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|  |  | Main reason for absence |  |  |  |  | Stress (Weighted standardized combination) |  |  |  |  | T2. Resumed? |  |  | Total |  |  |  |
|  |  | Mental | Physical | Comorbid | Total | N | Low | Medium | High | Total | N | No | Partial | Full |  |  |  |  |
| N | 1 High (1,2,3 at the original scale) | $29 \%$ - | $62 \%$ - | $31 \%$ - | 50\% | 360 | $82 \%$ - | $63 \%$ - | $26 \%$ - | 49\% | 351 | $47 \%$ - | $73 \%$ - | $77 \%$ - | 52\% | 260 | 58\% | 1.923 |
| Absence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of previous absences (previous year) | 0 Never-two times | 62\% V | 76\% | 70\% | 72\% |  | 81\% | 77\% | 65\% V | 72\% |  | 71\% V | 95\% | 78\% | 74\% |  | 71\% |  |
|  | 1 Three times and more | $38 \%$ - | 24\% ${ }^{\text {- }}$ | 30\% | 28\% | 358 | 19\% | 23\% | 35\% | 28\% | 344 | 29\% | $5 \%$ - | 22\% | 26\% | 256 | 29\% | 1.939 |
| N <br> Time of previous absences (weeks) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{array}{ll}1 & \text { Less than } 2 \text { weeks } \\ 2 & 2-4 \text { weeks }\end{array}$ | 70\% | $62 \%$ $13 \%$ | 54\% | $63 \%$ $13 \%$ |  | 61\% 10\% | $66 \%$ $8 \%$ | 63\% | 64\% |  | 57\% | 58\% | $\begin{aligned} & 53 \% \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | 57\% |  | 50\% |  |
|  | 3 Over 4 weeks | 18\% | 25\% | 32\% | 25\% |  | 29\% | 26\% | 21\% | 24\% |  | 28\% | 25\% | 27\% | 28\% |  | 33\% |  |
| NLength of currentabsence |  | - | - | - |  | 224 | - | - | - |  | 217 | - | - | - |  | 164 |  | 1.503 |
|  | 10 to 24 weeks | 4\% | 5\% | 10\% | 6\% |  | 8\% | 6\% | 4\% | 5\% |  | 3\% | 9\% | 9\% | 4\% |  | 33\% |  |
|  | 2 25-34 weeks | 11\% | 9\% | 3\% | 8\% |  | 10\% | 5\% | 10\% | 8\% |  | 8\% | 0\% | 30\% | 10\% |  | 37\% |  |
|  | 335 weeks or more | 85\% | 86\% | 87\% | 86\% |  | 82\% | 90\% | 86\% | 86\% |  | 88\% | 91\% | 61\% V | 86\% |  | 31\% |  |
| N |  | - | - | - |  | 360 | - | - | - |  | 346 | - | - | - | - | 258 |  | 1.918 |
| Main reason for absence | 1 Mental | 100\% | 0\% | 0\% V | 20\% |  | 3\% V | 9\% V | 38\% | 21\% |  | 20\% | 18\% | 30\% | 21\% |  | 16\% |  |
|  | 2 Physical | 0\% V | 100\% | 0\% V | 63\% |  | 95\% | 75\% | 39\% V | 62\% |  | 65\% | 64\% | 65\% | 65\% |  | 63\% |  |
|  | 3 Comorbid | 0\% | 0\% V | 100\% | 17\% |  | 2\% V | 16\% | 24\% | 17\% |  | 16\% | 18\% | 4\% | 15\% |  | 20\% |  |
| N <br> Particular event or gradual process? |  | - | - | - |  | 367 | - | - | - |  | 352 | - | - | - | - | 263 |  | 1.986 |
|  | 1 Particular event | 34\% | 34\% | 35\% | 34\% |  | 43\% | 36\% | 31\% | 35\% |  | 35\% | 40\% | 41\% | 36\% |  | 29\% |  |
|  | 2 Gradual process | 66\% | 66\% | 65\% | 66\% |  | 57\% | 64\% | 69\% | 65\% |  | 65\% | 60\% | 59\% | 64\% |  | 71\% |  |
| N Unexpected event? |  | - | - | - |  | 355 | - | - | - |  | 340 | - | - | - | - | 254 |  | 1.898 |
|  | 1 Unexpected event | 35\% | 56\% | 56\% | 52\% |  | 61\% | 57\% | 45\% V | 52\% |  | 52\% | 52\% | 52\% | 52\% |  | 50\% |  |
|  | 2 Something you could see coming | 65\% | 44\% V | 44\% | 48\% |  | 39\% | 43\% | $55 \%$ - | 48\% |  | 48\% | 48\% | 48\% | 48\% |  | 50\% |  |
