health agencies need to measure not only the nature and extent of disability in the United States but also the extent to which environmental barriers and universal design elements impede or facilitate social participation." –Healthy People 2010, Vol. 1

The Florida Disability and Health Program (FDHP) surveyed Floridians about the visitability features of their homes by including questions on the 2011 Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey (BRFSS). The BRFSS is a random digit dialed telephone survey of adult Floridians aged 18 and older. This allows for a more in-depth exploration of the prevalence of visitable homes in the state, an assessment of Floridians' opinions about building new homes that are visitable, and identifying differences in experiences and impacts of visitability features among people with and without disability in the state. The availability of such data can influence policy and program planning in Florida, especially since there are no state or national data on home accessibility or home design. We hope this report will raise awareness among builders in the state of the relationship between the built environment and health and also the importance of building for people of all abilities.

Methods

FDHP worked with the University of Florida Survey Research Center to pilot test the visitability questions on the Florida Consumer Confidence Index (FCCI) survey. The FCCI is conducted monthly and is designed to assess Floridians' views on the economy. FCCI respondents were selected by random digit dialing, and were required to be Florida residents aged 18 years or older with a home telephone and able to complete the survey in either English or Spanish. From October 15 through November 30, 2010 there were 775 Floridians who responded to the FCCI survey, including the pilot visitability questions.

The Florida Disability and Health team subsequently created a series of 6 visitability questions that were included on the 2011 Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey (BRFSS). These six questions were developed based on results of the pilot test, along with expert feedback FDHP sought on question content and phrasing from the Visitability Initiative Project at the Center for Inclusive Design and Universal Access at SUNY Buffalo and Catherine Graham, a Rehabilitation Engineer and an expert on accessibility assessments at the University of South Carolina.

For all categorical variables, we calculated the proportion of respondents who selected each answer. When comparing differences in proportions across two groups, such as respondents with disability and respondents without disability, we used a Rao-Scott chi square test to compare the two proportions. Respondents were categorized with a disability if they answered affirmatively to either of the two following questions in the 2011 Florida BRFSS:

- *Are you limited in any way in any activities because of physical, mental, or emotional problems?*
- *Do you now have any health problem that requires you to use special equipment, such as a cane, a wheelchair, a special bed, or a special telephone?*

The 6 questions related to visitability are included in the appendix of this report. All data were analyzed using SAS 9.2. and estimates and 95% confidence intervals were weighted to account for the complex sampling design of the BRFSS. The University of Florida's Institutional Review Board reviewed and approved this study.

Results

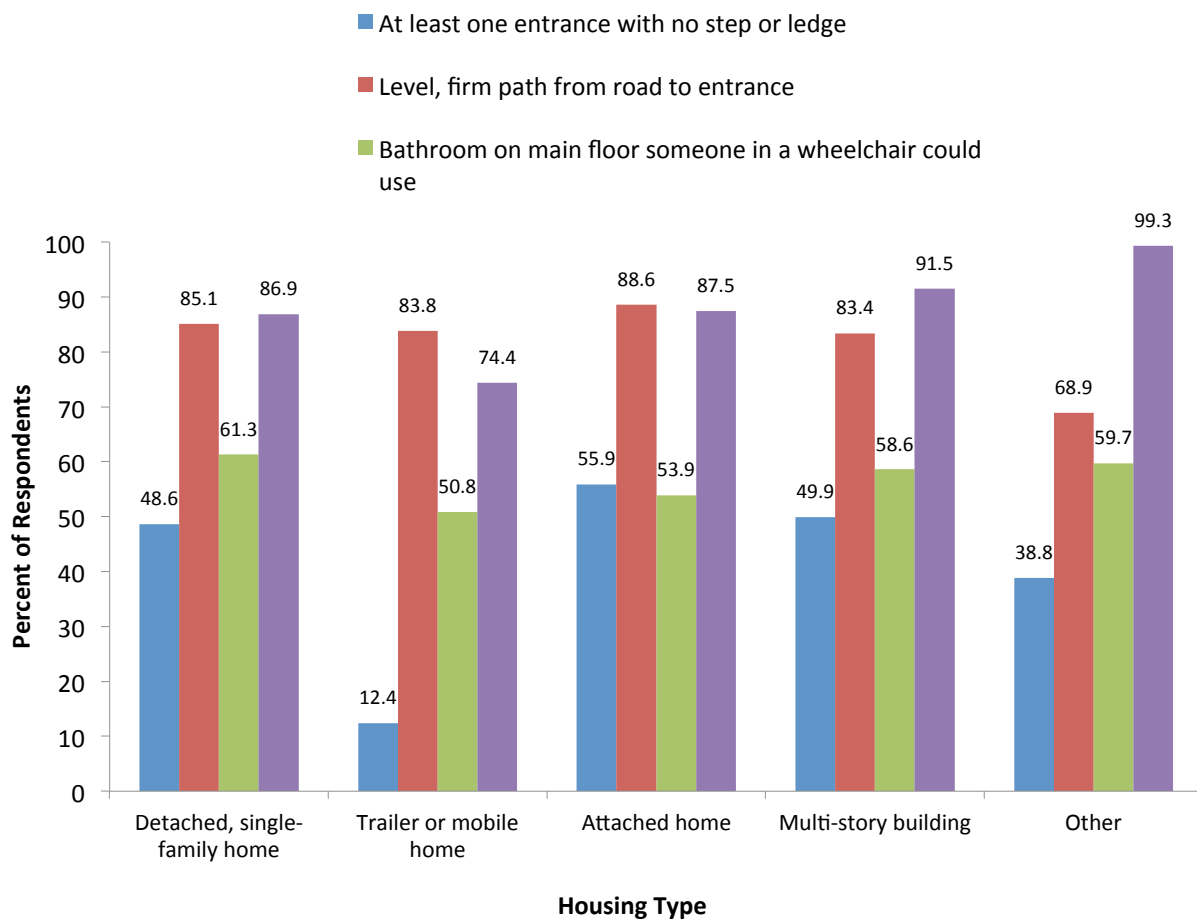
In 2011, there were 12,399 total BRFSS respondents in Florida, all of whom were asked the series of questions on disability and visitability. Among these respondents, 28.4% were classified as having a

disability. Furthermore, within the disability category, 26.8% had an activity limitation and 9.5% used special equipment.

Visitability Features by Housing Type

Individuals reported that detached single-family homes contained all four visitability features in greater proportions than trailer or mobile homes. However, people residing in attached homes and multi-story buildings reported greater proportions of zero step entrances and main floors that have doorways that are at least 32 inches wide. See Figure 1 below and Tables 2-3 in the Appendix.

