

Table 19.1. Number of mental health organizations, by type of organization: United States, selected years, 1970-2002¹

Type of organization	1970	1976	1980	1986	1990	1992	1994	1998	2000	2002
Number of mental health organizations										
All organizations	3,005	3,480	3,727	4,747	5,284	5,498	5,392	5,722	4,541	4,301
State and county mental hospitals	310	303	280	285	273	273	256	229	223	222
Private psychiatric hospitals	150	182	184	314	462	475	430	348	269	253
Non-Federal general hospitals with separate psychiatric services	797	870	923	1,351	1,674	1,616	1,612	1,707	1,373	1,285
VA medical centers ²	115	126	136	139	141	162	161	145	142	140
Federally funded community mental health centers	196	517	691	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Residential treatment centers for emotionally disturbed children	261	331	368	437	501	497	459	461	475	508
All other mental health organizations ³	1,176	1,151	1,145	2,221	2,233	2,475	2,474	2,832	2,059	1,893
Number with 24-hour hospital or residential treatment care										
All organizations	1,734	2,273	2,526	3,039	3,430	3,415	3,827	3,729	3,199	3,032
State and county mental hospitals	310	303	280	285	273	273	256	229	223	222
Private psychiatric hospitals	150	182	184	314	462	475	430	348	269	253
Non-Federal general hospitals with separate psychiatric services	664	791	843	1,287	1,571	1,517	1,531	1,593	1,325	1,232
VA medical centers ²	110	112	121	124	130	133	135	123	133	131
Federally funded community mental health centers	196	517	691	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Residential treatment centers for emotionally disturbed children	261	331	368	437	501	497	459	461	475	508
All other mental health organizations ³	43	37	39	592	493	520	1,016	975	774	686
Number with less than 24-hour care⁴										
All organizations	2,156	2,318	2,431	2,946	3,189	3,390	4,087	4,386	3,536	3,367
State and county mental hospitals	195	147	100	83	84	75	70	60	61	61
Private psychiatric hospitals	100	60	54	114	176	198	347	263	235	213
Non-Federal general hospitals with separate psychiatric services	376	303	299	497	633	618	875	965	815	784
VA medical centers ²	100	113	127	137	141	161	148	128	115	116
Federally funded community mental health centers	196	517	691	200	—	—	—	—	—	—
Residential treatment centers for emotionally disturbed children	48	57	68	99	163	167	227	210	285	312
All other mental health organizations ³	1,141	1,121	1,092	2,016	1,992	2,171	2,420	2,760	2,025	1,881

Sources: Published and unpublished inventory data from the Survey and Analysis Branch, Division of State and Community Systems Development, Center for Mental Health Services.

¹Some organizations were reclassified as a result of changes in reporting procedures and definitions. For 1979-80, comparable data were not available for certain organization types and data for either an earlier or a later period were substituted. These factors influence the comparability of 1980-98 data with those of earlier years.

² Includes Department of Veterans Affairs (formerly Veterans Administration) neuropsychiatric hospitals, VA general hospital psychiatric services, and VA psychiatric outpatient clinics.

³ Includes freestanding psychiatric outpatient clinics, partial care organizations, and multiservice mental health organizations. Multiservice mental health organizations were redefined in 1984.

⁴ The survey format was changed in 1994 and partial care is now included with outpatient care, and together are called "less than 24-hour care."