| N <br> Source of income: salary/wage |  | - | - | - | - | 363 | - | - | - |  | 348 | - | - | - | - | 260 |  | 1.947 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 0 No | 91\% | 93\% | 98\% | 94\% |  | 94\% | 93\% | 95\% | 94\% |  | 98\% | 91\% | 74\% V | 95\% |  | 58\% |  |
|  | 1 Yes | 9\% | 7\% | 2\% | 6\% |  | 6\% | 7\% | 5\% | 6\% |  | 2\% | 9\% | 26\% | 5\% |  | 42\% |  |
| N <br> ..social security benefit |  | - | - | - |  | 365 | - | - | - | - | 350 | - | - | - | - | 262 |  | 1.975 |
|  | 0 No | 16\% | 20\% | 16\% | 19\% |  | 27\% | 23\% | 13\% V | 19\% |  | 16\% | 32\% | 22\% | 18\% |  | 46\% |  |
|  | 1 Yes | 84\% | 80\% | 84\% | 81\% |  | 73\% | 77\% | 88\% | 81\% |  | 84\% | 68\% | 78\% | 82\% |  | 54\% |  |
| N ..tax credits |  | - | - | - |  | 365 | - | - | - |  | 350 | - | - | - |  | 262 |  | 1.975 |
|  | 0 No | 91\% | 84\% | 81\% | 85\% |  | 84\% | 85\% | 85\% | 85\% |  | 86\% | 82\% | 87\% | 85\% |  | 97\% |  |
|  | 1 Yes | 9\% | 16\% | 19\% | 15\% |  | 16\% | 15\% | 15\% | 15\% |  | 14\% | 18\% | 13\% | 15\% |  | 3\% |  |


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|  |  | Main reason for absence |  |  |  |  | Stress (Weighted standardized combination) |  |  |  |  | T2. Resumed? |  |  | Total | N |  |  |
|  |  | Mental | Physical | Comorbid | Total | N | Low | Medium | High | Total | N | No | Partial | Full |  |  |  |  |
| N insurance |  | - | - | - |  | 365 | - | - | - | - | 350 | - | - | - |  | 262 |  | 1.975 |
|  | 0 No | 99\% | 93\% | 95\% | 94\% |  | 94\% | 91\% | 98\% | 95\% |  | 94\% | 86\% | 100\% | 94\% |  | 96\% |  |
|  | 1 Yes | 1\% | 7\% | 5\% | 6\% |  | 6\% | 9\% | 3\% | 5\% |  | 6\% | 14\% | 0\% | 6\% |  | 4\% |  |
| N ..loans (financial institution/ friends) |  | - | - | - |  | 365 | - | - | - |  | 350 | - | - | - |  | 262 |  | 1.975 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 0 No | 93\% | 96\% | 90\% | 95\% |  | 95\% | 95\% | 94\% | 95\% |  | 93\% | 100\% | 100\% | 94\% |  | 95\% |  |
|  | 1 Yes | 7\% | 4\% | 10\% | 5\% |  | 5\% | 5\% | 6\% | 5\% |  | 7\% | 0\% | 0\% | 6\% |  | 5\% |  |
| N .benefits |  | - | - | - | - | 365 | - | - | - | - | 350 | - | - | - |  | 262 |  | 1.975 |
|  | 0 No | 91\% | 82\% | 82\% | 84\% |  | 81\% | 83\% | 86\% | 84\% |  | 80\% | 95\% | 96\% | 82\% |  | 81\% |  |
| N ..savings | 1 Yes | 9\% | 18\% | 18\% | 16\% |  | 19\% | 17\% | 14\% | 16\% |  | 20\% | 5\% | 4\% | 18\% |  | 19\% |  |
|  |  | - | - | - | - | 365 | - | - | - | - | 350 | - | - | - |  | 262 | - | 1.975 |
|  | 0 No | 83\% | 68\% V | 73\% | 72\% |  | 56\% | 69\% | 81\% | 72\% |  | 71\% | 55\% | 61\% | 69\% |  | 82\% |  |
|  | 1 Yes | 17\% V | $32 \%$ - | 27\% | 28\% |  | 44\% | 31\% | 19\% V | 28\% |  | 29\% | 45\% | 39\% | 31\% |  | 18\% |  |
| N ...spouse/partners income |  | - | - | - |  | 365 | - | - | - |  | 350 | - | - | - |  | 262 |  | 1.975 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 0 No | 75\% | 60\% | 66\% | 64\% |  | 60\% | 59\% | 70\% | 64\% |  | 66\% | 50\% | 65\% | 65\% |  | 63\% |  |
|  | 1 Yes | 25\% V | 40\% $\boldsymbol{\triangle}$ | 34\% | 36\% |  | 40\% | 41\% | 30\% V | 36\% |  | 34\% | 50\% | 35\% | 35\% |  | 37\% |  |
