

*Music at Work and Study:
A Hidden Mental Boost?*

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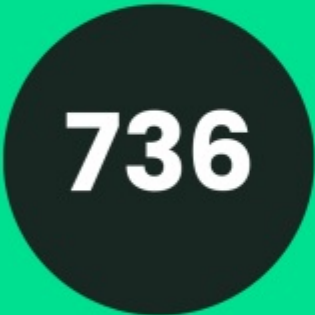
MUSIC THERAPY IS WIDELY RECOGNIZED FOR ITS ABILITY TO REDUCE STRESS AND ENHANCE MOOD. THIS STUDY EXAMINES WHETHER LISTENING TO MUSIC WHILE WORKING OR STUDYING POSITIVELY INFLUENCES MENTAL WELL-BEING.

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Dataset Overview



Total
Respondents



Average Age of
Respondents,
years



Music Genres
Surveyed

Data Source: Music & Mental Health Survey Results on Kaggle

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Does Listening to Music at Work Improve Mental Health?

Music Listeners:
Respondents with
poor mental health.



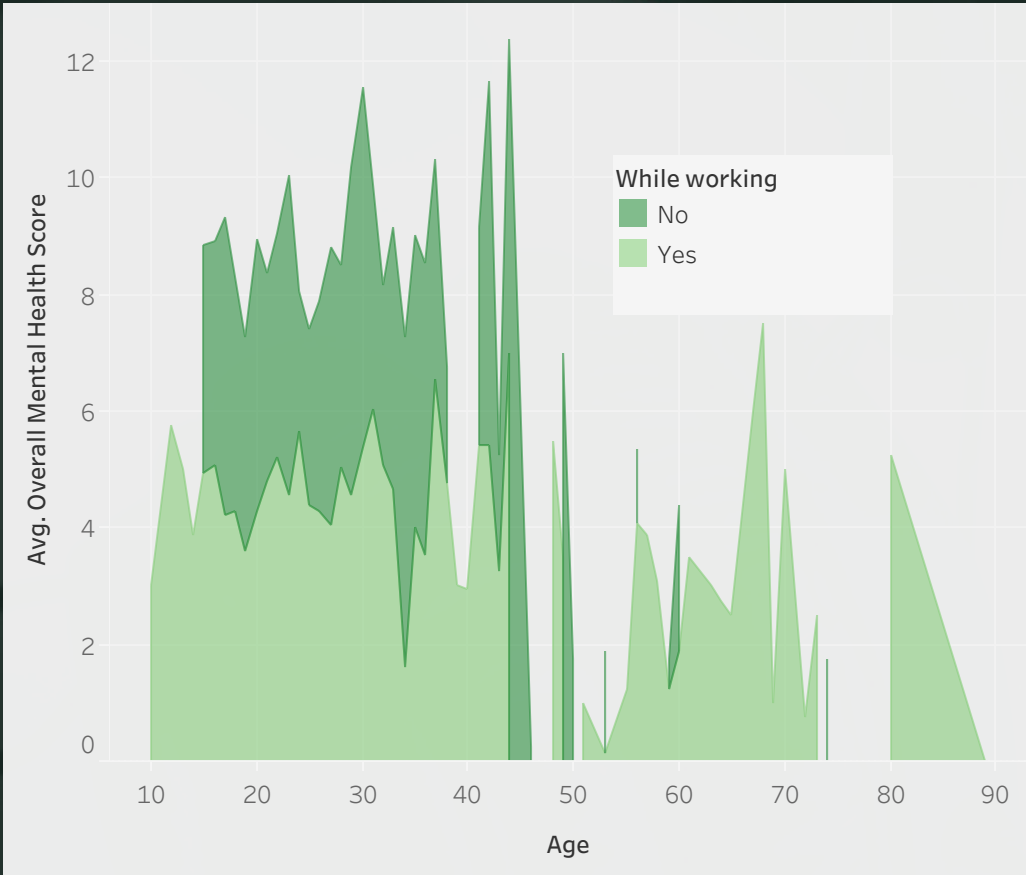
Non-Listeners:
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Respondents who listen to music during work or study report better overall mental health than those who do not.

