Table 8.65A Suicidal Thoughts and Behavior and Treatment Resulting from a Suicide Attempt, Level of Mental Illness, Major Depressive Episode, and Mental Health Services in Past Year: Among People Aged 18 to 22; by College Enrollment Status, Numbers in Thousands, 2019 and 2020

	Total ¹	Total ¹	Full-Time College Students	Full-Time College Students	Other People Aged 18-22 ²	Other People Aged 18-22 ²
Past Year Mental Health Measure	(2019)	(2020)	(2019)	(2020)	(2019)	(2020)
SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AND						
BEHAVIOR AND TREATMENT FOR						
SUICIDE ATTEMPT ³						
Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide	2,671	2,470	841	818	1,816	1,620
Made Any Suicide Plans ⁴	905	932	245	249	651	669
Attempted Suicide ⁴	415	470	102	105	309	363
Received Medical Attention for						
Suicide Attempt	169	216	32	44	137	172
Stayed Overnight or Longer in a						
Hospital for Suicide Attempt	106	124	13	26	93	97
LEVEL OF MENTAL ILLNESS ⁵						
Any Mental Illness	6,149	6,218	2,401	2,215	3,718	3,930
Serious Mental Illness	1,782	1,818	572	622	1,208	1,182
Any Mental Illness Excluding					·	
Serious Mental Illness	4,367	4,400	1,829	1,593	2,510	2,748
No Mental Illness	14,918	14,727	5,226	4,811	9,514	9,640
MAJOR DEPRESSIVE EPISODE ⁶	3,232	3,491	1,215	1,111	2,006	2,370
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ⁷	,		,		,	
Inpatient	405	328	58	79	337	248
Outpatient	2,163	2,385	976	998	1,161	1,377
Prescription Medication	2,543	2,902	955	1,018	1,575	1,879

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⁴ 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.

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Table 8.65B Suicidal Thoughts and Behavior and Treatment Resulting from a Suicide Attempt, Level of Mental Illness, Major Depressive Episode, and Mental Health Services in Past Year: Among People Aged 18 to 22; by College Enrollment Status, Percentages, 2019 and 2020

	Full-Time College Full-Time College Other People Aged Other People					
	Total ¹	Total ¹	Full-Time College Students	Full-Time College Students	18-22 ²	18-22 ²
Past Year Mental Health Measure	(2019)	(2020)	(2019)	(2020)	(2019)	(2020)
SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AND	(2017)	(2020)	(2017)	(2020)	(2017)	(2020)
BEHAVIOR AND TREATMENT FOR						
SUICIDE ATTEMPT ³						
Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide	12.8	11.9	11.1	11.7	13.9	12.0
Made Any Suicide Plans ⁴	4.3	4.5	3.2	3.6	5.0	5.0
Attempted Suicide ⁴	2.0	2.3	1.3	1.5	2.4	2.7
Received Medical Attention for						
Suicide Attempt	0.8	1.0	0.4	0.6	1.0	1.3
Stayed Overnight or Longer in a						
Hospital for Suicide Attempt	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.7	0.7
LEVEL OF MENTAL ILLNESS ⁵						
Any Mental Illness	29.2	29.7	31.5	31.5	28.1	29.0
Serious Mental Illness	8.5	8.7	7.5	8.9	9.1	8.7
Any Mental Illness Excluding						
Serious Mental Illness	20.7	21.0	24.0	22.7	19.0	20.3
No Mental Illness	70.8	70.3	68.5	68.5	71.9	71.0
MAJOR DEPRESSIVE EPISODE ⁶	15.6	16.9	16.0	16.1	15.4	17.6
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ⁷						
Inpatient	1.9	1.6	0.8	1.1	2.6	1.8
Outpatient	10.4	11.5	12.8	14.3	8.8	10.2
Prescription Medication	12.2	13.9	12.6	14.5	12.0	13.9

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Table 8.66A (REVISED) Suicidal Thoughts and Behavior and Treatment Resulting from a Suicide Attempt, Level of Mental Illness, Major Depressive Episode, and Mental Health Services in Past Year: Among Males Aged 18 to 22; by College Enrollment Status, Numbers in Thousands, 2019 and 2020

	Full-Time Male College Students	Full-Time Male College Students	Other Males Aged 18-22 ¹	Other Males Aged 18-22 ¹
Past Year Mental Health Measure	(2019)	(2020)	(2019)	(2020)
SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AND BEHAVIOR AND TREATMENT FOR SUICIDE ATTEMPT ²				
Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide	336	303	745	730
Made Any Suicide Plans ³	76	54	259	282
Attempted Suicide ³	43	24	109	136
Received Medical Attention for Suicide Attempt	10	20	54	83
Stayed Overnight or Longer in a Hospital for Suicide Attempt	4	11	41	22
LEVEL OF MENTAL ILLNESS ⁴				
Any Mental Illness	881	725	1,469	1,489
Serious Mental Illness	185	184	402	451
Any Mental Illness Excluding Serious Mental Illness	697	540	1,067	1,039
No Mental Illness	2,659	2,525	5,638	5,654
MAJOR DEPRESSIVE EPISODE ⁵	433	303	741	847
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ⁶				
Inpatient	21	50	142	79
Outpatient	277	340	416	376
Prescription Medication	312	308	551	708

