# Cancer and Mental Health

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# What our Project is about

- 1. We wanted to see the mental health of those who had been diagnosed and survived a childhood cancer
- 2. We obtained our data from the British Journal of Cancer
  - a. Was a single excel sheet with very untidy data
- 3. Hope to learn more about the mental health of those who suffered from a childhood cancer

#### **Our Data**

- 1. Data was difficult to work with
  - a. Had empty rows and columns
  - b. The Columns names were too long
  - c. Some data took up multiple rows and columns/merged columns
  - d. Values contained percentages and parentheses

A	ВС	D E	F G	H I	J K	L M	N O	P Q	R S	
	ROLE EMOTIONAL SCALE			SOCIAL FUNCTIONING SCALE		MENTAL HEALTH SCALE				
	Cut down on the amount of time you spent on work or other activities?	Accomplished less than you would like?	Did work or other activities less carefully than ususal?	Has your physical health or emotional problems interfered with your normal social activities?	Has your health limited your social activities?	Have you been a very nervous person?	Have you felt so down in the dumps that nothing could cheer you up?	Have you felt calm and peaceful?	Have you felt downhearted and blue?	Have
	(Question 5a)	(Question 5b)	(Question 5c)	(Question 6)	(Question 9j)	(Question 9b)	(Question 9c)	(Question 9d)	(Question 9f)	
Characteristic	No. Reporting Dysfunction/No.	No. Reporting Dysfunction/No.	No. Reporting Dysfunction/No.	No. Reporting Dysfunction/No.	No. Reporting Dysfunction/No.	No. Reporting Dysfunction/No.	No. Reporting Dysfunction/No.	No. Reporting Dysfunction/No.	No. Reporting Dysfunction/No.	No.
Characteristic	Responders (%)	Responders (%)	Responders (%)	Responders (%)	Responders (%)	Responders (%)	Responders (%)	Responders (%)	Responders (%)	
Sex										
Male	610/5222 (11.7)	903/5221 (17.3)	670/5212 (12.9)	796/5300 (15.0)	847/5249 (16.1)	1328/5271 (25.2)	1018/5279 (19.3)	2000/5278 (37.9)	1530/5258 (29.1)	
Female	846/4999 (16.9)	1155/4996 (23.1)	934/4974 (18.8)	1022/5081 (20.1)	1075/5026 (21.4)	1626/5065 (32.1)	1425/5064 (28.1)	2527/5062 (49.9)	1975/5050 (39.1)	
Diagnosis										
