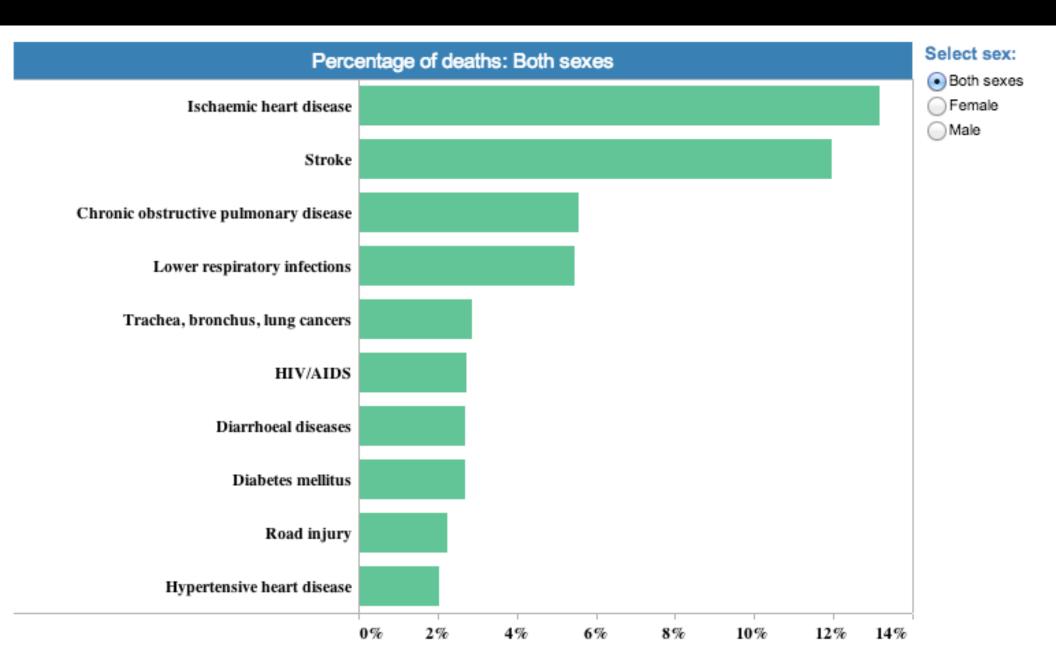
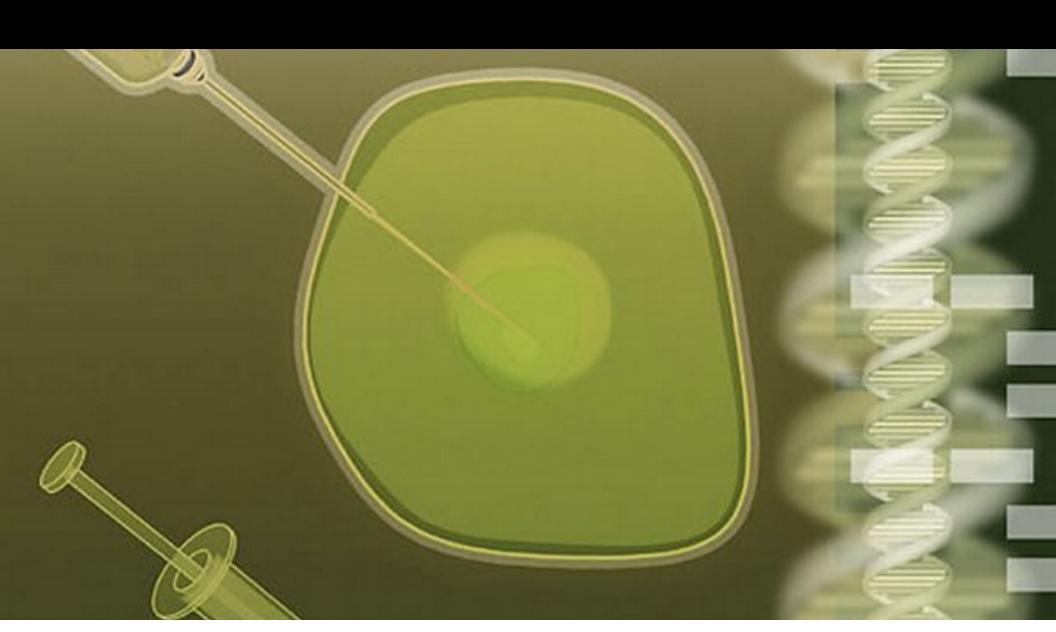
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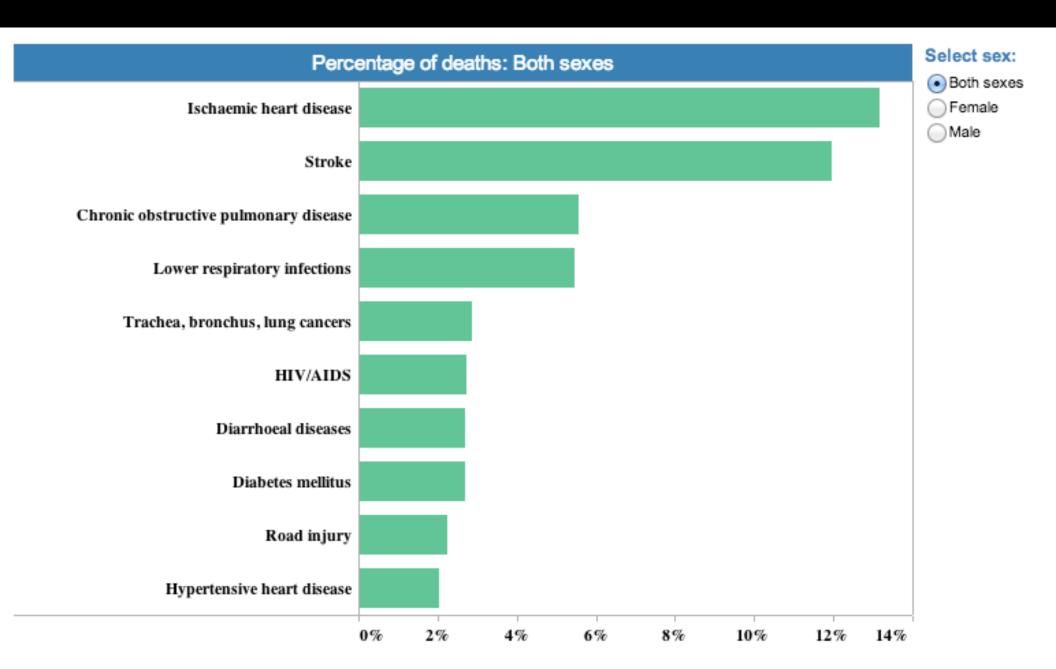




