

Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project

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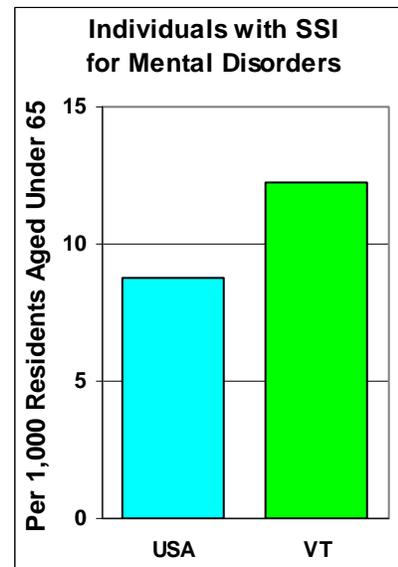
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RE: Mental Disorder Disability Rates by State: 2009

This week's report provides information regarding the proportion Vermont and other state residents who received Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for a mental disorder disability during 2009. As such, this report provides information relevant to concerns about the prevalence of mental disorders in the general population. This report was prepared in response to a request from Elizabeth Cook at the Vermont Law School.

The findings reported here are based on analysis of data published by the United States Social Security Administration¹ and the United States Census². The Social Security Bureau report provided information regarding the numbers people who received Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments for "mental disorders" other than "retardation mental disorders" who were less than 65 years of age in each of the 50 US states and the District of Columbia during 2009. The Census Bureau report provided information regarding the total numbers of residents less than 65 years of age who resided in each of the 50 US states and the District of Columbia during 2009.

As you will see, Vermont ranked among the ten states with the greatest proportion of residents with Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments for "mental disorders", with 12.3 per thousand residents receiving benefits compared to a rate of 8.7 per thousand for the nation as a whole.

