

Table 8.68C Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide, Made Any Suicide Plans, and Attempted Suicide in Past Year: Among People Aged 18 or Older; by Past Year Major Depressive Episode Status, Past Year Receipt of Mental Health Services Status, Past Year Substance Use Disorder Status, Past Year Serious Psychological Distress Status, and Past Year Substance Use Treatment at a Specialty Facility Status, Standard Errors of Numbers in Thousands, 2019 and 2020

Past Year Mental Health or Substance Use Measure	Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide (2019)	Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide (2020)	Made Any Suicide Plans ¹ (2019)	Made Any Suicide Plans ¹ (2020)	Attempted Suicide ¹ (2019)	Attempted Suicide ¹ (2020)
Major Depressive Episode ²	208	388	124	204	70	104
No Major Depressive Episode ²	213	319	83	123	62	81
Mental Health Services ³	209	384	124	188	71	110
No Mental Health Services ³	218	333	93	140	59	68
Substance Use Disorder ⁴	nc	314	nc	147	nc	96
Alcohol Use Disorder ⁴	nc	251	nc	107	nc	80
Illicit Drug Use Disorder ⁴	nc	257	nc	129	nc	77
No Substance Use Disorder ⁴	nc	386	nc	182	nc	84
Serious Psychological Distress	235	425	136	217	81	123
No Serious Psychological Distress	187	270	69	87	44	42
Substance Use Treatment at a Specialty Facility ⁵	64	117	40	53	25	63
No Substance Use Treatment at a Specialty Facility ⁵	307	496	148	231	89	115

* = low precision; -- = not available; da = does not apply; nc = not comparable due to methodological changes; nr = not reported due to measurement issues.

NOTE: Estimates in the 2020 column are italicized to indicate caution should be used when comparing estimates between 2020 and prior years because of methodological changes for 2020. Due to these changes, significance testing between 2020 and prior years was not performed. See the *2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Methodological Summary and Definitions* for details.

NOTE: Estimates in this table for 2020 exclude a subset of respondents who did not complete the questionnaire. The analysis weights and estimates were adjusted for the reduced sample size. See the *2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Methodological Summary and Definitions* for details.

NOTE: Respondents with unknown suicide information were excluded.

¹ Respondents were asked whether they made any suicide plans or attempted suicide in the past 12 months only if they had serious thoughts of suicide in the past 12 months.

Respondents who had no suicide thoughts were categorized as not making any suicide plans and not attempting suicide in the past 12 months.

² Respondents with unknown past year Major Depressive Episode (MDE) data were excluded.

³ Mental Health Services for adults includes inpatient treatment/counseling, outpatient treatment/counseling, or use of prescription medication for problems with emotions, nerves, or mental health. Respondents with unknown mental health service information were excluded. Questions on virtual services were added in Quarter 4 of 2020. Estimates in this table do not include data from these questions. Data on virtual services are included at the end of this section. See the *2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Methodological Summary and Definitions* for details.

⁴ Substance use disorder (SUD) estimates in 2020 are based on criteria from the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, 5th edition (DSM-5). SUD and related estimates are not comparable between 2020 and prior years of NSDUH, because prior years' estimates were based on DSM-IV criteria.

⁵ Specialty facilities for substance use treatment include hospitals (inpatient only), rehabilitation facilities (inpatient or outpatient), or mental health centers.

Definitions: Measures and terms are defined in Appendix A.

Source: SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2019 and Quarters 1 and 4, 2020.

Table 8.68D Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide, Made Any Suicide Plans, and Attempted Suicide in Past Year: Among People Aged 18 or Older; by Past Year Major Depressive Episode Status, Past Year Receipt of Mental Health Services Status, Past Year Substance Use Disorder Status, Past Year Serious Psychological Distress Status, and Past Year Substance Use Treatment at a Specialty Facility Status, Standard Errors of Percentages, 2019 and 2020

Past Year Mental Health or Substance Use Measure	Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide (2019)	Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide (2020)	Made Any Suicide Plans ¹ (2019)	Made Any Suicide Plans ¹ (2020)	Attempted Suicide ¹ (2019)	Attempted Suicide ¹ (2020)
Major Depressive Episode ²	0.92	<i>1.51</i>	0.61	<i>0.93</i>	0.36	<i>0.50</i>
No Major Depressive Episode ²	0.09	<i>0.14</i>	0.04	<i>0.05</i>	0.03	<i>0.04</i>
Mental Health Services ³	0.49	<i>0.84</i>	0.30	<i>0.44</i>	0.18	<i>0.26</i>
No Mental Health Services ³	0.10	<i>0.16</i>	0.04	<i>0.07</i>	0.03	<i>0.03</i>
Substance Use Disorder ⁴	nc	<i>0.78</i>	nc	<i>0.39</i>	nc	<i>0.26</i>
Alcohol Use Disorder ⁴	nc	<i>0.85</i>	nc	<i>0.39</i>	nc	<i>0.29</i>
Illicit Drug Use Disorder ⁴	nc	<i>1.37</i>	nc	<i>0.76</i>	nc	<i>0.47</i>
No Substance Use Disorder ⁴	nc	<i>0.18</i>	nc	<i>0.08</i>	nc	<i>0.04</i>
Serious Psychological Distress	0.65	<i>1.06</i>	0.42	<i>0.62</i>	0.25	<i>0.37</i>
No Serious Psychological Distress	0.08	<i>0.12</i>	0.03	<i>0.04</i>	0.02	<i>0.02</i>
Substance Use Treatment at a Specialty Facility ⁵	2.30	<i>4.11</i>	1.55	<i>2.05</i>	0.95	<i>2.34</i>
No Substance Use Treatment at a Specialty Facility ⁵	0.12	<i>0.20</i>	0.06	<i>0.09</i>	0.04	<i>0.05</i>

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