

7 in 10 Canadians



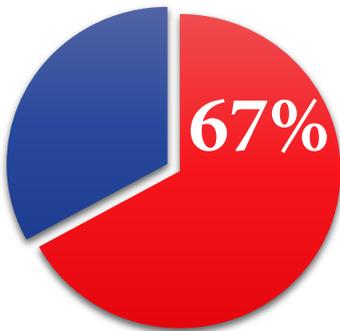
Think employers need to do more to ensure that workers with a chronic illness that limits their mobility can continue to be productive and contribute to the Canadian economy.

According to Statistics Canada, 3.8 million Canadians aged 15 years or older reported a difficulty or impairment due to a long-term condition or health problem that limited their daily activities, including their ability to work. However, studies have shown that for many older Canadians living with a chronic health condition, full-time employment is still their preference or a financial necessity.

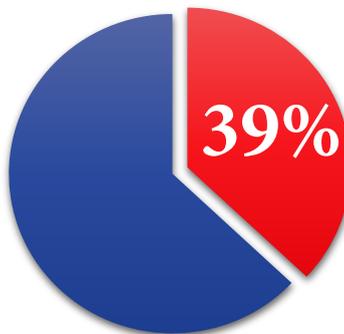
Governments and employers both have a vested interest in facilitating the full participation of employees with an illness that limits their mobility. Governments across Canada should work with business, and the not-for-profit sector, to ensure that this goal of full participation is realized.

The Arthritis Alliance of Canada is calling on governments to ensure that employers do more to ensure that people with a chronic illness, like arthritis, that limits their mobility can continue to be productive and contribute to the Canadian economy.

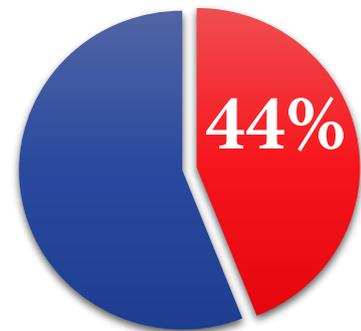
Canadians' views on the labour market participation of persons who live with chronic pain or a health problem that limits their physical movement (like arthritis).



Canadians “would want to continue to work even if [they] develop a chronic illness that limits my mobility.”



Canadians said that they “know people who have been treated unfairly at work because of a chronic illness that limited their mobility”.



Canadians are “confident that my employer would accommodate my needs if I developed a chronic illness, limiting my mobility”.

