Gave questionnaires to inpts in 3 hospitals about the nature and frequency of their sexual activity.

60% response rate, (100 pts) Median length of stay of 31 days, mean age 39, mostly male, with a diagnosis split between schizophrenia, depression and bipolar disorders.

30 of the 100 responding pts claimed that they had engaged in some form of sexual activity in the hospital, 10 of whom claimed to have had intercourse, and only 2 of whom said they had used condoms. The split was equal between males and females.

Locations included their bedrooms, day rooms, toilets and outside the ward (stairwell, garden).

There was no association found between ward type, length of stay, diagnosis or gender, with sexual activity.