

Supplementary Online Content

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eTable 1. Comparative Odds of Serious Psychological Distress Among Adults Stratified by Age, Sex, and Race/Ethnicity in 2004-05, 2009-10, and 2014-15, United States			
Serious Psychological Distress†	2004-05 OR (95% CI)	2009-10 OR (95% CI)	2014-15 OR (95% CI)
Age			
Ages 40-59 years (18-39 years reference)	1.43 (1.26, 1.62)	1.41 (1.25, 1.58)	1.44 (1.22, 1.70)
Ages 60+ years (18-39 years reference)	1.35 (1.16, 1.56)	1.32 (1.13, 1.55)	1.24 (1.04, 1.49)
Sex			
Female (male reference)	1.46 (1.29, 1.65)	1.30 (1.18, 1.44)	1.40 (1.24, 1.59)
Race/Ethnicity			
African American (white reference)	1.14 (0.97, 1.34)	1.09 (0.96, 1.24)	0.95 (0.80, 1.13)
Hispanic (white is reference)	1.36 (1.19, 1.56)	1.09 (0.94, 1.27)	0.93 (0.78, 1.11)
Other (white is reference)	1.16 (0.93, 1.46)	0.86 (0.67, 1.09)	0.85 (0.67, 1.08)
Data from Medical Expenditure Panel Surveys. Analysis limited to ages 18+ years.			
†Serious psychological distress based on Kessler-6 score of ≥ 12 .			
*Odds ratios (OR) denote unadjusted odds of mental health service use in period of first listed demographic group in relation to reference group.			

eTable 2. Trends in Use of Any Outpatient Mental Health Service by Adults					
Variable	Use of Any Outpatient Mental Health Service			Period Effect† OR (95% CI)	p-value for Interaction††
	2004-05 % of adults	2009-10 % of adults	2014-15 % of adults		
All adults	19.08	20.44	23.00	1.25 (1.17, 1.34)	
1. Serious psychological distress (K-6 ≥13)	54.17	58.63	68.40	1.84 (1.53, 2.23)	1 vs 2: 0.02
2. Less serious psychological distress (K-6=1 to 12)	21.40	23.15	28.57	1.46 (1.36, 1.57)	2 vs 3: 0.006
3. No psychological distress (K-6=0)	9.72	9.77	11.97	1.24 (1.11, 1.38)	1 vs 3: 0.0004

Data from Medical Expenditure Panel Surveys and presented as annualized percentages.
† Period effects represent the age and sex adjusted odds ratios (OR) of the outpatient mental health services in 2014-15 with 2004-05 as reference.
†† Interaction *p*-values test whether changes in outpatient mental health service use over time differed across psychological distress strata.

eTable 3. Estimated Number of Adults in Millions Receiving Any Outpatient Mental Health Services by Serious Psychological Distress			
Variable	Use of Any Outpatient Mental Health Service		
	2004-05 estimated millions of adults (95% CI)	2009-10 estimated millions of adults (95% CI)	2014-15 estimated millions of adults (95% CI)
All adults	41.82 (38.97, 44.68)	47.09 (44.68, 49.49)	56.00 (52.77, 59.20)
Serious psychological distress	5.59 (5.07, 6.11)	6.48 (5.92, 7.04)	5.96 (5.37, 6.55)
Less serious or no serious psychological distress	35.17 (32.64, 37.71)	39.07 (37.00, 41.14)	47.69 (44.80, 50.61)
Adults 18-39 years of age	10.94 (9.83, 12.05)	12.66 (11.59, 13.72)	14.65 (13.30, 15.99)
Serious psychological distress	1.37 (1.13, 1.60)	1.74 (1.49, 2.00)	1.71 (1.42, 2.00)
Less serious or no psychological distress	9.44 (8.44, 10.44)	10.61 (9.68, 11.53)	12.61 (11.39, 13.83)
Adults 40-59 years of age	18.26 (16.85, 19.68)	19.12 (17.96, 20.28)	20.49 (18.99, 21.98)
Serious psychological distress	2.77 (2.44, 3.10)	2.87 (2.49, 3.25)	2.56 (2.22, 2.91)
Less serious or no psychological distress	15.12 (13.88, 16.36)	15.69 (14.71, 16.67)	17.11 (15.79, 18.43)
Adults 60+ years of age	12.62 (11.68, 13.56)	15.31 (14.29, 16.33)	20.86 (19.42, 22.30)
Serious psychological distress	1.45 (1.23, 1.68)	1.87 (1.60, 2.14)	1.69 (1.43, 1.95)
Less serious or no psychological distress	10.61 (9.80, 11.42)	12.77 (11.88, 13.67)	17.97 (16.65, 19.29)
Male adults	14.16 (13.02, 15.30)	16.88 (15.75, 18.01)	20.38 (19.04, 21.73)
Serious psychological distress	1.96 (1.69, 2.23)	2.45 (2.12, 2.77)	2.12 (1.81, 2.43)
Less serious or no psychological distress	11.91 (10.85, 12.97)	13.80 (12.81, 14.80)	17.31 (16.11, 18.52)
Female adults	27.66 (25.64, 29.67)	30.21 (28.58, 31.85)	35.61 (33.42, 37.80)
Serious psychological distress	3.63 (3.22, 4.05)	4.03 (3.64, 4.43)	3.84 (3.42, 4.26)
Less serious or no psychological distress	23.27 (21.52, 25.01)	25.26 (23.87, 26.66)	30.38 (28.42, 32.34)
White adults	34.37 (31.73, 37.01)	38.30 (36.00, 40.60)	44.23 (41.27, 47.19)
Serious psychological distress	4.11 (3.66, 4.56)	4.84 (4.34, 5.35)	4.35 (3.82, 4.87)
Less serious or no psychological distress	29.49 (27.14, 31.84)	32.33 (30.33, 34.34)	38.15 (35.49, 40.81)
Non-white adults	7.46 (6.79, 8.12)	8.79 (8.09, 9.50)	11.77 (10.82, 12.72)
Serious psychological distress	1.48 (1.28, 1.68)	1.64 (1.39, 1.89)	1.61 (1.39, 1.84)
Less serious or no psychological distress	5.68 (5.14, 6.23)	6.73 (6.19, 7.28)	9.54 (8.72, 10.36)

