

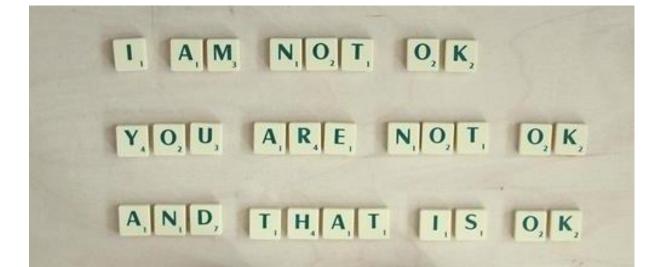
#### WHAT LIES BENEATH?

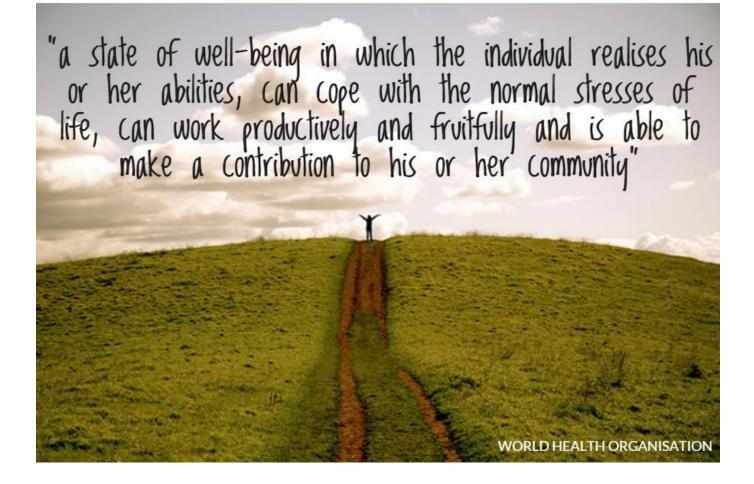
Understanding young people's mental health

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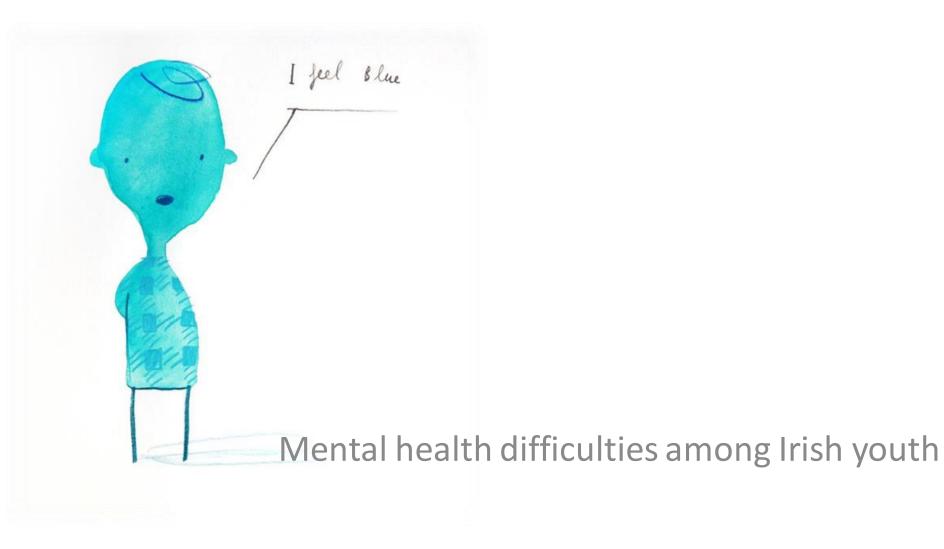