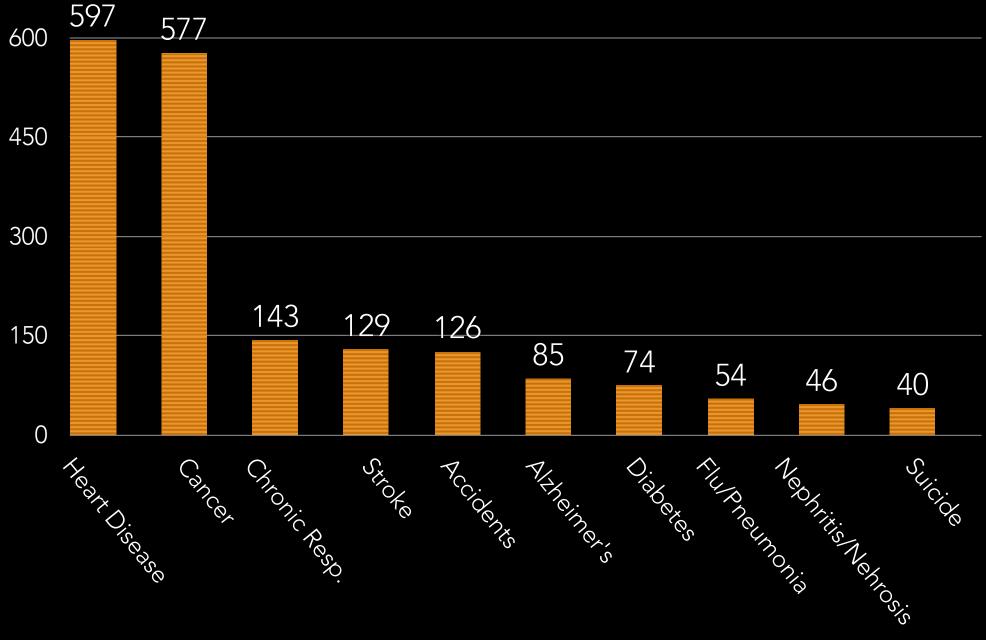
### ETHICAL ISSUES: GENETIC TESTING

- Testing limitations
  - Some tests cannot identify all mutations that cause a particular condition
  - May have limited predictive value
    - Epigenetic factors
  - Screening tests have risks of false-positives and falsenegatives
- Personal and social consequences

