

# MENTAL ILLNESS FACTS

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**ALMOST 47 MILLION ADULTS LIVE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS IN THE US.**

**1 in 5**

adults in the US

experience a mental illness in their lifetime

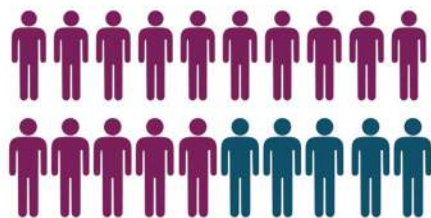


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Chronic Joy

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## DID YOU KNOW?

- Ⓞ Almost **47 million adults** experience mental illness in a given year.
- Ⓞ Mental illness impacts **1 in 5 adults**. More than 11 million adults live serious mental illness.
- Ⓞ Nearly **1 in 25 adults** live with a serious mental illness.
- Ⓞ **60%** of those living with serious mental illness do not receive treatment.
- Ⓞ Almost **50% of teens** in the US have a mental disorder.
- Ⓞ Globally Mental illness impacts **16 % of adolescents** aged 10-19 years.
- Ⓞ **1 in 6 children** in the US aged 2-8 years (17.4%) are diagnosed with a mental, behavioral, or developmental disorder.
- Ⓞ Approximately **33%** of people with chronic illness experience symptoms of depression.
- Ⓞ Globally, depression is one of the leading causes of illness and disability among adolescents.
- Ⓞ Suicide is the third leading cause of death of young people aged 15-19 years.
- Ⓞ **50%** of all chronic mental illness begins by age 14 and **75% by age 24**.
- Ⓞ Almost half of adolescents with mental health issues do not receive any mental health services.
- Ⓞ **70% of youth** in state and local juvenile justice systems have a mental illness.

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