

**Documentation of statistics for  
Benefit to disability car 2024**

## **1 Introduction**

The purpose of these statistics is to provide information on cases on subsidies for disability cars as prescribed by section 114 of the Danish Social Services Act. These statistics were initiated in the Danish Social Appeals Board back in 1998. Until 1 July 2016, these statistics were managed by the Appeals Board, after which they were transferred to Statistics Denmark.

## **2 Statistical presentation**

The statistics are an annual statement of the total amount of cases, among these are number of refusals, average time of casework counted in weeks as well as the total amount of money granted towards subsidies to disability cars prescribed by section 114 of the Danish Social Services Act. The statistics are distributed by municipalities.

### **2.1 Data description**

The statistics only concern decisions on grant of subsidies/rejection of request for subsidies for the purchase of disability cars. Decisions e.g. on special fitting are not shown in these statistics. From 2022 it is possible to access the information regarding the reasoning of the subsidy/rejection, what the municipality board has granted/rejected as well as what subsidy is given in relation to replacement of car.

### **2.2 Classification system**

These statistics show decisions made in cases in the municipalities. The statistics are broken down by municipality.

### **2.3 Sector coverage**

Not relevant for these statistics.

### **2.4 Statistical concepts and definitions**

Processing time: From 2023 the decision date must be understood as the date on which the citizen receives the municipality's decision on support for a car before any complaints are processed. It is thus exclusively the date of the municipality's "first" decision that must be reported as the decision date.

This means that in connection with a complaint, the time between the application and decision date must not include in the decision date.

If a case about support for a car is referred from the Appeals Board to the municipality, this must not be reported as a new case or reported on the original case.

If the decision is a grant, the date on which the citizen receives a decision containing a amount of money for the car is reported.

## **2.5 Statistical unit**

These statistics are stated at individual person level.

## **2.6 Statistical population**

Applicants for disability cars as prescribed by section 114 of the Danish Social Services Act.

## **2.7 Reference area**

Denmark.

## **2.8 Time coverage**

These statistics cover the time period from 2011 and onwards.

## **2.9 Base period**

Not relevant for these statistics.

## **2.10 Unit of measure**

These statistics are based on the number of grants and rejections in the municipalities. The average processing time is counted by weeks, and the granted amount is counted in DKK.

## **2.11 Reference period**

Calendar year.

## **2.12 Frequency of dissemination**

Annual.

## **2.13 Legal acts and other agreements**

Data is retrieved and processed by Statistics Denmark on behalf of the Ministry of Social Affairs, Housing and Senior Citizens and section 82 of the Legal Security Act of Protection and Administration in Social Matters. Statistics Denmark are processing data on behalf of the Ministry of Social Affairs, Housing and Senior Citizens whom is responsible for data. In addition the collected data is given to Statistics Denmark according to section 6 of the Act on Statistics Denmark.

## **2.14 Cost and burden**

The municipalities must report the decisions once a year. The reporting deadline is January 15th the following year after the decision has been reached.

## **2.15 Comment**

You can request further information from Statistics Denmark.

## **3 Statistical processing**

Consistent data is received from the municipalities. Data is validated, checked for logical errors, and compared to the previous year. Data is then compiled into one data set.

### **3.1 Source data**

The municipalities must report all their decisions about subsidies for disability cars. This only applies for grant/rejection of subsidies for cars. Special fitting must not be reported.

### **3.2 Frequency of data collection**

The statistics are compiled once a year.

### **3.3 Data collection**

In 2016, data was collected by the Appeals Board via an electronic reporting system. From 1 July 2016 and onwards, data must be submitted via spreadsheet as defined by Statistics Denmark.

### **3.4 Data validation**

Data is analyzed for logical errors: The date of the decision cannot be before the day of application, granted cases must contain an amount of money, all obligatory fields must be completed. If errors or missing entries are detected the relevant municipalities will be contacted. Furthermore the amount of granted and rejected cases and the total amount of money granted is compared with historical data for every municipality.

### **3.5 Data compilation**

When data has been received it is compiled into one data set, which creates the basis for the statistics.

### **3.6 Adjustment**

No corrections of data are made in addition to those already described under Data validation and Data processing.

## **4 Relevance**

The statistics state the decisions in the municipalities and are used by e.g. ministries, municipalities and journalists.

#### **4.1 User Needs**

Data is used by e.g. ministries, municipalities, research scientists, journalists and students.

#### **4.2 User Satisfaction**

No information is gathered specifically on user satisfaction.

#### **4.3 Data completeness rate**

Not relevant for these statistics.

### **5 Accuracy and reliability**

Submitting data is required by law and after validation, data is reliable to the extent that Statistics Denmark has received all decisions. Corrections for earlier statistical years may be made subsequently.

#### **5.1 Overall accuracy**

It is mandatory for the municipalities to report data on benefits to disability cars. All municipalities report data and only few observations are corrected for logical errors.

#### **5.2 Sampling error**

Not relevant for these statistics.

