

Depression Diagnosis Among Medicaid Recipients (2013)

State Comparison	Percent
Alabama	5.4
United States	N.A.
Historic Trend	
	N.A.
Public Health Area	
1	7.3
2	6.4
3	6.6
4	5.1
5	6.7
6	6.4
7	4.5
8	4.2
9	4.6
10	5.3
11	3.2
Rurality	
Rural counties	6.0
Urban counties	4.9
Age	
	N.A.
Gender	
	N.A.
Race	
	N.A.
Ethnicity	
	N.A.
Income	
	N.A.
Education	
	N.A.

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- Among Medicaid recipients, 61,779 (5.4 percent) had been diagnosed with depression.
- The problem is especially acute for rural residences (6.0 percent) compared to urban (4.9 percent).
- Depression is important because it leads to other health problems or suicide. It is especially a problem for post partum women.
- Depression among Alabama's Medicaid recipients occurs at a rate of 5.4 percent.
- Depression among Medicaid Recipients is highest in PHA 1 (7.3 percent) and lowest in PHA 11 (3.2 percent).
- At the county level, depression is highest in Jackson, Cherokee, and Etowah counties and lowest in Wilcox and Bullock counties.