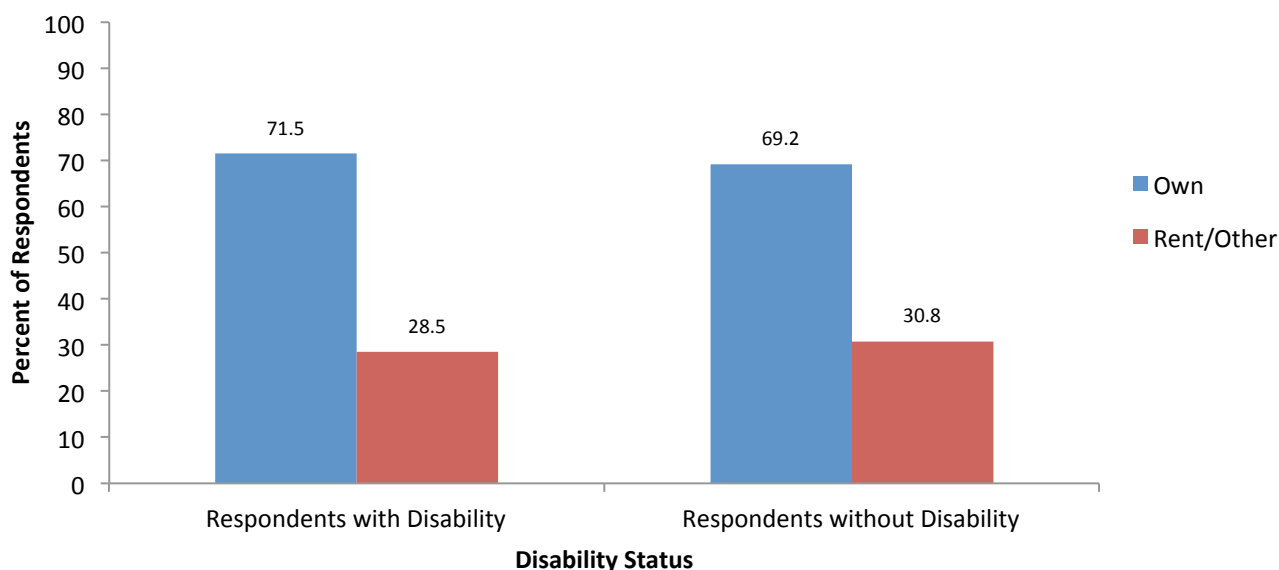
Figure 1: Visitability Features by Housing Type



Home Ownership & Disability

Home ownership was slightly greater among respondents with disabilities (71.5%) than among those without disabilities (69.2%). See Figure 2 below and Table 3 in the Appendix.

Figure 2: Home Ownership by Respondent Disability Status

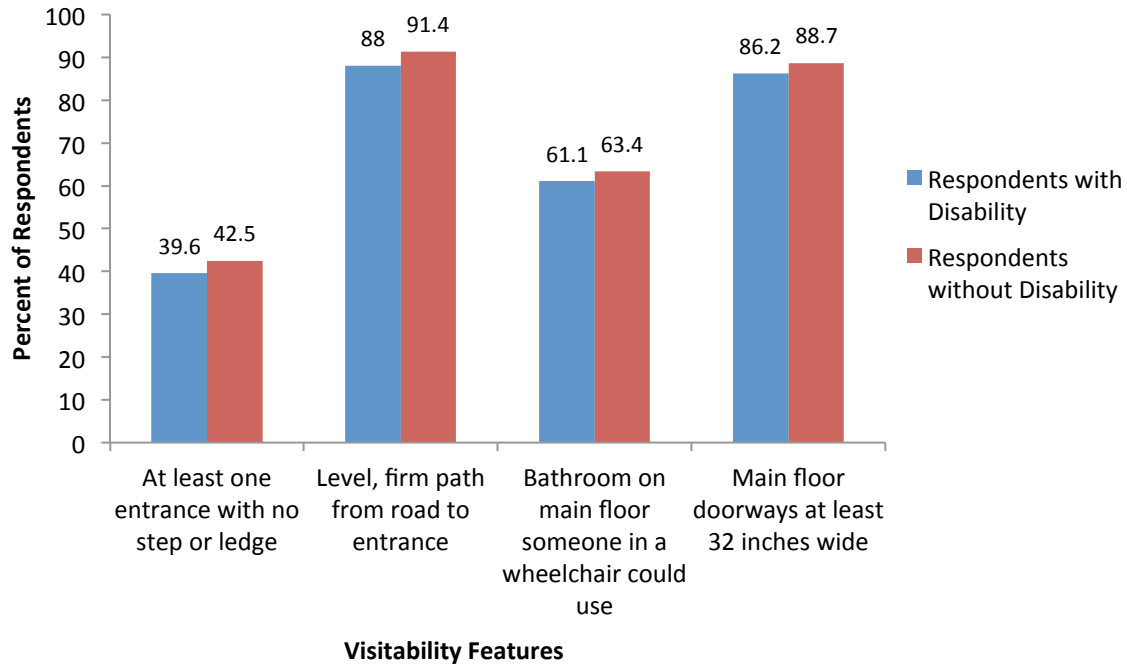


Visitability by Age & Disability

Respondents without disabilities reported having all visitability features in their homes in greater proportion than respondents with a disability. This difference, however, was contingent on whether the person with the disability had an activity limitation or used special equipment. For instance, respondents who use special equipment reported a higher proportion of homes with a bathroom on a main floor that someone in a wheelchair can use when compared to persons without a disability (63.5% vs. 60.1% home ownership by housing type, and proportions of visitability features by respondent disability status.)

Regardless of disability status, respondents in both age categories (those under age 65 and individuals aged 65 and older) reported residing in more detached, single-family homes than any other housing category. Individuals who were aged 65 and older with no disability at the time of the survey reported a higher proportion of visitability features than persons with disabilities in the same age category. (Figure 3 and Tables 4-5).

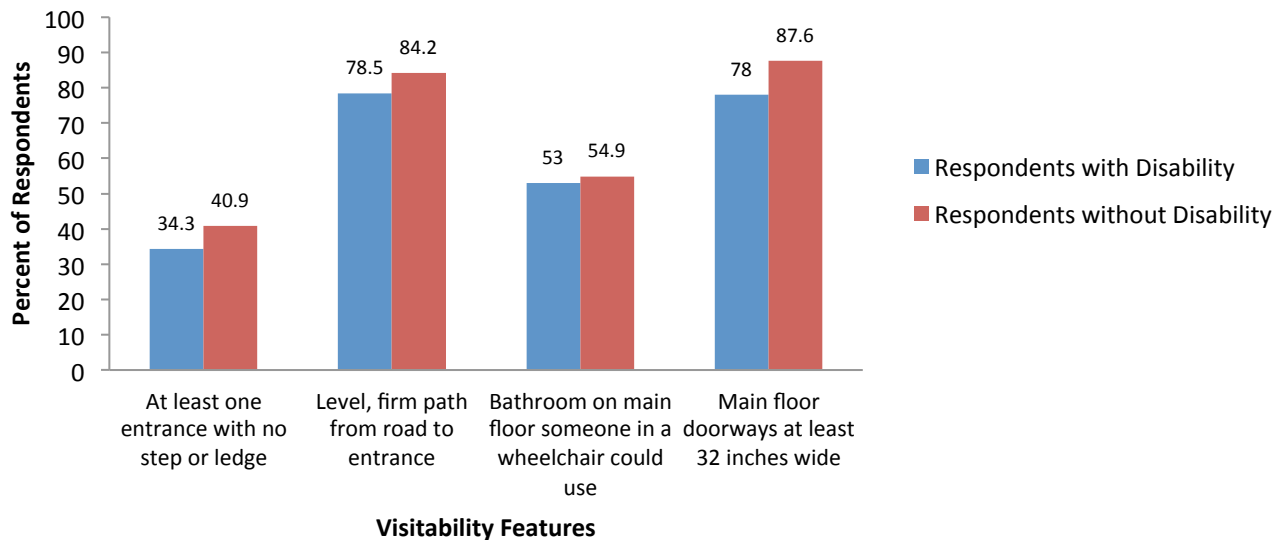
Figure 3: Presence of visitability features for individuals aged 65+



Visitability by Income & Disability

Respondents without disabilities who reported household incomes less than \$15,000 per year reported more visitability features in their homes than those with disabilities in the same income category. For instance, 87.6% of individuals without disabilities reported that their main floor doorways are at least 32” wide compared to 78% of respondents with disabilities (Figure 4 and Tables 6-10 in the Appendix).

