Energy and Disability

Goal 7 of the Sustainable Development Goals: Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all.

In 17 countries, less than 50% of households with persons with disabilities have access to electricity.

In 37 out of 44 countries, households with persons with disabilities had lower access to electricity than those without persons with disabilities.

Persons with disabilities have more difficulties in paying for energy bills.

More than 1/4 of the priority assistive products need electricity.

Persons with disabilities are more exposed to detrimental air pollution resulting from the use of traditional forms of energy.

The wood and coal are used for cooking in 66% of households with persons with disabilities in rural areas compared to only 32% of those in urban areas.

Lack of electricity in schools prevents students with disabilities from accessing technology that would enhance inclusive education.

In 35 out of 102 developing countries, less than 50% of primary schools have electricity.

Households with Access to Electricity

WHO Priority Assistive Products

Primary Schools with Electricity