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ABSTRACT

Purpose: Few studies examined the relationship between neighborhood characteristics and both depressive disorders and the corresponding mental healthcare utilization. The aim of our study was to investigate neighborhood effects on depressive symptomatology, antidepressant consumption, and the consultation of psychiatrists.

Methods: Data from the French RECORD Study (n = 7290, 2007–2008, age 30–79 years) were analyzed. Depressive symptomatology was cross-sectionally assessed with the QD2A scale.

Healthcare reimbursement data allowed us to assess antidepressant consumption and psychiatric consultation prospectively over 18 months. Multilevel logistic regression models were estimated.

Results: The risk of depressive symptoms increased with decreasing personal educational level and unemployment, and slightly with decreasing neighborhood income. In a sample comprising participants with and without depressive symptoms, high individual and parental educational levels were both associated with the consultation of psychiatrists. In this sample, a low personal educational level increased the odds of consumption of antidepressants. No heterogeneity between neighborhoods was found for antidepressant consumption. However, the odds of consulting psychiatrists increased with median neighborhood income and with the density of psychiatrists, after adjustment for individual characteristics. Among depressive participants only, a particularly strong gradient in the consultation of psychiatrists was documented according to individual socioeconomic status.

Conclusion: Future research on the relationships between the environments and depression should take into account healthcare utilization related to depression and consider the spatial accessibility to mental health services among other environmental factors.

Keywords: depression, socioeconomic factors, residence characteristics, healthcare disparities, mental health

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List of abbreviations and acronyms

ESEMeD, European Study of the Epidemiology of Mental Disorders

IRIS, Îlots regroupés pour l'information statistique

RECORD, Residential Environment and CORonary heart Disease

QD2A, Questionnaire D'auto-évaluation de la Dépression, abrégé

TRIRIS, Trois IRIS

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Introduction

A study found that in the general French population 6.7% of people suffered from a depressive disorder over the 12 previous months [1]. Studies have shown how individual socio-demographic factors are associated with depression and use of mental health services [1-3]. More recently, studies have investigated whether features of neighborhoods such as the socioeconomic context, the physical environment, and social interactions (violence, disorders, etc.) were associated with the odds of depressive disorders [4, 5]. Despite some inconsistent results between studies, the evidence suggests that neighborhood deprivation plays a role in the development of depressive symptoms. Features of the neighborhood may operate as stressors or buffers of individual-based sources of stress related to mental illness [4].

Despite universal coverage in France, a study found that, among individuals with mental disorders, only 25.7% reported using formal health services for this condition [6]. Unequal use of mental health care has been documented in France. Socioeconomic status and other individual factors (low perceived need, lack of mental health literacy, etc.) were identified as determinants of mental health care use [7-10]. Organizational factors, such as the rate of reimbursement of psychotherapies or gatekeeping policies, were also found to influence mental health service utilization [11, 12]. However, although there is an unequal geographical distribution of mental health professionals (the department of Paris had a density of 72.8 psychiatrists for 100 000 inhabitants in 2014, as compared to 17.5 in the poorer, immediately adjacent county of Seine Saint Denis[13]), much less is known about environmental influences on mental health services utilization [9, 14, 15].

Overall, as a background of the present study on individual/neighborhood determinants of depressive symptoms and related health care use, the French situation is characterized by a low prevalence of mental health service use in the depressive population, an inappropriate use of

care, and an overconsumption of antidepressants in the French general population [16-18], and by an unequal distribution of mental health professionals [13].

Objectives

In order to gather information on depressive symptoms, patterns of use of mental health service, and potential underuse of care in the segment of the population requiring care, our overall objectives were to assess the individual and neighborhood determinants of depressive symptoms and of the use of two corresponding mental healthcare services (antidepressant consumption and consultation of a psychiatrist).