Figure 4: Visitability features among respondents with household income less than \$15,000 per year



Visitability by Race/Ethnicity & Disability

Respondents who are black and non-Hispanic without disabilities reported a higher proportion for all visitability features except for having “At least one entrance with no step or ledge,” for which persons with disabilities reported a higher presence of that feature (see Figure 5 below and Tables 11-14 for number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status and race/ethnicity). Results indicate a significantly higher proportion of persons without disabilities in the black race category having an accessible bathroom on the main floor and wide doorways compared to persons with disabilities in that category.

Figure 5: Visitability features across race and ethnicity for people with disabilities

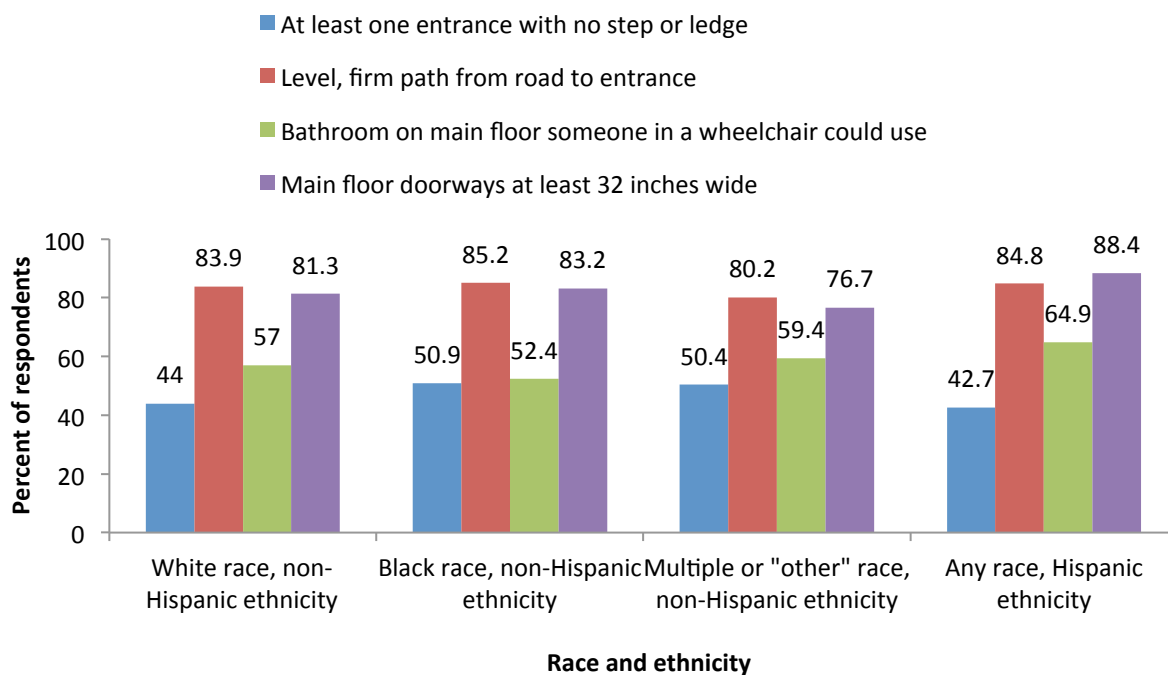


Figure 5 and Tables 11-14 in the Appendix illustrate that respondents reporting white race and non-Hispanic ethnicity and no disability reported higher proportions of all four visitability features compared to respondents with disabilities in the same racial and ethnic categories.

Visitability by Education & Disability

Among individuals who are less educated, individuals without disabilities reported greater proportions of all four types of visitability features than those with disabilities.

Figure 6: Visitability features among respondents reporting their highest level of education as less than highschool

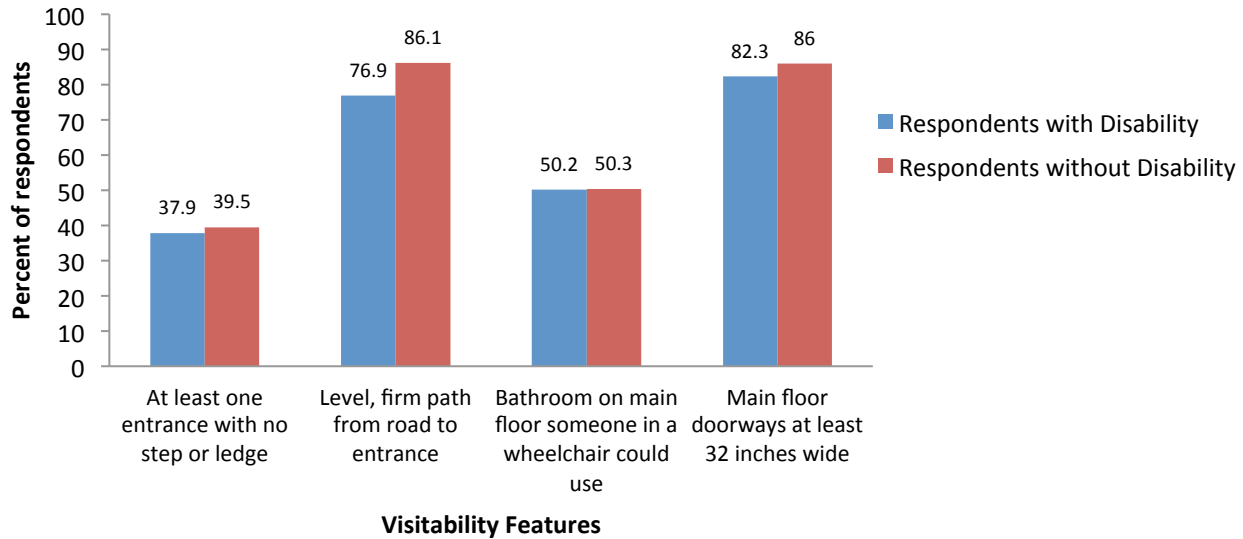


Figure 6 and Tables 15-18 in the Appendix illustrate that persons with disabilities reported owning their residence rather than renting across all levels of education.

