Disparities in physical health outcomes for people with mental health issues.

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Reasons for poor health outcomes for people with Mental Illness

- Physiological issues
- Community features (such as poverty and violence)
- Our medications...
- ► Patient factors (personal choices, amotivation, fearfulness, social instability)
- Provider role (knowledge, scope of practice, competing demands, stigma)
- Disparities in health care



3 categories of mental health disparities

- ▶ Between the health of persons with mental illness as compared with that of those without
- Between the attention given mental health and that given other public health issues of comparable magnitude
- Between populations with respect to mental health and quality, accessibility, and outcomes of mental health care.

Disparity #1: Between health of persons with mental illness as compared with that of those without



Poorer health outcomes for people with Mental illness

- ▶ 8.0 to 14.6 life years lost for men
- ▶ 9.8 to 17.5 life years lost for women.

- ► Highest reductions were found for
 - men with schizophrenia (14.6 years lost)
 - women with schizoaffective disorders (17.5 years lost).

Cause Specific Mortality

	RR (95% CI)			
Natural	1.80 (1.71–1.88)			
Unnatural	7.22 (6.43-8.12)			

Walker et al 2015

Quality of general internal medicine care

Table 2. Summary of Additional Analyses. *

CHRONIC DISEASE	PERCENT RECEIVING ESTROGEN-REPLACEMENT THERAPY		Percent Receiving Lipid-Lowering Medications		PERCENT RECEIVING MEDICAL ARTHRITIS TREATMENT	
	CHRONIC	CHRONIC	CHRONIC	CHRONIC	CHRONIC	CHRONIC
	DISEASE	DISEASE	DISEASE	DISEASE	DISEASE	DISEASE
	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT	AB SENT	PRESENT	AB SENT
Diabetes mellitus (n = 30,669)	2.4	5.9	11.4	8.5	25	27
Pulmonary emphysema $(n = 56,779)$	4.2	5.9	6.3	8.7	25	27
Psychotic syndromes (n=17,336)	1.8	5.9	2.1	8.7	18	27

^{*}Each comparison was based on data from all 1,344,145 patients; the first diabetes mellitus comparison (2.4 vs. 5.9), for example, is based on 30,669 patients with diabetes and 1,313,476 patients without diabetes. P<0.001 for all nine comparisons of the probability of treatment.

Redelmeier 1998

Quality of cardiovascular care

Table 2. Use of Revascularization Procedures in Individuals With and Without Mental Disorders*

	PTCA		CABG			
	Unadjusted %	RR	P	Unadjusted %	RR	P
Mental disorder (n = 5365)	11.8	0.75	<.001	8.2	0.68	<.001
Schizophrenia (n = 188)	9.0	0.55	.01	3.7	0.27	<.001
Affective (n = 315)	9.2	0.51	.002	7.9	0.63	.02
Substance use (n = 1138)	12.1	0.58	<.001	11.3	0.80	.01
Other (n = 3724)	11.0	0.77	<.001	7.4	0.68	<.001
No mental disorder (n = 108 288)	16.8			12.6		

^{*}Each column (ie, percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty [PTCA] or coronary artery bypass graft [CABG] surgery) is derived from 2 separate logistic regression equations. The first equation models odds of the procedure of interest as a function of all 4 mental disorders, using "no mental disorder" as a comparison group. A second equation models odds of the procedure as a function of a single variable denoting any mental disorder. Each model adjusts for the demographic and clinical variables outlined in Table 1 and hospital and regional covariates outlined in the text. Relative risk (RR) was calculated from odds ratios (ORs) using the following equation: $OR/(1 - P_0) + (P_0 \times OR)$ where P_0 is the rate of procedures among patients without mental disorders. Ellipses indicate referent group.

