Autism Society of California’s 2018 Survey
SOCIAL INDICATORS
for California’s I/DD Population

Feeling Completely Accepted

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<th>Place</th>
<th>2018</th>
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<td>place of worship</td>
<td>34%</td>
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<td>by family members</td>
<td>51%</td>
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<td>in the workplace</td>
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Adults who feel they have enough friends or social opportunities.

- **23%** adults in 2018
- **22%** adults in 2016

377 survey participants in 2018.

Level of Support (either by a parent, family member, friend or paid staff) Needed to be Included as Part of Local Community (shop, go on social outings, have a job, live)

- **None**: 6%
- **Less than a few hours a week (as needed)**: 15%
- **A few hours a week**: 16%
- **A few hours a day**: 17%
- **Constant support throughout the day**: 18%

938 survey participants

2018
- None: 4%
- Less than a few hours a week: 11%
- A few hours a week: 16%
- A few hours a day: 17%
- Constant support throughout the day: 18%

2016
- None: 6%
- Less than a few hours a week: 15%
- A few hours a week: 16%
- A few hours a day: 17%
- Constant support throughout the day: 18%

TOP BARRIERS THAT IMPEDE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

- **57%**: Hard to find appropriate activities
- **24%**: Not interested in going out
- **23%**: Not enough authorized hours for staff to accompany person
- **21%**: I’m too afraid what will happen if they have behaviors
- **19%**: Staff not permitted to transport

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22% CHILDREN have enough friends or social opportunities

610 survey participants in 2018.