Visitability by Region in Florida

Given the variation in housing, economic, and demographic characteristics across Florida, we assessed visitability features by region, grouping together similar types of counties based on the Florida Department of Health’s work. Specifically, we divided the state into the following regions:

Region 1 [North West Florida]: Bay, Calhoun, Escambia, Holmes, Jackson, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton, Washington

Region 2 [North West Florida]: Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Suwannee, Taylor, Wakulla

Region 3 [North East Florida]: Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Clay, Columbia, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns, Union, Volusia

Region 4 [North Central Florida]: Citrus, Dixie, Gilchrist, Lake, Levy, Marion, Sumter

Region 5 [Central Florida]: Orange, Osceola, Seminole

Region 6 [Central Florida]: Hardee, Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk

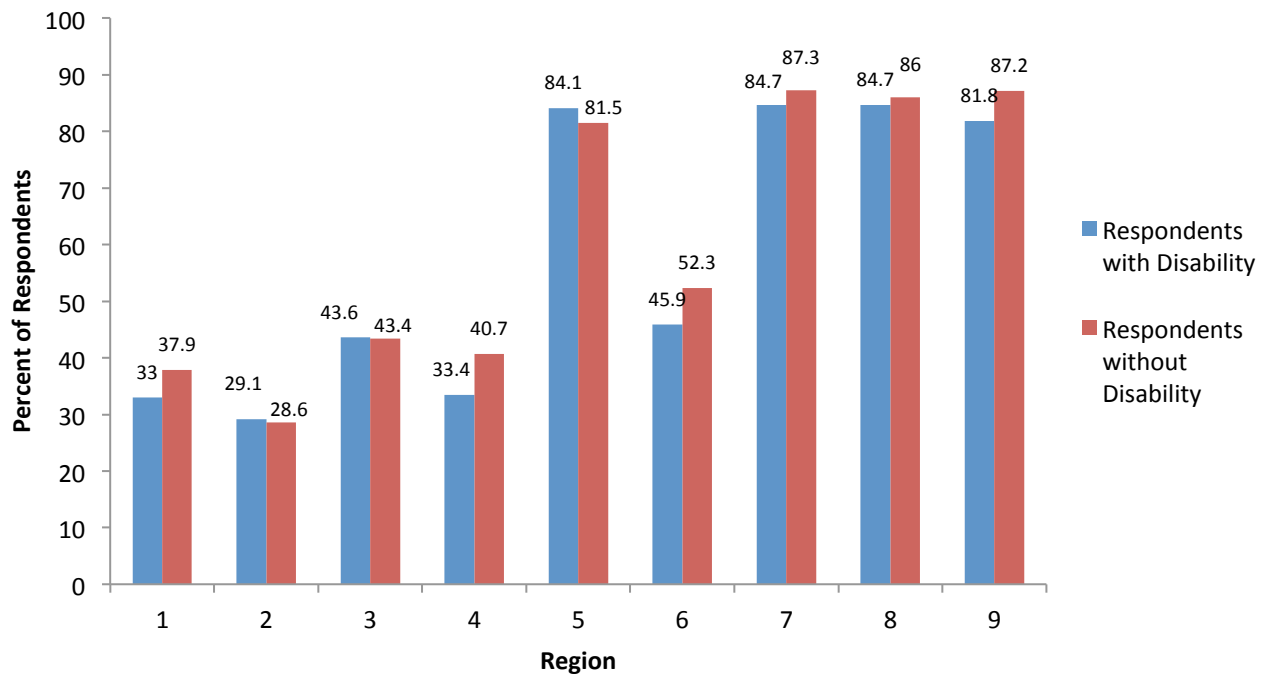
Region 7 [Central Florida]: Brevard, Highlands, Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, St. Lucie

Region 8 [South West Florida]: Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hendry, Lee, Manatee, Sarasota

Region 9 [South Florida]: Broward, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Palm Beach

Refer to <http://www.doh.state.fl.us/tobacco/vhs/archive/volunteer/contacts.html>

Figure 7: Respondents reporting at least one entrance with no step or ledge by region



Conclusions

Overall, more respondents reported residing in detached, single-family homes than any other type of housing regardless of disability status, age, household income, race/ethnicity, and level of education. Furthermore, data suggests that the two most common visitability features were level, firm paths from the road to the entrance and doorways on the main floor that are at least 32 inches wide. Both features were more prevalent regardless of disability status, income, race/ethnicity and education levels. Furthermore, people without disabilities in the lowest education and income brackets reported higher prevalence of all visitability features compared to people with disabilities in the same education and income categories.

Data suggests that most trailer or mobile home residences in Florida do not have an unobstructed entrance that has no step or ledge (only 12.4%).

Specifically, respondents residing in Region 2 (Northwest Florida) reported significantly lower prevalence of zero step entrances compared to the rest of the state. This data supports building zero-step entrance mobile homes, specifically in the Northwest Panhandle region. These data provide a first insight into the presence of visitability features in Florida homes. Such data is pertinent to constructing visitable homes in Florida so that individuals, regardless of disability, may visit other peoples' homes. Moreover, data supports that the inclusion of visitability features may increase quality of life among people with a disability or people who live in a household with a person with a disability as noted in *Visitability in Florida: Results from a Pilot Study*.

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2011 Florida BRFSS: Visitability Summary

Table 1. Number and percent reporting visitability features among all respondents, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Number of valid responses	Weighted percent reporting
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	6,197	70.8
	Trailer or mobile home	1,541	10.6
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	484	6.6
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	959	11.6
	Other	45	0.3
Housing ownership	Own	9,268	69.6
	Rent/ Other	2,976	30.4
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	3,615	45.4
	No	5,578	54.6
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	7,803	84.9
	No	1,368	15.1
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	5,239	59.3
	No	3,677	40.6
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	7,542	86.2
	No	1,275	13.8

Table 2. Number and percent of visitability features reported by housing type and home ownership by housing type, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Visitability feature	Housing type				
	Detached, single-family home	Trailer or mobile home	Attached home	Multi-story building	Other
	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	2,663 (48.6)	150 (12.4)	256 (55.9)	498 (49.9)	16 (38.8)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	5,218 (85.1)	1,269 (83.8)	422 (88.6)	801 (83.4)	32 (68.9)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	3,609 (61.3)	766 (50.8)	267 (53.9)	530 (58.6)	24 (59.7)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	5,127 (86.9)	1,123 (74.4)	388 (87.5)	803 (91.5)	39 (99.3)
Housing ownership					
Own home	5,514 (87.3)	1,236 (80.0)	285 (59.0)	483 (55.7)	31 (81.0)
Rent home or other arrangement	635 (12.7)	298 (20.0)	194 (41.0)	469 (44.3)	13 (19.0)

Attached homes include townhouses and duplexes; Multi-story buildings include condominiums and apartments