Adjusted odds of receiving a low priority triage score with history of charted depression

Characteristic	Depression (95% CI)	Asthma (95% CI)	COPD (95% CI)
Low-priority triage score (3, 4 or 5)	1.26 (1.05–1.51)	0.88 (0.71–1.09)	1.13 (0.92–1.38)
Missed door-to-ECG time	1.39 (1.16–1.67)	0.99 (0.80–1.25)	1.22 (1.00–1.43)
Missed door-to-needle time	1.62 (1.01–2.61)	0.81 (0.50-1.32)	1.15 (0.70–1.87)
Missed door-to-balloon time	9.12 (1.44–57.7)	0.39 (0.05–2.86)	1.33 (0.23–7.69)

Disparity #2: Between the attention given mental health and that given other public health issues of comparable magnitude



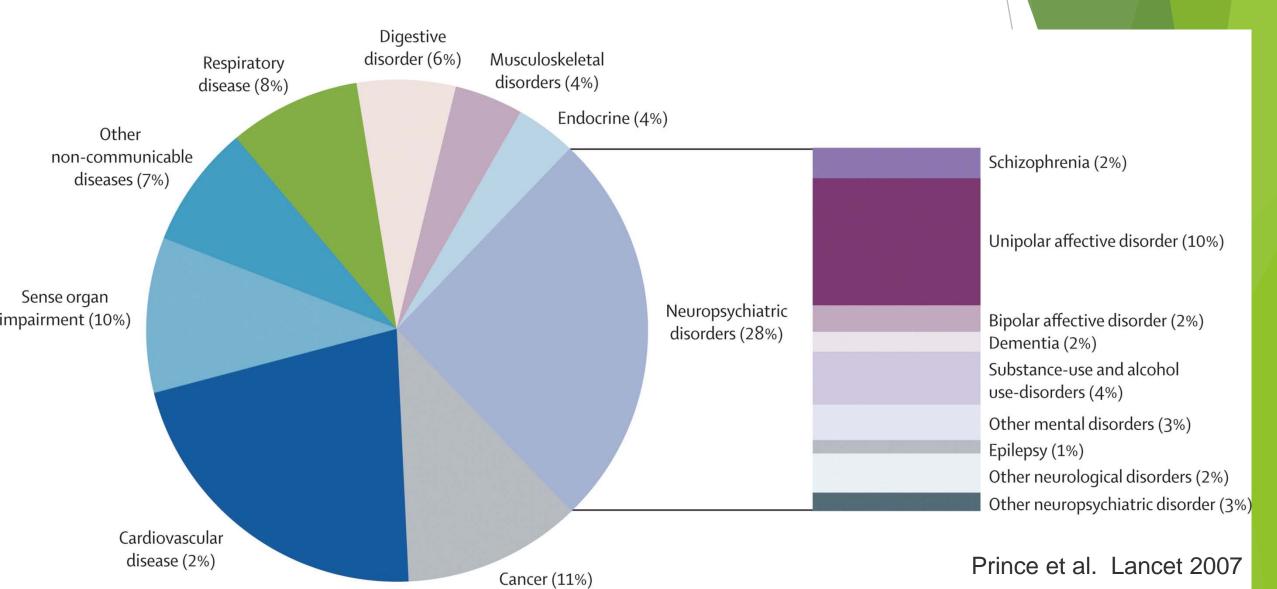
Not all attention is good attention...



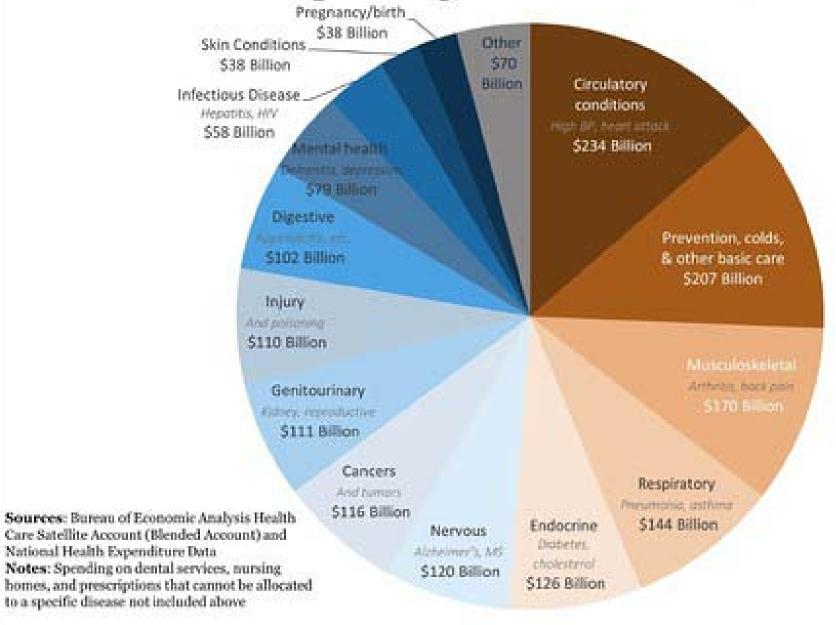




Contribution by different non-communicable diseases to disability-adjusted life-years worldwide in 2005