Given that consulting a psychiatrist is not restricted to people with depressive disorders and considering the excessive consumption of antidepressants in France even among people without depression, the present article first investigates the determinants of mental healthcare use in the whole study population (including depressive and non-depressive participants). Moreover, to identify potential situations of underuse of care, we also explored comparatively the patterns of use of services among participants with depressive symptoms.

Our specific aims were to evaluate the between-neighborhood variability in the three outcomes examined; to assess whether socioeconomic and social features of residential neighborhoods (i.e., related to patterns of social interactions) were associated with depression and healthcare use; and to investigate whether the spatial accessibility to healthcare services influenced the healthcare use of the participants.

Methods

Population

We used data from the first wave of the RECORD Cohort Study (www.record-study.org) that includes 7290 participants who were recruited between March 2007 and February 2008 [19-24]. The participants benefitted from a free medical checkup, offered every 5 years by the French National Health Insurance System for Salaried Workers to all working and retired employees and their families. Participants were recruited without a priori sampling during these 2-hour-long preventive checkups conducted by the Centre d'Investigations Préventives et Cliniques. Eligibility criteria were age 30 to 79 years, ability to fill out the study questionnaires, and residence in 1 of 10 (out of 20) administrative divisions of Paris or 111 other municipalities of the metropolitan area selected a priori. Among the participants, 83.6% accepted to participate and completed the data collection protocol. All participants were geocoded with accuracy based on their residential address in 2007–2008. All participants signed an informed consent form. The study protocol was approved by the French Data Protection Authority.

Sixty-four participants were removed from the analyses of healthcare use because they could not be linked to the National Health Insurance Fund database on healthcare use. Our study population includes 7290 participants for the analyses on depression and 7226 for those on the consumption of antidepressants and psychiatric consultations.

Measures

Depressive symptomatology

The presence of a depressive symptomatology was assessed with the QD2A depression scale from Pichot [25]. This scale is based on 13 dichotomous binary items (true or false). A score above 7 was coded as a depressive symptomatology.

Healthcare use

Data from the French National Health Insurance Fund were merged at the individual level to the RECORD Study database. We created a variable on the reimbursement of antidepressants over the 18 months after the inclusion in the study. We used the code N06A from the Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical system to identify the consumption of antidepressants. Differences in the frequency of consumption or in the therapeutic agent were not taken into account.

Based on reimbursement data, a binary variable indicated whether the participants had seen a private psychiatrist over the 18 months after baseline (ambulatory consultations). We could take into account neither the consultations of psychologists (not reimbursed by the healthcare system) nor the ambulatory psychiatric consultations made in public structures (not available in the reimbursement database). Inpatient hospital treatment for depression was not considered, as beyond the scope of the present study.

Individual covariates

The following socio-demographic characteristics reported by the participants were considered: age, sex, marital status, personal education, parental education, occupation, employment status, household income, financial strain, country of birth, and Health insurance situation.

Neighborhood-level characteristics

The following socioeconomic variables were defined at the neighborhood level using databases geocoded at the building level: (1) the proportion of residents aged ≥ 15 years with an

upper tertiary education (2006 census); and (2) median income in 2006 (Tax Registry of General Directorate of Taxation).

Regarding the spatial accessibility to care supply, we took into account the density per km² of private psychiatrists and the density per km² of private general practitioners. We also determined the overall density of physicians (taking into account general practitioners and all medical specialties) and the total number of all types of services in the neighborhood (shops, leisure facilities, administrative services, etc.).

All these socio-demographic and service variables were defined in buffer areas that were centered on the residence and took into account the street network, using the ArcGIS 10.0 Network Analyst. Different variables were defined, with a 500 m, 1 km, or 2 km radius along the street network.