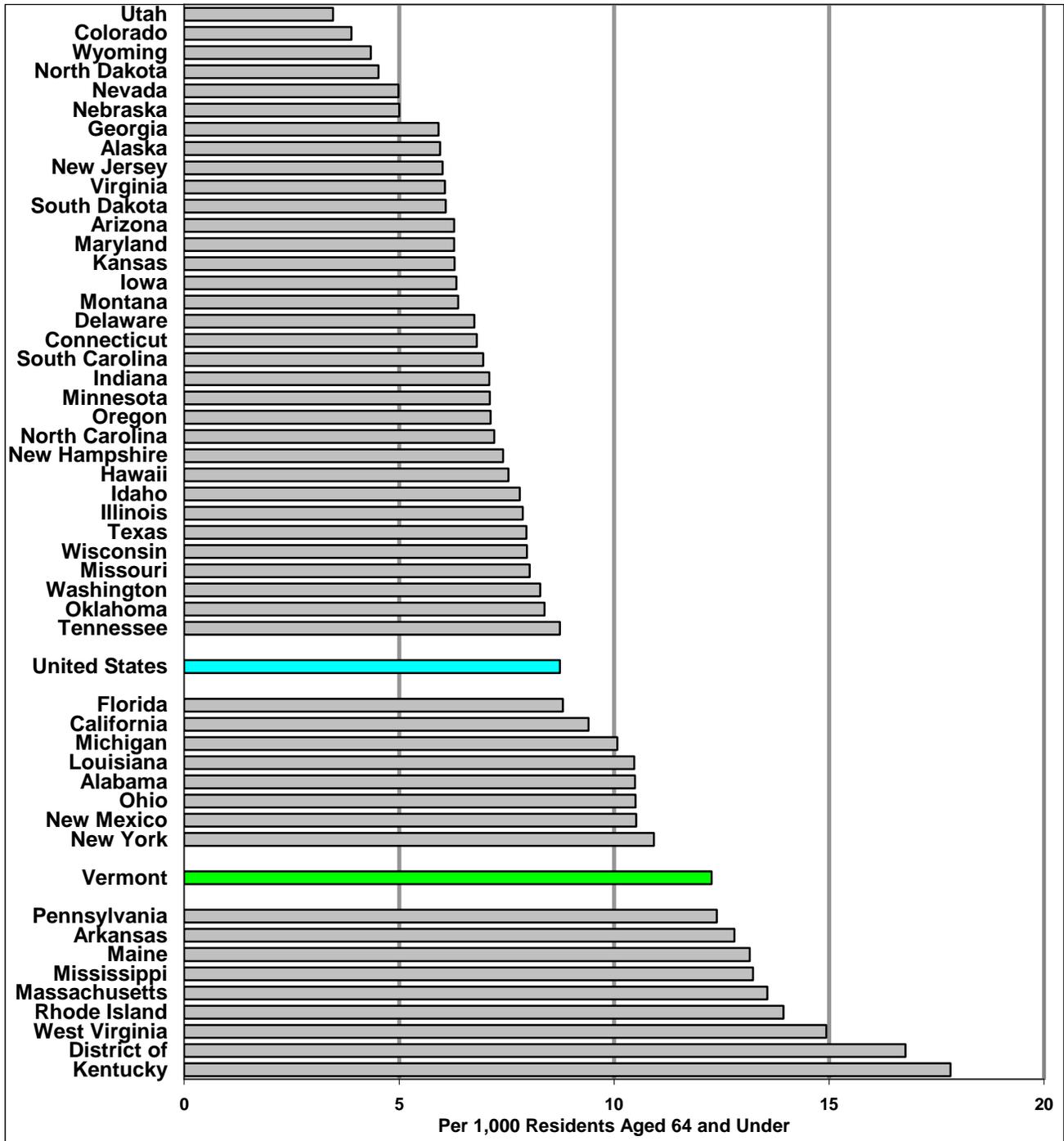


We look forward to your interpretations of these findings and your suggestions for further analysis of these data. Please forward your comments and suggestions to pip@ahs.state.vt.us or 802-241-4049.

¹ http://www.ssa.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/ssi_asr/2009/sect06.pdf

² <http://www.census.gov/popest/states/asrh/SC-EST2009-01.html>

Individuals with Supplemental Security Income for Mental Disorders U.S. Residents Aged Under 65 During 2009



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State	Total Residents Aged 0-64	Residents with SSI Mental Disorders		State	Total Residents Aged 0-64	Residents with SSI Mental Disorders	
		#	per 1,000 Population			#	per 1,000 Population
Utah	2,533,413	8,778	3.5	Illinois	11,315,936	89,142	7.9
Colorado	4,491,168	17,475	3.9	Texas	22,243,087	177,080	8.0
Wyoming	477,403	2,072	4.3	Wisconsin	4,893,495	39,032	8.0
North Dakota	551,974	2,497	4.5	Missouri	5,165,155	41,519	8.0
Nevada	2,336,242	11,651	5.0	Washington	5,857,993	48,537	8.3
Nebraska	1,555,989	7,781	5.0	Oklahoma	3,191,088	26,759	8.4
Georgia	8,814,397	52,156	5.9	Tennessee	5,455,301	47,667	8.7
Alaska	645,624	3,842	6.0	United States	267,435,960	2,337,139	8.7
New Jersey	7,534,715	45,302	6.0	Florida	15,342,128	135,181	8.8
Virginia	6,922,500	42,015	6.1	California	32,813,609	308,651	9.4
South Dakota	694,651	4,225	6.1	Michigan	8,629,955	86,968	10.1
Arizona	5,729,044	35,967	6.3	Louisiana	3,937,780	41,223	10.5
Maryland	5,004,682	31,426	6.3	Alabama	4,057,659	42,547	10.5
Kansas	2,451,201	15,429	6.3	Ohio	9,937,329	104,320	10.5
Iowa	2,563,562	16,238	6.3	New Mexico	1,748,329	18,382	10.5
Montana	833,086	5,313	6.4	New York	16,921,698	184,913	10.9
Delaware	758,429	5,119	6.7	Vermont	531,849	6,524	12.3
Connecticut	3,030,233	20,635	6.8	Pennsylvania	10,658,501	132,061	12.4
South Carolina	3,938,019	27,392	7.0	Arkansas	2,475,769	31,681	12.8
Indiana	5,594,522	39,719	7.1	Maine	1,112,684	14,639	13.2
Minnesota	4,595,159	32,672	7.1	Mississippi	2,575,083	34,082	13.2
Oregon	3,308,795	23,586	7.1	Massachusetts	5,699,073	77,308	13.6
North Carolina	8,188,859	59,079	7.2	Rhode Island	902,613	12,584	13.9
New Hampshire	1,145,328	8,499	7.4	West Virginia	1,532,220	22,889	14.9
Hawaii	1,106,998	8,355	7.5	District of Columbia	529,473	8,883	16.8
Idaho	1,358,383	10,605	7.8	Kentucky	3,743,777	66,735	17.8

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