

Can't do math? You are not alone

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Mayo Clinic researchers say they've determined Math Learning Disorder is common among school-age children, especially among boys.

The research indicates that although a child can have a Math LD and a reading LD, a substantial percentage of children have Math LD alone.

The scientists said as many as 14 percent of students up to age 19 might have Math LD, depending on which definition of Math LD is used.

The researchers said "Learning Disability" is a term used to describe the seemingly unexplained difficulty a person of at least average intelligence has in acquiring basic academic skills that are essential for success at school, work and for coping with life in general.

The results of the Mayo Clinic study appear in the September-October issue of *Ambulatory Pediatrics*.

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