Ecometric variables on neighborhood social interactions were created with 3-level multilevel models (items, individuals, neighborhoods) applied to environmental survey items collected during the survey [19]. Multilevel models allowed us to aggregate at the individual level the information provided by each respondent on each dimension and to combine the answers of the different individuals of the same neighborhood to construct indicators at the neighborhood level. Responses to questionnaire items for each dimension were aggregated to construct variables on the following dimensions: neighborhood social cohesion (4 items: neighbors helpful to each other, collective neighborhood identity, collective action to solve problems, close-knit neighborhood); stressful social interactions among neighbors (5 items : victim or witness of theft/assault, incivility, feeling of insecurity, friendly/polite neighbors, noisy neighbors); neighborhood mistrust and hostility (5 items: mistrust towards neighbors, avoid neighbors, angry against neighbors, friendly/polite neighbors, do not appreciate certain inhabitants); and stigmatized neighborhood identity (2 items: poor neighborhood reputation, ashamed of one's

neighborhood). All neighborhood variables were divided into 4 categories comprising a similar number of individuals.

Statistical Analysis

Multilevel logistic models were estimated to take into account the correlation in the odds of depressive symptoms or healthcare utilization within residential areas [26]. We compared different geographical levels (IRIS, TRIRIS, and municipalities) in the multilevel analyses to identify the scale enabling us to capture the existing spatial variations with the available statistical power (Table 1). We used the median odds ratio to quantify the heterogeneity in the outcomes between neighborhoods. As previously explained [27], the median odds ratio quantifies on the odds ratio scale the increase in the odds of the outcome between the area at lowest risk and the area at highest risk when randomly selecting individuals from two different areas.

We first estimated models adjusted for age and gender. Second, we parsimoniously selected the individual variables to introduce in the models (variables not associated with the outcomes were removed). Third, the contextual variables were further introduced into the models one by one and simultaneously when they were independently associated with the outcome. To assess whether the relationship between the spatial accessibility to psychiatrists and the consultation of psychiatrists was specifically attributable to the density of psychiatrists, the model was further adjusted for the overall density of physicians and the number of services in the neighborhood. Sensitivity analyses on the neighborhood variables were conducted comparing street network buffers with a radius of 500 m, 1 km, or 2 km. As only minor differences were observed, the analyses below rely on 1 km radius street network buffers.

Finally, to identify potential situations of underuse of services, we tabulated the rate of consumption of antidepressants and consultation of psychiatrists according to the main individual/neighborhood variable among participants with depressive symptoms. The reduced sample of depressive participants did not allow us to perform a formal multivariable analysis in this subpopulation

Results

Overall, 7.8% of the participants had a QD2A score above 7 (suggestive of depressive symptoms). In the sample of 7226 participants, 9.9% were reimbursed for antidepressants over 18 months after recruitment, and 4.7% consulted a psychiatrist over the same period. Among participants with depressive symptoms ($n = 566$), these figures were respectively 35.7% and 12.0%.

Variations between residential areas

Models in Table 1 present the magnitude of the between-area heterogeneity for the 3 outcomes. As expected, the magnitude of variations between areas tended to be larger for all 3 outcomes when smaller areas (IRIS neighborhoods) were considered. As there was sufficient power to detect variations in the odds of depressive symptoms and psychiatrist consultation between IRIS neighborhoods, such area level was selected for the subsequent multilevel analyses. Multilevel logistic models adjusted for age and gender indicated that the odds of consulting a psychiatrist were markedly different according to the participant's neighborhood. The heterogeneity between neighborhoods in the odds of being depressive was of smaller magnitude. On the opposite, the odds of consuming antidepressants were relatively homogeneous across neighborhoods.

Individual correlates of depressive symptoms and mental healthcare use

Depressive symptoms

As shown in Table 2, after mutual adjustment for individual variables, the risk of depressive symptoms increased with decreasing personal educational level, unemployment and retirement, and being alone. Income was not associated with depressive symptomatology, but reporting financial strain was related to much higher odds of it.

The random effect variance at the IRIS level indicates that there was no variability between neighborhoods in the odds of depressive symptoms after taking individual characteristics into account.