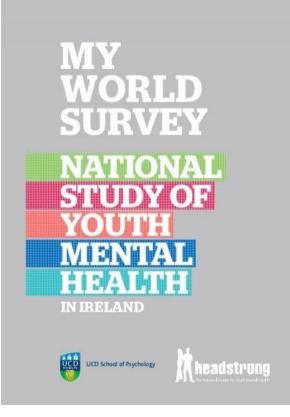




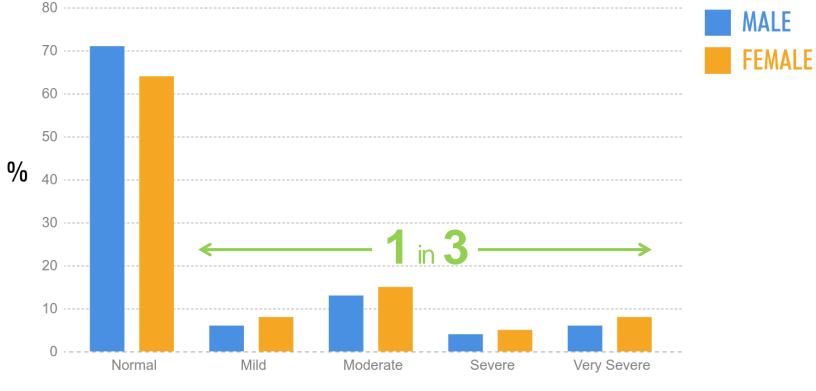
Having a sense of place, knowing how to initiate and maintain meaningful connections with others, failing and not being crushed, rising from the depths of rejection to have hope, having a purpose for living beyond the moment, holding on to a dream beyond oneself, having the capacity to influence change and make a difference and being significant because of who you are in the moment





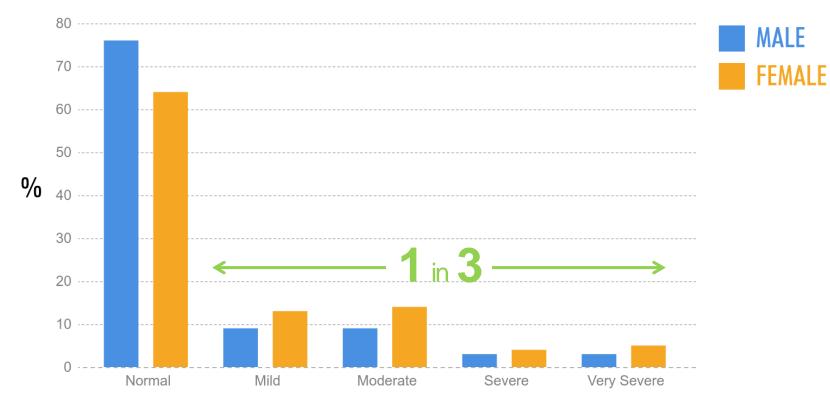


## **6,085** adolescents aged 12-19 years



**ANXIETY** 

SOURCE: My World Survey 2012



#### **DEPRESSION**

SOURCE: My World Survey 2012

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#### **IRISH YOUTH** MENTAL HEALTH IN NUMBERS

### Estimated number of youth WHO HAVE EVER experienced a mental disorder

# 290,000 - 440,000 10-24 year olds



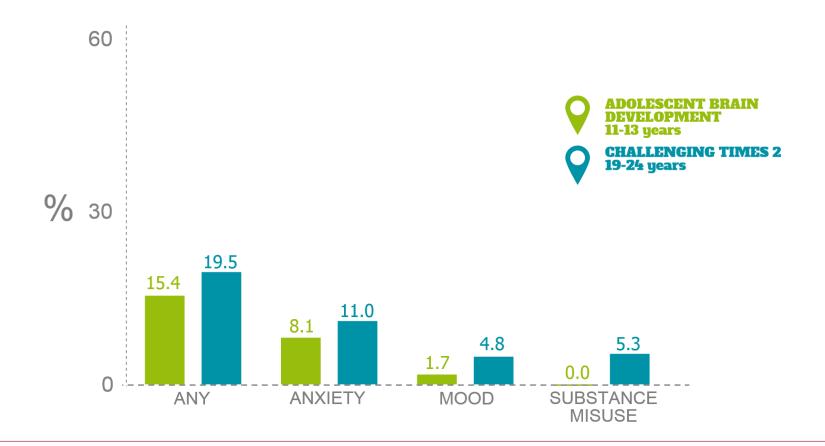
#### **IRISH YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH IN NUMBERS**