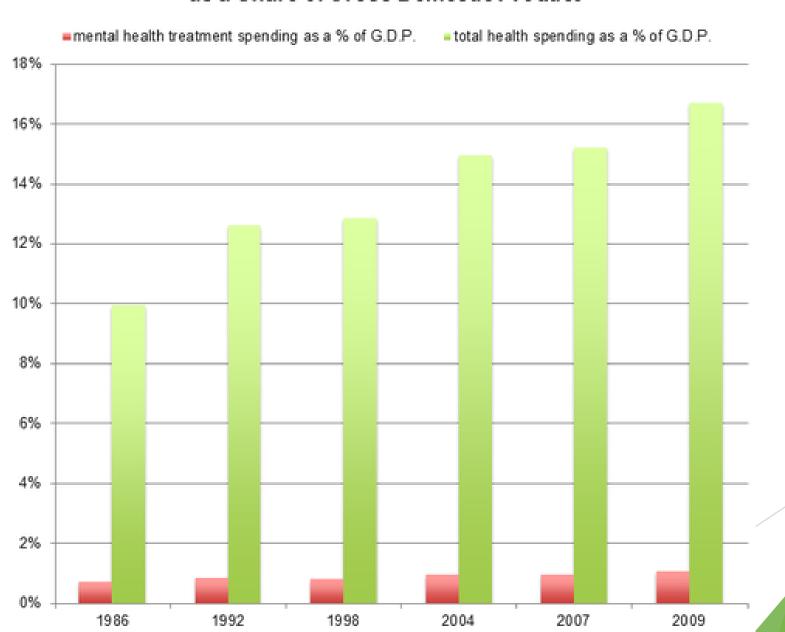


Health Spending for Diseases in 2010





Mental Health Treatment Spending and Total Health Spending as a Share of Gross Domestic Product



Disease Burden vs. NIH Funding

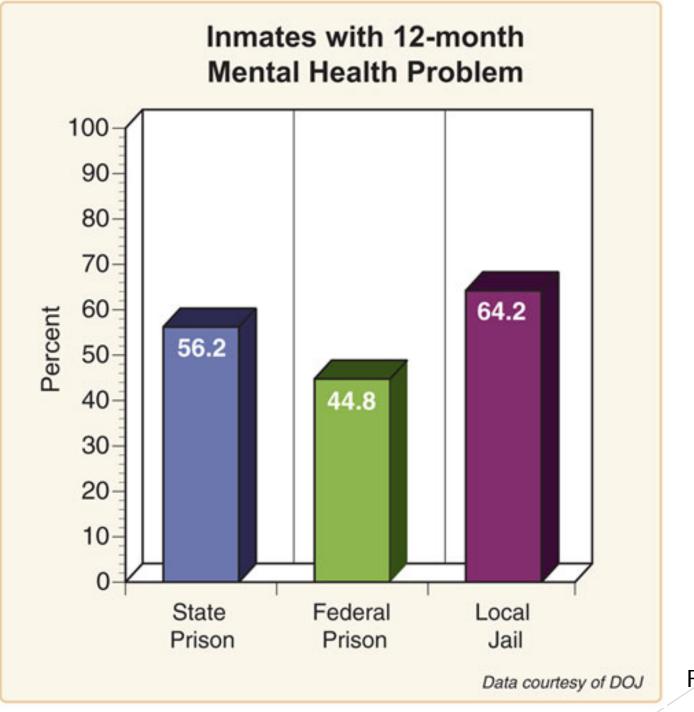


- Percentage US disease burden
- NIH Research (in billions)