Healthcare utilization

After adjustment for depressive status, comparable individual characteristics were associated with the consumption of antidepressants and with the visit to a psychiatrist, but for some of these explanatory variables in the opposite direction for the two outcomes (Table 3).

Gender, country of birth, and marital status were associated with mental healthcare utilization in the same way for the 2 outcomes: women, people born in France, and people living alone had higher odds to either consume antidepressants or consult a psychiatrist.

Regarding education, individual and parental educational levels were both positively associated with the consultation of psychiatrists (independent associations). Differently, individual and parental educational levels were associated in the opposite direction with the consumption of antidepressants: a low parental educational level was associated with lower odds of consumption of antidepressants while a low personal educational level increased the odds of consumption.

Financial strain was no longer associated with healthcare utilization behaviors after adjustment, but participants with a low income level had higher odds to consult a psychiatrist after adjustment for the other factors.

The multilevel model did not detect any residual variability between neighborhoods in the odds of antidepressant consumption. The odds of consultation of psychiatrists were found to vary between neighborhoods even after adjustment for individual demographic and socioeconomic factors (bottom of Table 3).

Environmental correlates of depressive symptoms and mental healthcare use

Depressive symptoms

Table 2 shows that despite the absence of heterogeneity between neighborhoods suggested by the residual between-neighborhood variance, independently from individual characteristics, the median income of the neighborhood was associated with the odds of depressive symptoms, with a weaker risk of depression in richer neighborhoods.

Healthcare utilization

No association was found between the socioeconomic or social interactional characteristics of residential environments or the spatial accessibility to healthcare services and the consumption of antidepressants.

As shown in Table 4, after adjustment for individual socioeconomic variables, the odds of consulting psychiatrists increased with median neighborhood income assessed within 1 km from the residence. Such odds of consulting also increased with the density of psychiatrists in the neighborhood. When the two contextual variables were introduced simultaneously into the model, only the density of psychiatrists remained associated with the odds of consulting, even if

such odds also tended to increase slightly with increasing median neighborhood income. Even if it is not possible to compare the variance of successive logistic models [28, 29], Table 4 suggests that including the density of psychiatrists in the model led to a larger decrease of the between-neighborhood variance than including neighborhood income.

To examine whether the association identified between the density of psychiatrists and the consultation of psychiatrists is likely to be attributable to the density of psychiatrists itself, we reestimated the model with additional adjustment either for the overall density of physicians or for the overall density of services. In these models, only the density of psychiatrists was related to the consultation of psychiatrists, which suggests that the association observed may be attributable to a specific link between the density of psychiatrists and the use of the corresponding services. Neighborhood social interactions were not associated with the consultation of psychiatrists.

Individual correlate of mental health care use in the depressive population

Table 5 compares demographic and socioeconomic gradients in the consumption of antidepressants and in psychiatric consultations between the total sample (comprising participants with and without depressive symptoms) and the sample of depressive participants. This comparison suggests that the decreased use of antidepressants among high education and high income participants that was observed in the whole population was not documented among depressive participants. On the opposite, the socioeconomic gradient in the consultation of private psychiatrists was found to be much stronger in the depressive population (with healthcare needs) than in the whole sample.

Discussion

Based on individual and neighborhood socioeconomic variables, we found that there were disparities in the prevalence of depressive symptoms and its treatment between socially advantaged and disadvantaged groups. A high individual education level and a high parental education level had a cumulative effect on the odds of psychiatric consultation. Socioeconomic disparities in the use of psychiatric consultations were much stronger among depressive participants than in the overall sample. Regarding neighborhood influences, a weak neighborhood income effect was documented on the odds of depression. While no area heterogeneity was found for the consumption of antidepressants, the odds of psychiatric consultation increased with the density of psychiatrists in the residential neighborhood, after adjustment for individual and neighborhood characteristics.