#### Estimated number of youth CURRENTLY experiencing a mental disorder

# 145,000 - 175,000 10-24 year olds

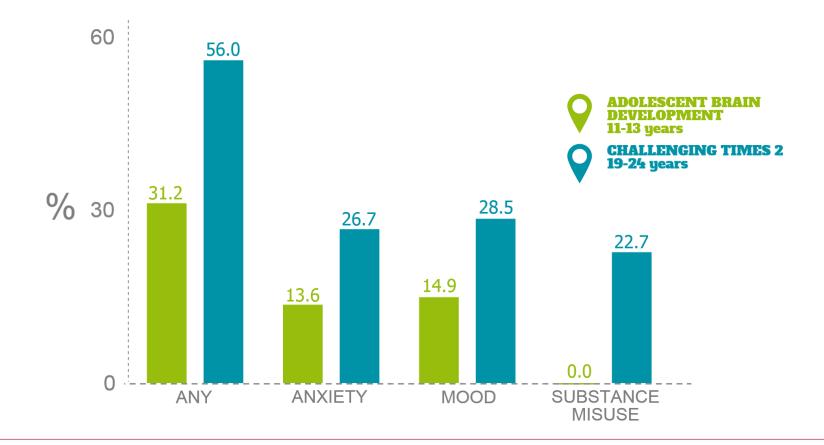


#### CURRENT RATES AMONG 11-13 AND 19-24 YEAR OLDS



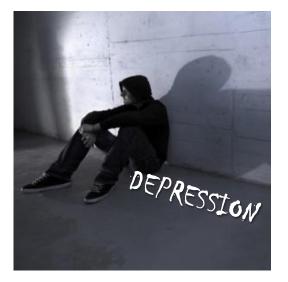


#### LIFETIME RATES AMONG 11-13 AND 19-24 YEAR OLDS

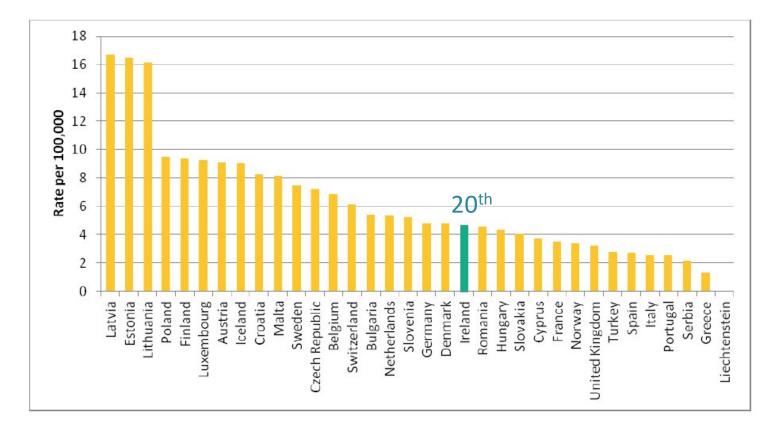












Suicide rate per 100,000 for males and females aged 15-19 years by geographic region, 2014\*<sup>2</sup>

SOURCE: Eurostat 2018

\* Data presented as the crude death rate from suicide per 100,000 people. Figures should be interpreted with care as suicide registration methods vary between counties and over time.

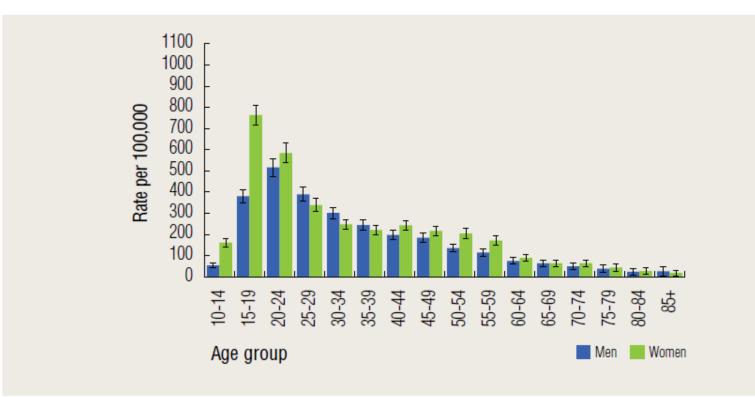


Figure 12: Person-based rate of self-harm in the Republic of Ireland in 2016 by age and gender.

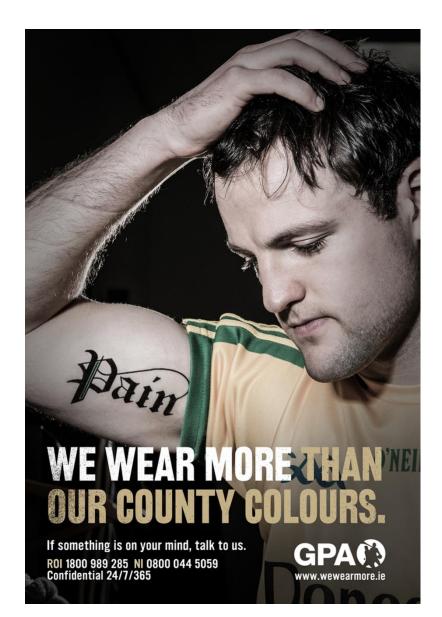


## Maybe I am just not enough.















#### Behaviour

#### Thoughts



#### Emotions



#### Functioning

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#### "LET'S GET OUR HEADS TOGETHER AND CHANGE THE CONVERSATION ON MENTAL HEALTH"