Leukemia	321/2811 (11.4)	478/2812(17.0)	368/2801 (13.0)	410/2852 (14.4)	374/2821 (13.3)	848/2833 (29.9)	686/2842 (24.1)	1190/2836 (42.0)	977/2827 (34.6)	
Hodgkin	93/732 (12.7)	132/730 (18.1)	113/731 (15.5)	104/737 (14.1)	101/734 (13.8)	197/736 (26.8)	144/738 (19.5)	316/739 (42.8)	231/738 (31.3)	
NHL.	75/527 (14.2)	110/530 (20.8)	90/525 (17.1)	85/531 (16.0)	84/527 (15.9)	133/531 (25.1)	110/530 (20.8)	236/530 (44.5)	160/528 (30.3)	┖
CNS	437/2153 (20.3)	585/2153 (27.2)	455/2145 (21.2)	575/2230 (25.8)	717/2190 (32.7)	771/2213 (34.8)	643/2212 (29.1)	1091/2216 (49.2)	887/2201 (40.5)	L
Neuroblastoma	55/424 (13.0)	79/425 (18.6)	59/423 (14.0)	72/426 (16.9)	66/423 (15.6)	100/426 (23.5)	107/426 (25.1)	177/424 (41.8)	145/425 (34.1)	
Non-Heritable Retinoblastoma	47/407 (11.6)	69/405 (17.0)	51/405 (12.6)	53/407 (13.0)	53/404 (13.1)	109/406 (26.9)	86/406 (21.2)	174/406 (42.9)	132/406 (32.5)	
Heritable Retinoblastoma	43/288 (14.9)	68/290 (23.5)	42/288 (14.6)	48/293 (16.4)	49/291 (16.8)	66/292 (22.6)	62/292 (21.2)	111/293 (37.9)	88/292 (30.1)	L
Wilms	119/939 (12.7)	153/935 (16.4)	132/934 (14.1)	139/945 (14.7)	129/935 (13.8)	244/941 (25.8)	197/941 (20.9)	396/941 (41.9)	276/940 (29.3)	L
Bone Sarcoma	75/404 (18.6)	97/403 (24.1)	74/401 (18.5)	100/410 (24.4)	114/407 (28.0)	107/409 (26.2)	96/409 (23.5)	199/410 (48.5)	139/408 (34.1)	┖
Soft Tissue Sarcoma	100/697 (14.4)	138/696 (19.8)	120/696 (17.2)	117/702 (16.7)	122/701 (17.4)	179/703 (25.5)	145/703 (20.6)	299/701 (42.7)	229/699 (32.8)	
Other	91/839(10.9)	149/838 (17.8)	100/837 (12.0)	115/848 (13.6)	113/842 (13.4)	200/846 (24.6)	167/844 (19.8)	338/844 (41.1)	241/844 (28.9)	П
Age at Diagnosis										
Mean (range)	7.1(0-14.9)	7(0-14.9)	6.9(0-14.9)	7.0(0-14.9)	7.2(0-14.9)	6.5(0-14.9)	6.5(0-14.9)	6.8(0-14.9)	6.7(0-14.9)	П
0-4 years	595/4711 (12.6)	837/4707 (17.8)	687/4697 (14.6)	762/4781 (15.9)	768/4736 (16.2)	1361/4764 (28.6)	1136/4767 (23.8)	1983/4761 (41.7)	1555/4752 (32.7)	
5-9 years	403/2710 (14.9)	578/2708 (21.3)	427/2703 (15.8)	497/2754 (18.1)	537/2720 (19.7)	805/2731 (29.5)	644/2734 (23.6)	1216/2739 (44.4)	941/2723 (34.6)	
10-14 years	458/2800 (16.4)	643/2802 (23.0)	490/2786 (17.6)	559/2846 (19.6)	617/2819 (21.9)	788/2841 (27.7)	663/2842 (23.3)	1328/2840 (46.8)	1009/2833 (35.6)	_

