



Facts About Profound Autism

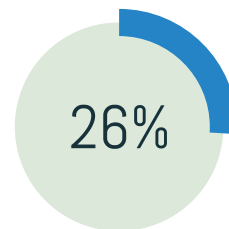
What is profound autism?

Simply stated, people with profound autism are those that require lifetime, 24/7 care.

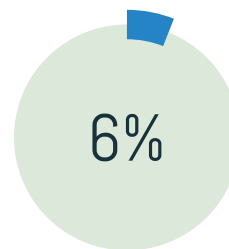
According to a 2023 study by the Centers for Disease Control, children with profound autism were more likely to be:

- female;
- from racial and ethnic minority groups;
- of low socioeconomic status;
- born preterm or with low birth weight;
- have self-injurious behaviors;
- have seizure disorders;
- and have lower adaptive scores.

According to the CDC:



The percentage of 8-year-old children with profound autism among those with autism is **26.7%**.



According to a 2019 study, **only 6%** of clinical research studies included people with profound autism as participants.

Their exclusion has become the norm.

Most home and community-based services exclude people with profound autism because of their intense support needs. **Caregivers are left with nowhere to turn.**

People with profound autism consistently experience unique, devastating, and often unseen challenges that require solutions, not only for them but for their caregivers.