

EXAMPLES OF DISABILITY WEIGHTS FROM THE DUTCH STUDY

Weight	Disease stage, severity level or sequela
0.00 – 0.01	Gingivitis, dental caries
0.01 – 0.05	Mild asthma, mild vision loss, mild hearing loss, basal cell skin cancer
0.05 – 0.10	Low back pain, uncomplicated diabetes case, mild stable angina (NYHA 1-2)
0.10 – 0.15	Mild depression , osteoarthritis (radiological grade 2) of hip or knee, epilepsy
0.15 – 0.20	Mild/moderate panic disorder , spina bifida (sacral), HIV seropositive
0.20 – 0.30	Non-invasive breast cancer or tumour <2cm (diagnostic treatment phase), anorexia , mild/moderate obsessive compulsive disorder
0.30 – 0.40	Moderate depression , multiple sclerosis in relapsing-remitting phase, severe asthma, chronic hepatitis B infection with active viral replication, deafness
0.40 – 0.50	Severe vision loss, medium-level spina bifida (L3-L5), osteoarthritis (grade 3-4), operable small cell lung cancer, moderate intellectual disability (IQ 35–49)
0.50 – 0.65	Severe post traumatic stress syndrome , paraplegia, AIDS (first stage), severe chronic bronchitis or emphysema
0.65 – 0.80	Disseminated breast cancer, severe depression , moderately severe brain injury resulting in permanent impairments, extreme intellectual disability (IQ<20)
0.80 – 1.00	Severe schizophrenia , disseminated colorectal cancer, severe dementia, alcoholic psychosis , quadriplegia, stroke with multiple permanent impairments, end-stage Parkinson's disease

Ref: Stouthard. M et al. (1997) *Disability weights for diseases in the Netherlands*. Rotterdam: Dept of Public Health, Erasmus University.