Appendix 1. Summary of epidemiological parameters required for the burden estimation of MDD.

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| **Parameter** | **Definition** |
| Prevalence | The proportion of the population with MDD\* at a specific point in time (point prevalence) or during a specified time period (6-, 12-month prevalence)  |
| Incidence | The number of new cases of MDD in the population in one year (rate)  |
| Duration | The average length of a MDE\*  |
| Excess mortality rate | The rate of dying in people with MDD compared to the general population. This can be presented as a relative risk (ratio of observed death in the sample to expected death in the population) or a standard mortality ratio (ratio of observed deaths in the sample to expected death in a population of standard composition in terms of age, sex, etc)  |

\*MDD: Major depressive disorder; MDE: Major depressive episode