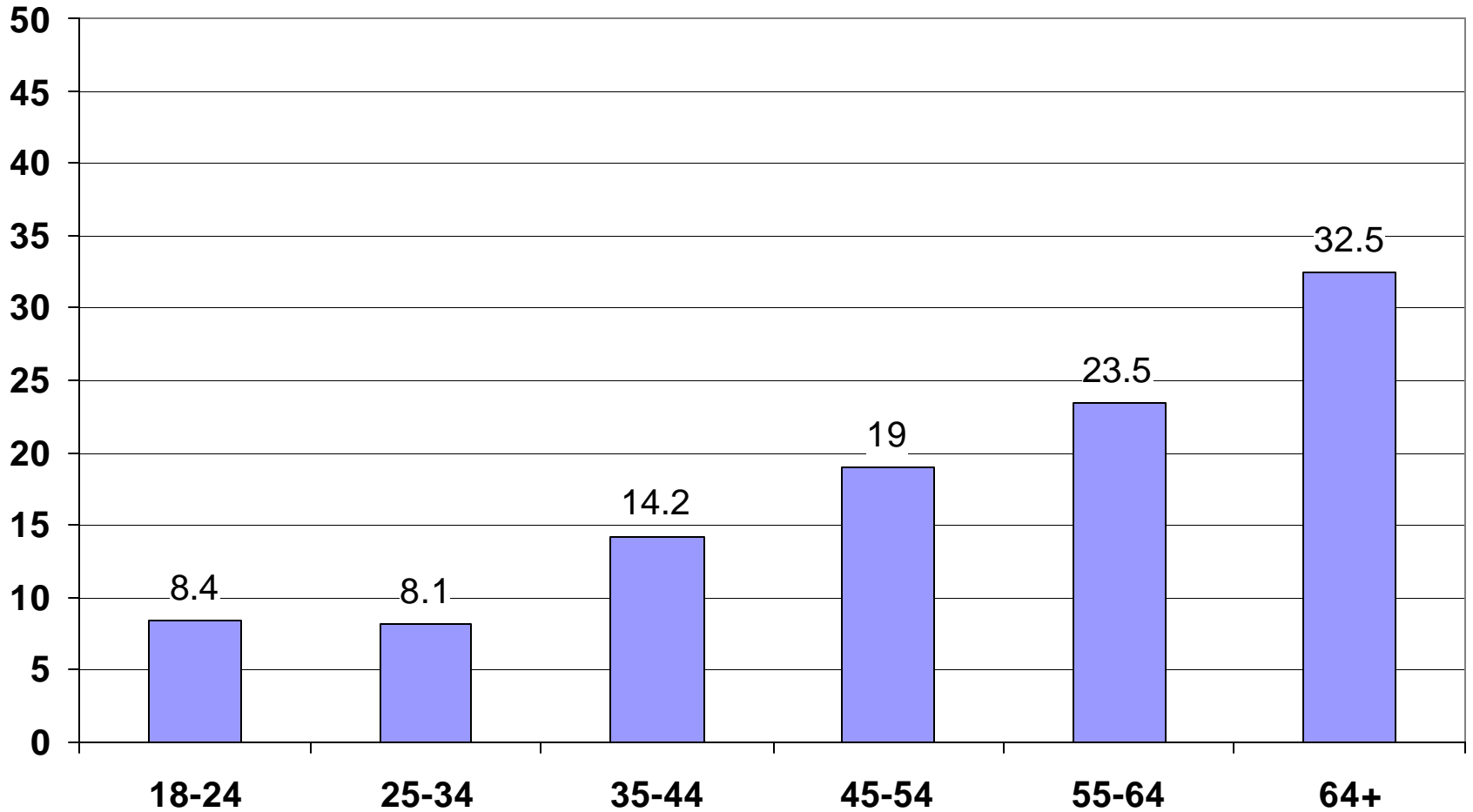


Disability and Secondary Conditions

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Disability Prevalence in KS



By Age Group - 2003 KS BRFSS

Disability Prevalence in KS

- Higher among females (19 vs. 16%)
- Varies with race/ethnicity:
 - 19.5% non-Hispanic blacks
 - 17.9% non-Hispanic whites
 - 9.1% Hispanics
- Increases with decreased socioeconomic status
- Does not appear to vary by population density

Healthy People 2010

- Chapter 6 focuses on health of people with disabilities, preventing secondary conditions and eliminating disparities
- 13 objectives address mental health issues, employment, surveillance and health promotion programs, mainstream education, community participation
- People with disabilities are represented in 207 objectives that span 21 of the 28 chapters.
 - But data on people with disabilities are available for only 88 of those objectives.

