

Table 1. Types of services or help for emotional or behavioral difficulties received in the past 12 months for children 4-17 years of age, by sex and age: United States, January–June 2005

Sex and age	Parent talked to health care provider or school staff <sup>1</sup>	Prescribed medication <sup>2</sup>	Medication for difficulties with concentration, hyperactivity, or impulsivity <sup>3</sup>	Received treatment other than medication <sup>4</sup>
Percent (standard error) <sup>5</sup>				
Total	15.7 (0.66)	4.9 (0.37)	4.3 (0.35)	5.5 (0.38)
Sex				
Male	19.5 (1.02)	6.5 (0.58)	5.7 (0.56)	6.7 (0.59)
Female	11.7 (0.81)	3.4 (0.40)	2.7 (0.38)	4.3 (0.48)
Age				
4-11 years	15.3 (0.83)	3.7 (0.43)	3.4 (0.42)	4.4 (0.46)
12–17 years	16.2 (1.09)	6.4 (0.66)	5.3 (0.62)	6.9 (0.66)

<sup>1</sup>The category "Parent talked to health care provider or school staff" is based on a "yes" response to the question "Did you ever see or talk to any health care provider or school staff/personnel about difficulties {sample child's name} has with emotions, concentration, behavior or being able to get along with others?" and a response of "within the past 6 months" or "7 to 12 months ago" to the question "When was the MOST RECENT conversation or visit?" Responses to these questions do not indicate whether or not the child actually received treatment.

<sup>2</sup>The category "Prescribed medication" is based on a "yes" response to the question "Was {sample child's name} ever prescribed medication for difficulties with {his/her} emotions, concentration, behavior or being able to get along with others?" and a response of "within the past 6 months" or "7 to 12 months ago" to the question "When was the MOST RECENT medication prescribed for these difficulties?"

<sup>3</sup>The category "Medication for difficulties with concentration, hyperactivity, or impulsivity" is based on meeting the criteria for the category "Used prescribed medication" and a "yes" response to the question "Was this medication prescribed for difficulties with concentration, hyperactivity, or impulsivity?"

<sup>4</sup>The category "Received treatment other than medication" is based on a "yes" response to the question "Has {sample child's name} EVER received ANY treatment or help, other than medication, for difficulties with emotions, concentration, behavior, or being able to get along with others?" and a response of "within the past 6 months" or "7 to 12 months ago" to the question "When was the MOST RECENT help or treatment received?"

<sup>5</sup>Unknowns for the column variables are not included in the denominators when calculating percentages.

DATA SOURCE: Sample child component of the 2005 National Health Interview Survey. The estimates for 2005 were based on data collected from January through June 2005. Data are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population.