Strengths and limitations

The first strength of this analysis is that we used objectively-assessed rather than self-reported mental healthcare use indicators, which allowed us to minimize memory/information biases. While studies based on administrative healthcare use data often lack socioeconomic information, merging administrative reimbursement data to the RECORD Study allowed us to adjust the associations of interest for various socio-demographic covariates and for the depression status.

A second methodological strength of the work is that we took into account the street network to determine the spatial accessibility to healthcare services, and used multilevel models to link environmental factors to health status and healthcare use after adjustment for individual factors. Third, we used different measures of individual socioeconomic status (individual and parental education level, income, self-perceived financial strain), allowing us to disentangle the influence of the cultural and financial dimensions of socioeconomic status on healthcare utilization.

However the main limitation of the present study is our sample which does not include individuals aged between 18 and 30 years old, is restricted to the Paris metropolitan area, and recruited people attending preventive healthcare examinations without any a priori randomization (convenience sample). A higher rate of participation to the study was observed among men, highly educated individuals, and among people residing close to the health centers participating in the recruitment and in neighborhoods with high income, high property values, high proportion of the population looking for work, and low built surface and low building height [30].

Other limitations include the fact that we considered private psychiatrists but neither public psychiatrists in health centers nor psychologists (see implications below); the limited size of the sample of depressive participants; and the fact that considering the reimbursement of a drug as an indicator of consumption has its limitations (a participant buying a drug may not consume it).

Socio-demographic determinants of depressive symptoms

Although the RECORD sample is not representative of the whole French population, our results confirm the findings of previous studies : women [31, 32], young people [33], and participants with a low socioeconomic status [2] had a higher prevalence of depressive symptoms.

Individual socio-demographic determinants of mental healthcare use

In France, individuals facing depressive symptoms can rely on various professionals: general practitioners, psychiatrists, psychologists, or other mental health professionals [11]. General practitioners are usually the first professionals that people are consulting when facing depression [8], and they are the first prescriber of antidepressants. Then, when referring their patients in

need of mental healthcare to health professionals, general practitioners primarily send them to psychiatrists [12].

The relationship documented in our study suggesting that low educated participants had higher odds to consume antidepressants was expected from previous research [34-36]. However, it is difficult to explain at this stage of the research why parental education was associated in the opposite direction with antidepressant consumption. Our finding that the educational gradient in the consumption of antidepressants disappeared among participants with depressive symptoms further supports the idea that the excess use of antidepressants by low educated people in the overall sample may be to some extent inappropriate. As regard to consultation with a psychiatrist: women, people living alone, and participants born in the country had higher odds to seek help from a psychiatrist [6, 9].

Our study also brings new information on the relationship between socioeconomic status and the consultation of psychiatrists. It suggests that individual and parental educational levels had a cumulative effect on the odds of psychiatric consultation. These results are coherent with previous studies that emphasize that socially advantaged populations more frequently rely on specialized care [9, 34, 37, 38]. Our study shows the benefits of considering both the educational and financial dimensions of socioeconomic status, which can influence healthcare use in a different or even opposite way (as found in the adjusted model for psychiatric consultations in the overall sample). A notable finding is that the socioeconomic gradient in the consultation of psychiatrists (higher status, higher use) was much stronger among participants needing care (those with depressive symptoms) than in the overall population, and that both education and income may have contributed to the gradient among depressive participants. If not attributable to the fact that public psychiatrists were not accounted for in this study, these results may be concern for equity in the access to care.

It would have been interesting to take into consideration the consultations of psychologists and the ambulatory consultations of psychiatrists made at the hospital or in public mental healthcare centers. Currently, no data are available in France in the general population on the use of psychologists as these consultations are not reimbursed by the national health insurance system. In France, private psychiatrists are to a large extent reimbursed by the healthcare system, while consultations of psychologists are out-of-pocket costs for the patients that are reimbursed only very rarely by very particular insurance schemes. Regarding public psychiatrists available in specific public centers, the service is free but long waiting delays can be expected before accessing to a physician [9]. Overall, socioeconomic inequalities in the access to healthcare may be intermediary for the service that was considered in the present study (private psychiatrists). While larger socioeconomic inequalities may be expected for the access to psychologists than for the consultations of private psychiatrists, the consultations of public psychiatrists in dedicated centers may contribute to reduce inequalities of access.