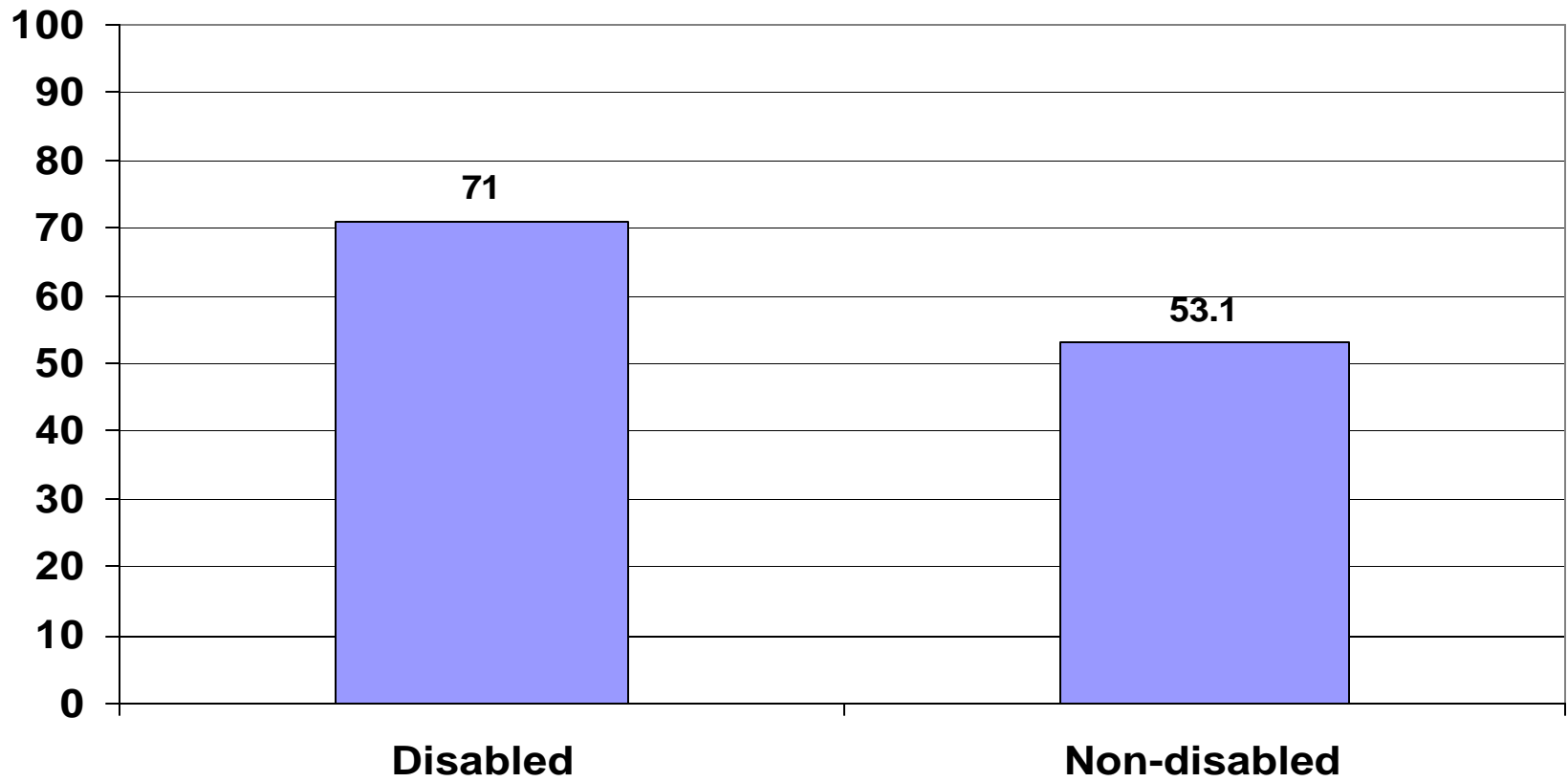
Chapter 6

Developmental Objectives

- 6-10 Increase the proportion of health and wellness and treatment programs and facilities that provide full access for people with disabilities
- 6-11 Reduce the proportion of people with disabilities who report not having the assistive devices and technology needed.
- 6-12 Reduce the proportion of people with disabilities reporting environmental barriers to participation in home, school, work, or community activities.

