

## Nevada state prevalence numbers according to the 2022 American Community Survey (ACS)

State	Age Range	DeafBlind Population
Nevada	Under 18	1,610
Nevada	Age 18 to 54	4,834
Nevada	Age 55+	20,680

The American Community Survey (ACS) is a yearly survey that collects data on the US population's demographics, housing, economics, and social characteristics. The ACS is conducted by the US Census Bureau. <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/about.html>

**American Community Survey (ACS) Definition of DeafBlind:** A person with “combined hearing and vision/dual sensory loss,” refers to people who self-reported “yes” on the American Community Survey to BOTH of the following questions: (1) Is this person deaf or does he/she have serious difficulty hearing? (2) Is this person blind or does he/she have serious difficulty seeing even when wearing glasses? This may include individuals who would be considered DeafBlind under federal guidelines as well as other individuals with both significant hearing and vision loss.

### **Citation for Referencing Data:**

American Community Survey. (2022). Note: Calculations by the University of New Hampshire Institute on Disability using the *U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey, 5-year and 1-year estimates*, IPUMS data, University of Minnesota. <https://data.census.gov/table?q=2022%20disability>

This data is open to the public, see link above, but dual sensory loss is not cross-tabulated, only Vision or Hearing difficulties separately. Therefore, HKNC has worked with the University of New Hampshire's Institute on Disability to conduct a specialized analysis of persons with dual sensory loss in the U.S.

<https://learn.helenkeller.org/mod/glossary/view.php?id=1690>