



Background

MHRC is proud to partner with Health Canada to collect, analyze, and present data from our national polling project on the mental health of Canadians during the COVID-19 pandemic. The information in this report is data gathered from polls 6 to 12 of our Canada-wide survey, collected between April 2021 and April 2022.

This document is intended as a supplementary resource to MHRC's research brief Which Canadians Are Not Accessing Mental Health Supports? Each of the following pages provides a visual representation of the statistics discussed in the report.

The following data represents Canadians who selected the survey response "I needed mental health support but did not access it". The analysis in this supplementary resource is on the 13 responses to the follow-up question "Why did you not access the support of a mental health professional?" (please select all that apply).

2080 Canadians answered this question about their behaviour before the pandemic, and 3224 Canadians about their behaviour since the pandemic. Due to small sample sizes, we are unable to make accurate conclusions with confidence about Manitoba, the Northwest Territories, Yukon or Nunavut. Data may contain responses from the same participants over multiple polls.

Grey bars in the following figures cannot be accurately drawn with confidence due to insufficient sample sizes (N <50).

Thank you to Pollara Strategic Insights for their continued partnership in our national polling project, evaluating the impact of COVID-19 on the mental health of Canadians.

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Did Not Access Support Because I Preferred To Manage Myself



Did Not Access Support Because I Couldn't Afford to Pay



Did Not Access Support Because I Didn't Know Where or How To Get This Kind Of Help



Did Not Access Support Because Access to Care Was Limited



Did Not Access Support Because I Haven't Gotten Around To It



Did Not Access Support Because I Didn't Have Confidence In The System Or Services



Did Not Access Support Because I Am Concerned About Exposure To COVID-19



Did Not Access Support Because Insurance Didn't Cover It



Did Not Access Support Because I'm Afraid of What Others Would think



Did Not Access Support Because of Other Reasons



Did Not Access Support Because My Job Interfered



I Don't Know Why I Did Not Access Support



Did Not Access Support Because of Language Problems

