Statistics on Care and Services for Persons with Impairments 2019

Living support, Home help services and Security alarms are the most common services under the Social Services Act to persons, 0 to 64 years old, with impairments. In total, 57,200 persons with impairment received services on 31 October 2019.

Living support the most common service

October 31, 2019 there were 57,200 people receiving some form of service due to physical or mental impairment under the Social Services Act. The most common service received was Living support, a service in the form of support in daily life in the individuals own home. The second and third most common services were Home help services in ordinary housing and Security alarms (see Figure 1).

The gender distribution among those receiving at least one service, October 31 2019, was even; 51 percent were women and 49 percent were men. The gender difference was small also for specific services. The service with the highest share of male recipients was Short-term housing (63 percent men). The service with the highest share of female recipients was Companion service (57 percent women).

Compared to last year the number of impaired people receiving at least one service during the year has increased by 2 percent.
Services by age group

For all age groups between 20 and 54 years Living support was the most commonly received service. For the youngest age group, 0–19 years, Relief service in the home was the most common, and for the oldest age group (55–64) Home help services were the most common. Table 1 shows the most common services by age group.

Table 1. The three most common services and the share of impaired persons receiving them, by age group, 31 October 2019.

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Source: The Register for care and social services for the elderly and for persons with impairments. The National Board of Health and Welfare.

Municipal services for persons with impairments

Persons with impairments may receive services from the municipality both according to the Social Services Act (SoL) which covers the services included in this report, but also from the Act concerning Support and Service for Persons with Certain Functional Impairments, LSS. Services under LSS are presented in another report. Some people have services provided from both Acts and appear in both reports. This report presents statistics for persons younger than 65 years who receive SoL-services.

More information

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