Environmental influences on depression and related healthcare use

Contrary to our expectations, we found no heterogeneity between neighborhoods regarding depressive symptoms. We only found a small inverse relationship between neighborhood median income (but not neighborhood social interactions) and depressive symptoms [39-41]. The observed relationship may be attributable, either to a causal effect of neighborhood poverty on the odds to develop depressive symptoms (accumulation of social disadvantage as a stressor) or to the fact that people with depressive symptoms may be disadvantaged on the job market and may have higher odds to move to socially deprived neighborhoods.

Regarding antidepressant consumption, we found almost no heterogeneity between neighborhoods, especially when individual socio-demographic variables were accounted for.

Few studies [14, 15] have examined the relationship between residential environments and antidepressant consumption. In a Swedish study, one of the weakest associations reported between neighborhood deprivation and psychiatric prescription was for antidepressants [15].

However, using comparable administrative healthcare reimbursement data, a study conducted in another French city found more heterogeneity between neighborhoods than we did [14]. Potential explanations of this discrepancy include the different geographic location, the much larger (administrative-based) sample of this other study, and the fact that this previous study did not adjust for the depression status or various individual socio-demographic variables.

Regarding spatial accessibility to care, after adjustment for potential individual and neighborhood confounders, a high density of psychiatrists in a 1 km radius buffer around the residence was associated with greater odds to consult a psychiatrist. This relationship may capture a genuine effect of the density of psychiatrists, as the association was unchanged when we further controlled for the overall density of services in the residential buffer. A US study [42] showed that a poor spatial accessibility to the preferred provider was associated with a greater risk of not receiving a guideline-concordant treatment for depression, also pointing to an effect of spatial access to care.

However, we could not dismiss the hypothesis that the observed relationship is attributable to a demand of services induced by the psychiatrists themselves (some scholars have argued that in areas with a high density of physicians, physicians tend to encourage their patients to consult more regularly to compensate for their lower number of patients) [43, 44]. Another possible explanation for the observed relationship may be the selective location of practitioners, who may be more likely to settle down in neighborhoods where they anticipate a high demand of services. Unfortunately, we could not disentangle these three mechanisms with our data (spatial accessibility, induced demand, selective location of services).

The relationship between neighborhood income and the consultation of psychiatrists was reduced in magnitude after adjustment for the density of psychiatrists. This finding is coherent with a study in Montreal [45] that showed a better spatial accessibility to mental health care in socially advantaged neighborhoods. The fact that the association between neighborhood income and the consultation of psychiatrists tended to persist after adjustment suggests that other aspects than the strict spatial accessibility to care may influence healthcare utilization behaviors, such as attitudes and values that may also be spatially patterned. Finally, our study could not take into account the local demand of mental health services in the area, which may affect the capacity to obtain an appointment with a physician.

Conclusion

Our study suggests that research on the relationships between the environments and depression and its treatment (i) should distinguish between the different facets of healthcare utilization (different types of providers, medications, etc.); and (ii) should consider the spatial accessibility to mental health services among the many environmental factors potentially involved in the onset and maintenance of depression.