# **Organizing our Data**

- 1. Selected out the empty rows and columns
- 2. Had to rename each of our columns
- 3. Separate values into values into observation and totals
- 4. Removed percentage from our data

# **Code to Organise Data**

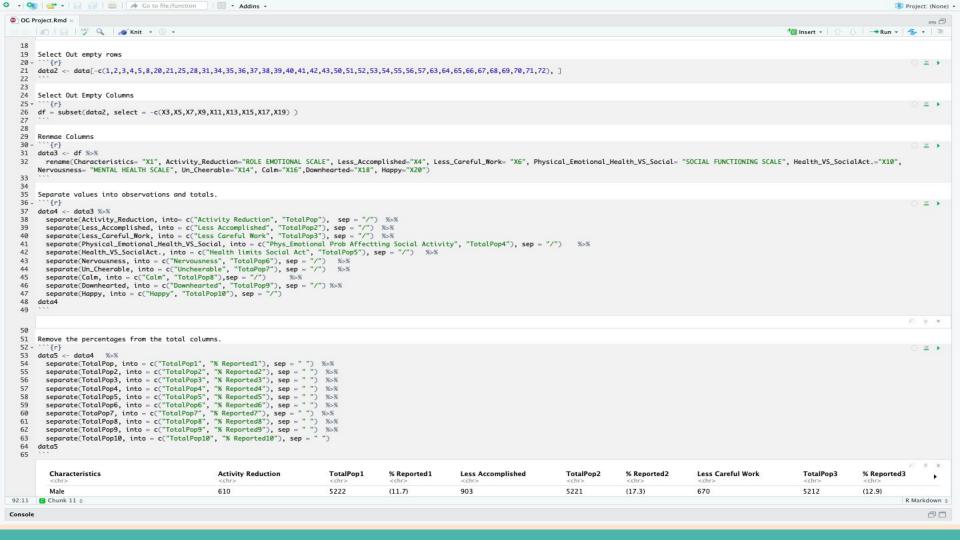
data <- df %>%

rename(New\_Name= "Original Name")

data2 <- data %>%

separate(Column\_Name, into= c("C1", "C2"), sep = "/")

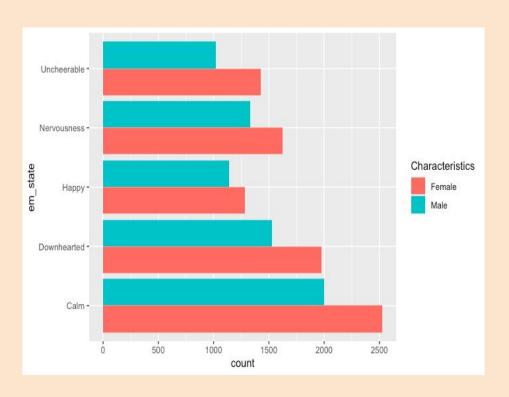
• Filter and select



### Ideas we wanted to explore:

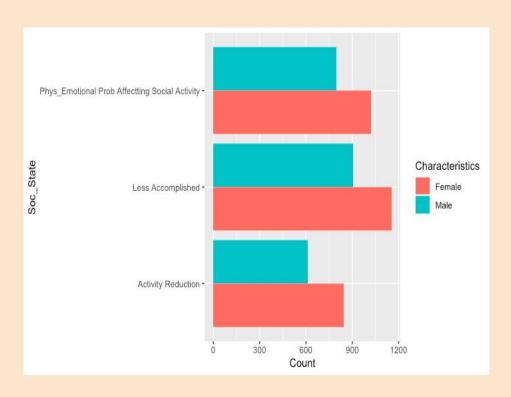
- 1. Differences between men and women in terms of emotional state
- 2. Differences in activities between men and women
- 3. How do the different cancers affect the emotional/social state
- 4. How age of diagnosis affects them emotionally and socially later in life

#### **Emotional State between men and women**



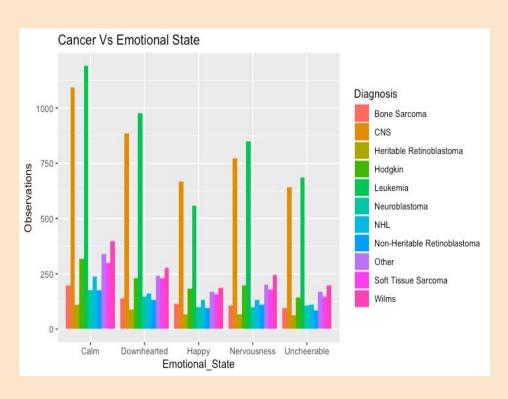
- Women experience more emotional responses than men
  - More women could have been interviewed /diagnosed

#### Differences in activities between men and women



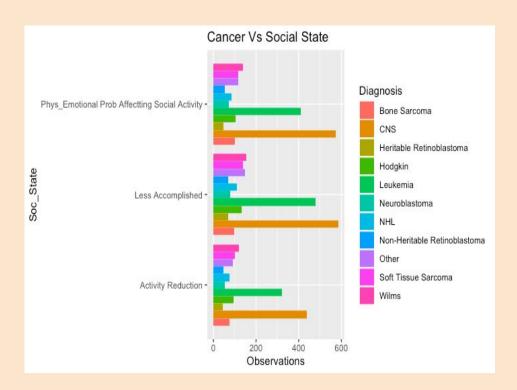
- More women feel a decline in a desire to do activities
- Could be parallel with women experiencing more emotions