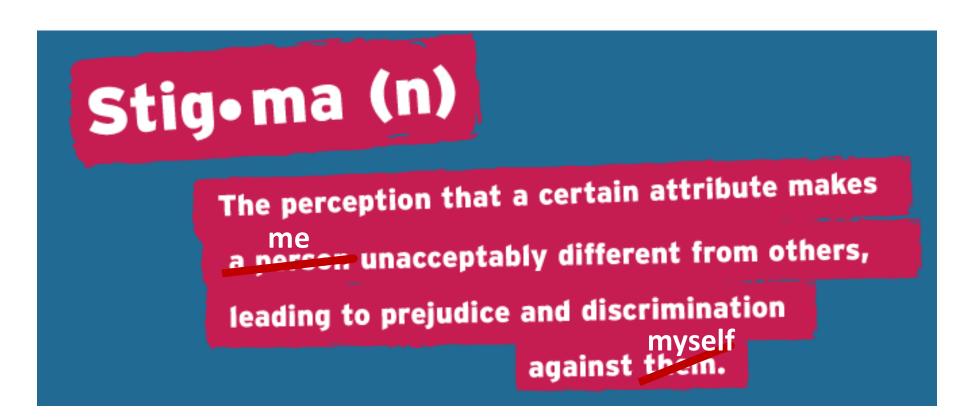
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Mental illness is nothing to be ashamed of. Neither is talking about it. It's **#TimetoTalk.** 

time-to-change.org.uk

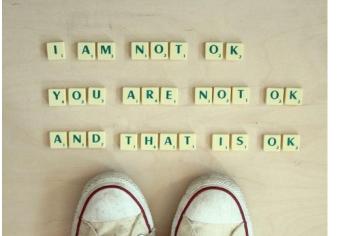




## WHAT HELPS?









**GIVE YOU IOY** 





DO WHAT YOU CAN, ENJOY WHAT YOU DO, MOVE YOUR MOOD

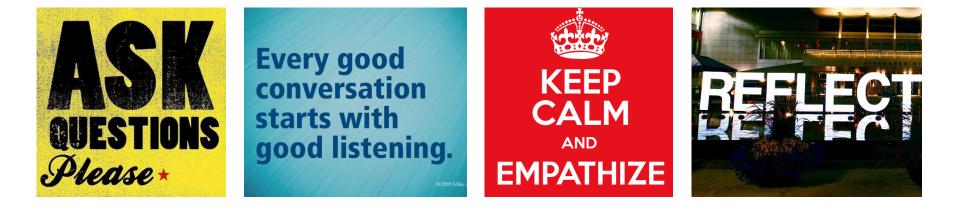


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## WEBSITES







#### Five ways to wellbeing

## Take notice...

Be curious. Catch sight of the beautiful. Remark on the unusual. Notice the changing seasons. Savour the moment, whether you are walking to work, eating lunch or talking to friends. Be aware of the world around you and what you are feeling. Reflecting on your experiences will help you appreciate what matters to you.

## Five ways to wellbeing

## Connect...

Connect with the people around you. With family, friends, colleagues and neighbours. At home, work, school or in your local community. Think of these as the cornerstones of your life and invest time in developing them. Building these connections will support and enrich you every day.

## Five ways to wellbeing

### Be active...

Go for a walk or run. Step outside. Cycle. Play a game. Garden. Dance. Exercising makes you feel good. Most importantly, discover a physical activity you enjoy and one that suits your level of mobility and fitness.

Five ways to wellbeing



Do something nice for a friend, or a stranger. Thank someone. Smile. Volunteer your time. Join a community group. Look out, as well as in. Seeing yourself, and your happiness, linked to the wider community can be incredibly rewarding and creates connections with the people around you.

#### Five ways to wellbeing

## Keep learning...

Try something new. Rediscover an old interest. Sign up for that course. Take on a different responsibility at work. Fix a bike. Learn to play an instrument or how to cook your favourite food. Set a challenge you will enjoy achieving. Learning new things will make you more confident as well as being fun.