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Table 1

Variations between residential areas in the odds of depressive symptoms and healthcare utilization, as assessed from 2-level multilevel models adjusted for age and gender (separate models with municipalities, TRIRIS neighborhoods, and IRIS neighborhoods as level-2 units)

	Municipalities (N=112)	TRIRIS neighborhoods (N=662)	IRIS neighborhoods (N=1914)
Depressive symptoms (n=7290)			
Variance (SE)	0.117 (0.058)	0.064 (0.065)	0.252 (0.128)
Median odds ratio	1.385	1.274	1.615
P value	0.004	0.146	0.014
Antidepressant consumption (n=7226)			
Variance (SE)	0.021 (0.027)	0.032 (0.053)	0.074 (0.090)
Median odds ratio	1.148	1.186	1.296
P value	0.136	0.266	0.198
Psychiatrist Consultation (n=7226)			
Variance (SE)	0.144 (0.081)	0.231 (0.114)	0.387 (0.177)
Median odds ratio	1.437	1.581	1.810
P value	<0.001	0.012	0.008

Table 2

Associations of individual sociodemographic variables and neighborhood median income with the odds of depressive symptoms. assessed from a multilevel logistic model with participants nested within IRIS neighborhoods

	Depressive Symptoms	
	<i>Individual-level model</i>	<i>Full model</i>
	Model 1 n=7213, N=1907 OR (95% CI)	Model 2 n=7213, N=1907 OR (95% CI)
Gender		
Men	1	1
Women	1.6 (1.3-1.9)	1.6 (1.3-1.9)
Age		
30-44	1	1
45-59	1.0 (0.8-1.3)	1.1 (0.9-1.3)
60-79	0.6 (0.4-1.0)	0.7 (0.4-1.0)
Marital Status		
Couple	1	1
Alone	2.0 (1.7-2.5)	2.0 (1.7-2.5)
Educational level		
Upper tertiary	1	1
Higher secondary and lower tertiary	1.4 (1.1-1.7)	1.3 (1.0-1.7)
Primary education and lower secondary	1.4 (1.1-1.8)	1.3 (1.0-1.7)
No education	1.9 (1.4-2.6)	1.7 (1.2-2.3)
Employment Status		
Employed	1	1
Unemployed	1.5 (1.2-1.9)	1.5 (1.2-1.9)
Retired	1.9 (1.4 -2.7)	1.9 (1.3-2.7)
Financial strain		
No	1	1
Yes	3.0 (2.4-3.7)	2.8 (2.3-3.5)
Median neighborhood income		
Q1		1
Q2		0.8 (0.6-1.0)
Q3		0.7 (0.5-0.9)
Q4		0.8 (0.6-1.0)
Random effect		
IRIS level variance (SE)	0.150 (0.134)	0.131(0.133)
Median odds ratio	1.44	1.41
P value for the variance	0.115	0.149

Table 3

Associations between individual sociodemographic variables and the odds of consultation of psychiatrists or the odds of antidepressant consumption, assessed from multilevel logistic models with participants nested within IRIS neighborhoods

	Consultation of psychiatrists	Antidepressant consumption
	Model 1 n=6984, N=1895 OR (95% CI)	Model 1 n=6813, N=1886 OR (95% CI)
Gender		
Men	1	1
Women	1.3 (1.0-1.6)	1.9 (1.6-2.3)
Age		
30-44	1	1
45-59	1.1 (0.8-1.4)	1.3 (1.1-1.6)
60-79	0.7 (0.5-0.9)	1.2 (0.9-1.5)
Country of Birth		
Other than France	1	1
France	2.0 (1.5-2.8)	1.4 (1.2-1.7)
Parents' educational level		
University level	1	1
Secondary level	0.7 (0.5-0.9)	0.9 (0.7-1.1)
Primary level or less	0.6 (0.5-0.9)	0.7 (0.6-0.9)
Marital status		
Couple	1	1
Alone	1.6 (1.3-2.1)	1.3 (1.1-1.6)
Educational level		
Upper tertiary	1	1
Higher secondary and lower tertiary	0.7 (0.5-0.9)	1.5 (1.2-1.8)
Primary education and lower secondary	0.6 (0.4-0.9)	1.4 (1.1-1.8)
No education	0.4 (0.2-0.8)	1.4 (1.0-2.0)
Household income per consumption unit		
>2201€	1	
<2201€	1.2 (0.9-1.7)	
<1376€	0.9 (0.6-1.3)	
<833€	1.5 (1.0-2.1)	
Health Insurance		
Private complementary insurance		1
Public complementary insurance		1.3 (1.0-1.8)
No complementary insurance		0.8 (0.6-1.1)
Depressive status		
No	1	1
Yes	3.5 (2.6-4.9)	6.0 (4.8-7.4)
Random effect		
IRIS level variance (SE)	0.346 (0.180)	0.022 (0.100)
Median odds ratio	1.753	1.150
P value for the variance	0.017	0.4138

