# BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONDITIONS IN THE UNITED STATES

AGES

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SUICIDE WAS THE SECOND LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH FOR TWO DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS, INDIVIDUALS AGED 15 TO 24 AND 25 TO 34.\* AGES 25-34 MORE T IN 2013 J THAN 1

11,226 DEATHS IN 2013

MORE THAN 44,000 AMERICANS DIED IN 2013 AS A RESULT OF SUICIDE—MORE THAN 1 PERSON EVERY 12.8 MINUTES.\* 12.8 MIN

# MENTAL ILLNESS SUBSTANCE USE 7.9 MILLION

IN 2014 MORE THAN 7.9 MILLION U.S. ADULTS AGED 18 AND OLDER (3.3%) HAD CO-OCCURRING MENTAL ILLNESS AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS.\*\* AMONG ADULTS AGED 18 OR OLDER, 9.8 MILLION (4.1% OF ADULTS) HAD A SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS IN THE PAST YEAR.\*\*

9.8 MILLION

TWO-THIRDS OF AMERICANS BELIEVE THAT TREATMENT AND SUPPORT CAN HELP PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESSES LEAD NORMAL LIVES.<sup>†</sup>

 \* Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. Web-based Injury Statistics Query and Reporting System (WISQARS). (2013) http://www.cdc.gov/injury/wisqars/pdf/leading\_causes\_of\_death\_by\_age\_group\_2013-a.pdf
\*\* Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, Behavioral Health Trends in the United States: Results from the 2014 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, NSDUH Series H-50, HHS Publication No. (SMA) 15-4927. Rockville, MD: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, 2015, p. 33.

<sup>+</sup> National Mental Health Anti-Stigma Campaign. What a Difference a Friend Makes. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. Retrieved January 29, 2015, from https://store.samhsa.gov/shin/content/SMA07-4257/SMA07-4257.pdf, p. 2.







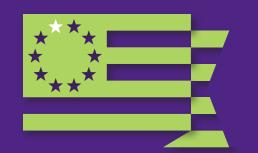
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### SUBSTANCE ABUSE AMONG AMERICANS





AMONG PEOPLE AGED 12 OR OLDER, 21.5 MILLION PEOPLE (8.1%) WERE CLASSIFIED WITH SUBSTANCE DEPENDENCE OR ABUSE IN THE PAST YEAR.\*



ABOUT **1 IN 10** AMERICANS (10.2%) AGED 12 OR OLDER USED AN ILLICIT DRUG IN THE PAST 30 DAYS.\*\*

#### 22.2 MILLION



ILLICIT DRUG USE ESTIMATE FOR 2014 CONTINUED TO BE DRIVEN PRIMARILY BY MARIJUANA USE, WITH 22.2 MILLION CURRENT MARIJUANA USERS AGED 12 OR OLDER.\*\*



# **MORE THAN ONE THIRD**

OF YOUNG ADULTS AGED 18 TO 25 WERE BINGE ALCOHOL USERS (37.7%). AN ESTIMATED 8.7 MILLION (22.8%) OF UNDERAGE PERSONS (AGED 12 TO 20) WERE CURRENT DRINKERS IN 2014.\*\*

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## **MENTAL ILLNESS** AMONG SPECIFIC AUDIENCES





ABOUT TWO-THIRDS OF THE U.S. POPULATION REPORTED EXPERIENCING AT LEAST ONE PERSONAL TRAUMATIC EVENT BEFORE THE AGE OF 18.\* IN THE U.S., 61% OF MEN AND 51% OF WOMEN REPORT EXPOSURE TO AT LEAST ONE LIFETIME TRAUMATIC EVENT.\*\*

SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

HETEROSEXUAL

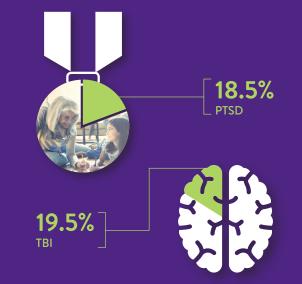
LESBIAN, GAY, AND BISEXUAL

ADOLESCENTS IN GRADES 7–12 WHO SELF-IDENTIFY AS LESBIAN, GAY, AND BISEXUAL ARE MORE THAN TWICE AS LIKELY TO HAVE ATTEMPTED SUICIDE AS THEIR HETEROSEXUAL PEERS.<sup>+</sup>

\* Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2012). The Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) study. Retrieved from http://www.cdc.gov/ace/findings.htm.

- \*\* Kessler RC, Sonnega A, Bromet E, et al. Posttraumatic stress disorder in the National Comorbidity Survey. Archives of General Psychiatry. 1995;52:1048–1060.
- <sup>+</sup> Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Health–LGBT Youth. Retrieved from http://www.cdc.gov/lgbthealth/youth.htm.

<sup>‡</sup> Invisible Wounds: Mental Health and Cognitive Care Needs of America's Returning Veterans. RAND Corporation. Retrieved from http://www.rand.org/pubs/research\_briefs/RB9336/index1.html.



APPROXIMATELY 18.5% OF SERVICE MEMBERS RETURNING FROM IRAQ OR AFGHANISTAN HAVE POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER (PTSD) OR DEPRESSION. 19.5% REPORT EXPERIENCING A TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (TBI) DURING DEPLOYMENT.<sup>‡</sup>