Table 3. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents who use Special Equipment	Respondents with Activity Limitation	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	789 (62.9)	1,974 (67.0)	2,112 (66.4)	4,050 (72.8)
	Trailer or mobile home	313 (15.5)	646 (12.2)	705 (14.3)	829 (8.9)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	69 (5.6)	177 (5.0)	189 (6.7)	290 (6.6)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	188 (15.8)	364 (10.4)	404 (12.4)	554 (11.3)
	Other	6 (0.2)	14 (0.1)	16 (0.2)	29 (0.3)
Housing ownership	Own	1,160 (74.6)	2,735 (71.1)	2,955 (71.5)	5,575 (69.2)
	Rent/ Other	383 (25.4)	945 (28.9)	1,000 (28.5)	1,698 (30.8)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	506 (44.6)	1,205 (44.9)	1,289 (44.4)	2,300 (45.7)
	No	850 (55.4)	1,959 (55.1)	2,126 (55.6)	3,431 (54.3)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	1,130 (83.6)	2,622 (83.6)	2,839 (83.7)	4,917 (85.4)
	No	220 (16.4)	531 (16.4)	561 (16.3)	803 (14.6)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	792 (63.5)	1,733 (57.4)	1,885 (57.8)	3,323 (60.1)
	No	525 (36.5)	1,340 (13.8)	1,423 (42.2)	2,237 (39.9)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	1,060 (84.8)	2,471 (82.1)	2,671 (82.2)	4,832 (87.9)
	No	227 (15.2)	539 (17.9)	573 (17.8)	696 (12.1)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use. Respondents may have reported both activity limitation and special equipment use and so may appear in all three columns.

Visitability by Age & Disability

Table 4. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents under age 65, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	1,031 (68.7)	2,519 (75.0)
	Trailer or mobile home	364 (13.4)	461 (7.8)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	91 (7.4)	173 (6.9)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	152 (10.2)	268 (10.1)
	Other	10 (0.3)	13 (0.2)
Housing ownership	Own	1,321 (63.1)	3,251 (64.1)
	Rent/ Other	726 (36.9)	1,448 (35.9)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	619 (47.2)	1,399 (46.7)
	No	1,026 (52.8)	2,027 (53.3)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	1,304 (81.0)	2,834 (83.6)
	No	334 (19.0)	574 (16.4)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	845 (55.8)	1,819 (59.1)
	No	766 (44.2)	1,444 (40.9)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	1,245 (79.9)	2,853 (87.7)
	No	330 (20.1)	453 (12.3)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

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Table 5. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents age 65 and older, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	1,068 (63.1)	1,490 (66.1)
	Trailer or mobile home	341 (16.0)	366 (12.6)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	95 (4.9)	113 (5.6)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	245 (15.7)	278 (14.9)
	Other	6 (0.1)	16 (0.8)
Housing ownership	Own	1,609 (88.8)	2,257 (90.9)
	Rent/ Other	269 (11.2)	242 (9.0)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	657 (39.6)	876 (42.5)
	No	1,090 (60.3)	1,372 (57.5)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	1,516 (88.0)	2,038 (91.4)
	No	223 (12.0)	217 (8.6)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	1,028 (61.1)	1,406 (63.4)
	No	647 (38.9)	765 (36.6)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	1,410 (86.2)	1,929 (88.7)
	No	237 (13.8)	236 (11.3)

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Visitability by Income & Disability

Table 6. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents reporting household income less than \$15,000 per year, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	281 (52.0)	204 (50.8)
	Trailer or mobile home	221 (25.7)	122 (17.1)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	40 (5.2)	31 (13.2)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	89 (16.5)	68 (18.7)
	Other	8 (0.6)	2 (0.1)
Housing ownership	Own	415 (48.2)	301 (39.7)
	Rent/ Other	379 (51.7)	319 (60.3)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	188 (34.3)	131 (40.9)
	No	448 (65.7)	291 (59.1)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	489 (78.5)	351 (84.2)
	No	144 (21.5)	67 (15.8)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	313 (53.9)	225 (54.9)
	No	303 (46.1)	193 (45.1)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	474 (78.0)	361 (87.6)
	No	132 (22.0)	49 (12.4)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

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Table 7. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents reporting household income \$15,000-24,999 per year, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	367 (52.0)	476 (57.4)
	Trailer or mobile home	202 (22.1)	235 (17.7)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	41 (8.2)	50 (9.3)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	103 (17.2)	97 (14.6)
	Other	4 (0.4)	7 (1.1)
Housing ownership	Own	595 (69.6)	770 (56.2)
	Rent/ Other	231 (30.4)	402 (43.8)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	246 (40.2)	280 (40.2)
	No	471 (59.8)	583 (59.8)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	595 (82.3)	745 (86.9)
	No	118 (17.7)	113 (13.1)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	406 (56.9)	463 (52.4)
	No	289 (43.1)	392 (47.6)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	567 (80.3)	716 (86.9)
	No	122 (19.7)	122 (13.1)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

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Table 8. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents reporting household income \$25,000-49,999 per year, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	521 (71.6)	974 (69.3)
	Trailer or mobile home	143 (12.3)	233 (10.3)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	36 (4.9)	88 (7.3)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	84 (11.1)	143 (12.7)
	Other	1 (0.1)	11 (0.4)
Housing ownership	Own	718 (76.9)	1,384 (68.9)
	Rent/ Other	156 (23.1)	440 (31.1)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	308 (43.3)	557 (47.8)
	No	475 (56.7)	881 (52.1)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	668 (83.1)	1,239 (83.9)
	No	112 (16.9)	197 (16.0)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	447 (54.7)	812 (60.4)
	No	316 (45.3)	577 (39.6)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	622 (83.8)	1,235 (88.8)
	No	126 (16.2)	168 (11.2)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use. Respondents may have reported both activity limitation and special equipment use and so may appear in all three columns.

Table 9. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents reporting household income \$50,000-74,999 per year, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	308 (80.8)	655 (79.1)
	Trailer or mobile home	29 (4.8)	72 (6.1)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	21 (8.9)	34 (4.4)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	22 (5.3)	64 (10.4)
	Other	1 (0.3)	1 (0.02)
Housing ownership	Own	376 (88.4)	853 (80.8)
	Rent/ Other	52 (11.6)	162 (19.2)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	160 (48.7)	362 (47.8)
	No	220 (51.3)	462 (52.2)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	328 (86.1)	689 (82.2)
	No	53 (13.9)	133 (17.8)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	226 (61.7)	493 (60.2)
	No	147 (38.3)	301 (39.8)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	315 (81.1)	691 (86.3)
	No	48 (18.9)	99 (13.7)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use. Respondents may have reported both activity limitation and special equipment use and so may appear in all three columns.

Table 10. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents reporting household income of \$75,000 or more per year, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	348 (79.3)	1,203 (88.6)
	Trailer or mobile home	17 (4.4)	40 (1.3)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	22 (6.3)	52 (3.9)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	42 (9.9)	98 (6.1)
	Other	1 (0.03)	3 (0.1)
Housing ownership	Own	433 (90.7)	1,500 (89.3)
	Rent/ Other	42 (9.3)	154 (10.7)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	205 (54.1)	683 (52.1)
	No	220 (45.9)	714 (47.9)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	362 (87.6)	1,209 (88.1)
	No	65 (12.3)	181 (11.9)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	254 (61.5)	835 (63.3)
	No	161 (38.5)	520 (36.7)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	345 (85.6)	1,163 (87.9)
	No	60 (14.3)	174 (12.1)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use. Respondents may have reported both activity limitation and special equipment use and so may appear in all three columns.