Data from Medical Expenditure Panel Surveys.

eTable 4. Comparative Odds of Any Mental Health Service Use by Adults Stratified by Age, Sex, and Race/Ethnicity in 2004-05, 2009-10, and 2014-15, United States			
Mental Health Service	2004-05 OR (95% CI)	2009-10 OR (95% CI)	2014-15 OR (95% CI)
Any mental health service			
Ages 40-59 years (18-39 years reference)	2.02 (1.85, 2.21)	1.80 (1.66, 1.96)	1.71 (1.55, 1.88)
Ages 60+ (18-39 years reference)	2.44 (2.21, 2.70)	2.30 (2.11, 2.51)	2.48 (2.24, 2.74)
Female (male reference)	2.09 (1.93, 2.25)	1.92 (1.78, 2.07)	1.88 (1.76, 2.00)
White (non-white reference)	2.32 (2.13, 2.52)	2.39 (2.21, 2.59)	2.54 (2.36, 2.74)
Psychotherapy			
Ages 40-59 years (18-39 years reference)	1.38 (1.20, 1.59)	1.05 (0.90, 1.22)	1.06 (0.92, 1.21)
Ages 60+ (18-39 years reference)	0.67 (0.54, 0.82)	0.55 (0.46, 0.66)	0.68 (0.56, 0.82)
Female (male reference)	1.67 (1.48, 1.88)	1.44 (1.26, 1.65)	1.80 (1.62, 2.00)
White (non-white reference)	1.70 (1.46, 1.98)	1.70 (1.48, 1.95)	1.85 (1.59, 2.14)
Any psychotropic medication			
Ages 40-59 years (18-39 years reference)	2.17 (1.98, 2.38)	1.95 (1.80, 2.13)	1.92 (1.74, 2.14)
Ages 60+ (18-39 years reference)	2.74 (2.46, 3.05)	2.62 (2.39, 2.87)	2.85 (2.56, 3.17)
Female (male reference)	2.15 (1.98, 2.33)	1.95 (1.81, 2.11)	1.90 (1.78, 2.03)
White (non-white reference)	2.40 (2.19, 2.62)	2.48 (2.29, 2.69)	2.63 (2.44, 2.85)
Antidepressants			
Ages 40-59 years (18-39 years reference)	2.10 (1.90, 2.32)	2.03 (1.83, 2.24)	2.06 (1.83, 2.32)
Ages 60+ (18-39 years reference)	2.00 (1.77, 2.26)	2.24 (2.00, 2.51)	2.67 (2.37, 3.00)
Female (male reference)	2.40 (2.19, 2.63)	2.33 (2.11, 2.56)	2.24 (2.05, 2.45)
White (non-white reference)	2.66 (2.38, 2.96)	2.84 (2.56, 3.14)	3.04 (2.77, 3.33)
Anxiolytics/sedatives			
Ages 40-59 years (18-39 years reference)	2.92 (2.51, 3.40)	2.21 (1.95, 2.52)	2.11 (1.84, 2.42)
Ages 60+ (18-39 years reference)	4.35 (3.71, 5.10)	2.82 (2.44, 3.27)	3.13 (2.71, 3.62)
Female (male reference)	1.87 (1.67, 2.09)	1.80 (1.63, 1.99)	1.72 (1.55, 1.91)
White (non-white reference)	2.20 (1.94, 2.50)	2.26 (2.00, 2.55)	2.45 (2.18, 2.75)
Antipsychotics			
Ages 40-59 years (18-39 years reference)	1.45 (1.14, 1.85)	1.20 (0.93, 1.55)	1.46 (1.16, 1.84)
Ages 60+ (18-39 years reference)	1.15 (0.83, 1.60)	0.98 (0.73, 1.30)	1.22 (0.94, 1.59)
Female (male reference)	1.43 (1.15, 1.77)	1.19 (0.92, 1.54)	1.46 (1.20, 1.78)
White (non-white reference)	0.89 (0.69, 1.15)	1.20 (0.997, 1.45)	1.42 (1.18, 1.72)
Mood stabilizers			
Ages 40-59 years (18-39 years reference)	2.38 (1.99, 2.84)	1.76 (1.45, 2.14)	2.23 (1.89, 2.64)
Ages 60+ (18-39 years reference)	2.73 (2.17, 3.45)	2.32 (1.91, 2.83)	3.12 (2.55, 3.82)
Female (male reference)	1.75 (1.48, 2.07)	1.63 (1.40, 1.90)	1.52 (1.34, 1.73)
White (non-white reference)	1.75 (1.43, 2.13)	1.85 (1.57, 2.17)	1.85 (1.60, 2.15)
Stimulants			
Ages 40-59 years (18-39 years reference)	1.23 (0.94, 1.60)	0.91 (0.73, 1.13)	0.73 (0.58, 0.92)
Ages 60+ (18-39 years reference)	1.54 (1.16, 2.05)	1.07 (0.86, 1.33)	0.78 (0.63, 0.98)
Female (male reference)	1.38 (1.15, 1.66)	1.10 (0.89, 1.36)	1.21 (1.01, 1.45)
White (non-white reference)	1.54 (1.20, 1.98)	1.90 (1.57, 2.29)	1.93 (1.59, 2.33)

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