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Table 8.66B (REVISED) Suicidal Thoughts and Behavior and Treatment Resulting from a Suicide Attempt, Level of Mental Illness, Major Depressive Episode, and Mental Health Services in Past Year: Among Males Aged 18 to 22; by College Enrollment Status, Percentages, 2019 and 2020

	Full-Time Male College Students	Full-Time Male College Students	Other Males Aged 18-22 ¹	Other Males Aged 18-22 ¹
Past Year Mental Health Measure	(2019)	(2020)	(2019)	(2020)
SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AND BEHAVIOR AND TREATMENT FOR SUICIDE ATTEMPT ²				
Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide	9.5	9.3	10.6	10.3
Made Any Suicide Plans ³	2.2	1.7	3.7	4.0
Attempted Suicide ³	1.2	0.7	1.6	1.9
Received Medical Attention for Suicide Attempt	0.3	0.6	0.8	1.2
Stayed Overnight or Longer in a Hospital for Suicide Attempt	0.1	0.3	0.6	0.3
LEVEL OF MENTAL ILLNESS ⁴				
Any Mental Illness	24.9	22.3	20.7	20.8
Serious Mental Illness	5.2	5.7	5.7	6.3
Any Mental Illness Excluding Serious Mental Illness	19.7	16.6	15.0	14.5
No Mental Illness	75.1	77.7	79.3	79.2
MAJOR DEPRESSIVE EPISODE ⁵	12.3	9.4	10.5	12.0
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ⁶				
Inpatient	0.6	1.5	2.0	1.1
Outpatient	7.9	10.5	5.9	5.3
Prescription Medication	8.8	9.5	7.8	9.9

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Table 8.67A (REVISED) Suicidal Thoughts and Behavior and Treatment Resulting from a Suicide Attempt, Level of Mental Illness, Major Depressive Episode, and Mental Health Services in Past Year: Among Females Aged 18 to 22; by College Enrollment Status, Numbers in Thousands, 2019 and 2020

	Full-Time Female College Students	Full-Time Female College Students	Other Females Aged 18-22 ¹	Other Females Aged 18-22 ¹
Past Year Mental Health Measure	(2019)	(2020)	(2019)	(2020)
SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AND BEHAVIOR AND TREATMENT FOR SUICIDE ATTEMPT ²				
Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide	505	515	1,071	890
Made Any Suicide Plans ³	169	194	392	387
Attempted Suicide ³	59	81	200	226
Received Medical Attention for Suicide Attempt	22	24	83	89
Stayed Overnight or Longer in a Hospital for Suicide Attempt	9	16	51	75
LEVEL OF MENTAL ILLNESS ⁴				
Any Mental Illness	1,520	1,490	2,249	2,441
Serious Mental Illness	387	438	806	731
Any Mental Illness Excluding Serious Mental Illness	1,132	1,053	1,443	1,709
No Mental Illness	2,568	2,287	3,876	3,986
MAJOR DEPRESSIVE EPISODE ⁵	782	809	1,266	1,522
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ⁶				
Inpatient	37	29	194	169
Outpatient	698	658	744	1,001
Prescription Medication	643	710	1,025	1,171

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	Full-Time Female College Students	Full-Time Female College Students	Other Females Aged 18-22 ¹	Other Females Aged 18-22 ¹
Past Year Mental Health Measure	(2019)	(2020)	(2019)	(2020)
SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AND BEHAVIOR AND TREATMENT FOR SUICIDE ATTEMPT ²				
Had Serious Thoughts of Suicide	12.4	13.6	17.6	13.9
Made Any Suicide Plans ³	4.1	5.2	6.5	6.1
Attempted Suicide ³	1.4	2.2	3.3	3.5
Received Medical Attention for Suicide Attempt	0.5	0.6	1.4	1.4
Stayed Overnight or Longer in a Hospital for Suicide Attempt	0.2	0.4	0.8	1.2
LEVEL OF MENTAL ILLNESS ⁴				
Any Mental Illness	37.2	39.5	36.7	38.0
Serious Mental Illness	9.5	11.6	13.2	11.4
Any Mental Illness Excluding Serious Mental Illness	27.7	27.9	23.6	26.6
No Mental Illness	62.8	60.5	63.3	62.0
MAJOR DEPRESSIVE EPISODE ⁵	19.3	21.8	21.1	24.0
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ⁶				
Inpatient	0.9	0.8	3.2	2.6
Outpatient	17.1	17.5	12.2	15.7
Prescription Medication	15.8	18.8	16.8	18.2

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