

Beveridge's Sixth Giant

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What do you think of when you consider the "Giant" issues of SUSTAINABILITY, EQUITY, LONELINESS/ISOLATION, SECURITY or EXTREMISM? (Max 3 words)

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SUSTAINABILITY



Planetary boundaries in the Anthropocene

		Indicator	boundary	Current	Orig.
Boundary crossed	Climate change	Atmospheric CO2 concentration (ppm)	350	>400	280
	Biodiversity loss	Annual extinction rate (species per million)	10	>100	<1
	Nitrogen cycle	N2 removed from the atmosphere (mt pa)	35	>120	0
Boundary approaching	Phosphorus cycle	P flowing into oceans (mt pa)	11	8.5-9.5	-1
	Ocean acidification	Global mean saturation state of aragonite in sea water	2.75	2.90	3.44
	Freshwater use	Human consumption (km3 pa)	4,000	2,600	415
	Land use change	Landcover converted to cropland (%)	15	12	low

Source: Adapted from Rockström et al. A safe operating space for humanity, *Nature*, 2009.





EQUITY

The sixth giant evil: inequity

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What do we mean by inequity?

Noun: Lack of fairness or justice

Synonyms: unfairness, injustice, bias, prejudice, discrimination

The Five Giant Evils today: clustered at the intersection of race, class and gender

WANT: White British households are least at risk from poverty followed by Indian households. Risk and persistence of poverty is highest among Bangladeshi and Pakistani households.

IGNORANCE: Chinese & Indian students show highest progress throughout educational career. Progress of White students strongly differentiated by class. Pakistani and Bangladeshi students progressing better than White but lower progress among Black Caribbean pupils.

IDLENESS: White and Indian workers most likely to be found in professional occupations and report highest earnings. Pakistani/Bangladeshi/Black workers in least skilled jobs with lowest hourly wages. Unemployment highest among Black, Pakistani and Bangladeshi workers (10%) and lowest among White workers (4%).

DISEASE: Risk of common mental disorders (anxiety and depression) highest among Black women, psychotic disorders highest among Black men. White British patients more likely to receive treatment for mental/emotional problems & report better outcomes. Black adults most likely to be sectioned. Highest levels of satisfaction with NHS reported by White British patients, lowest levels by patients of Asian background.

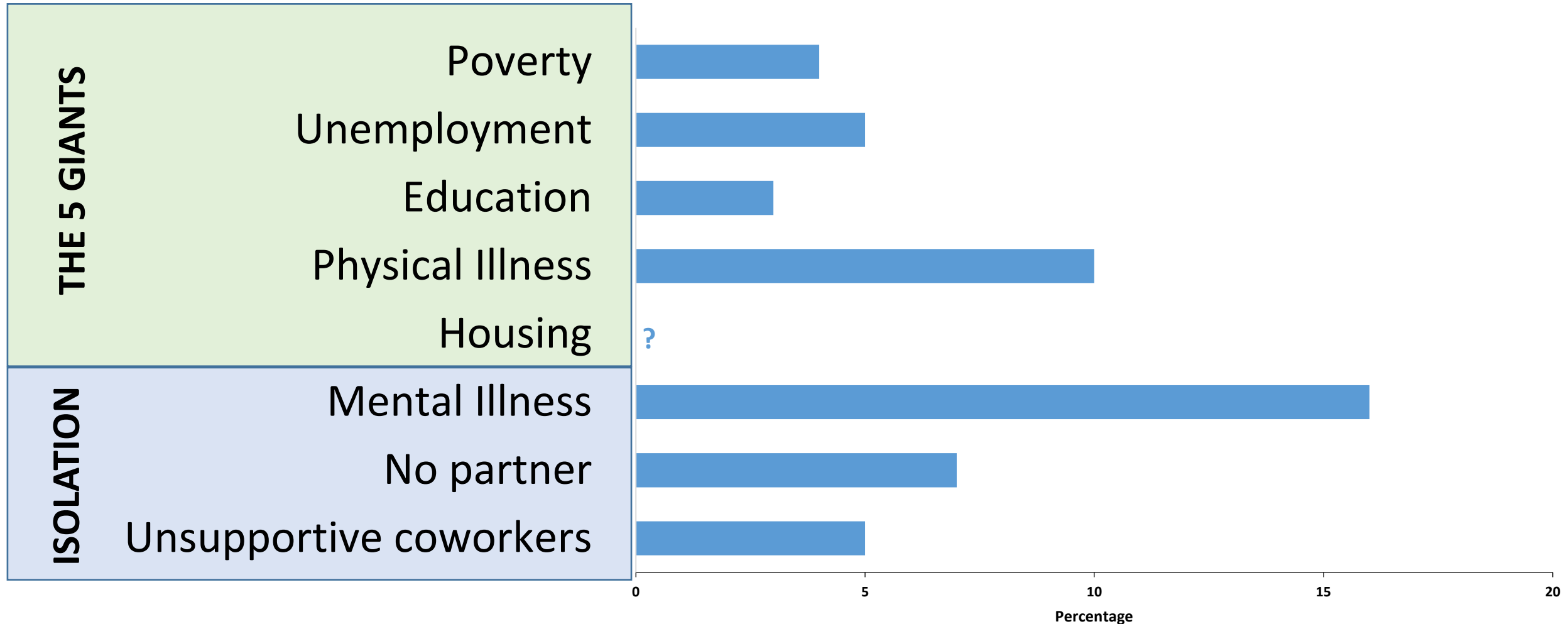
SQUALOR: Pakistani, Bangladeshi and Black people over-represented in most deprived neighbourhoods in England (index of multiple deprivation). 30% of Bangladeshis and Pakistanis live in the most income-deprived 10% of neighbourhoods.

LONELINESS



Factors explaining the numbers in misery in Britain

(Partial correlation coefficients)



Source: BHPS/BCS/ESS Misery is the 10% least satisfied



SECURITY



EXTREMISM

Top questions

If we were replacing one of the existing giants, rather than adding a sixth, which would the panel remove?

Are not sustainability, isolation, equality and security linked to increased population?

Are these giants inherent to capitalism?

How do we address these global giants through our primarily national political systems?

To what extent is a sixth giant the state's responsibility?



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