

Table DSI Mean percentages of months spent at LIFE symptom levels over 18 months; reported sample ($n=204$) compared with full initial study sample ($n=253$)

Percentage of months at level	Depression		Mania		Overall severity	
	Full sample ($n=253$)	Reported sample ($n=204$)	Full sample ($n=253$)	Reported sample ($n=204$)	Full sample ($n=253$)	Reported sample ($n=204$)
No symptoms (1)						
Mean (s.d.)	47.9 (35.5)	52.8 (33.4)	82.4 (22.5)	75.7 (24.9)	42.5 (35.1)	47.2 (33.6)
Minor symptoms						
Mean (s.d.)	20.7 (20.2)	19.7 (15.6)	10.3 (15.0)	13.4 (14.8)	20.6 (20.2)	20.1 (16.2)
Sub-syndromal symptoms (3/4)						
Mean (s.d.)	21.5 (23.4)	20.5 (20.1)	5.2 (8.9)	7.6 (10.2)	24.6 (23.4)	23.3 (20.3)
Major disorder (5/6)						
Mean (s.d.)	10.1 (19.6)	7.9 (12.1)	2.1 (7.0)	2.5 (8.8)	12.4 (21.0)	9.5 (14.7)

LIFE, Longitudinal Interval Follow-up Evaluation-II.

In full initial study sample ($n=253$), 49 people excluded from longitudinal sample ($n=204$) were analysed only for months with scores available, resulting in some bias. These people were excluded from the main reported analyses because they had less than 10 months of data available.