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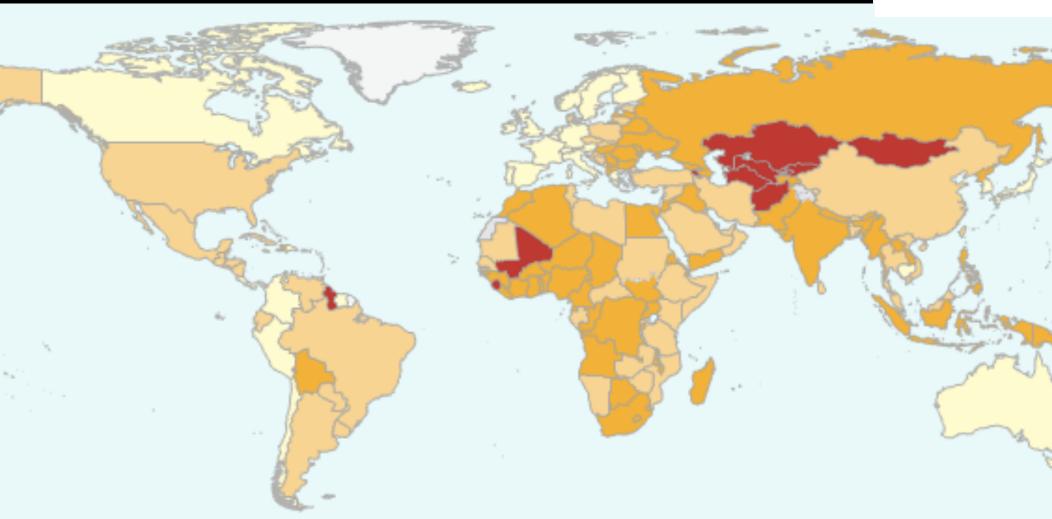
# EPIDEMIOLOGY, DEATHS PER 1,000 IN USA



#### WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

# NONCOMMUNICABLE DISEASE MORTALITY RATE, 2012

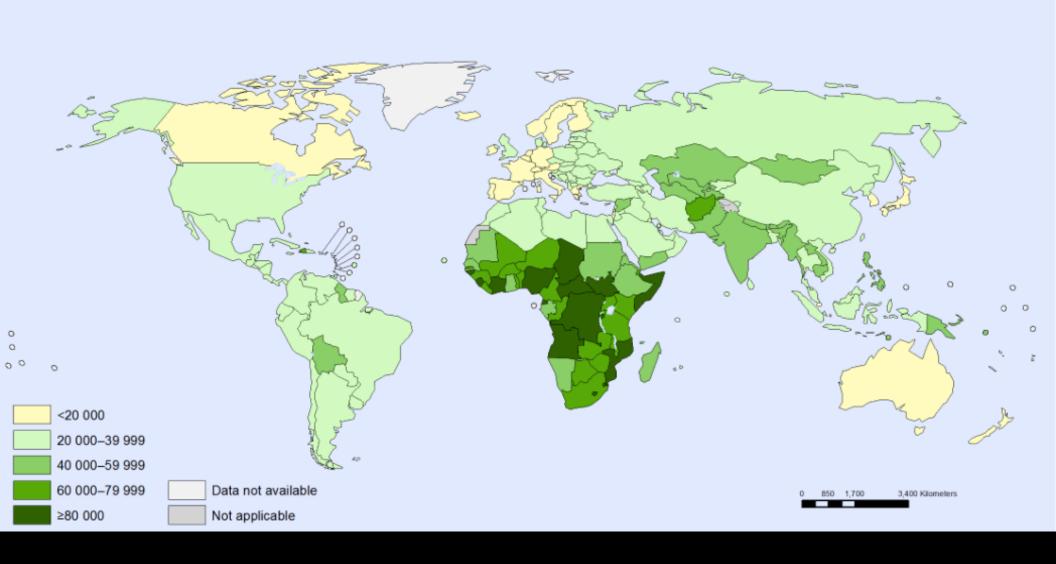




# LIFE EXPECTANCY, AT AGE 60

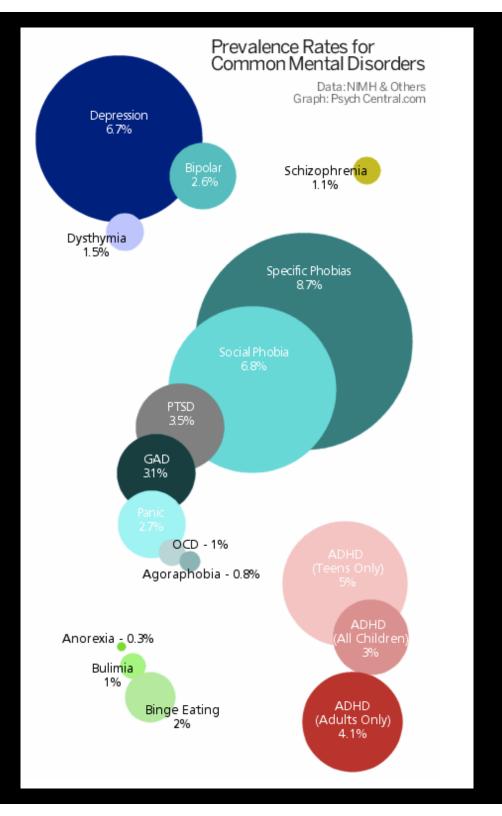


#### Age-standardized disability-adjusted life year - DALY - rates (per 100 000 population), 2012

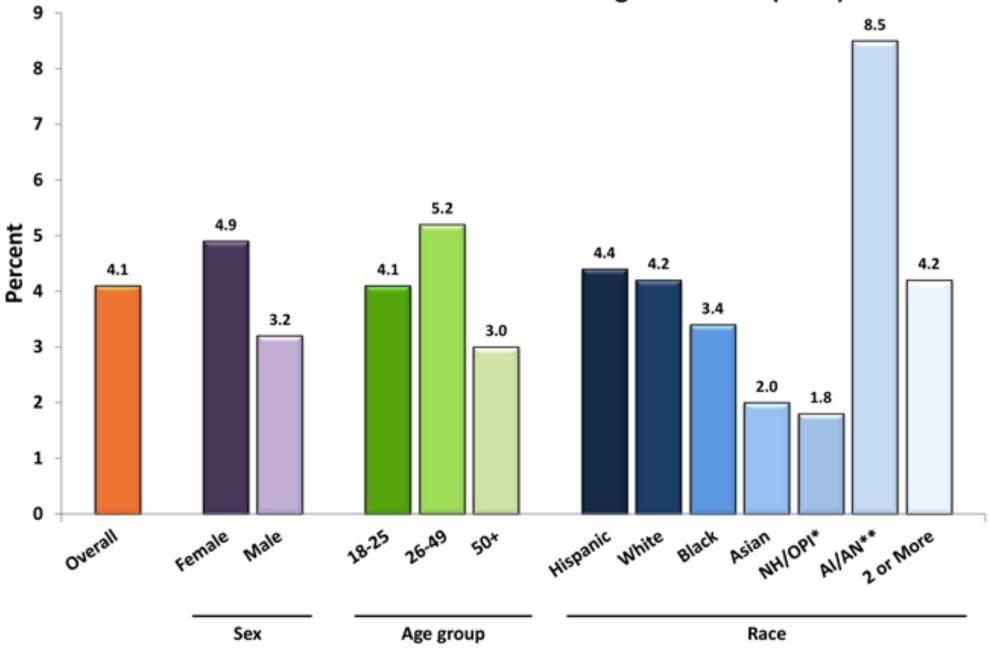


# CURRENT STATISTICS ON MENTAL DISORDERS

- National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) reports that nearly 25% of American adults experience a disorder in a given year
- Approx. 17% of the population is in a state of "optimal mental health" (NIHM 1999)
- US Surgeon General states that 10% of children and adolescents suffer from serious mental disorders that cause functional impairments
- World Health Organization has stated that 4 of the 10 leading causes of disability in developed countries are mental disorders



