Mental Health Disorders and Life Satisfaction in Canada

Diagnosed mental illness and poor mental health affect females more than males and are most prevalent in working-age Canadians. People with poor mental health tend to have lower life satisfaction and feel less able to handle daily stress.



8.4% of Canadians aged 12 or older have a diagnosed mood disorder. 8.6% of Canadians have a diagnosed anxiety disorder.

6.9% of Canadians perceive their mental health as 'fair' or 'poor.'







6.4% of males



10.7% of females



6.1% of males



of females



Life satisfaction

When asked to rate how they felt at the moment about their lives as a whole on a scale of 0 to 10, with 0 being "very dissatisfied" and 10 being "very satisfied":



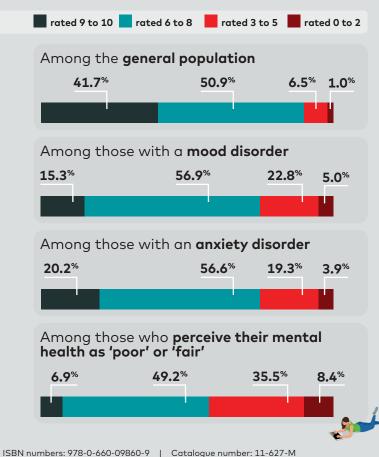


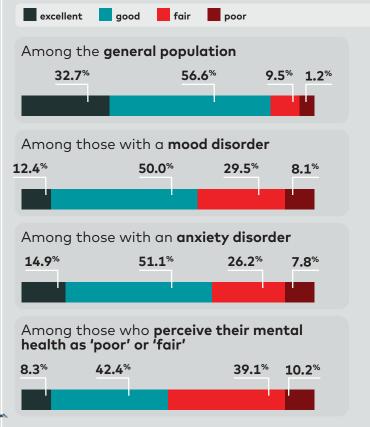




When asked to rate their ability to handle day-to-day demands in their lives (i.e. work, family, and volunteer):







Source: Canadian Community Health Survey, 2016.