

Supplementary Table 1: Sample size of ten surveys included in the analysis

Survey	Respondents 15+ years	Respondents administered CIDI
NPHS 1996 ^a	70,283	67,609
CCHS 1.1 ^a	122,522	119,395
CCHS 1.2 Mental Health ^a	36,962	36,768
CCHS 2.1	125,452	45,458
CCHS 3.1	124,178	65,217
CCHS 2007/2008	123,316	43,006
CCHS 2009/2010	116,517	54,020
CCHS 2011/2012	117,610	20,133
CCHS 2012 Mental Health ^a	25,113	24,954
CCHS 2013	60,307	19,179
Total	922,260	495,739

^a Assessment of MDE was core content in these surveys. The CIDI-SFMD was used in the first 2 surveys and the WMH-CIDI was used in the 2002 and 2012 mental health surveys.

Supplementary Table 2. Provinces selecting the MDE module

	NPHS 1996	CCHS 1.1	CCHS 1.2	CCHS 2.1	CCHS 3.1	CCHS 2007/2008	CCHS 2009/2010	CCHS 2011/2012	CCHS 2012MH	CCHS 2013
British Columbia	X	X	X		X		X		X	
Alberta	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	
Saskatchewan	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Manitoba	X	X	X						X	X
Ontario	X	X	X	X					X	
Quebec	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X
Nova Scotia	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X
New Brunswick	X	X	X	X		X		X	X	
Prince Edward Island	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Newfoundland/Labrador	X	X	X	X				X	X	X

* These surveys included the MDE module only as optional content.