#### Prevalence of Serious Mental Illness among U.S. Adults (2012)



<sup>\*</sup>NH/OPI = Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander

<sup>\*\*</sup>AI/AN = American Indian/Alaska Native

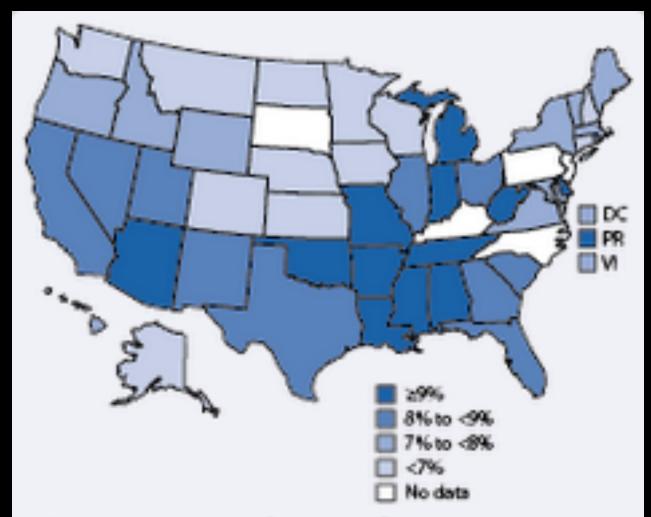
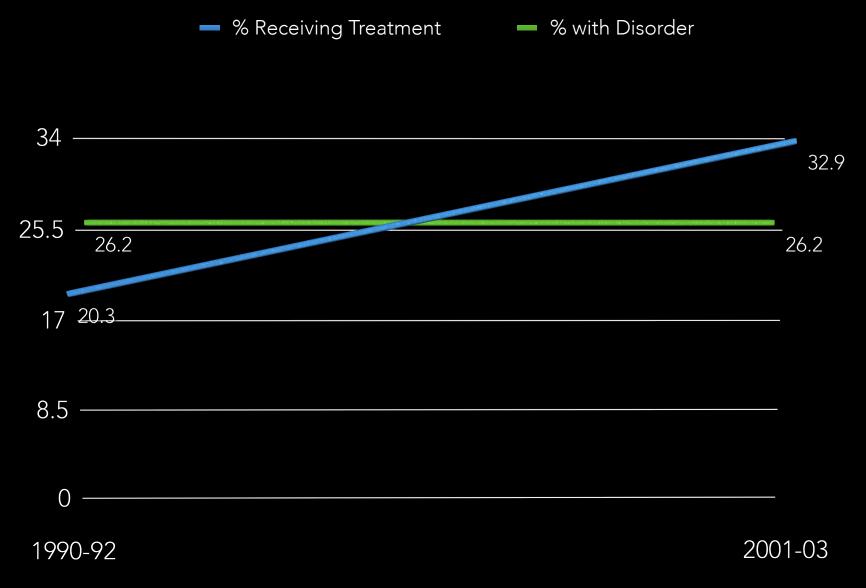


Figure 1. Prevalence of current depression among adults aged 18 years or older, by state quartile— Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, United States, 2006.



# TREATMENT CHANGES



Data from NCS and NCS-R

## BASIC DEFINITION - MENTAL HEALTH

Mental health is a state of successful performance of mental function, resulting in productive activities, fulfilling relationships with other people, and an ability to adapt to change and to cope with adversity. ... Mental illness is the term that refers collectively to all diagnosable mental disorders. Mental disorders are health conditions that are characterized by alterations in thinking, mood, or behavior (or some combination thereof) associated with distress and/or impaired functioning -Surgeon General

# CULTURALLY AND SOCIALLY BOUND

 Significant, reoccurring deviation from norms of behavior and feeling

 This type of determination has been dealt with for centuries

### PROBLEMS WITH THE 'DIVIDING LINE'

- Rosenhan's "On Being Sane in Insane Places"
  - "If sanity and insanity exist, how shall we know them?" Pp. 250
  - Describe Rosenhan's research for this piece

# ON BEING SANE IN INSANE PLACES

- Is Rosenhan arguing that there is no such thing as psychological suffering?
  - Why/Not?
- What is he cautioning against?

"This white 39-year-old male manifests a long history of considerable ambivalence in close relationships, which begins in early childhood. A warm relationship with his mother cools during his adolescence. A distant relationship to his father is described as becoming very intense. Affective stability is absent.... And, while he says that he has several good friends, one senses considerable ambivalence embedded in those relationships"