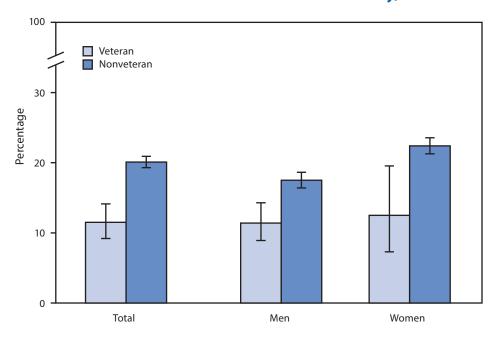
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Age-Adjusted Percentage* of Adults Aged 25–64 Years Who Are Very Worried About Their Ability to Pay Medical Bills if They Get Sick or Have an Accident, by Sex and Veteran Status — National Health Interview Survey, United States, 2019§



^{*} Percentages are age-adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population using age groups 25–34, 35–49, and 50–64 years; 95% confidence intervals indicated by error bars.

In 2019, among adults aged 25–64 years, veterans (11.5%) were less likely than nonveterans (20.1%) to be very worried about their ability to pay their medical bills if they get sick or have an accident. This pattern was found for both men and women, with veterans less likely than nonveterans to be very worried about medical bills: 11.4% versus 17.5% for men and 12.5% versus 22.4% for women, respectively.

Source: National Center for Health Statistics, National Health Interview Survey, 2019 data. https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.htm **Reported by:** Robin A. Cohen, PhD, rzc6@cdc.gov, 301-458-4152; Peter Boersma, MPH.

[†] Based on a response of "very worried" to a question asking, "If you get sick or have an accident, how worried are you that you will be able to pay your medical bills? Are you very worried, somewhat worried, or not at all worried?"

 $[\]S$ Estimates are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian, noninstitutionalized U.S. population.