Visitability by Race/Ethnicity & Disability

Table 11. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents reporting white race and non-Hispanic ethnicity, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	1,768 (67.0)	3,288 (75.7)
	Trailer or mobile home	598 (16.6)	683 (10.2)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	148 (5.1)	189 (4.4)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	314 (11.1)	386 (9.2)
	Other	12 (0.2)	25 (0.4)
Housing ownership	Own	2,531 (78.2)	4,529 (80.4)
	Rent/ Other	657 (21.8)	896 (19.6)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	1,070 (44.0)	2,895 (45.1)
	No	1,760 (56.0)	4,493 (54.9)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	2,359 (83.9)	3,938 (85.6)
	No	462 (16.1)	623 (14.4)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	1,562 (57.0)	2,657 (60.1)
	No	1,179 (43.0)	1,745 (39.9)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	2,198 (81.3)	3,788 (86.3)
	No	484 (18.7)	594 (13.7)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use. Respondents may have reported both activity limitation and special equipment use and so may appear in all three columns.

Table 12. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents reporting black race and non-Hispanic ethnicity, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	148 (71.7)	322 (70.4)
	Trailer or mobile home	30 (3.7)	48 (2.7)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	13 (7.3)	40 (10.9)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	37 (17.2)	64 (16.0)
	Other	0 (-)	2 (0.05)
Housing ownership	Own	156 (53.3)	399 (54.2)
	Rent/ Other	128 (46.6)	278 (45.8)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	86 (50.9)	187 (49.0)
	No	140 (49.1)	284 (51.0)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	192 (85.2)	410 (87.9)
	No	31 (14.8)	60 (12.1)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	119 (52.4)	266 (60.6)
	No	101 (47.6)	200 (39.4)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	190 (83.2)	426 (90.9)
	No	28 (16.8)	38 (9.1)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use. Respondents may have reported both activity limitation and special equipment use and so may appear in all three columns.

Table 13. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents reporting multiple or “other” race and non-Hispanic ethnicity, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	64 (55.3)	120 (74.9)
	Trailer or mobile home	34 (19.1)	22 (6.0)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	4 (9.5)	7 (8.2)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	15 (14.3)	14 (10.9)
	Other	3 (1.7)	0 (-)
Housing ownership	Own	96 (57.8)	175 (60.2)
	Rent/ Other	58 (42.2)	94 (39.7)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	43 (50.4)	69 (48.1)
	No	78 (49.6)	93 (51.9)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	97 (80.2)	131 (77.8)
	No	24 (19.8)	30 (22.2)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	66 (59.4)	101 (58.2)
	No	50 (40.6)	60 (41.8)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	99 (76.7)	140 (85.5)
	No	21 (23.3)	19 (14.5)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use. Respondents may have reported both activity limitation and special equipment use and so may appear in all three columns.

Table 14. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents reporting any race and Hispanic ethnicity, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	101 (64.9)	256 (63.0)
	Trailer or mobile home	20 (6.7)	67 (9.4)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	19 (12.8)	44 (10.7)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	30 (15.6)	79 (16.5)
	Other	0 (-)	2 (0.4)
Housing ownership	Own	118 (58.3)	376 (50.4)
	Rent/ Other	132 (41.7)	405 (49.6)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	72 (42.7)	179 (45.0)
	No	98 (57.3)	261 (55.0)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	135 (84.8)	360 (84.7)
	No	33 (15.2)	72 (15.3)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	103 (64.9)	250 (60.8)
	No	64 (35.1)	188 (39.2)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	139 (88.4)	397 (92.5)
	No	24 (11.6)	32 (7.5)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

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Visitability by Education & Disability

Table 15. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents reporting their highest level of education as less than high school, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	195 (56.2)	228 (55.4)
	Trailer or mobile home	159 (24.7)	155 (21.5)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	16 (6.2)	24 (8.9)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	38 (12.8)	37 (13.6)
	Other	2 (0.1)	1 (0.5)
Housing ownership	Own	304 (57.3)	347 (45.1)
	Rent/ Other	190 (42.7)	250 (54.9)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	116 (37.9)	123 (39.5)
	No	294 (62.1)	315 (60.5)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	329 (76.9)	379 (86.1)
	No	71 (23.1)	65 (13.9)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	215 (50.2)	233 (50.3)
	No	182 (49.8)	200 (49.7)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	324 (82.3)	372 (86.0)
	No	66 (17.7)	60 (14.0)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use. Respondents may have reported both activity limitation and special equipment use and so may appear in all three columns.

Table 16. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents reporting their highest level of education as a high school degree or equivalent, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	614 (65.4)	1,101 (70.0)
	Trailer or mobile home	285 (19.6)	371 (12.9)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	39 (3.5)	72 (6.1)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	98 (11.1)	140 (10.4)
	Other	6 (0.4)	11 (0.5)
Housing ownership	Own	911 (72.1)	1,593 (67.3)
	Rent/ Other	301 (27.9)	546 (32.7)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	327 (38.8)	573 (42.6)
	No	712 (61.2)	1,122 (57.4)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	878 (86.6)	1,486 (86.4)
	No	164 (13.4)	369 (13.5)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	576 (57.5)	975 (61.6)
	No	437 (42.5)	682 (38.4)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	819 (78.5)	1,462 (89.1)
	No	181 (21.5)	183 (10.9)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use. Respondents may have reported both activity limitation and special equipment use and so may appear in all three columns.

Table 17. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents reporting their highest level of education as technical school or some college, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	585 (67.8)	1,100 (75.6)
	Trailer or mobile home	184 (10.1)	207 (7.1)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	74 (10.0)	68 (6.6)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	113 (11.8)	139 (10.3)
	Other	4 (0.2)	9 (0.3)
Housing ownership	Own	826 (73.5)	1,500 (70.4)
	Rent/ Other	300 (26.5)	466 (29.6)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	391 (50.2)	615 (47.1)
	No	569 (49.8)	903 (52.9)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	782 (83.1)	1,267 (82.7)
	No	172 (16.9)	241 (17.3)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	516 (59.5)	890 (62.1)
	No	411 (40.5)	572 (37.9)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	737 (85.1)	1,268 (88.1)
	No	163 (14.9)	194 (11.9)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

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Table 18. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents reporting their highest level of education as a college degree or higher, Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	Respondents with Disability	Respondents without Disability
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	714 (74.1)	1,612 (79.5)
	Trailer or mobile home	74 (4.4)	94 (2.2)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	59 (6.3)	122 (5.9)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	153 (14.9)	235 (12.2)
	Other	4 (0.3)	8 (0.2)
Housing ownership	Own	906 (82.5)	2,117 (81.7)
	Rent/ Other	203 (17.5)	429 (18.2)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	450 (48.7)	980 (49.5)
	No	547 (51.3)	1,081 (50.5)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	844 (85.9)	1,769 (86.9)
	No	153 (14.1)	290 (13.1)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	571 (61.4)	1,210 (59.6)
	No	390 (38.6)	778 (40.3)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	783 (83.2)	1,711 (87.3)
	No	161 (16.8)	258 (12.7)