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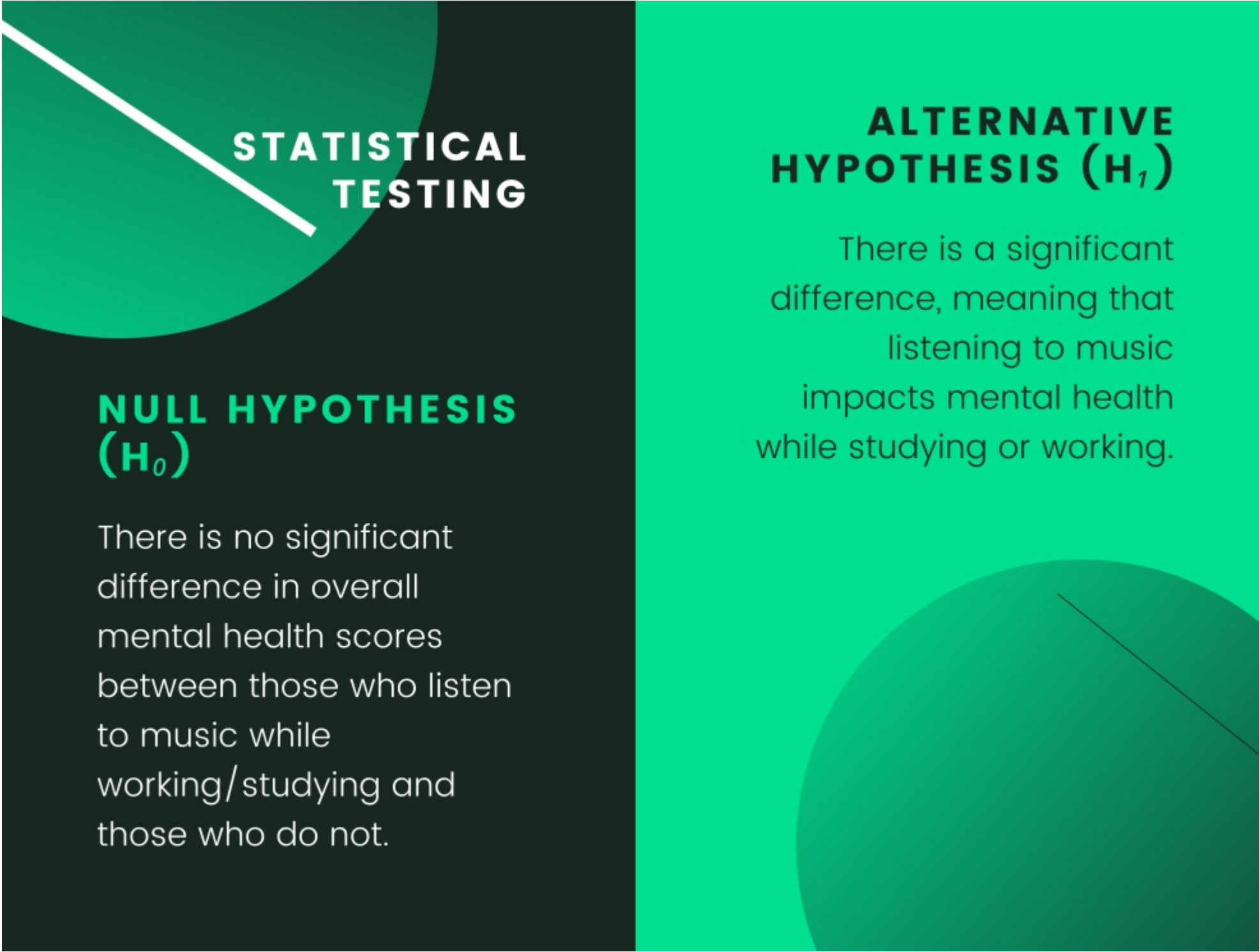
Music, Age, and Mental Well-being



- Younger individuals are more likely to listen to music while studying or working.
- Their mental health scores indicate lower levels of stress and sleep disorders.
- This trend supports the idea that music could improve focus and overall well-being.

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ARE THESE
DIFFERENCES
STATISTICALLY
SIGNIFICANT?

To validate our findings, we ran a t-test to compare the overall mental health scores between those who listen to music while working/studying and those who do not. Next to is the code used for the analysis.

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# Creating a new column for Overall Mental Health Score
df_check['Overall Mental Health Score'] = df_check[['Anxiety',
'Depression', 'Insomnia', 'OCD']].mean(axis=1)

# Cleaning and filtering data for analysis
df_test = df_check[['Age', 'Overall Mental Health Score', 'While
working']].dropna()

# Splitting the data into two groups: Those who listen to music
while working and those who don't
group_yes = df_test[df_test['While working'] == 'Yes']['Overall
Mental Health Score']
group_no = df_test[df_test['While working'] == 'No']['Overall
Mental Health Score']

# Performing an independent T-test to compare means
t_stat, p_value = ttest_ind(group_yes, group_no, equal_var=False)
# Welch's T-test to account for unequal variances

# Display results
t_stat, p_value
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Statistical
Test
Summary

T-TEST VALUE

1.99

P-VALUE

0.048

- The p-value is less than 0.05, meaning the difference in mental health scores is statistically significant.
- Since $p < 0.05$, we reject the null hypothesis, meaning there is a real difference between the two groups.
- Individuals who listen to music while working/studying report better overall mental health scores (lower values indicate better well-being).

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Thank You

RESEARCH CITATIONS AVAILABLE:

DATA SOURCE:
MUSIC & MENTAL HEALTH SURVEY RESULTS
ON KAGGLE

GITHUB:
GITHUB.COM/MARINA-LOZ/MUSIC-AND-
MENTAL-HEALTH/TREE/MAIN

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