

# Reference Tools

To assist a user in locating a specific table of interest within the *Results from the 2011 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Mental Health Detailed Tables*, reference tools have been developed. Note that the following tools are provided solely for guidance with examining the 2011 mental health detailed tables because there are no hyperlinks within these tools that lead directly to the mental health detailed tables:

- [a key to selected variables](#);
- [Key Definitions for the 2011 Mental Health Detailed Tables and Mental Health Findings Report \(i.e., the glossary\)](#);
- [List of Tables: Prevalence Estimates and Sample Sizes – Table Types A, B, and N](#); and
- [List of Tables: Standard Errors and P Values – Table Types C, D, and P](#).

Hyperlinks that lead directly to the tables can be found under the "Tables" bookmark. How to locate and access a table by selecting the "Tables" bookmark is explained in the "Locating and Accessing a Table" section of the introduction.

*Using the Key to Selected Variables.* The key to selected variables defines key topics (e.g., demographics) used throughout the 2011 mental health detailed tables. For example, a user interested in information about the prevalence of serious mental illness (SMI) by current employment status would first review the key to selected variables and see that current employment status is categorized as a demographic characteristic. Next, a user can determine, by looking at the bookmarks for the subject matter sections, that tables pertaining to SMI can be found in the adult mental health tables section. By selecting this bookmark, the user will be taken to the index of tables for the adult mental health tables. Now the user can scan the links to learn that data on the prevalence of SMI by demographic characteristics are located in the group of tables numbered 1.6 to 1.8. Selecting the link to the left of the table numbers will take the user directly to the first table in the specified group where the user then can scroll through the tables to locate the table(s) pertaining to the prevalence of SMI by current employment status (Table 1.7).

*Using the Key Definitions for the 2011 Mental Health Detailed Tables and Mental Health Findings Report.* The glossary defines and cross-references key measures used in the 2011 mental health detailed tables and the 2011 mental health findings report.<sup>1</sup> For example, a user interested in information about the prevalence of mental health treatment and counseling measures can first review the mental health service utilization entry in the glossary to see a cross-reference of additional selected mental health service utilization measures included in the mental health detailed tables or mental health findings report. After reviewing the definitions for the various measures, the user can select measures of interest (e.g., "unmet need for mental health

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<sup>1</sup> Prior to the 2010 NSDUH, a glossary of key definitions appeared as an appendix in each year's national findings report.

services"). Next, a user can determine, by looking at the bookmarks for the subject matter sections, that tables pertaining to mental health services can be found in Section 1: Adult Mental Health Tables. By selecting this bookmark, the user will be taken to the table index for adult mental health tables. Now the user can scan the links to learn that data on the prevalence of mental health treatment and counseling are located in the group of tables numbered 1.24 to 1.45. Selecting the link to the left of the table numbers will take the user directly to the first table in the specified group where the user can scroll through the tables to locate the table(s) pertaining to the prevalence of "unmet need for treatment" by demographic, geographic, and socioeconomic characteristics (Tables 1.37 to 1.42).

*Using the List of Tables.* The list of tables can be used to identify a specific table for one of the subject matter sections. For example, a user interested in information about the prevalence of past year illicit drug use among persons aged 18 or older by past year level of mental illness would review the list of tables in Section 1: Adult Mental Health Tables and identify Table 1.13B as the table of interest.