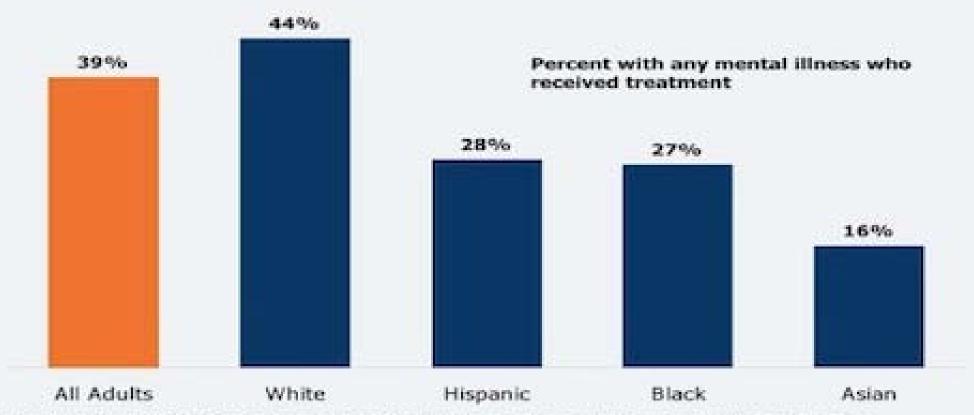
Disparity #3: Between populations with respect to mental health and quality, accessibility and outcomes o mental health care.





From NIMH website

Adults with Any Mental Illness* Who Received Treatment in the Past Year by Race/Ethnicity, 2010



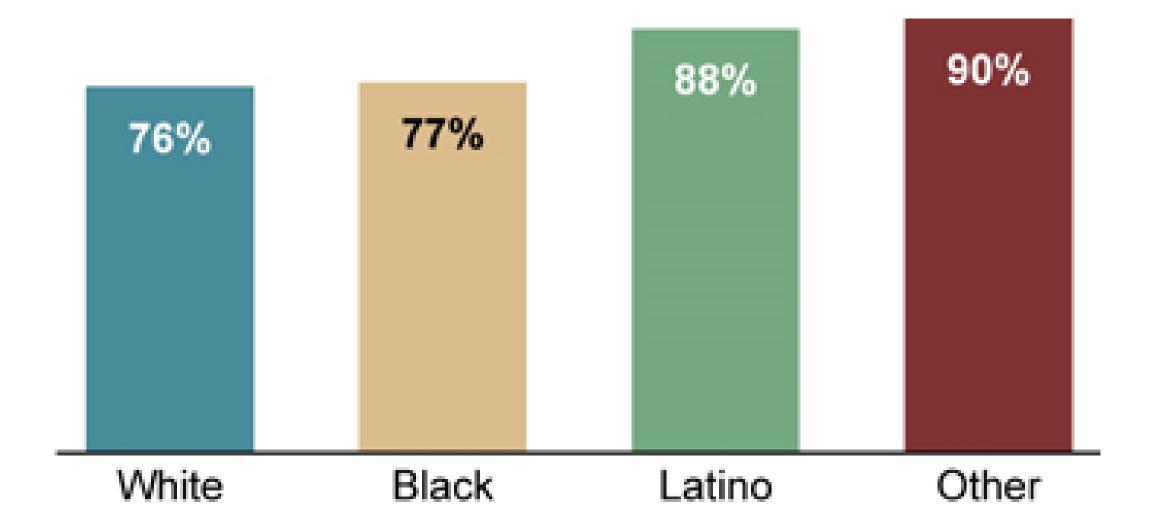
NOTE: Any Mental Biness (AMI) is defined as having a diagnosable mental, behavioral, or emotional disorder, other than a substance use disorder, that med the criteria found in the CSM-IV.

SOURCE: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral health Statistics and Quality (formerly the Office of Applied Studies). National Survey on Drug use:

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Unmet children's mental health needs, by race/ethnicity



National Center for Children in Poverty
 Image was reprinted in Children's Mental Health: Facts for Policymakers

LGBT Facts

LGBT Individuals are more than TWICE AS LIKELY as straight individuals to have a mental health disorder

Suicide attempts are THREE TIMES AS COMMON among bisexual individuals than straight individuals

