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An error was found in the original report affecting medication rates. Affected tables have been rerun and the text in this version of the report has been corrected accordingly.

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Notes on the data

1. The data used in the report have been weighted. The weighting is described in Chapter 14. Unweighted sample sizes are shown at the foot of each table. The tables can all be downloaded as separate spreadsheets.

2. Where trends are presented, data from the 1993 and 2000 surveys have been rerun on participants living in England only, to be comparable in scope with the 2007 and 2014 surveys.

3. ‘Missing values’ occur for several reasons, including refusal or inability to answer a particular question; refusal to complete an entire section of the survey (such as the self-completion questionnaire); and cases where the question is not applicable to the participant. In general, missing values have been omitted from tables and analyses.

4. The estimated prevalence of the disorders and behaviours in this report are presented as percentages to one decimal place, which is equivalent to reporting rates per thousand.

5. The term ‘significant’ is used in this report to refer to statistical significance and is not intended to imply substantive importance. Unless otherwise stated, differences mentioned in the text have been found to be statistically significant at the 95% confidence level. Standard errors that reflect the complex sampling design and weighting procedures used in the survey have been calculated and used in tests of statistical significance. Tables giving the standard errors for and confidence intervals around key estimates are provided in Chapter 14.