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from this table, and respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

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Visitability by Region in Florida

Table 19. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents living in Region 1 (Bay, Calhoun, Escambia, Holmes, Jackson, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton, and Washington counties), Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	All Respondents (n=1,316)	Respondents with Disability (n=475)	Respondents without Disability (n=733)
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	791 (75.9)	285 (69.5)	502 (79.0)
	Trailer or mobile home	203 (13.9)	104 (18.8)	99 (11.5)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	37 (3.7)	17 (2.7)	20 (4.2)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	55 (6.1)	27 (8.7)	28 (4.8)
	Other	7 (0.4)	2 (0.3)	5 (0.4)
Housing ownership	Own	1,031 (73.9)	363 (81.5)	591 (70.3)
	Rent/ Other	272 (26.1)	110 (18.5)	137 (29.7)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	368 (36.4)	136 (33.0)	228 (37.9)
	No	723 (63.6)	598 (67.0)	424 (62.0)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	872 (81.1)	343 (82.5)	524 (80.2)
	No	204 (18.9)	87 (17.4)	117 (19.8)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	580 (54.3)	219 (53.1)	356 (54.8)
	No	484 (45.7)	200 (46.9)	284 (45.2)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	878 (83.6)	341 (82.5)	532 (84.0)
	No	170 (16.4)	75 (17.5)	95 (16.0)

Respondents who did not report their county of residence were excluded from this table.

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from the disability columns in this table. Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use.

Respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Table 20. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents living in Region 2 (Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Suwannee, Taylor, and Wakulla counties), Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	All Respondents (n=1,466)	Respondents with Disability (n=514)	Respondents without Disability (n=827)
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	817 (69.8)	297 (64.1)	516 (72.9)
	Trailer or mobile home	314 (21.1)	134 (25.6)	177 (19.1)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	34 (3.8)	11 (3.0)	22 (3.7)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	46 (4.8)	25 (6.6)	21 (4.0)
	Other	7 (0.5)	3 (0.7)	4 (0.4)
Housing ownership	Own	1,141 (73.1)	387 (69.3)	666 (75.7)
	Rent/ Other	310 (26.9)	123 (30.7)	155 (24.3)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	312 (29.2)	120 (29.1)	188 (28.6)
	No	907 (70.8)	346 (70.9)	558 (71.4)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	997 (76.9)	372 (75.1)	618 (77.4)
	No	217 (23.1)	89 (24.9)	127 (22.6)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	675 (58.5)	250 (58.7)	421 (58.3)
	No	521 (41.5)	210 (41.3)	308 (41.7)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	1,024 (86.5)	381 (85.9)	638 (87.4)
	No	151 (13.5)	65 (14.1)	84 (12.6)

Respondents who did not report their county of residence were excluded from this table.

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from the disability columns in this table. Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use.

Respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Table 21. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents living in Region 3 (Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Clay, Columbia, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns, Union, and Volusia counties), Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	All Respondents (n=2,057)	Respondents with Disability (n=719)	Respondents without Disability (n=1,156)
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	1,140 (76.9)	407 (68.7)	724 (81.2)
	Trailer or mobile home	273 (12.1)	132 (15.5)	139 (10.1)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	66 (4.4)	34 (3.5)	31 (3.1)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	111 (6.1)	61 (4.0)	50 (4.9)
	Other	6 (0.6)	2 (0.5)	4 (0.6)
Housing ownership	Own	1,581 (71.2)	524 (69.2)	925 (72.7)
	Rent/ Other	455 (28.8)	193 (30.8)	220 (27.4)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	594 (43.7)	226 (43.6)	364 (43.4)
	No	1,003 (56.2)	412 (56.4)	585 (56.5)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	1,352 (87.5)	531 (86.8)	811 (87.7)
	No	233 (12.5)	100 (13.2)	131 (12.2)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	923 (60.8)	357 (58.1)	561 (61.9)
	No	609 (39.2)	250 (41.9)	353 (38.1)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	1,289 (86.0)	498 (83.2)	783 (87.4)
	No	234 (14.0)	106 (16.8)	125 (12.6)

Respondents who did not report their county of residence were excluded from this table.

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from the disability columns in this table. Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use.

Respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Table 22. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents living in Region 4 (Citrus, Dixie, Gilchrist, Lake, Levy, Marion, and Sumter counties), Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	All Respondents (n=1,045)	Respondents with Disability (n=365)	Respondents without Disability (n=603)
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	579 (68.1)	190 (61.3)	388 (71.5)
	Trailer or mobile home	239 (26.7)	118 (34.1)	120 (22.9)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	17 (2.0)	6 (0.8)	11 (2.6)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	24 (2.9)	15 (3.7)	9 (2.5)
	Other	6 (0.3)	2 (0.2)	4 (0.4)
Housing ownership	Own	885 (81.1)	309 (85.5)	508 (78.6)
	Rent/ Other	151 (18.9)	52 (14.5)	91 (21.4)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	327 (38.4)	114 (33.4)	212 (40.7)
	No	537 (61.6)	216 (66.6)	320 (59.2)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	739 (84.2)	276 (82.4)	461 (85.0)
	No	120 (15.8)	51 (17.5)	69 (15.0)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	524 (63.6)	191 (67.1)	332 (62.0)
	No	317 (36.4)	129 (32.8)	187 (38.0)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	725 (87.1)	262 (81.7)	461 (89.7)
	No	119 (12.9)	60 (18.3)	59 (10.3)

Respondents who did not report their county of residence were excluded from this table.

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from the disability columns in this table. Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use.

Respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Table 23. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents living in Region 5 (Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties), Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	All Respondents (n=808)	Respondents with Disability (n=226)	Respondents without Disability (n=518)
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	417 (77.8)	121 (74.9)	292 (78.7)
	Trailer or mobile home	35 (4.7)	18 (8.2)	17 (3.5)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	38 (6.9)	13 (5.4)	25 (7.5)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	67 (10.4)	25 (11.2)	42 (10.2)
	Other	1 (0.1)	1 (0.3)	0 (--)
Housing ownership	Own	540 (63.0)	149 (62.4)	353 (63.6)
	Rent/ Other	259 (37.0)	75 (37.6)	160 (36.4)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	273 (53.3)	82 (54.9)	187 (52.4)
	No	280 (46.7)	96 (45.1)	184 (47.6)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	453 (82.3)	142 (84.1)	307 (81.5)
	No	99 (17.7)	37 (15.9)	62 (18.5)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	314 (61.5)	98 (59.2)	213 (62.2)
	No	211 (38.5)	69 (40.8)	142 (37.8)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	456 (87.8)	138 (85.0)	315 (88.7)
	No	70 (12.2)	29 (15.0)	41 (11.3)

Respondents who did not report their county of residence were excluded from this table.

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from the disability columns in this table. Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use.

Respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Table 24. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents living in Region 6 (Hardee, Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas, and Polk counties), Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	All Respondents (n=1,417)	Respondents with Disability (n=475)	Respondents without Disability (n=804)
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	683 (74.5)	237 (68.3)	442 (77.4)
	Trailer or mobile home	149 (11.8)	68 (15.3)	81 (10.0)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	57 (5.3)	24 (5.6)	33 (5.2)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	115 (7.8)	55 (10.7)	60 (6.4)
	Other	9 (0.6)	1 (0.03)	8 (0.9)
Housing ownership	Own	1,055 (74.4)	337 (74.1)	624 (76.4)
	Rent/ Other	348 (25.6)	132 (25.9)	174 (23.6)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	450 (50.3)	166 (45.9)	282 (52.3)
	No	557 (49.7)	219 (54.0)	336 (47.7)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	871 (85.9)	326 (84.2)	541 (86.7)
	No	131 (14.1)	57 (15.8)	74 (13.3)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	538 (56.3)	194 (49.2)	342 (60.2)
	No	436 (43.7)	180 (50.8)	254 (39.7)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	809 (85.9)	290 (77.9)	515 (89.9)
	No	151 (14.1)	75 (22.1)	76 (10.1)

Respondents who did not report their county of residence were excluded from this table.

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from the disability columns in this table. Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use.

Respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Table 25. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents living in Region 7 (Brevard, Highlands, Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, and St. Lucie counties), Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	All Respondents (n=1,009)	Respondents with Disability (n=327)	Respondents without Disability (n=602)
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	546 (73.2)	192 (67.6)	351 (75.9)
	Trailer or mobile home	96 (10.9)	44 (17.7)	52 (7.7)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	69 (7.3)	27 (5.7)	40 (7.9)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	93 (8.3)	36 (8.5)	56 (8.2)
	Other	4 (0.4)	3 (0.5)	1 (0.3)
Housing ownership	Own	804 (71.4)	255 (69.5)	488 (72.1)
	Rent/ Other	196 (28.6)	67 (30.5)	113 (27.9)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	377 (50.6)	136 (49.0)	237 (51.1)
	No	428 (49.4)	164 (51.0)	262 (48.9)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	711 (86.6)	254 (84.7)	451 (87.3)
	No	96 (13.4)	45 (15.3)	51 (12.6)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	474 (59.9)	173 (55.3)	297 (62.5)
	No	310 (40.1)	121 (44.7)	187 (37.5)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	660 (83.9)	228 (72.7)	427 (89.2)
	No	112 (16.1)	57 (27.3)	55 (10.8)

Respondents who did not report their county of residence were excluded from this table.

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from the disability columns in this table. Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use.

Respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Table 26. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents living in Region 8 (Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hendry, Lee, Manatee, and Sarasota counties), Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	All Respondents (n=1,327)	Respondents with Disability (n=409)	Respondents without Disability (n=808)
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	641 (68.0)	217 (66.5)	423 (68.6)
	Trailer or mobile home	176 (9.4)	64 (9.7)	111 (9.2)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	71 (7.9)	29 (10.4)	42 (6.8)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	159 (14.6)	57 (13.3)	102 (15.2)
	Other	5 (0.1)	2 (0.1)	3 (0.1)
Housing ownership	Own	1,059 (74.7)	324 (71.9)	657 (76.5)
	Rent/ Other	253 (25.3)	80 (28.0)	143 (23.5)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	477 (49.4)	167 (49.9)	308 (49.3)
	No	571 (50.5)	200 (50.1)	370 (50.7)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	933 (85.7)	325 (84.7)	605 (86.0)
	No	127 (14.3)	45 (15.3)	82 (14.0)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	656 (66.9)	230 (64.9)	424 (67.8)
	No	363 (33.1)	132 (35.1)	230 (32.2)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	861 (86.8)	283 (81.3)	575 (89.1)
	No	149 (13.2)	66 (18.7)	83 (10.9)

Respondents who did not report their county of residence were excluded from this table.

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from the disability columns in this table. Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use.

Respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Table 27. Number and percent reporting visitability features by respondent disability status among respondents living in Region 9 (Broward, Miami-Dade, Monroe, and Palm Beach counties), Florida Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2011.

Variable	Response	All Respondents (n=801)	Respondents with Disability (n=221)	Respondents without Disability (n=528)
		N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)	N (Weighted %)
Type of housing	Detached, single-family home	307 (64.4)	88 (60.0)	218 (66.2)
	Trailer or mobile home	15 (0.8)	8 (1.4)	7 (0.5)
	Attached home (e.g., townhouse, duplex)	48 (12.9)	17 (15.6)	31 (11.8)
	Multi-story building (e.g., condo, apartment)	145 (21.9)	59 (23.0)	86 (21.5)
	Other	0 (--)	0 (--)	0 (--)
Housing ownership	Own	591 (76.1)	164 (79.4)	389 (74.5)
	Rent/ Other	203 (23.9)	56 (20.6)	134 (24.5)
At least one entrance with no step or ledge	Yes	242 (49.9)	81 (50.0)	160 (49.8)
	No	263 (50.1)	88 (49.9)	175 (50.2)
Level, firm path from road to entrance	Yes	440 (85.6)	145 (81.8)	294 (87.2)
	No	74 (14.4)	28 (18.1)	46 (12.8)
Bathroom on main floor someone in a wheelchair could use	Yes	269 (57.5)	86 (63.4)	182 (54.9)
	No	215 (42.5)	75 (36.6)	140 (45.1)
Main floor doorways at least 32 inches wide	Yes	405 (84.7)	126 (85.6)	278 (84.3)
	No	74 (15.3)	26 (14.4)	48 (15.7)

Respondents who did not report their county of residence were excluded from this table.

Respondents who said “don’t know” or “not sure” or who did not answer the disability questions were excluded from the disability columns in this table. Disability is defined as activity limitation or special equipment use.

Respondents who did not provide a valid response to any visitability question were excluded from that row in the table.

Appendix: FDHP Visitability Questions Added to 2011 Florida BRFSS

1. In what type of house or building do you live?
 - 1 A detached, single-family home
 - 2 A trailer or mobile home
 - 3 An attached home like a townhouse or duplex
 - 4 A multi-story building like a condominium or apartment
 - 5 Other
 - 7 Don't know
 - 9 Not sure

2. Is there at least one entrance to your home that does not have a step or ledge?
 - 1 Yes
 - 2 No
 - 7 Don't know
 - 9 Not sure

3. Is there a level, firm path from the road to your home's entrance?
 - 1 Yes
 - 2 No
 - 7 Don't know
 - 9 Not sure

4. Is there at least one bathroom on the main floor of your home that someone using a wheelchair could enter and turn around?
 - 1 Yes
 - 2 No
 - 7 Don't know
 - 9 Not sure

5. Are doorways on the main floor of your home wide enough for a wheelchair to fit through? This would be 32 inches wide or enough space for an average refrigerator to go through.
 - 1 Yes
 - 2 No
 - 7 Don't know
 - 9 Not sure

6. The preceding questions have asked about a concept called "visitability" or the ability for people of all ages and physical abilities to visit other people's homes. Would you be in favor of building new homes with paved walkways, at least one entry without steps, and an accessible bathroom on the main floor?
 - 1 Yes, regardless of cost
 - 2 Yes, if the changes do not increase costs
 - 3 No
 - 7 Don't know
 - 9 Not sure