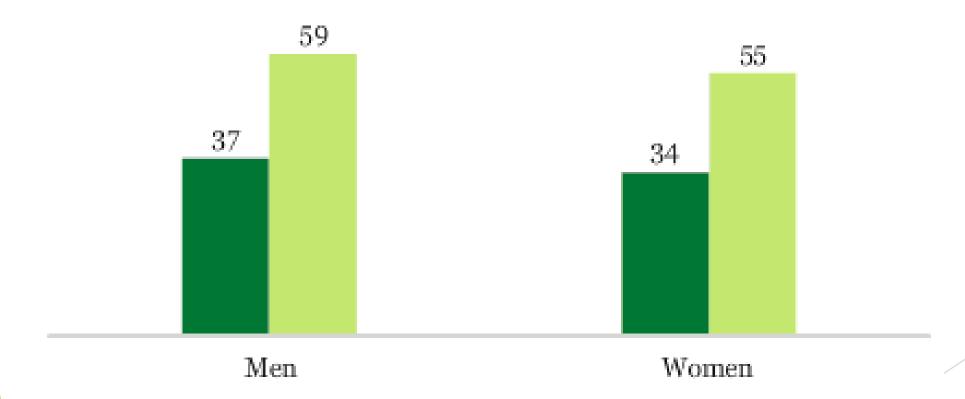
Sexual minorities have a GREATER RISK of substance abuse disorders than straight individuals

Compared to nonsexual minority youth, sexual minority youth as TWICE AS LIKELY to report being bullied.

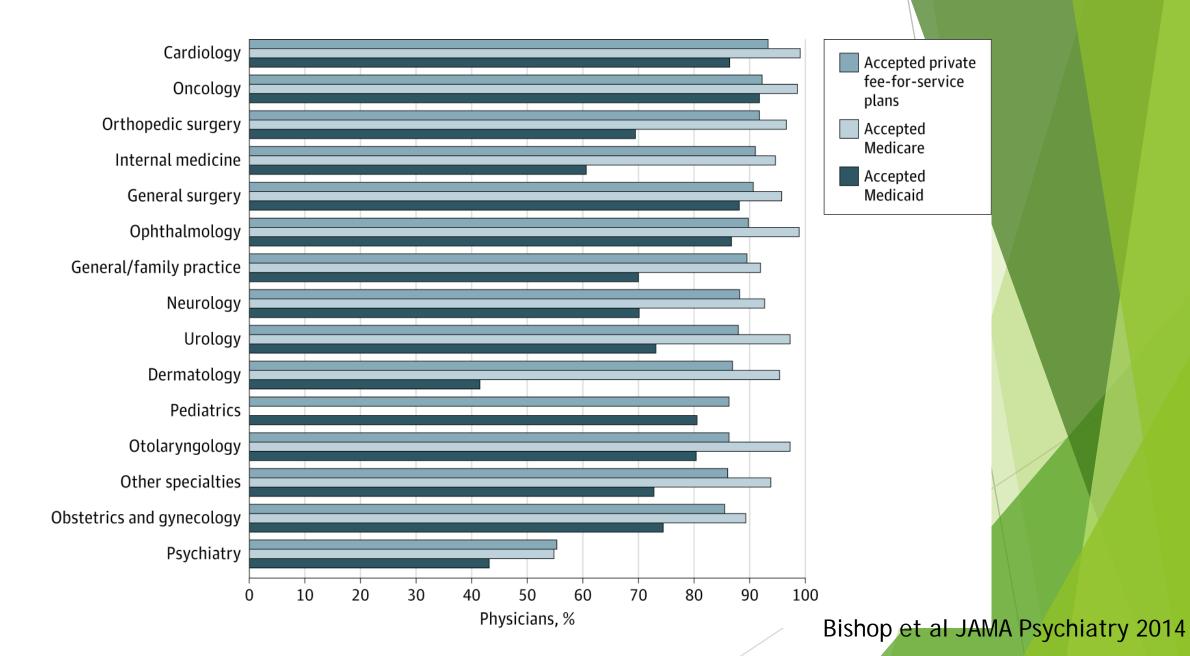
Ratings of Mental Health, by Household Income and Gender

(Percentage saying their mental health is "excellent")

Less than \$50,000 per year \$50,000 or more per year



GALLUP POLL



HAVING A HEALTHY MIND IS JUST AS IMPORTANT AS A HEALTHY BODY

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