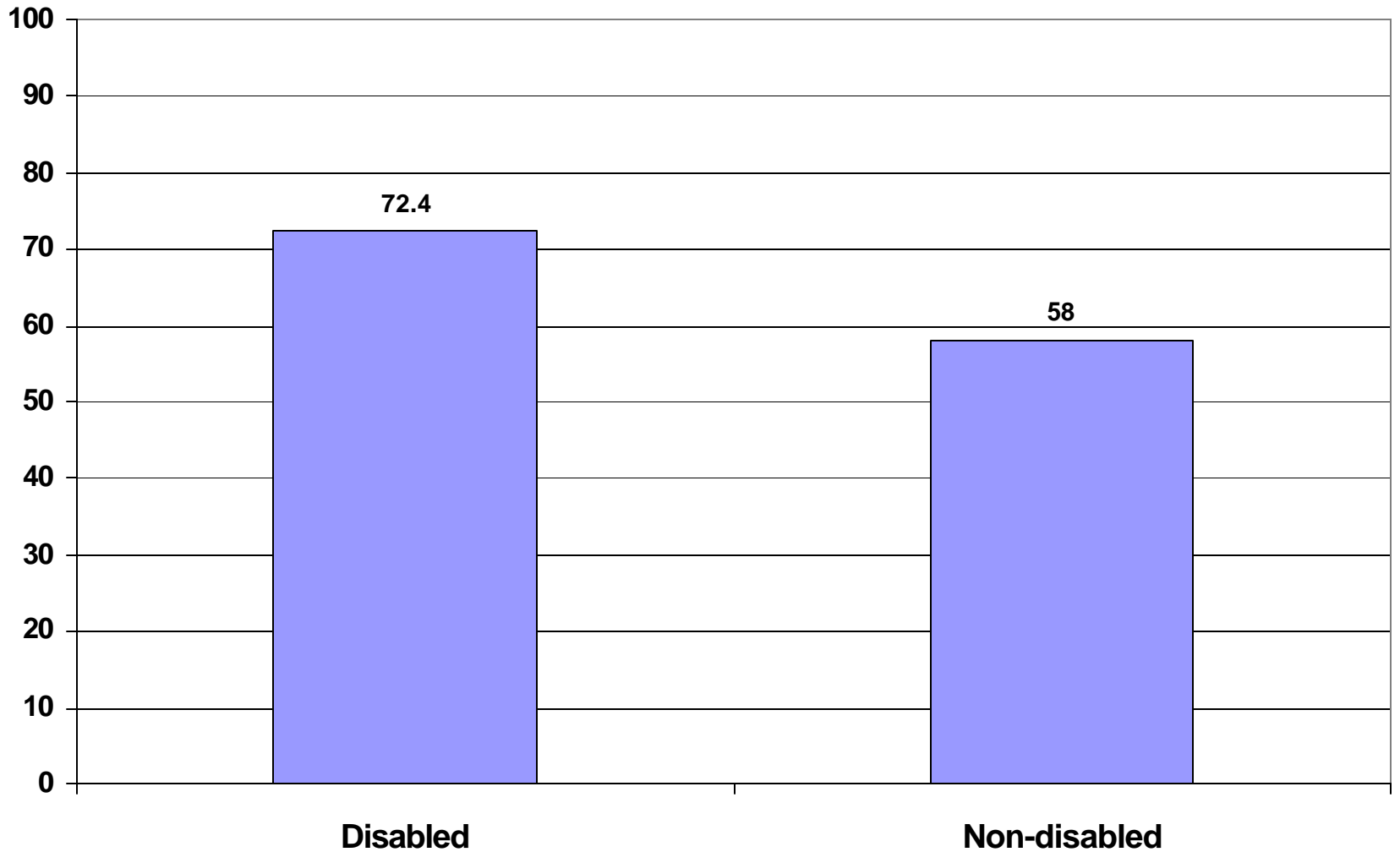
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Inadequate Physical Activity