#### **5.3 Non-sampling error**

One uncertainty reflects whether all decisions have been reported. The number of decisions at municipal level is compared to the number for previous years to see if there are major variations in the number of reported decisions. Moreover, the municipalities indicate reasons for refusal/rejection by marking with a cross next to the relevant reason(s). In addition, it is not possible to check whether a missing cross next to one or more reasons is a deliberate choice or a mistake.

#### **5.4 Quality management**

Statistics Denmark follows the recommendations on organisation and management of quality given in the Code of Practice for European Statistics (CoP) and the implementation guidelines given in the Quality Assurance Framework of the European Statistical System (QAF). A Working Group on Quality and a central quality assurance function have been established to continuously carry through control of products and processes.

## **5.5 Quality assurance**

Statistics Denmark follows the principles in the Code of Practice for European Statistics (CoP) and uses the Quality Assurance Framework of the European Statistical System (QAF) for the implementation of the principles. This involves continuous decentralized and central control of products and processes based on documentation following international standards. The central quality assurance function reports to the Working Group on Quality. Reports include suggestions for improvement that are assessed, decided and subsequently implemented.

## **5.6 Quality assessment**

These statistics are based on data from all municipalities in Denmark.

## **5.7 Data revision - policy**

Statistics Denmark revises published figures in accordance with the [Revision Policy for Statistics Denmark](#). The common procedures and principles of the Revision Policy are for some statistics supplemented by a specific revision practice.

## **5.8 Data revision practice**

Validation/adjustment of previously submitted data in case of data break.

## **6 Timeliness and punctuality**

The statistics will be published approximately nine months after the expiry of the reference period. These statistics are published without delay, with reference to the announced time of publication in the release calendar.

### **6.1 Timeliness and time lag - final results**

The statistics are published annually.

### **6.2 Punctuality**

These statistics are published without delay, with reference to the announced time of publication in the release calendar.

## **7 Comparability**

Data has been collected since the year 2000. Following the Danish municipality reform in 2007, the jurisdiction was transferred from the old counties to the municipalities. From 2010 onwards, the municipalities also had to report the size of the benefits.

### **7.1 Comparability - geographical**

There are no EU regulations or guidelines for this set of statistics. For this reason, there are no directly comparable statistics internationally.

## **7.2 Comparability over time**

Data is available from 2000 but at the moment disseminated from 2011 and onwards.

## **7.3 Coherence - cross domain**

No immediate correlations with other sets of statistics.

## **7.4 Coherence - internal**

Not relevant for these statistics.

## **8 Accessibility and clarity**

These statistics are published yearly in a Danish press release, at the same time as the tables are updated in the StatBank. In the StatBank, these statistics can be found under the subject [Disability care](#). For further information, go to the [subject page](#).

### **8.1 Release calendar**

The publication date appears in the release calendar. The date is confirmed in the weeks before.

### **8.3 User access**

Statistics are always published at 8:00 a.m. at the day announced in the release calendar. No one outside of Statistics Denmark can access the statistics before they are published.

### **8.2 Release calendar access**

The Release Calendar can be accessed on our English website: [Release Calendar](#).

### **8.4 News release**

These statistics are published annually in a Danish press release. Note: The numbers representing grants across regions, and grants per 100.000 citizens are computed based on discretioned data from the public StatBank. This means that the percentage of grants and rejections across regions may vary with up to 2 % from the true values. For the number per 100.000 citizens, the number may vary with up to 1 per 100.000 people.

### **8.5 Publications**

These statistics do not feature in any publications from Statistics Denmark.

## 8.6 On-line database

The statistics are published in the StatBank under the subject [Cars for the disabled](#) in the following tables:

- [HANDBIL1](#): Benefit to disability car by region, unit and time
- [HANDBIL2](#): Refusal of benefit by region, unit and time

## 8.7 Micro-data access

Researchers and other analysts from authorized Danish research institutes can get access to the micro-data of the statistics via Statistics Denmark's Scheme for researchers.

## 8.8 Other

The statistics are made available for service tasks against payment. For further information, please visit customized solutions or contact DST Consulting.

These statistics has previously been published by the Danish Appeals Board. As of 1 July 2016, the production of these statistics was transferred to Statistics Denmark.

## 8.9 Confidentiality - policy

[Data Confidentiality Policy](#) for Statistics Denmark is applied.

## 8.10 Confidentiality - data treatment

Data cells based on 1 or 2 observations are subject to discretion.

## 8.11 Documentation on methodology

There are no separate method descriptions for this set of statistics.

## 8.12 Quality documentation

Results from the quality evaluation of products and selected processes are available in detail for each statistics and in summary reports for the Working Group on Quality.

## 9 Contact

The administrative placement of these statistics is in the division of Personal Finances and Welfare, Social Statistics. The contact person is Johanna Jallberg, tel.: + 45 2058 4240, and e-mail: [JJG@dst.dk](mailto:JJG@dst.dk).