Table 6. **Persons 65 Years Old and Over, by Race and Hispanic Origin and Type of Disability: 1991-92**

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristic	White		Black		Hispanic origin	
	Number	Percent distribution	Number	Percent distribution	Number	Percent distribution
PERSONS 65 YEARS OLD AND OVER						
Total	27,396	100.0	2,737	100.0	1,233	100.0
With a disability	14,559	53.1	1,727	63.1	745	60.4
Severe	8,999	32.9	1,260	46.1	528	42.8
Not severe	5,560	20.3	467	17.1	217	17.6
With a functional limitation	13,376	48.8	1,617	59.1	694	56.3
Severe	7,439	27.2	1,080	39.5	436	35.4
Seeing words and letters	4,098	15.0	719	26.3	258	21.0
Unable	814	3.0	186	6.8	77	6.3
Hearing normal conversation	4,917	18.0	407	14.9	163	13.2
Unable	480	1.8	62	2.3	23	1.9
Having speech understood	636	2.3	116	4.2	20	1.6
Unable	65	0.2	11	0.4	20	1.6
Lifting and carrying 10 lbs	7,240	26.4	1,016	37.1	426	34.5
Unable	3,938	14.4	607	22.2	258	20.9
Climbing stairs without resting	8,050	29.4	1,220	44.6	492	39.9
Unable	4,677	17.1	764	27.9	306	24.8
Walking 3 city blocks	8,113	29.6	1,149	42.0	433	35.1
Unable	4,931	18.0	728	26.6	270	21.9
Number of functional limitations:						
1	4,235	15.5	315	11.5	202	16.4
2	2,738	10.0	339	12.4	102	8.3
3 or more	6,403	23.4	963	35.2	390	31.6
Number of severe functional limitations:						
1	2,969	10.8	334	12.2	150	12.2
2	1,990	7.3	350	12.8	119	9.7
3 or more	2,480	9.1	396	14.5	166	13.5
With an ADL limitation	3,829	14.0	606	22.1	206	16.7
Needs personal assistance	1,997	7.3	340	12.4	123	10.0
Getting around inside the home	1,967	7.2	360	13.1	121	9.8
Needs personal assistance	906	3.3	200	7.3	64	5.2
Getting in or out of bed or a chair	2,482	9.1	395	14.4	137	11.1
Needs personal assistance	955	3.5	177	6.5	72	5.9
Taking a bath or shower	2,495	9.1	384	14.0	110	8.9
Needs personal assistance	1,536	5.6	258	9.4	83	6.7
Dressing	1,627	5.9	251	9.2	98	7.9
Needs personal assistance	1,068	3.9	187	6.9	73	5.9
Eating	537	2.0	99	3.6	22	1.8
Needs personal assistance	266	1.0	62	2.3	13	1.1
Using the toilet, including getting to the toilet	1,126	4.1	211	7.7	59	4.8
Needs personal assistance	630	2.3	120	4.4	44	3.6
Number of ADL limitations:						
1	1,499	5.5	234	8.6	75	6.1
2	625	2.3	80	2.9	40	3.3
3 or more	1,704	6.2	291	10.6	91	7.3
Number of ADL's for which personal assistance needed:						
1	779	2.8	111	4.1	41	3.4
2	346	1.3	62	2.3	21	1.7
3 or more	872	3.2	167	6.1	61	4.9

Table 6. **Persons 65 Years Old and Over, by Race and Hispanic Origin and Type of Disability: 1991-92**—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristic	White		Black		Hispanic origin	
	Number	Percent distribution	Number	Percent distribution	Number	Percent distribution
With an IADL limitation:	5,701	20.8	832	30.4	336	27.3
Needs personal assistance	4,383	16.0	667	24.4	297	24.1
Going outside the home, for example to shop or visit a doctor's office	4,219	15.4	646	23.6	271	22.0
Needs personal assistance	3,428	12.5	537	19.6	242	19.6
Keeping track of money and bills	1,917	7.0	348	12.7	123	10.0
Needs personal assistance	1,701	6.2	302	11.0	107	8.7
Preparing meals	2,411	8.8	406	14.8	155	12.6
Needs personal assistance	2,000	7.3	334	12.2	136	11.0
Doing light housework, such as washing dishes or sweeping a floor	3,184	11.6	525	19.2	213	17.3
Needs personal assistance	2,543	9.3	401	14.7	175	14.2
Using the telephone	1,736	6.3	218	8.0	75	6.1
Unable to use	468	1.7	75	2.7	29	2.3
Number of IADL limitations:						
1	2,164	7.9	289	10.6	105	8.5
2	1,178	4.3	134	4.9	73	5.9
3 or more	2,358	8.6	408	14.9	158	12.8
Number of IADL's for which personal assistance needed:						
1	1,628	5.9	226	8.3	108	8.7
2	995	3.6	135	4.9	64	5.2
3 or more	1,760	6.4	305	11.2	126	10.2
Uses a wheelchair	832	3.0	122	4.5	36	2.9
Does not use a wheelchair but has used a cane, crutches, or a walker for 6 months or longer	2,859	10.4	489	17.9	154	12.5
Needs personal assistance with an ADL or IADL	4,584	16.7	688	25.1	303	24.6
With a mental or emotional disability	968	3.5	152	5.6	56	4.5
Mental retardation	60	0.2	12	0.4	3	0.2
With a housework disability	7,373	26.9	988	36.1	434	35.2
Unable to do housework	1,988	7.3	324	11.8	139	11.3