Epidemiology and Characteristics of Mental Health Related Ambulance Calls in 2012-2014 in the United States

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Figure 1: Psych Calls during 2013 show a weekly pattern. Psych calls during Thanksgiving and Christmas deviate from this weekly pattern. The blue line shows a random two week stretch that exemplifies the typically weekly pattern in psych calls. The red line shows the two week period containing Christmas (left graph) and Thanksgiving (right graph). The dashed line shows the expected amount of psych call that would occur over the portion of the week surrounding Thanksgiving or Christmas

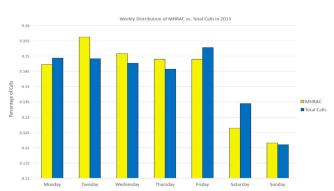


Figure 2: The number of psych and non-psych calls vary depending on the day of the week. A histogram of the total number for 2013 on a given day of the week. Psych calls are shown in yellow and non-psych are shown in blue

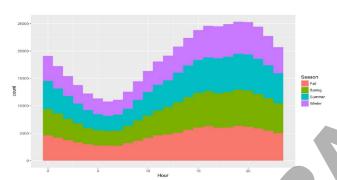
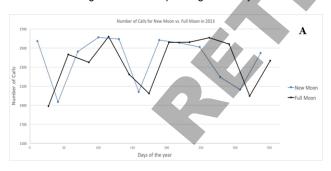


Figure 3: Changes in number of psych calls at different times during the day and in different seasons. The number of calls during a season is the height of the corresponding color only



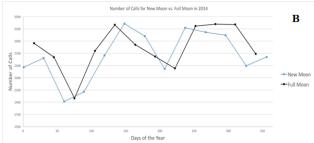


Figure 4: Variation in number of calls with the lunar cycle in 2013 (A) and 2014 (B). Each point on the blue line is a new moon and each point on the black line is a full moon

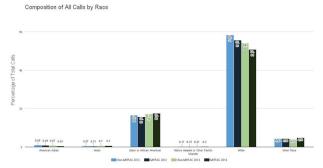


Figure 5: Percentage of calls (psych and non-psych) during 2012 and 2014 by race



