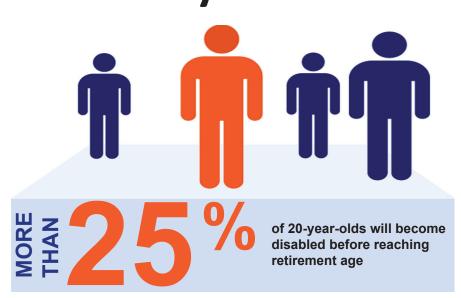
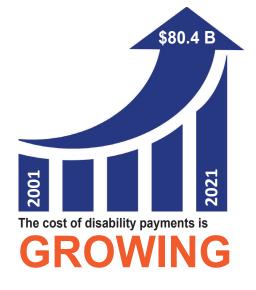
Occupational Requirements Survey **ORS: Why It Matters**





ORS data affects lives and moves dollars



was spent on disability payments in 2021, more than on food stamps and housing assistance combined



\$162.9 Billion

SNAP (Food Stamps) & Housing Assistance

\$187.8 Billion

Social Security Disability Payments

Better decisions begin with better data



SSA is developing a new Occupational Information System (OIS) to replace the Dictionary of Occupational Titles (DOT) that is currently used to adjudicate disability claims.

The new OIS will use ORS data to better define jobs that exist in our modern economy to support an accurate and fair disability determination process.

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What is the Occupational Requirements Survey (ORS)?



The BLS conducts this survey under an agreement with the Social Security Administration (SSA). The goal of the ORS is to collect and publish information about specific work-related requirements that will be available to the public and used by SSA to help make decisions for their disability programs. For more information on the ORS, see www.bls.gov/ors.