| N .children's income |  | - | - | - | - | 365 | - | - | - |  | 350 | - | - | - |  | 262 |  | 1.975 |
|  | 0 No | 96\% | 95\% | 97\% | 95\% |  | 98\% | 91\% | 97\% | 95\% |  | 95\% | 91\% | 100\% | 95\% |  | 96\% |  |
|  | 1 Yes | 4\% | 5\% | 3\% | 5\% |  | 2\% | 9\% | 3\% | 5\% |  | 5\% | 9\% | 0\% | 5\% |  | 4\% |  |
| N |  | - | - | - | - | 365 | - | - | - | - | 350 | - | - | - |  | 262 |  | 1.975 |
| ...other source of income | 0 No | 89\% | 80\% V | 89\% | 84\% |  | 74\% | 84\% | 86\% | 83\% |  | 80\% | 91\% | 87\% | 81\% |  | 92\% |  |
|  | 1 Yes | 11\% | 20\% $\boldsymbol{\triangle}$ | 11\% | 16\% |  | 26\% | 16\% | 14\% | 17\% |  | 20\% | 9\% | 13\% | 19\% |  | 8\% |  |
| Job position held open? |  | - | - | - | - | 365 | - | - | - | - | 350 | - | - | - |  | 262 | - | 1.975 |
|  | 1 No | 82\% | 69\% V | 77\% | 73\% |  | 64\% | 76\% | 77\% | 74\% |  | 71\% | 71\% | 65\% | 71\% |  | 36\% |  |
|  | 2 Yes, less than 6 months | 4\% | 2\% | 5\% | 3\% |  | 0\% | 4\% | 2\% | 2\% |  | 3\% | 0\% | 0\% | 3\% |  | 5\% |  |
|  | 3 Yes, more than 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | months | 8\% | 20\% | 11\% | 16\% |  | 25\% | 14\% | 13\% | 15\% |  | 17\% | 18\% | 30\% | 18\% |  | 41\% |  |
|  | 4 Don't know | 6\% | 10\% | 7\% | 8\% |  | 11\% | 7\% | 8\% | 8\% |  | 8\% | 12\% | 5\% | 8\% |  | 18\% |  |
| N <br> During absence period had contact with... general practitioner |  | - | - | - |  | 316 | - | - | - |  | 306 | - | - | - |  | 222 |  | 1.397 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | 0 No | 5\% | 4\% | 5\% | 4\% |  | 5\% | 4\% | 5\% | 5\% |  | 3\% | 9\% | 9\% | 4\% |  | 13\% |  |
|  | 1 Yes | 95\% | 96\% | 95\% | 96\% |  | 95\% | 96\% | 95\% | 95\% |  | 97\% | 91\% | 91\% | 96\% |  | 87\% |  |
| N ..occupational health physician and/or nurse |  | - | - | - | - | 367 | - | - | - | - | 352 | - | - | - |  | 263 |  | 1.986 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 0 No | 80\% | 78\% | 85\% | 80\% |  | 77\% | 82\% | 78\% | 80\% |  | 81\% | 82\% | 65\% | 79\% |  | 57\% |  |
|  | 1 Yes | 20\% | 22\% | 15\% | 20\% |  | 23\% | 18\% | 22\% | 20\% |  | 19\% | 18\% | 35\% | 21\% |  | 43\% |  |
| N |  | - | - | - |  | 367 | - | - | - |  | 352 | - | - | - |  | 263 |  | 1.986 |

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Note. Every marked group is significantly different from the other and/or the comparison group(s). All comparisons are made 'horizontally', i.e., per row.
$\boldsymbol{\Delta}$ : $p<0,05$ for significantly high 'scoring' groups; ' $\boldsymbol{\nabla}$ ' for significantly low 'scoring' groups.
Take care: Differences are only marked as being 'significant', when the effect size, recalculated as the corresponding Pearson product-moment correlation coefficient, is AT LEAST 0,10. In effect, ' $\mathbf{A}$ ' implies: $p<0,05$ AND $r>=0,10$. Correlation coefficients of at least 0,10 are considered to be at least 'small' (but larger than no correlation at al, Cohen, 1977). $P$-values are highly dependent on sample size; effect sizes like $r$ are not dependent on sample size.
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