Table 4

Associations between neighborhood variables and the odds of consultation of psychiatrists, assessed from multilevel logistic models adjusted for individual sociodemographic characteristics with participants nested within IRIS neighborhoods

	Consultation of psychiatrists					
	Model 2 n=6984, N=1895		Model 3 n=6984, N=1895		Model 4 n=6984, N=1895	
	OR (95% CI)	p	OR (95% CI)	p	OR (95% CI)	p
Median neighborhood income		0.028				0.423
Q1	1				1	
Q2	1.4 (1.0-2.1)				1.2 (0.8-1.7)	
Q3	1.6 (1.1-2.4)				1.3 (0.8-1.9)	
Q4	1.8 (1.2-2.7)				1.4 (0.9-2.1)	
Density of psychiatrists per km ²				0.004		0.008
0			1		1	
0-1.4			1.4 (0.9-2.0)		1.3 (0.9-1.9)	
1.5-5.4			1.6 (1.1-2.3)		1.5 (1.0-2.1)	
≥5.5			2.1 (1.5-3.1)		1.9 (1.3-2.9)	
Random effect						
IRIS level variance (SE)	0.339 (0.182)		0.282 (0.176)		0.285 (0.177)	
Median odds ratio	1.742		1.660		1.664	
P value for the variance	0.019		0.040		0.039	

Table 5: Rate of use of antidepressants and consultation of psychiatrists in the whole RECORD population and among participants with depressive symptoms

	Total Record sample (n=7226)				Depressive population (n=566)			
	Consumption of antidepressants		Psychiatric consultation		Consumption of antidepressants		Psychiatric consultation	
	% (n)	P	% (n)	p	% (n)	P	% (n)	P
Total	10.0% (719)		4.7% (339)		36.0% (202)		12.1% (68)	
Gender		<0.001		0.019		0.084		0.037
Men	7.2% (341)		4.3% (202)		32.5% (91)		15.0% (42)	
Women	15.2% (378)		5.5% (137)		39.5% (111)		9.3% (26)	
Age (years)*		0.088		0.004		0.268		0.299
30-44	8.9% (229)		5.2% (134)		34.4% (75)		13.3% (29)	
45-59	10.7% (321)		5.1% (154)		35.1% (85)		12.4% (30)	
60-79	10.3% (169)		3.1% (51)		41.6% (42)		8.9% (9)	
Educational level*		<0.001		<0.001		0.284		0.004
No education	11.5% (65)		2.3% (13)		29.9% (23)		3.9% (3)	
Primary education and lower secondary	11.5% (203)		3.9% (68)		34.3% (59)		10.5% (18)	
Higher secondary and lower tertiary	11.6% (245)		4.3% (92)		39.8% (70)		10.8% (19)	
Upper tertiary	7.2% (197)		6.0% (163)		35.9% (46)		21.1% (27)	
Income level		<0.001		0.437		0.888		0.008
<833€	13.1% (247)		4.9% (93)		35.5% (89)		9.2% (23)	
<1376€	9.5% (165)		3.6% (63)		36.0% (45)		9.6% (12)	
<2201€	8.6% (139)		5.4% (87)		39.5% (34)		18.6% (16)	
>2201€	8.6% (166)		5.0% (96)		34.7% (34)		17.4% (17)	

*P value from a Chi2 trend test