Citizens who felt they needed to see or talk to a health professional about their mental or emotional health, or about the use of alcohol or drugs in the last 12 months but did not because they were too busy

Unit : %

	Year 2025	Year 2024	Year 2023	Year 2022
Province				
New Brunswick	**38.1**	**41.2**	**43.7**	**34.1**
Health zones				
Zone 1 - Moncton and South-East Area	**49.7**	**46.2**	**52.2**	**39.2**
Zone 2 - Fundy Shore and Saint John Area	**30.5**	**43.8**	**39.2**	**47.4**
Zone 3 - Fredericton and River Valley Area	**36.0**	**40.6**	**40.2**	**17.3**
Zone 4 - Madawaska and North-West Area	S	S	S	S
Zone 5 - Restigouche Area	S	S	S	S
Zone 6 - Bathurst and Acadian Peninsula Area	S	S	S	S
Zone 7 - Miramichi Area	S	S	S	S
Age				
18-64	**40.6**	**43.7**	**47.9**	**36.4**
65 and over	**19.3**	**14.4**	S	**12.5**
Gender				
Female	**35.2**	**39.1**	**38.5**	**29.2**
Male	**43.0**	**40.1**	**49.0**	**37.7**
2SLGBTQIA+ status				
2SLGBTQIA+	S	S	S	S
Language				
Most comfortable in English	**35.5**	**41.5**	**41.5**	n/a

	Year 2025	Year 2024	Year 2023	Year 2022
Most comfortable in French	**47.4**	**37.3**	**54.4**	n/a
Comfortable in both English and French	S	**46.7**	S	n/a
Indigenous identity				
Indigenous	S	S	S	S
Immigrant				
Immigrants	**51.8**	S	S	S
Education level				
High school or less	**39.9**	**42.7**	**48.1**	**39.2**
Postsecondary	**36.6**	**41.4**	**42.3**	**32.2**
Disability or special need				
Disability or special need	**23.0**	**23.9**	**10.7**	n/a
Household income				
Less than $30,000	**36.8**	**34.6**	**34.7**	n/a
$30,000 to less than $60,000	**36.6**	**46.8**	**48.8**	n/a
$60,000 or more	**38.4**	**44.0**	**42.4**	n/a
Racialized groups				
Racialized groups	**52.0**	S	S	n/a

About

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Source

Primary Health Survey and Primary Care Survey

Calculations

This indicator is based on respondents who felt that they needed to see or talk to a health professional in the last 12 months about their mental or emotional health, or their use of alcohol or drugs and who didn't. This indicator is calculated by dividing the number of respondents who answered "yes" by the number of respondents who answered "yes or no" to the question: In the last 12 months, why didn't you see or talk to a doctor, nurse or other health professional about your mental or emotional health, or about the use of alcohol or drugs? c) I was too busy

Notes

The 2020 edition of the Primary Health Survey (PHS) was conducted during the COVID-19 pandemic. While the pandemic did not influence the survey's response rate, NBHC had to assess the impact of surveying during the pandemic. Accordingly, advanced statistical analyses were performed to allow for comparison between the results obtained in 2020 and those obtained in previous PHS cycles. Despite these analyses, users are advised to use the PHS 2020 data with caution, especially when creating estimates for small sub-populations or when comparing it to other PHS editions.

Unit	Interpretation	NBHC code
%	Lower is better	PH_MHI06_3

Caption

n/a = Not applicable / not available
S = Data suppressed due to confidentiality requirements and/or small sample size