#### How different Cancers affect emotional health



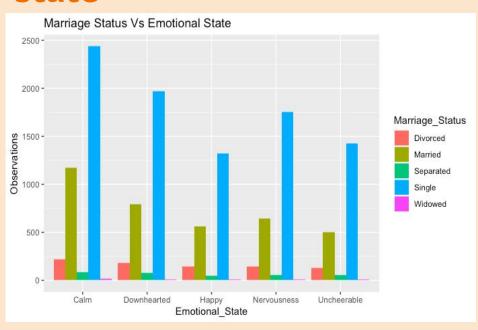
- CNS and Leukemia have the most reporting emotional state
- CNS and Leukemia could be more common cancers causing more people reporting

#### How different cancers affect one's social state?



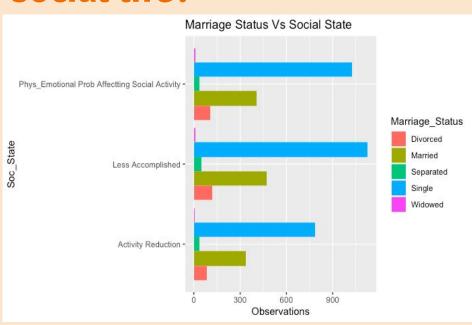
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# How marriage status of survivors affect emotional state



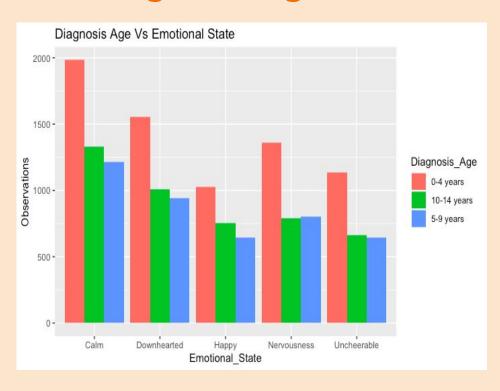
- Single people report most
  - No one to share grief with
- Married report next most
  - joy/stress of having a partner

# Does marriage status of cancer survivors affect social life?



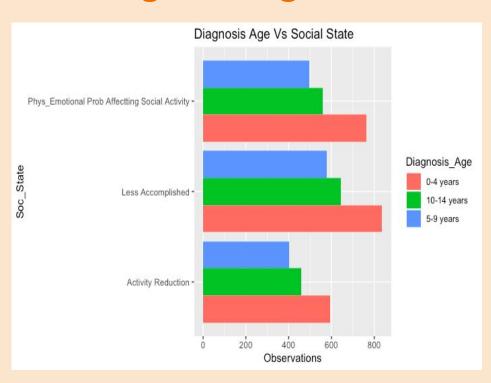
- Single people socialize less and don't feel as accomplished
- Married people report the next most
  - Too busy to go out as much

## Did diagnosis age affect current emotional state?



- Those diagnosed 0-4 yrs have most reported
- Those diagnosed 5-9 and 10-14 seem to have similar responses

### Did diagnosis age affect current social levels?



- 0-4 has more reporting yes
  - Assumption: can be those interviewed as teens
    - Teens overall don't feel successful
- 5-9 and 10-14 are similar

#### **Conclusion**

- 1. Data is also very vague and inconclusive
  - a. Does not tell us who is who (data correlation)
    - i. Male/ female vs cancer type
    - ii. Age of diagnosis vs age questionnaire completion
  - b. Have to make many assumptions about data
- 2. Questionnaire was completed at ages 16-45+
  - a. Other factors could contribute to emotional/mental/social states