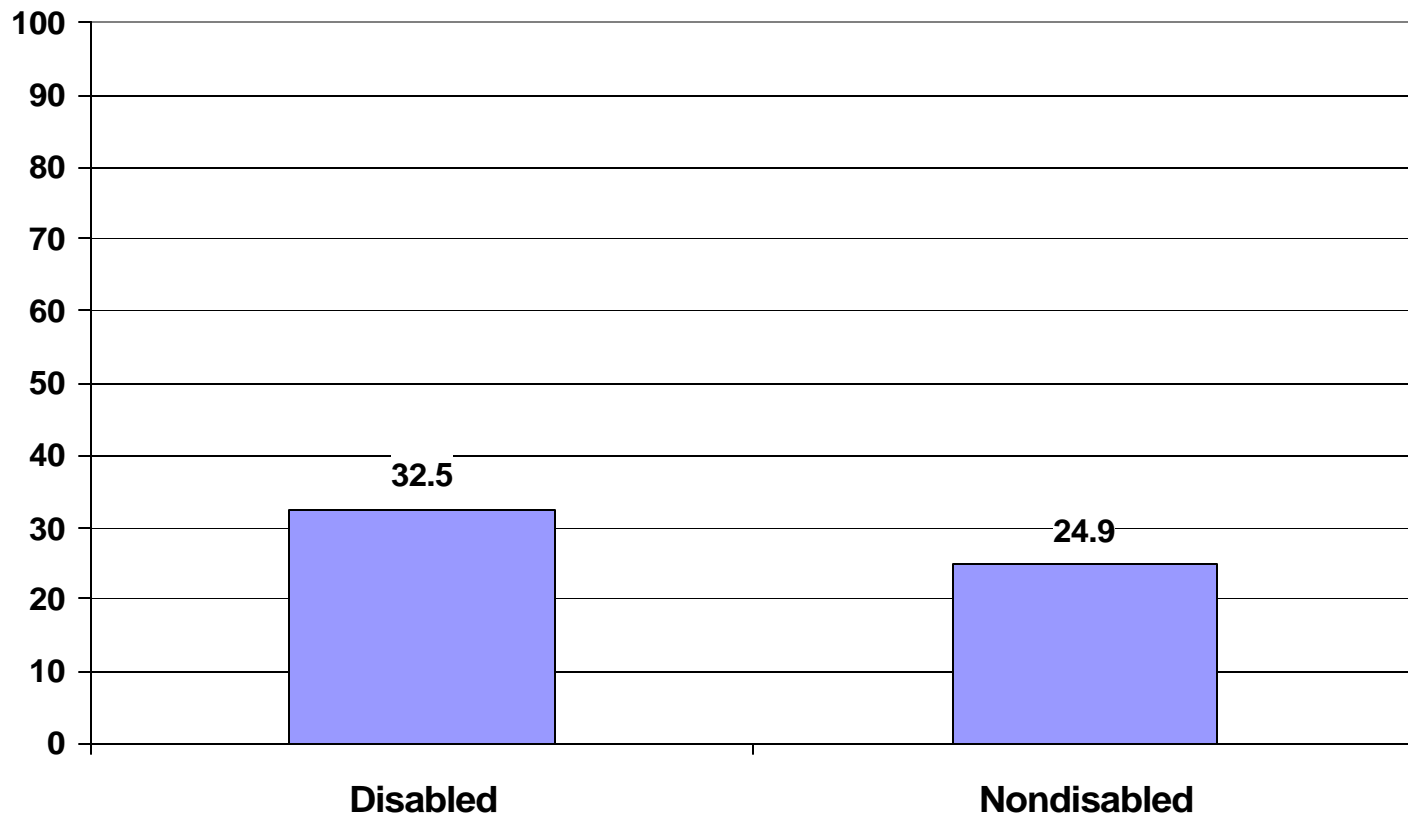
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Obesity



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Lack of Access to Oral Health Care



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How Are We Addressing Disability and Health Issues in Kansas Now?

- Coalition activities to address injury and violence against people with disabilities
- Award of CDC grant to focus on health of people with disabilities
- Disability and health research conducted at several universities in KS
- Work in progress to train statewide emergency professionals in assisting people with disabilities in disasters

What Are Kansas' Assets For Improving These Health Issues?

- Strong disability advocacy community
- Potential for collaborations between KDHE, universities, and consumer groups
- Existing data can serve as baseline
- Medicaid waivers increase community based services

What are the Barriers or Liabilities That Are Limiting Progress in Kansas?

- Lack of transportation in rural areas can impede access to services and programs
- Lack of adherence to regulations requiring accessible services
- High unemployment rate impacts lack of resources for people with disabilities

Recommendations

- Ongoing disability surveillance to detect trends
- Collaborate with professional associations to increase accessibility of health care services
- Continue to emphasize that people with disabilities can be healthy

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Health Is For Everyone!

- “The challenge...is to continue the revolution so that it truly meets the needs of those at the bottom of the disability ladder, not just the “talented 10%.” Litvak & Martin, 2000

