

Of the 70,311 mentally ill patients on record at Dec. 31, 1957, 65.7 p.c. had been diagnosed as psychotics, 30.8 p.c. as mental defectives, alcoholics and persons otherwise affected by disorders of character, behaviour and intelligence, and 2.3 p.c. as psychoneurotics. More men than women had been institutionalized for disorders of character, behaviour and intelligence; the largest frequencies of both sexes occurred in the 10-19 age group and diminished in each age group thereafter. Similarly, more men than women (except those 70 years of age or over) had been diagnosed as psychotic. However, in all age groups, nearly twice as many women as men had required hospitalization for conditions diagnosed as psychoneurotic. The incidence among hospitalized psychoneurotics, both male and female, was highest at ages 40-49.

5.—Diagnoses of Patients on the Books of Reporting Mental Hospitals, by Class, and by Age and Sex, 1957

NOTE.—Special census data available for 1957 only. Figures include patients in 79 mental hospitals and also patients in psychiatric and in mental units of general hospitals.

Diagnosis	0-9		10-19		20-29		30-39	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Psychoses.....	9	4	291	209	2,107	1,342	4,058	3,278
Schizophrenia.....	4	5	229	140	1,715	935	3,146	2,392
Manic-depressive reaction.....	—	—	13	12	98	132	249	373
Of old age.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other.....	5	1	49	57	294	225	663	513
Psychoneuroses.....	—	—	16	24	64	136	97	213
Neurotic-depressive reaction.....	—	—	7	9	20	53	30	108
Anxiety reaction.....	—	—	2	2	23	18	23	31
Other.....	—	—	7	13	21	60	44	74
Disorders of character, behaviour and intelligence.....	1,143	881	3,330	2,372	2,443	1,880	1,870	1,581
Alcoholism.....	—	—	2	—	13	2	80	23
Mental deficiency.....	1,061	830	3,092	2,154	2,106	1,626	1,504	1,280
Other.....	82	51	236	218	319	252	286	278
Non-psychiatric and unreported diagnoses..	25	19	38	37	59	27	70	45
	40-49		50-59		60+		Total ¹	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Psychoses.....	4,948	4,294	5,122	4,391	7,937	8,140	24,523	21,698
Schizophrenia.....	3,372	2,745	2,855	2,316	2,994	2,818	14,356	11,423
Manic-depressive reaction.....	416	539	504	608	771	1,063	2,052	2,732
Of old age.....	15	7	62	52	2,021	2,445	2,103	2,509
Other.....	1,145	1,003	1,691	1,415	2,151	1,814	6,012	5,034
Psychoneuroses.....	120	218	116	211	123	253	538	1,058
Neurotic-depressive reaction.....	40	82	45	76	66	112	208	448
Anxiety reaction.....	21	30	17	19	9	26	96	126
Other.....	59	106	54	116	48	115	234	484
Disorders of character, behaviour and intelligence.....	1,424	1,288	982	844	850	710	12,059	9,568
Alcoholism.....	103	23	91	20	77	17	373	85
Mental deficiency.....	1,100	1,058	733	699	641	593	10,251	8,252
Other.....	221	207	158	125	132	100	1,435	1,231
Non-psychiatric and unreported diagnoses..	83	40	97	56	130	138	504	363

¹ Includes age groups not known.

Among patients reported as on the books of tuberculosis institutions at the end of 1958, the peak frequency for men (1,001) occurred in the 50-59 age group, and for women (789) in the 20-29 age group. More men than women were listed in each age group except those encompassing ages 10-29. Compared with 1,001 men, only 338 women between the ages of 50 and 59 were carried on the books of tuberculosis sanatoria and units at Dec. 31, 1958; in contrast, the peak frequency for women aged 20-29 (789) was closely approximated in number by male patients (784).