# COVID-19 Health and Adherence Research In Scotland (CHARIS)



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What is CHARIS? CHARIS is a research study, that is using behavioural science to understand how people in Scotland respond to the Coronavirus pandemic. CHARIS started in June and will conduct telephone interviews with a nationally representative sample of 500 adults each week for 6 weeks and then fortnightly until the end of October.

# **Health Outcomes Highlights**

- 75 out of 100 people report their general health as being good or very good
- 77 out of 100 people report no signs of anxiety or depression
- Renting your home is associated with worse general and mental health
- People shielded by the Government have poorer mental as well as general health

# **Mental Health**



# No anxiety or depression Both anxiety & depression Anxiety only Depression only

## Who is anxious or depressed?

Women
Those shielded by Government
Those who rent their home
Those living in south and central Scotland

# People who ARE anxious and depressed:

**Believe** their **risk of getting COVID** is **higher** than other people

**Intend** to wash their hands thoroughly and frequently

Are worried about getting COVID

# Who is NOT anxious or depressed?

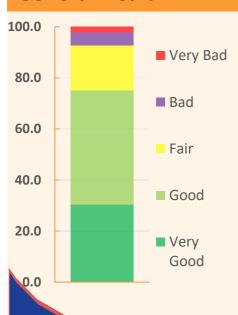
Those working full time
Those living with 1 or 2 other adults

# People who are NOT anxious and depressed:

There were no associations between being less anxious and depressed and beliefs about COVID

# **General Health**





## Who reports better general health?

People aged under 34yrs Those working fulltime Those living with children Those living with others

## People who report better general health:

**Believe** COVID is caused by one of their family bringing it into the home

**Believe other people** in their area are following Government recommendations about keeping 2m distant, wearing a face covering and hand washing.

### Who reports worse general health?

Those who rent their home Those shielding

# People who report worse general health:

Are worried about getting COVID

**Believe** their **risk of getting COVID** is **higher** than other people, that it would be **serious** for them.

Believe having COVID would have serious **consequences** for them

Are **confident** that they can keep 2m distance from other people

**Intend** to keep 2m distance from other people